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Sunday December 22nd.
6pm. Family Carol Service
followed by mince pies & tea.

We shall be singing Carols at some of the Homes for the Elderly.

If you would like to join with us, please ask members of dates and times.

HAPPY CHRISTMAS TO ALL.

JOKE

A man went into a pet shop and said "I'd like to buy a wasp, please."

"We don't sell wasps in this establishment." said the proprietor. "Well," the man said "There's one in the window!"

**HAYLE AMATEUR DRAMATIC
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HAYLE AMATEUR DRAMATIC SOCIETY

Well our first year is over and we are very pleased to announce that it has been a very rewarding period. We achieved far more than we would have hoped, and the future is looking just as bright.

Our first success was in November '95 by getting enough people interested in joining the group to enable our first production to get off the ground. This was the Panto "Snow White & the Seven Dwarfs" written by Lin Townend and performed with plenty of enthusiasm by a cast of around thirty. It won the Group 10 awards in the Cornwall Calor Gas Village Panto Competition., one of which was "The Gloria Jacobson Harlequin" for outstanding achievement, which really gave us the incentive to carry on.

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David Lush, a solicitor with Chellows of Hayle. So with this and the promised use of St. Elwyns Church Hall, we set to plan our future productions.

We planned on producing a summer variety show in the form of an Old Time Music Hall, but were unable to find a pianist for the necessary accompaniment and late in the day decided on two plays, "Beside the Seaside" a comedy performed by nine of the senior group and "Alice in Wonderland" performed by twenty of the juniors. These went very well though our audiences were very poor.

We held our Annual General

Meeting on Thursday 14 Th.
November where the new officers
and members of the committee
were elected as follows:

Chairman...Ken Townend B.E.M.
D/Chairman...William Vinnicombe
Secretary.....Linda Townend
Treasurer.....Joanna Butt
Costume/Wardrobe...Janet James
Member: Ruth Bennetts, John Hart
Dorothy Vinnicombe,
Juliet Reynolds, Sarah Dennis,
Caroline Churcher, Ivy Thomas,
Rita White, Ian Thomas.

The treasurer reported that funds
were available for our next
production as well as refurbishment
of the stage although not as much

as we had hoped.

Plans to modernise the stage,
with new curtains, lighting, sound
and a collapsible extension would
still go ahead. Fund raising would
take place in the form of Quiz
Nights, Jumble Sales and Quiztimes
in local shops.

The next Quiz Night a "Christmas
Special" is to be held at St. Elwyns
Church Hall on Saturday 14th
December at 7.30pm. This would
be on a Christmas theme and would
also include a Ploughman's supper
with mince pies and cream to
follow during the interval, a raffle
would also be held. Teams of four
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on sale shortly at The Spinning
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Plans are also in hand to enter a
float into the Hayle Illuminated
Carnival, if a suitable vehicle is
available.

The members of HADS wish one
and all a very merry Christmas and
a prosperous New Year and look
forward to your support
throughout the next twelve months.

Ken Townend B.E.M. Chairman.

Letter

I read with interest the proposals
for the Foundry Square area.

While it looks as if it will be an
improvement, my concern is for
wheelchair users like myself, who
use that area quite a lot. Are
there going to be adequate lowered
curbs? At present I find it difficult
around Chapel Terrace area. There
are few lowered curbs, and where
there are any, they are not low
enough or they are obstructed by
parked cars. The pavements outside
Warren's and Spar's are totally in-
adequate.

Maybe those who make these
plans would be well advised to
consult wheelchair users.

Also, do drivers realise how in-
considerate they are when parking
along a main road? Or are they too
lazy or stingy to park on the car
park, therefore leaving the spaces
on the main road free for disabled
drivers who are unable to walk.
They should think themselves lucky
that they are able to walk well.

M. Clark.

THE ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

Recently some members of the Legion replaced the flagstaff and Union Jack in time for Trafalgar Day (21st Oct) at the Passmore Institute, with the permission of the management.

