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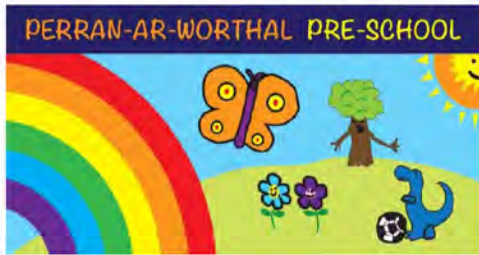
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The front cover photo was sent by Jean King taken in her garden after the snow, when the sun came out. An excellent cheering picture after the many grey days before it was taken. This was sent in good time for the last issue, but I overlooked it, sorry. I think it looks well now, to remind us of a month ago, as spring seems to be trying hard to get started with some very warm days around the 19th April. Thanks, Jean.

I was also very cheered to have reported by one of our post ladies the notice on a reader's letter box, also pictured on the front cover. I will not name names, or locations, but thank you for your kind words. Much appreciated.

Another post person who deserves a mention: Valerie Ford is retiring from her round which has been taken up by a volunteer from the village in response to a Facebook post. Thanks to our new volunteer for stepping up so quickly. Thank you, Valerie. I believe you have been delivering **Perran News** since it was first published, or if not for a very long time. Great stuff. May you enjoy reading it for many years to come in your retirement.

The **Perran News Facebook** page has a large number of followers now, and is working well as a community noticeboard as well as providing an alternative access to **Perran News**. Many readers are now using it in all sorts of interesting ways. Sarah Smith is doing a superb job with Facebook and the website which has added enormously to the reach and use of **Perran News**.

Although a thinner issue this month I am pleased to see some correspondence following some of last month's content. Thank you, contributors.

It is the advertisers that pay for your free copy of the magazine every month so please support them. It is very gratifying that **Perran News** is perceived as such an effective local directory for the village. Readers if you use an advertiser in **Perran News** please could you mention you saw the advert in our pages to give them encouragement to continue supporting your free village newspaper.

Beverlie Horton is advertising coordinator, as well as treasurer. Please direct advertising stuff to her. Bev has recently moved house, but will continue her role in **Perran News** and a number of other village organisations in which she is also a key member. Her email is perrannewsads@gmail.com and her new phone number is **01872 275874**

Perran News is provided free to readers thanks to the generous support of our advertisers and involves a large number of willing unpaid volunteers to distribute it. As mentioned last month if you would like to be part of **Perran News** new help is always welcome.

If you have an event you want to advertise which is scheduled for the first ten days of the month can I suggest you plan ahead and publicise it in the preceding month's issue so people will have reasonable notice and there is no likelihood of the event taking place before some readers receive their magazine. **THE COPY DATE FOR MATERIAL INCLUDING ADVERTS IS 12TH OF THE MONTH PRECEDING PUBLICATION PLEASE.**

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Mark Gripper

PARISH COUNCIL

The Parish Council met on March 28th. It was also attended by Councillor Peter Williams (Cornwall Council) and 9 members of the public



It now turns out that the leak is coming from an old village well and it remains to be seen whether it is now the responsibility of Cornwall Council or South West Water.

The Playing Field gates have been removed for refurbishment. There is now almost enough funding in place to proceed with stage 2 of the play equipment replacement which is an area for teenagers. Volunteers are sought to help keep the playing field clear of rubbish. If you are able to offer a couple of hours occasionally, please let the Clerk know, it would be most appreciated. Still with the playing field, there has been an increase of people exercising their dogs on the field, despite signs at all entrances saying that there are no dogs allowed. Dog waste is not only very unpleasant to step in, but presents a real health risk especially to children using the field. Please help by spreading the word that there should be no dogs on the field, either on or off the lead.

A complaint had been made that people were illegally parking and blocking pavements within the parish. However the PCSO has advised that as long as there is still room for people to pass, then there is nothing to stop those cars being there.

The leak down by the bus shelter continues, despite Councillor Williams best efforts to get repairs made.

The Neighbourhood Development Plan is progressing well with regular meetings of the steering and focus groups being held.