A flag was flown from this building many years ago,, and a chance remark by a member has turned into a reality. It is also planned to create a "Garden of Remembrance" using the raised flower bed in front of the institute building, with a suitably inscribed memorial which will be blessed follow-

ing the remembrance Day Service at the Town's War Memorial.

It is hoped that the public will then be able to take a personal dedication as is befitting the garden.

Next year is the 75th. anniversary of the founding of the Hayle Branch, and to mark the occasion, it has been decided to make this contribution to the town, in appreciation of their support over the years, from the Town Council, the various organisation and the Town people.

W.G.Lewis.

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Letter

Please, I would be so grateful if you would include this letter of thanks in your December edition of the Hayle Pump.

It seems some time ago now, but in June of this year, I was expecting my first child, and had to phone the midwife to re-arrange an appointment. This entailed a stroll to the phone box situated under the viaduct. As always, I took my filofax with me, which listed all my essential information i.e. telephone numbers etc. After making the call, I returned home, and sometime later realised that I had left my filofax in the phone box. I was in a panic. I enquired in the Spar and Warrens to see if anyone had handed it in, I even phoned the police station but to no avail.

I was lost - my filofax held six years of my life. Anyway, 5 days later I was in Treliske Hospital after giving birth to a little baby boy, Jacob. My husband came to visit me with a huge bouquet of flowers and a small padded envelope. I looked inside to find my old filofax - someone had been kind enough, not only to return my possession, but to return it anonymously without expecting a reward.

I am now going to write out my Christmas cards, and realise that I would have been in a real pickle without it. So I would like to thank

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whoever it was for their kindness and may I wish them a very Happy Christmas.

Thank you. Sarah Leach.

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CORNWALL DEAF CHILDREN

There will be a Disco at Phillack Church Hall on the 23rd December (from 6pm - 8pm) for children between 6 & 11 years of age. Entrance fee is 50p. per child. Soft drinks will be available. Will parents please come and collect their youngsters before 7.50pm. Thank you.

Not the X Files A slip in time or overactive imagination

A few years ago, probably in the 1970's just as the metal detecting hobby was getting started, a strange story came to light. A hiker was walking across the Highlands of Scotland. He was lost in the hills above Glencoe, so he decided to have a short sleep in an inviting dip in the ground which was sheltered from the biting wind. He quickly drifted off into sleep, but it was not a pleasant experience as he was plagued by cries of pain

of women, and children, and the swirling sounds of battle. He woke up shivering with fear not cold. He gathered up his rucksack and quickly hurried off on his walk.

Later on that year he did some research into the matter and found that the area he was walking over had seen action in the Jacobite uprising. He went back to the site with a metal detectorist and they searched the site. Fairly quickly they started finding musket balls, buttons and buckles of that period, also human bone was turning up.

An archaeologist was called in to excavate the site and it turned out that a large number of women and children had been slaughtered in that hollow. Was this a slip in time or an overactive imagination lead-

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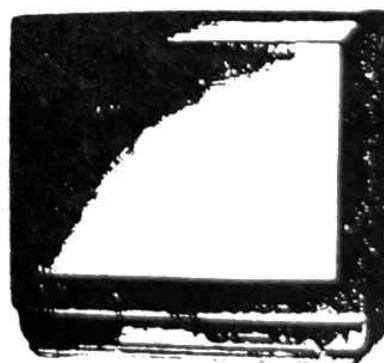
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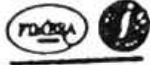
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ing to intuition, leading to a discovery? I leave you to make up your mind on that one.

Back to the present day. How many of you have let your mind drift back to the time of the artefact you are holding in the palm of your hand? I know I do it fairly often even with mundane items that I find like Cartwheel pennies, wondering if the person got into trouble for losing it. When I hold a find like a Medieval purse frame I wonder if it was lost when some rich personage riding across the land was belayed by footpads and had his purse of coins stolen. I even wonder what a Neolithic man was looking at when chipping his stone tools at a site I detect.

Do any of you have any unusual tales of finds making you have strange thoughts or feelings? I would like to know so that I could include them in another article.

P. S. Frost

More stories to come. . the truth is out there. even if it might be dreckly Wanted more strange stories/suburban myths/modern day fairy tales contact Paul via Hayle Pump

PS My computer spell-check which speaks American style English, cannot work out what dreckly means!



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Letter

In reply to your article in your last edition of The Pump relating to Heritage Festival week. The writer whoever he/she might be found that Foundry Day was disappointing and could have been better planned. It is very obvious that the writer is completely ignorant of what we do. We have a small organising committee of 4 or 5 people consisting of Mr Goudie Charles and Mrs Sue Butler who spend many hours making phone calls, writing letters and attending meeting.

With our usual street market, we also had a musical steam engine, a steam engine display, archery. The

Choughs Wheelchair Dance Team, Bouncy Castle, Go-carts, an Accordion Band, Street Buskers, Live Jazz Music with a guest appearance of Kris Gayle and once again the "Red Arrows" who made a detour of 40 miles to pay us a visit.

All of the above took hours of planning. Also taking into account we received only £105 out of a total of £5000 which the main committee received from public and other funds, I think congratulations and not criticism is needed. Our main financial input was from our very generous traders in the Foundry area who donated over 40 raffle prizes to whom we are extremely grateful.

We are always looking for volunteers for next year's events on Foundry Day, so if the writer in the last edition would like to contact us, perhaps he/she could make a positive contribution to our day and therefor e avoid a trip to Flambards or Culdrose Air Display. Don't Criticise, help organise.

Councillor Bob Butler.

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CORNWALL ANIMAL AMBULANCE & HOSPITAL

A new charity shop opened in Hayle recently at Market Square Shopping Arcade, opposite Daniel's Freezer Centre.

THE HISTORY OF HAYLE

I am a member of "The Hayle Pump Newsletter", which I hope everyone in Hayle Town knows about and reads.

I was very interested in the photos of the past and present Photographic Exhibition at the library's "Heritage Festival Week".

As a newcomer to your town and interested in history I would like to know more about the old Hayle. What the shops were before they became Cycle Shops, Curio Shops etc., and I mean all the Town, Both Copperhouse and Foundry, to me both ends and the middle make the Town.

What was it like when the cinema was showing films? For I was brought up in London, where one could go to the local cinema every Saturday morning for the grand sum of sixpence, that's old money, 2 1/2p today. To me and my friends it was worth every penny of our pocket money for 2 hours of interesting films and lots of fun.

I just wondered if it was the same down here, do hope so. Perhaps some of you out there can let me know and the rest of the readers know. Maybe, a lot of folk can talk freely about it, but don't know how to write it down. Don't worry no problem, we can come to you, and get your ideas and memories writ-

ten for you.

Your Town is full of interest and history, so please let us know about it, so that your children and grand children will know and learn what life was like not so many years ago, because a lot happens in a lifetime.

THE SEA

I hear the sea on the shore
I wonder what it's angry for.
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COMMUNITY CENTRE'S FIRST SUMMER PLAYSCHEME

Thanks to the generosity of Penwith District Council, NCVVO and Hayle Town Council, this summer saw the first summer playscheme at Carew House. It catered for children 5-10 years of age and ran every morning for five weeks throughout August. Not only did this provide the youngsters with the opportunity to have somewhere to go and create amazing works of art, craft, cookery and lots of other fun activities, including trips out - some were able to experience

tuition in rock climbing and canoeing. A whole day trip to Flambards was paid for by Truro Lions and was certainly enjoyed by all the children and their families. This summer's scheme was a good opportunity to demonstrate one of the ways in which a community centre can cater for local need.

Many thanks for those who managed to carry on with their projects despite the increase in noise generated by so many young children. This year's summer playscheme was made possible by provision of equipment, resources and management from the NSPCC and the use of the hall at Carew House as well as the youth club.



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Hopefully next year the next phase of Carew House will bring the use of a community hall and we can expand for a play scheme which caters for children of all ages. Just ask any of the children who came along how they felt about having a choice of where to go and do something different throughout the long school holidays, not to mention reducing the risks children encounter wandering the streets.