This year marks the centenary of the ending of the Great War in 1918. The Parish Council is considering how best to mark this anniversary, in conjunction with the Parish Church. Please contact the Clerk or Councillor Annie Hewitt if you have any ideas on a suitable event.

If there are any issues within the Parish that you would like the Parish Council to look at, please contact the Parish Clerk or any Councillors. You are very welcome to attend meetings, whether it is the main Council meeting or a planning meeting.

The next parish council meeting is on Wednesday May 30th at 7.30pm, with public participation between 7.15 and 7.30pm. This is earlier than usual due to it being an election year

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**The AGM of the Perranwell Centre will take place in the
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It is hoped that many of our user groups will send a representative. It is the intention of the trustees to invite some user groups to nominate one of their members to become a trustee and to become involved in the further development of our Village Hall.

ROYAL BRITISH LEGION 100 YEAR'S

An opportunity has arisen for a person in the community in Perranwell to go to France and the Menin Gate on August 5 to 9 to lay a wreath.

If you would like to represent the community or if you know of anybody please contact:
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Jon Myers completed the London Marathon in 4 hours 44 minutes 19 seconds.
Congratulations Jon, great stuff.

NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN (NP) UPDATE

Our engagement strategy continues with members of the Steering Committee attending the Pre School Fair on 23 March to continue the process of providing information about the Neighbourhood Plan (NP). Look out for us at the Plant Sale on 12 May. We will link into the various activities held at the Village Hall to continue to promote the NP and inform parishioners of what is happening within the project.

A post box system has now been set up and post cards left in the shop, Royal Oak and village hall for parishioners to say what they like about the area they live in and what they would wish to see change. This provides a snap shot view of how the Parish is viewed in the community and very much part of the information gathering task we have. As part of this process, post cards have also been sent out in the April edition of Perran News and we would appreciate their return via the post box system.

A business survey has now been piloted and the working group involved have started to organise meetings with business owners over the next couple of months. The survey results will enable us to put together a set of recommendations about what is important to business owners in our community within the context of planning and beyond. So far, 50 businesses have been identified.

The next major public event is to be held on the 23rd June and is primarily aimed at young people and families-more details to follow after the next Steering Committee meeting. We have organised two drop in sessions for young people in May as we are very keen to include younger members of our community. If you would like any further information, please do get in touch.

There continues to be considerable amount of activity within the various working groups with data gathering and fact finding. The wildlife and environment group are arranging a talk by Cornwall Wildlife Trust which all are welcome to attend. A general survey is to be compiled, hopefully by the end of April and ultimately will be issued to all households. As a major source of information from Parishioners, this is an essential piece of work within the NP process. Without your views we cannot successfully complete this project.

We have over 100 followers on our Facebook page and hope to increase this number as we progress.

If you would like to know more please visit our Facebook page www.facebook.com/perranarworthalplan or visit our website - perranarworthalplan.org

Members of the Steering Group are:

Helen Pettett-Chair
Chris Ryall-Vice Chair
Sarah Smith
Dave Ward
Steve Hartgroves
Annie Hewitt
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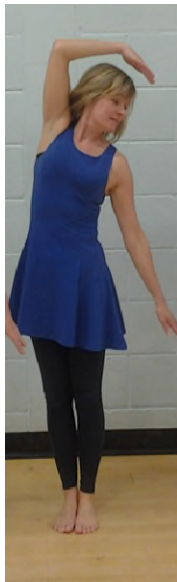
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THE BIG VILLAGE – WHERE DO WE GO FROM HERE?

Readers of Perran News will recall an article published in the February edition, in which I gave a report of the review held into the 2017 Big Village programme.

The steering committee was pleased that the programme had been well received and well supported. At the same time, there was slight disappointment that the support for many events had come from residents with the same age profile.



An appeal was made for additional people to join the steering committee to bring new ideas, particularly for family events, that we realise have not featured very often in the past.

I gave my telephone number, in the hope that I would be contacted, but sadly, I have to report that I have not received a single phone call, either with suggestions for events or from people offering to join the committee.

So, where do we go from here?