Finally we would like to thank those parents who gave up their free time to help out, in particular Fee Hughes who gave up every morning. Anybody out there next year who would be interested in volunteering or offering activities, contact the staff of the NSPCC. Unfortunately there does not appear to be any funding for a Christmas scheme - unless of course you know otherwise!

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WE WOULD LIKE TO SQUASH ANY RUMOURS THAT MAY BE FLOATING ROUND THE TOWN, THE PUMP WILL CONTINUE TO BE PUBLISHED, NO MATTER WHAT THE DIFFICULTIES MAY BE, AND WE DO NOT HAVE ANY CONNECTIONS WITH DEVELOPERS OF ANY DESCRIPTION.



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DAY & NIGHT PERSONAL SERVICE

LETTER

Hayle Town Band.

I'm a Cornish woman bred and born, living at Connor Downs. I went to the H.T.B. Cornish Evening. I thought it was a great entertaining evening.

The Gee Singers from Fushing were really good. The H.T.B. played enjoyable tunes and the two old dears doing their bit of gossiping about the war years had me in fits of laughter, more of them please.

The Cornish pasty was very tasty. Even Mrs. & Charlie Allen, Hayle Town Mayor were there, also enjoying themselves.

Mrs. T. Robinson.



TAKING STEPS TO HAYLE

In the New Year, Fitness Instructor Sylvia Turk will be starting Step Classes at the Passmore Edwards Institute. We asked her about her new venture.

Q. In case there is anyone out there who doesn't know, what exactly is "Stepping?"

A. Just what it sounds like: stepping up and down on a 4", 6" or 8" step to a specific beat of music, between 120 and 124 beats per minute.

Q. Why so specific?

A. Below 120 B.P.M. the Cardio-Vascular rate is not raised sufficiently to be of benefit but more than 124 B.P.M. is too fast to maintain quality of work.

Q. Why do we need to raise our Cardio-Vascular rate?

A. It is now widely accepted that regular moderate sessions of exercise (ideally not less than three a week) help to promote physical and mental well-being. Exercise really is good for you!

Q. But why is Stepping particularly good Exercise?

A. It is uncomplicated and fun but it also raises our fitness and stamina levels without putting too much stress on joints and limbs. For example, stepping up and down at 120 B.P.M. is similar exertion to running at 7 m.p.h. but without the stress associated with running.

Q. So, Stepping is good for us. But isn't it rather boring?

A. All exercise can be boring but in

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a Step class you are working with music and with other people and the simple choreography means that most participants master the moves, get a decent work-out and derive enjoyment from a sense of achievement.

Q. Do I need to be fit to start a Step Class?

A. The differing heights of the steps mean that you can start at your own level of fitness and gradually, as fitness increases, progress from a 4" to a 6" or even an 8" step. The good news about Stepping is that it can be tackled across the whole age and fitness range. And it is not just for the ladies. Up-country, Step classes are well attended by men and I hope Hayle won't be Sexist about this!

Q. What made you decide to start Step classes in Hayle?

A. I have been teaching Steps (as well as Aerobics and Body Toning) in the Penzance area for several years, both for the Adult Education Service and from my own Studio, but recently I have been teaching an evening Exercise class at Hayle Community College and I was asked by several of the participants if I would consider starting a step class in Hayle.

Q. Do you need expensive gear to Step? Fancy Leotards and Designer Trainers and so on?

A. Not at all. The main

requirement is a pair of comfortable Trainers with good support. Other than that; Leggings; Cycling Shorts; T-shirts; anything you feel happy with. A water-bottle could be a good idea; you can work up quite a sweat.

Q. Finally: when and where will the classes be held?

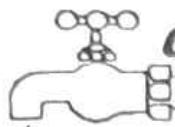
A. Early January seemed a good time to start. I expect we will all have eaten and drunk too much over the Festive Season and be in need of exercise! Initially I shall run two classes a week both at the Passmore Edwards Institute and both starting at 6pm. The cost will be £2 per session. Before then if anyone wants any more information or advice they are welcome to ring me on Penzance 61001.

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Letter

I would like to congratulate the Lions Club for their offer of a free Service of a smoke alarm to all Hayle pensioners. In the light of the number of children dying in house fires recently, I hope, that an offer such as this one to the pensioners will be extended to families on low incomes, either by the Lions Club or by some other similar organisation in the near future.

Kim Rhoades, address supplied.



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In the 11th issue of the "Hayle Pump," I wrote of some childhood experiences on holidays at Hayle between the two world wars and the old house boat "Trio" beached in the Hayle Estuary on which those holidays were spent. Encouraged by the interest shewn in that article, I have ventured upon a few more nostalgic memories. Readers may remember that my family lived in Buckinghamshire and that the annual summer holiday was spent on the houseboat at Hayle, which came to be a second home to us and how fond of it we were.

The journey between Bucks and Hayle by road was rarely accomplished in a single day, for neither the cars nor the roads reached anything like today's standards. We put up for a night's B & B somewhere in Somerset or Devonshire. The cost was usually around £5 for the Whole family; an expense my father begrudged. We would reach Hayle usually in the late afternoon of the following day.

The second car my father owned, and the earliest I can remember, was one he built himself. I have still a few photographs of this unique vehicle, which transported us annually to Hayle and back in



the late 1920's and early '30's. It had a collapsible canvas hood and a glass windscreen, the top half of which could be opened. The side and back windows were of rather discoloured celluloid. It could not be effectively locked up, but I do not remember that we ever lost anything out of it by theft.

For ignition, the car was dependent upon a magneto, which performed reasonably well in land locked Bucks, but in the damp penetrating atmosphere of West Cornwall it was frequently troublesome. I can still hear my mother's sigh of resignation when about to cook lunch on the "Trio", on opening the oven door, only to find the magneto drying off in it.

At Hayle, the car was garaged in a rented shed behind a bungalow named Pentowan Cot, long since demolished. The bungalow would have been quite a pleasant little dwelling had it not been so poorly situated. It was only a few yards from the Electric Works and the pervading coal-dust must have seeped into everything.

One summer, Pentowan Cot was rented by a Mrs. Wales and her sister-in law Miss Wales. They came of a family owning a furniture store in Redruth and it seemed odd that they should choose such an environment for a holiday. Later a Mrs. Trewartha inhabited the Cot

with her children and her husband when he was ashore, for I believe he was employed on one of the ships mentioned in my earlier article.

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Editors note: More memories to come in future editions.



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Mixed photo opportunities this time of year for those who share the pleasures of our hobby.

Indoor shots of log fires and Christmas lights. Outdoor shots in this part of the world could include all manner of different scenes. I

remember a Rugby match at Hayle once where we had a blinding blizzard, changing to bright sunshine before more snow near the end of the game and this was an Easter meeting.

Opportunities abound for us here in Cornwall. So much is available to us.

Subject matter to satisfy almost every interest is here for the taking.

Recent conversations with people about the camera and ones ability to take a presentable picture prompts me to - once again - mention that although top quality equipment will obviously give someone who is competent to use it, a better chance of producing

good work, although this does not always follow.

Far better to use something able to do the work but with a minimum of complication. There is much to be said for practising with your camera without film. Its operation needs to become automatic like driving a car. Concentration should be solely on the scene and composition. It's no good having to stop to consider camera functions if you are expecting to capture moments in time and action or once in a lifetime shots.

A bag full of cameras and equipment plus dozens of rolls of film do not make a photographer.

Much can be learned by joining a Camera Club. The extent to which this can be developed is almost limitless. Not everyone aspires to such heights. Many of us are content just to be able to take the pictures we want. Successfully yes, but without unduly stretching ourselves. Some are gifted with an eye for composition or a scene others would have overlooked. Club activity is a way of sharing this knowledge

Understanding what you are about to attempt, as well as the limitations of your equipment - its not what you've got, its how you use it, is especially true for would be photographers.