I have asked the members of our current steering group for their ideas about the future. They strongly feel that the whole idea of Big Village has real value for the community and that it should not be allowed to wither away.

It is proposed that stand alone events, such as the Cricket 6-a-side competition, first played last summer, community drama, events at the Royal Oak or organised by the WI, the Christmas Concert or even a Village Fete could be publicised under the BV umbrella, using the now well recognised logo. Organisers of other events might also see this as a valuable way to increase interest and participation. Please contact me, if you think that your event might have a wide appeal to residents in the village and if you would like to use the logo to publicise it, either in Perran News or on notices around the village. An exciting list of possible community events is included with this article. Perhaps you may feel that you would be prepared to co-ordinate one of them. If so, please let me know.

As you can see, what we now need is for additional people to step forward and volunteer their involvement. The current steering committee has organised the past three programmes. New faces and representation on the committee by younger members of our community will develop the Big Village programme even more.

Once again, I am hoping that there may be additional residents prepared to become involved in this village programme. Please let me know, if you are prepared to join us.

I am grateful to Rachel Heffer, the Head of our school, for her suggestions about possible future community events:

1. A Village Music and Arts Festival to include children's choir, adult community choir, local bands, soloists, musicians, drama group presentations, dance groups, poetry etc
2. A Village lantern parade to include music, samba, dance, stalls etc similar to the City of Lights but need not have to be held in December
3. An annual Art Installation Week where an artist works with members of the community (could be a different community group each year) to create a permanent art installation that can be displayed somewhere in the village and dated with the year each art piece is installed

4. An 'Old Meets Young' event where pupils from our school interview invited guests from the community who are happy to come and share their experience of when they were young and perhaps bring items/pictures of 'historical' interest to discuss over a cream tea served by pupils. Records of these interviews could be collated and stored for future reference.
5. A community wellbeing event where a day could be set aside for a series of 1hr fitness sessions held on the village green or in the village hall e.g. Pilates, yoga, line dancing etc presented by local qualified coaches for different groups of community members to try with the aim of becoming interested in taking further classes in the future.

Ian Halford telephone 864554

Welcome

**To an
Open Afternoon at St Piran's Church
Sunday May 20th
2.30 p.m – 5 p.m**

An opportunity to come and look at the redecoration and improvements that have been made to the interior of the church in the past six months and to enjoy a free cream tea too in the church hall.





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.

MAY 14th: Hidden Help: Judy Bacchus

JUNE 11th: Dangerous Score: Mike Bearcroft's Life story

JULY 11th: Weather Forecasting: Kevin Thomas

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

APRIL: At our April meeting on Monday 9th we met Shoni and Amala from 'Valued Lives', the mental well-being charity. Shoni gave an insight into the work they do to help their clients. A cheque for £1000 was presented to Shoni, the money raised for the charity at our Spring Fayre. Trips were arranged to Caerhays Castle and St Day WI. A coffee morning on May 4th from 10-12 noon will contribute to the Cornwall Hospice Care 'Cake Bake' event.

Sylvia French, one of our members, gave a wonderful talk and showed slides of her trip around the world. We found it very interesting, it was appreciated by all and was a very entertaining evening. So ladies, please come along and join this very friendly group. EB

CAN YOU HELP?

I have been aware since becoming a Parish Councillor that problems with water supply, drainage and sewerage are frequently being experienced by Parishioners.

In order to have a meaningful approach to tackle these issues, it is vital to have your feedback with specific examples of the problems experienced. This more precise information will assist the Parish Council considerably and those of us currently working on the Neighbourhood Plan.

Once I have had an opportunity to assess the feedback I will brief the Parish Council whose aim is to continue lobbying South West Water and Cornwall Council for a resolution to these issues.

Please either email anniek.hewitt7@gmail.com or ring 01872 864168.

Thank you.

Annie Hewitt

Parish Councillor and Steering Committee member for the Neighbourhood Plan

A READER WRITES

I have read with interest the procedure proposed in order to obtain views and suggestions with regards to the future of our village and area.

It appears that the procedure is as follows :

1. The working groups investigate areas for consideration and send their findings and proposals to the Steering Group..
2. The Steering Committee will, I presume, fine tune and filter the proposals which will then be sent to :
3. The Parish Council who, again, will fine tune and filter the findings or proposals and their results will be sent to :
4. Cornwall Council who will fine tune and filter the proposals.

Is there not a risk that the whole process will be lost in the " translation" between the groups ?

Peter de Snoo

INSPIRING ART CLASS IN PERRANWELL SEEKS NEW MEMBERS!

We are looking for new members to join us with our talented & knowledgeable arts tutor, Audrey Jackson. This is a U3A class and takes place in St. Piran's Church Hall by the church in Perranwell Station. Lots of parking!

We meet on the 2nd & 4th Thursdays of each month 1.30-3.30 p.m. The group is very relaxed and friendly and we use an assortment of medium designed to give us all a bit of a challenge. It is different each time: self-portraits, collage, all sorts. Old friends and new members will be very welcome. Drop by and try it before joining the U3A (no age limit).



If you have any questions please call Audrey on **01326 340734**.

A READER WRITES

Dear Sir

I must protest in the strongest of fashions at your blatant disregard of ancient monuments.

During a recent visit to the Eternal City, we stumbled across the most abhorrent graffiti – signed by yourself! One can only assume that this is a marketing ploy to increase the circulation of *Perran News* to our European brothers.

One wonders if you have a brother called Trevi and you are planning to rename our beloved St Pirans's Well? Maybe we should encourage an increase in visitors to our village by introducing a similar ritual of throwing money into the Well, thus ensuring that the visitors one day return to Perranwell and take a small libation in the Royal Oak.

Next year, we plan a jaunt to Paris and are trepidatious of what we may find. Please can give you some re-assurance that you have not left your mark on The City of Light?

Yours faithfully
Wanda Lust



MORE READERS WRITE

GOOD NEWS FOR THE VILLAGE?

We were truly astounded by some of the stories in the April *Perran News* which we received on the first of the month. However, we can now add to this with a copy of an e mail from Boris Johnson to Jacob Rees-Mogg. (Sorry, but we are not allowed to reveal how we found this e mail).

Dear Jacob

I thought that I would let you know that I've found an ideal place for our new headquarters, after we've seized power. It is called Perranwell Station (no, I'd never heard of it either) and it should be fantastic. The main selling point is a 'men only' club. Won't that be great! The local MP is Sarah Newton and although people like her, she is not a man, so we could keep her out. I gather there are lots of things going on at the club, and some really good air,b&b accommodation nearby – particularly in Silver Hill.

It's a marvellous community with a friendly shop and traditional pub that has yummy food. The pub also has a monthly quiz – somewhere we can go to keep up with current affairs (although Tim, the landlord, is a little obsessed with music questions. You wouldn't know any of them – he's never once had one about Bach).

There's a Morgan dealership so we could all have our official cars from there, but also there's a railway station – ideal for your children's nanny travelling to and from your property.

There are some cracking local businesses including Neil Dowling, a talented painter and decorator. Neil did such a good job painting the local phone box, and he can often be seen standing across the road (which just happens to be outside the pub) gazing at his handiwork.

There is even an estate agent, Clive Pearce, living in the village so it must be good. He would be able to help with our property needs.

I imagine that the local magazine (*The Perran News*) would welcome us because they've already written about us, and in particular the new currency. Mark Gripper, the editor, is a pretty with-it guy, so we wouldn't be easily able to fool him, but I don't think he would give us as much trouble as Rupert Murdoch.

Sounds pretty good, heh?

Best regards
Boris

We can't help but wonder how popular the above would be, but think of all the guineas that would be spent locally.