To refer back to my earlier item

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last August about our proposed Club outing in a helicopter. This examples my point quite well.

My advice then was based on a trip taken just before I wrote this piece. Five in our party took the scenic trip in a nineteen seater from Penzance Heliport. Our group in this nearly full aircraft, included three with cameras. One, a press photographer was using a modern compact camera. A Scillonian by birth, he was well use to this form of travel over the Lands End area.

I noticed in the October issue Mr Crowle takes issue with my advice and while I should not, perhaps, presume to argue with someone claiming this degree of experi-

ence, I must point out some features he seems to have missed in his advice.

Obviously these scenic flights must vary according to the helicopter used and the flight plan followed. I was to prepare people for our second outing in the PZ 19 seater. Our first experience being passed on for next time.

All our pictures were in the main quite successful. Of the three cameras and lenses used; one had a 50mm Standard (equal in field of vision to the human eye). The Compact at 45mm approx. and the third with 35-70mm zoom used throughout at 35mm. The last gave the best results. 32 slides (Reversal

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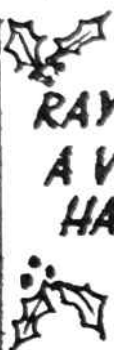


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Focus was set at infinity on this 35mm lens obviating the need to alter focus (as on a longer lens) or risk un-sharp areas. This is why I suggested the simple disposable or fixed focus compact for anyone considering taking one of these excellent flights. .NB. Use 35mm colour film and at a speed according to camera used. The Labs modern processors will iron out small exposure faults.

Very few of us have the wealth and experience to fly our own aircraft. Not many of those who can, I imagine, would consider flying solo low overland taking photos at the same time. It seems to me to be quite foolhardy & irresponsible,

if not illegal perhaps, or are fliers above the law in such cases?

The 19 seater helicopters at Penzance always have two pilots at the controls. Our flights to the Isles of Scilly by fixed wing were also found to be a little restricted for photography by the confines of the viewing available, except for banking and when close to the land. However our shots then, were also quite presentable for our needs.

I can only speak from personal experience. My only reason for setting these words down is in an attempt to help others.

Good luck with your photography whatever you try. Have a good Christmas and a successful New Year.

Marlene Rew Hon Sec & SC

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The seeds came from Devon, they must have something going for them, but it was the dedication of Rebecca, aged 7, and Sam who since this photograph was taken, has graduated the massive age of 5 that enabled these lovely plants grow to the massive height of nearly 15 feet. Not a record I know, but they weren't actually trying. What would have happened if they had been?

On the quiet, I rather think Mum and Dad may have helped a little. What do you think?



Letter

It was good to read the letter from the teenager concerning a place of their own to meet in. For some time I have been urging my teenage grandson to do this (to no avail) so it is great to read that initiative is still around.

A place like they suggested is badly needed in Hayle as is a proper football field in the Foundry area and a half pipe for the skate-

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boarders.

It seems like the only place for 14-17 year olds to meet is the amusement arcade and the Penmare, so who can blame them for going. Not the best environment I could think of, but the teenagers like adults like to mix and meet.

Can't some members of the council help, or some trades person. As they say, there are lots of shops empty.

Teenagers get a lot of bad press but there are a lot of good ones out there.

Let's do something to help them.

A Pensioner.

Name and address supplied.

Parachute Jumping to Carpet Bowling

There has been no **FALL-OFF** in the money being raised for St Julia's during the start of the **FALL** season. October has seen a wide range of initiatives to help pay for the **£566,000** running costs of the existing seven bedded Hospice and help towards the funding for the planned **10** bedded new one with day care centre which will cost **£1.5** million. The following are a few of the amounts that have been received:

St Mellyon Lodge (**£120**);
Parachute Jumping by various

young people (**£1,100**); Phi Magnetronics Staff Social (**£500**); Helston and Lizard Rotary Club (**£500**); St Just Methodist Church (**£107**); Carnell Green Carnival and Harvest Auction (**£1,010**); Tesco Stores, Penzance (**£500**); Provincial Grand Chapter of Cornwall (**£280**); Hayle Methodist Church (**£200**); Beer Festival (**£696**); Helston Rotary Club (**£521**); Peter Robinson slide shows (**£115**); Lanner Carpet Bowls Club (**£150**).