Anne and Malcolm Grimsley

PERRANWELL STATION - WEATHER REPORT FOR MARCH 2018

Average daily maximum temperature:	9.2C
Maximum temperature for the month:	13C on 10th
Average daily minimum temperature:	3.8C
Minimum temperature for the month:	-4.0C on 1st
Rainfall:	8.03 inches
Sunshine:	114 hours
Wind direction:	Variable



A wet and cold month

The month started with "the beast from the East" and there was a copycat (although not as harsh) "mini beast from the East" in mid-month. Snow fell on the 1st and 18th. Overall, apart from the occasional bright day, the month's weather was pretty dire; temperatures were some 1.5C below normal, making March 2018 the second coldest March this century after 2013. Rainfall was over double what we can normally expect, and probably the wettest March since at least the 1970s. Over an inch of rain fell on both the 9th and 14th, and there were 24 "rain days" out of 31.

Sunshine hours recorded were near average.

An unusual feature of the month, reflected in the weather experienced, was the high number of days when rain-bearing depressions or fronts dominated our weather charts - these 21 days being easily the highest number that I've recorded.

The Great West Country Snowstorm of March 1891

Although very unusual, there have been previous instances over the years of extremely bad March weather in Cornwall. The snowstorm of March 1891 ranks as one of the worst since weather recording began. The West Country as a whole was the region of the UK worst affected by the heavy falls of snow and the violent winds. Approximately 220 people lost their lives, 65 ships were lost in the English Channel, 6000 sheep perished - some blown over cliffs in the accompanying North-East gale - and 14 trains were stuck in enormous snowdrifts in Devon. The violent winds swept exposed fields practically clear of snow, while sunken lanes were buried to a depth of some 20 feet.

On average, snow was over a foot deep over much of Cornwall and Devon. However, it was the violent gale that was more destructive, and lasted in the public consciousness.

(with thanks to "Weatherwise" by Philip Eden)

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*"It's spring in England now!
And the woodland ways are sweet
With primroses and violets
Amid the fringing fern.
Turn o'er the year"
Edith D Osborne*



Today working with my snowdrops - I was replanting after dividing larger clumps - I was aware of several violet plants growing amongst the bulbs. These are **VIOLA ODORATA**, our native violet which is a wonderful plant. Flowers are usually violet in colour, but the white form **ALBA** is quite common. Where I was working there were mainly **VIOLA ODORATA ALBA** - the white form. These plants are happiest in damp shady places so grow well in sheltered places under a hedge or shrub. If the ground is moist violets are happy in more sun. The ones I was working near had sun for a good part of the day while the trees are bare.

The flowers are sweetly scented – a quite distinctive fragrance. The flowers are held on thin stems that rise from a rosette of heart-shaped green leaves that are also fragrant. The plant sends out runners which will root into the soil to make further plants.

There are named varieties to be bought. I grow several different ones on the edge of beds. There is a "Mrs R Barton" which was introduced in 1930 by the Windward Violet Nurseries. This variety has a white ground with violet markings and is very free flowering with longer stems that are odd ideal for cutting. (Mr Barton was the foreman on the Windward Violet Nurseries).

We also enjoy "KONINGEN CHARLOTTE" which came from Germany in 1900. It is a very fragrant blue, flowering very early and freely. There are often flowers in the early autumn and throughout the winter. Lastly there is "The Czar" known from 1863, and awarded a first-class certificate in 1865. This variety is deep purple with long stems, and very free flowering. An historic violet, the use of which in hybridisation has resulted in many of the finest cultivars.

Some of the special violets can be bought locally but the widest selection is usually held by Groves Nurseries at Bridport in Dorset.

CROSSWORD ANSWERS

Across 1. Have baby 5. Agamid 9. Trombone 10. Lesser 11. Spiteful 12. Sticky 14. Grand piano 18. Love hearts 22. Rarest 23. Autocues 24. Nailed 25. Leinster 26. Tsetse 27. Statured

Down 1. Hot ash 2. Violin 3. Bibles 4. Bandurrias 6. Great ape 7. Musician 8. Dirty dog 13. Instrument 15. Clarinet 16. Overtime 17. Chastens 19. Cornet 20. Guitar 21. Escrod

PRE SCHOOL STARTS SUMMER

Pre School celebrated Easter in style by hosting its annual Easter Fayre at the Perranwell Centre. There were egg hunts, colouring competitions and egg decorating competitions for pre-school and primary school children, and an Easter bonnet parade, judged by The Perranwell Centre's Ian Halford.



The event also included refreshments and cakes, a toy stall and games, all of which raised more funds essential to supporting the Pre School.

With the start of the summer term, Pre School will resume its Forest School sessions, and more outdoor activities in the village park and woodland, as well as making good use of its new mud kitchen play area.

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DEFIBRILLATOR UPDATE

The defibrillator at the bus shelter opposite The Royal Oak is no longer locked. The cabinet opens by freeing the suitcase hasps at the side of the cabinet. The number lock which was causing some difficulties is now disabled. **NO CODE IS REQUIRED TO OPEN THE CABINET** if the machine is required in an emergency.



The machine at the village hall and the one at the cricket club are also now permanently unlocked. **NO NUMBER CODE IS REQUIRED** to open them.

A simple turn knob operates the cabinet door on these two cabinets. A loud alarm sounds when all three cabinet doors are opened. The alarm stops when the door is closed.

If anyone is interested in learning how to use the defibrillator or would like a refresher, having been for training before email me on:

markgripper@gmail.com

I will compile a list of names and organise a session when there are sufficient people to provide a quorum.

MYLOR YACHT CLUB'S 'PUSH THE BOAT OUT' OPEN DAY

Jane Wright Mylor Yacht Club's Publicity Officer writes to tell us that preparations are all in hand to host the annual Open Day down at MYC on **Sunday May 20th 10am – 6pm**

On the water we shall be offering short sailing sessions on some of our member's own yachts as we run our open day in association with the Royal Yachting Association's 'Push the Boat Out' initiative to encourage opportunities for anyone to get out sailing. We are hoping our open weekend will encourage folk new to the area who are keen sailors and have a boat or who are thinking of buying a boat and who would like to join a local yacht club to come along and find out what Mylor Yacht Club has to offer.

We do request everyone registers with us on arrival and that comes with appropriate clothing and footwear if going out sailing. If you have a lifejacket do bring it as only a few available to borrow on the day. Dogs unfortunately can't come into the clubhouse or on the boats.

We will offer a substantially reduced membership offer. The normal Joining Fee of £70 will be waived and a pro rata fee for single or family memberships offered for signing up at the Open Day

We will also host presentations from our Cruising, Racing, Training and Social Sections available all day. The RNLI will be sending their Sea Safety Team from Falmouth to advise on all aspects of sea safety. Do come and have a chat. Refreshments will be served, a BBQ hosted on the terrace and the bar will be open. We are also lucky enough to also have The Stowes coming down from Padstow to perform in the afternoon. It should be a great day shoreside and on the water.

Simon & Lesley Breckenfield, New members to Mylor Yacht Club who joined at last year's Push the Boat Out weekend are ambassadors for our club and this is what they have to say.

"The decision to find a yacht club was relatively straight forward, we were both looking for a socially orientated club with an active cruising programme where we could explore the sailing grounds and learn the ropes in 'SmoothTorque' our newly acquired Southerly 135.

We were made to feel incredibly welcome, introduced to lots of people and discovered both the serious side (training, cruising and racing) and the social side (ladies who Launch, a full winter lecture programme, suppers, lunches and events)

In June the *Go West* cruising rally turned into *Go East* due to the weather; we enjoyed a week of sunshine, sailing, pontoon parties, dinners, walks and interesting conversation with a large group of warm and friendly people. We signed up for more rallies and found ourselves sitting on pontoons listening to some talented members playing music while we sang (badly). In September we dressed and armed as pirates and set off from our visitors mooring for a rally dinner at Helford Sailing Club.