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Young Walker for St Julia's

On Sunday 27 October James Hankins, age 11, of 15 Amal-an-Avon Hayle walked from Hayle to Truro to raise money for St Julia's Hospice, a distance of 19 miles. He hopes to raise **£160**. He was accompanied on the walk by his mother, Beverley and his support car was driven by his gran, Wendy Wheeler with Tamsin his young sister.

James had had no connection with St Julia's before but said, "I wanted to support a local charity." When he was met on the steps of Truro Cathedral by Paul Barnes, Director of Fund-raising for St Julia's and Jane Callaghan, his Form Tutor at Hayle Community School, he was wet through, exhausted but delighted to have made it.

If anyone wants to contribute to his efforts please contact the family on 01736 756223 or the fund-raising office on 01736 751292

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What is the meaning of tight? Throwing a brick through someone's window, then asking for it back.

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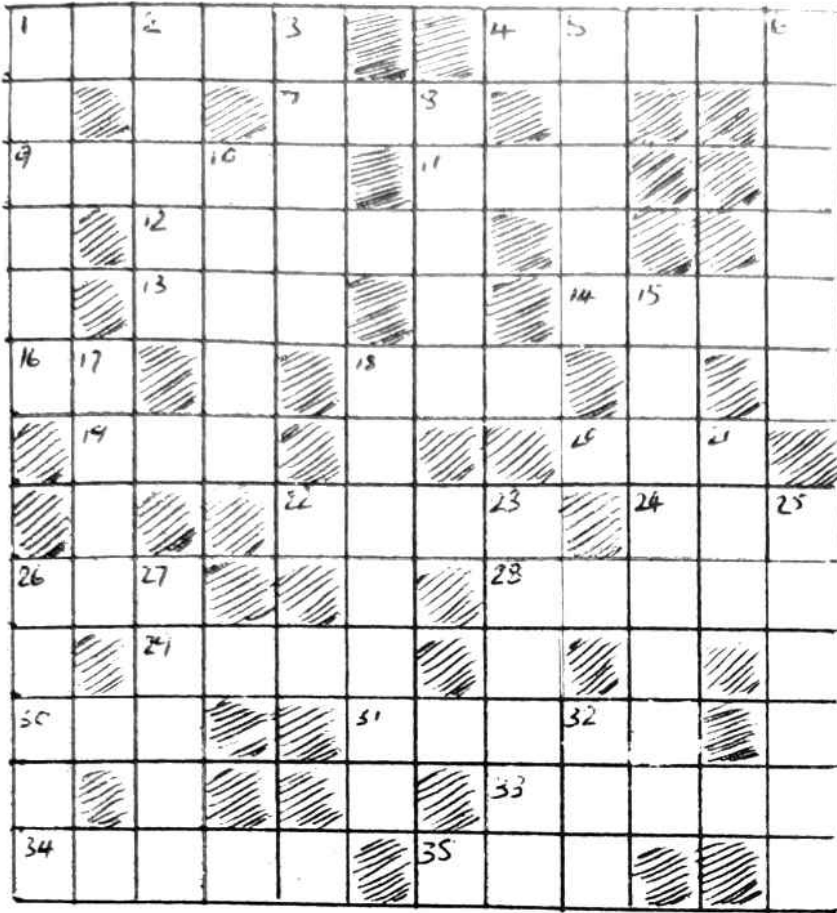


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Wednesday, 11th: 7.30p.m: Hayle House Group, Manse: The Dilemma of Wealth: The Parable of the Rich Man and Lazarus.

Sunday, 15th. 6.00p.m Junior Church Nativity

Sunday, 22nd. 6.00p.m Lessons and Carols.

Tuesday, 24th. 11.30p.m Christmas Eve Communion.