You can be as involved as you want to be. We don't race but we have enjoyed the cruising, being involved in the legendary pantomime at Christmas as well as several interesting talks and many good evening's entertainment. We have made some new friends and been on RYA accredited courses all because we chose to join MYC"

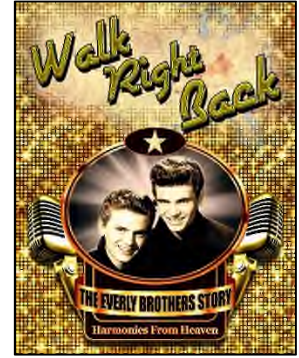
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WALK RIGHT BACK

For those of us born in the early 1950's how lucky we were with the musical wallpaper we grew up with. Rock and roll was establishing its foothold during our primary school years with Elvis, The Everly Brothers, and Buddy Holly, and by the time we were at secondary school The Beatles, The Stones, The Beach Boys, and many others, too numerous to all get a mention, were on pirate radio (**NOT** Pirate FM) all day and all night. The NME and Melody Maker were more popular than the Daily Telegraph, and suddenly it seemed the young were taking over the world. That was us. It all really got going in 1962 when the Beatles first record, "Love me do" speeded up the revolution that would never stop spinning.



I spent my school holidays and weekends building model aeroplanes, listening to Radio Caroline and Radio London in the first half of the sixties. The pirates were considered by our parent's generation as the work of the devil. 45 rpm records, "singles", were widely available for six shillings and eightpence (33p) and the top twenty was the focus of most under 20's attention, a far more appealing subject for study than English Literature O level. Everyone under thirty had a Dansette portable record player and Saturdays would find record shops teeming with teenage girls listening to the latest releases on headphones in booths prior to purchase. Sadly, my aeromodelling enthusiasm somehow meant I missed out on the teenage girls. Which was the more rewarding hobby?

Things got even more interesting with the Summer of Love in 1967 and I remember being fascinated when one of my sixth form physics mates recalled his visit to the 1968 Isle of Wight Festival to see Bob Dylan. He couldn't afford a ticket, so he watched from the higher branches of a tree just outside the fence. No security men in those days. In 1967 the po-faced government of the time closed down the pirates and replaced them with Radio One, a pale shadow of Radio London and Caroline, despite luring all the DJ's with avoidance of prison, and fat salaries. It has never been quite so much fun since then. By the "Summer of '69" it was all far less exciting. Although, in '69, working as an attendant at an outdoor municipal swimming pool for the summer before I went to medical school, I did finally discover teenage girls, with Desmond Dekker and the Israelites playing all day long. Better late than never.

Fifty years on and there is a great appetite for tribute bands and a few genuine old rockers, in particular, Mick and Keef and Co, are still on the road. Quite remarkable. I found myself recently impulsively drawn to such a tribute act in the Hall for Cornwall.

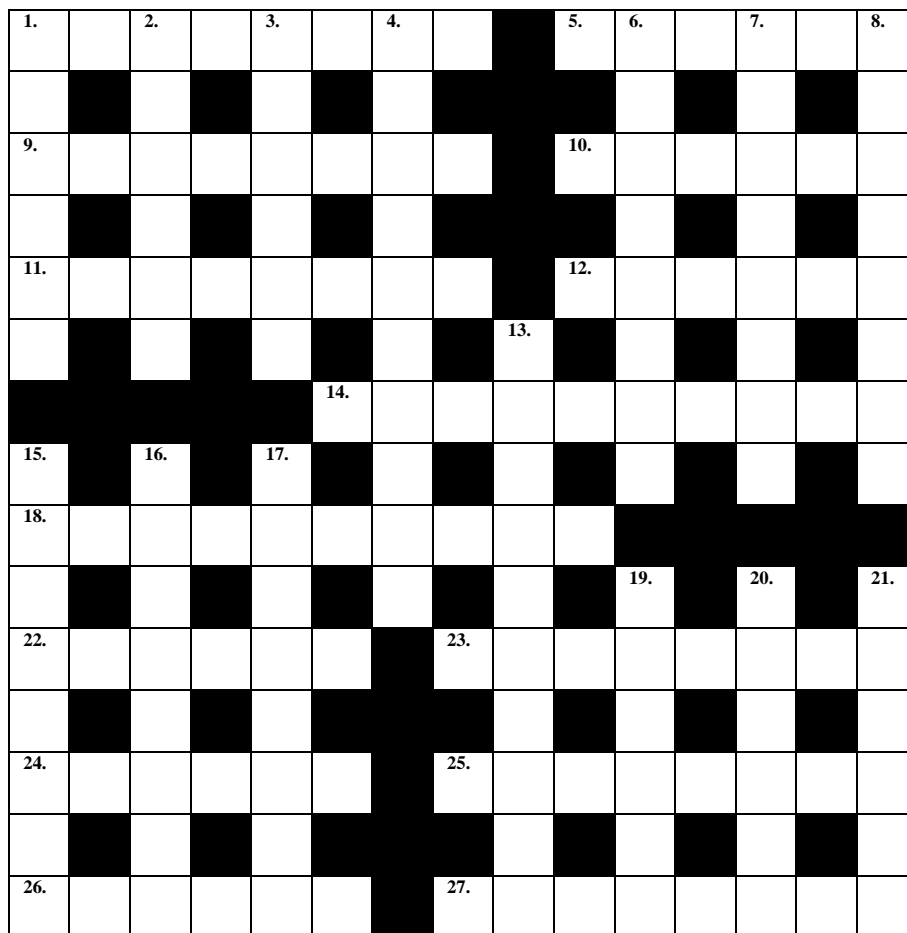
"Walk Right Back", was an excellent homage to the Everly Brothers. I was lucky enough to see the real ones in the flesh three times at the Cornwall Coliseum in the nineties on their comeback tours. The HFC was packed with an audience worryingly mature, and I had significant concern that my pre-retirement skills would be required by some of the frailer members. Fortunately, they weren't, but looking round the auditorium I was lucky.