Wednesday, 25th. 10.30a.m Christmas Morning Worship for All the Family

January:

Sunday, 5th. 3.00 p.m. Covenant Service

Monday, 13th. 7.30 p.m. Men's Circle: "Workers' Playtime"

Wednesday, 15th. 7.30 p.m: House Group, Manse: "To Whom Much is Given "Parable of the Talents.

Wednesday, 29th. 7.30 p.m: House Group, Manse: "Joy in the Business of Heaven" Parable of the Ten Bridesmaids

February:

Wednesday, 5th. 2.45 p.m.: First Wednesday Worship

Sunday, 9th Home Mission Sunday

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The Mines of Hayle

Number 4- Wheal Lucy

This is the 4th of the Mines of Hayle to be featured in the Pump. The previous ones being Mellanear, Boiling Well and Wheal Alfred. See issues Nos 7, 8 and 10. wheal Lucy was situated on Hayle Towans between what is now The Bluff and the end of black Cliffs. The Adit entrances can still be seen by the steps at Cove Cafe. Others have been buried by rockfalls in recent years, reminding us that the sea is slowly eroding the cliffs.

Wheal Lucy was named after a Canon Hocking's daughter, he being the mineral owner. No one

knows when the Mine was first started but it would have probably been in the early 1800's and only above water-level. During this time a small shaft was sunk 60 yards from the cliff [and behind Cove Cafe] but only down to sea level. It was in 1871 that operations started on any scale, and over £5000 was spent on surface machinery, and the Mine became a show-piece of the day. A 20in engine was installed which pumped the water and drove the stamps [ore crusher]. It seems that however, although the tin was very rich, the mine had overinvested too much money and it stopped in

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1874 having produced 14 tons of tin. It was restarted in 1893 but again failed due to the low price of tin at the time. It is the exact same problem facing tin mines in Cornwall today 100 years later, and will be the same in 100 years time. The Mine had 4 documented shafts of which the deepest [Engine Shaft] was only 120 feet deep -this has recently been capped-off with concrete, the others having been filled in over the years. There is still the remains of one by the Pill-Box at the eastern end of Black Cliffs. The area between there and Phillack Church shows the signs of being dug up at some stage as the Miners followed the Lodes.

Total production of Tin was only 24 tons and no other minerals were produced although it is known that lead and silver existed see Boiling Well Mine.

Early photographs of Cove Cafe show a large heap of waste rock on the beach in front of the Lifeguards Hut but this has now gone. The carpark by the Bluff however is made from mine waste and it is likely that this is where the ore dressing floors once stood. Today if you look carefully in the rock face by the swimming pool, you will see where one of the Wheal Lucy lodes protrudes from the surrounding rock. These lodes run

right underneath Riviere Farm. A much smaller Mine called West Wheal Lucy was sited on the Lelant side of the Estuary and the adit entrances can be seen running under the golf course and railway. What would holidaymakers make of it today, were the mines still operating?!

Marshall Hutchens

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It's also not the two legged "Hector" who live around Upton Towans way. For that Hector rang me up to make it quite clear that it was not him.

Yes, like me you will be pleased to know, our Hector came back from his roamings in the summer months. It was thanks to Tiger, my

cat, who brought his return to my notice. for Tiger was swearing at something through the cat flap which was bolted up for the night. It was very late and it don't do to let your beloved cats out in the long dark hours of the night.

Went outside to see what was up-setting Tiger. The outside lights all came on, so was able to see around the garden, no sign of any other cats.

All of a sudden a little noise, and there was Hector talking to me. Said he was very hungry, rushed in to get some cat food for his supper.

I was really overjoyed to see the little rascal again after all these months he has been away.

He told me all his news, and where he had been. A few nights later, my friend Sue saw him in her garden. Managed to take a photo of him, so you can all now see what a good looking hedgehog he is. Hector has now gone to sleep for the winter, so his fans will have to wait to hear from him again in 1997, but he did say that I could tell you all what he had been up to in the summer of 1996.

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