The fact that the interval queue for the gents was slower than that for the ladies spoke volumes about the age demographic of the audience. Perhaps someone could perform a controlled medical study to calculate the mean age when this changeover occurs.

It was a joyful celebration of baby-boomers, many of whom were standing up and jiggling about, perhaps not with the agility of fifty years ago, but certainly with the same appreciation. Heavy breathing, not screaming. I sensed they all realised how lucky we had been to grow up to the sounds we did, and how things will never be quite the same again. A few of the younger members of the audience looked wistful, as though they realised what they had missed.

It is some comfort to know that the digital age has brought hearing aids that are far superior to their analogue equivalents, but interestingly I read that vinyl records are now coming back into vogue.

Anyone want to buy a fifty-year-old Dansette? **MBG**



ACROSS

DOWN

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|--|---|
| 1. Sound surprised with 5 at abbey – may bring forth (4,4) | 1. 16 in a mess after fire (3,3) |
| 5. Lizard cooker, part way (6) | 2. Six nothing. Nothing back for 13 (6) |
| 9. 13 for doctor in Scottish town (with drug) (8) | 3. Books can keep clothes clean for the French (6) |
| 10. Not so great celandine (6) | 4. 13s where you may find 7 with old city inlets (10) |
| 11. Nasty odds on it being flue (8) | 6. Lady Jane’s recording device audible for bonobo (5,3) |
| 12. Awkward contraction in broadcaster (6) | 7. Plays with Greek character so I have article (8) |
| 14. A thousand pounds for a quiet 13 (5,5) | 8. I’m right in dodgy, awful, despicable man (5,3) |
| 18. Sweets may heal voters (4,6) | 13. This month the spirit of the hospital department is useful for 7 (10) |
| 22. Least done god with the others (6) | 15. Drink around in 13 (8) |
| 23. Car pool sticks useful for public speakers (8) | 16. Not hidden. Compiler twice gets paid extra (8) |
| 24. Break down, denial - fixed (6) | 17. Hurries after chart topper but has moderating effect (8) |
| 25. Listener could be in Ireland (8) | 19. Service for number in bed for 13 (6) |
| 26. Fly around set (twice) (6) | 20. 13 can be air (with tug) (6) |
| 27. Reputed to be a trusted type (8) | 21. Small fish scored haphazardly (6) |

MEMORY CAFÉ DATES

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| 8th May: | Theme – “May Celebrations” |
| 22nd May: | Theme - “Weddings: Our own and the Royals” |
| 12th June: | OUTING - Coach trip to the sea. |
| 26th June: | Theme “Royal Ascot & Horse Racing” |

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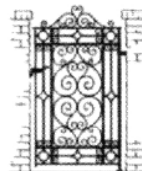
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