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**Archers of the West Demonstration
17th March**

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Closing date for next issue:
20th May 2001

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Have a Go Success

Archers of the West Archery Club held their first ever Have a Go Archery Sessions at Phillack Church Hall on Saturday, 17th March, and much to the pleasure of the Club, it was a great success with about 70 to 80 people attending to see what was going on. All were welcome and most of them had a go, some even came back for more.

On display was archery equipment including longbows, replica arrows and the very latest recurve and compound bows. Members of the Club were there, along with the Club's four Grand National Archery Association coaches, answering any questions put to them.

Archers of the West Club was formed in October 2000 and already boasts English and Great Britain squad member, Jan Martin, along with County Champion, Andy Lathem, and fourteen other archers making up the rest of the club, shooting all types of bows.

Would you like to learn the ancient sport of Archery? Well, now's your chance! Old, young, short, tall, weak, strong, disabled, archery is for everyone. It's a great sport and you don't have to be an athlete to take part. The Club will be holding beginners' courses starting on Thursday, 29th March 2001 at Phillack Church Hall at 7 pm. The courses last for six weeks

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For more information, contact Bob Young on 01736.850145, Andy Lathem on 01736.850036 or Ken Osborn on 01209.313920, or visit the web site at www.archersofthewest.co.uk.

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place where they can relax, listen to music, and chat to their friends or even play on the computer. A place to "chill out".

What I would like to know is, when is there going to be a place for us older folk!

Well done to everyone concerned, Mel, Sabrina and Sarah, you are a credit to us all, I would like to wish you every success for the future, and may your Youth Project Office continue to flourish in the days to come.

Mrs Terry Lello

County Councillor for Hayle (and proud of it)

White Sails Restaurant

Many thanks to all those who supported us during the recent Times Restaurant Promotion. We were overwhelmed by the response.

It was great to see so many of our regulars and to welcome new visitors from Hayle and further afield. We've made a lot of new friends.

Rob will be exchanging his chef's whites and spatula for overalls and a screwdriver as he gets down to some refurbishment of the kitchens. As a result we will be reducing our opening times to Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays for the next few weeks.

Look out for our new menu at Easter.

Debbie & Rob Evans

Letter.

I went along to the opening of the Youth Project Office, and I was most impressed with the facilities that Mel and her colleagues are offering our young people in Hayle.

How wonderful that at long last there is somewhere for them to go, a place that is warm and comfortable, safe and friendly, and also more importantly, that parents can rest assured their sons and daughters are in a secure environment.

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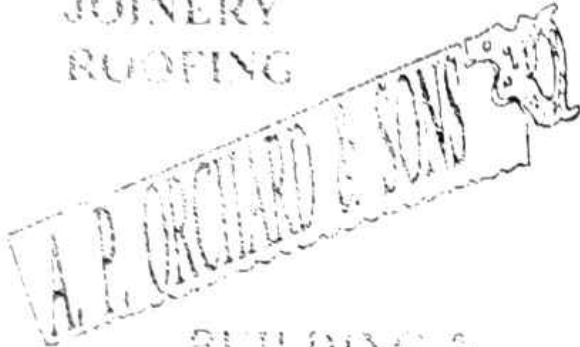
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Still Homeless!

Unfortunately the Pump has been unable to take over their new premises at Pratt's Market, as the building work hasn't yet been carried out. Due to years of non-maintenance the side wall of the old chapel is letting in damp, but the new owner is investing money in having everything put right. He is to be congratulated, the units are all occupied now, (except one) and things are getting better every day.

We hope to be in our unit by May.

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Sarah Turk

Useful tip:

To stop puppies chewing your prized possessions, sprinkle the area with cayenne pepper.

A View from the Steeple

Oh where, oh where has the springtime gone?

It's gone March already and still the chilly winter winds are blowing. The daffodils may be blooming, but I am staying perched in the belfry, with my beak chattering and my feathers fluffed up against the cold!

Global Warming! Next Ice Age, more likely!

At least I have had a few good things to enjoy to help me pass away the time. The first two Choir Concerts of 2001 have attracted enthusiastic audiences for what is now becoming an annual winter celebration of Cornwall's long and

illustrious tradition of producing fine choirs.

The Chacewater Carnon Vale Male Voice Choir gave this year's Concerts a very enjoyable start, but it was the pure magic of Stephen Thomas' virtuoso performance on the euphonium and the superb voice of their soprano soloist, Natalie Opie, that made the visit of St. Stithians Male Choir a truly memorable evening.

The third Concert in the series was on Mothering Sunday and in honour of the day the guest Choir was the Mabe Ladies Choir with their soloists, Suzanne Mahon and Margaret Rogers. Brass aficionados had another treat, with special guest soloist, John Hitchens



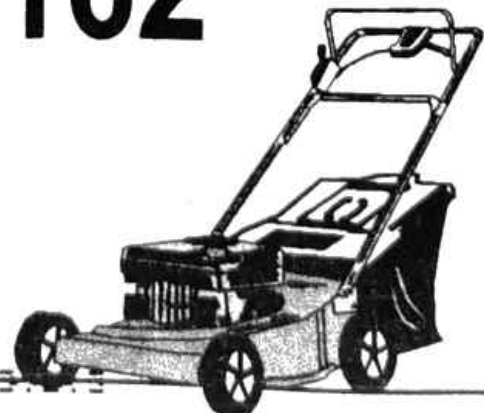
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St. Elwyn's celebrated its Feast Day on the 4th March and the children of the Sunday School served tea and home-made biscuits and cakes to raise money for Comic Relief after the Morning Service on 18th March.

] The children have also spent several weeks producing a fine model of Noah's Ark, complete with animals, which has been on view at the back of the Church. They, too, would like to pass on their thanks to everyone who has supported the Jumble Sales.

The Choir has two new members, Jo and Becky, but it still needs more voices, in particular tenors and basses, so that it can again sing in four-part harmony. Choir Practices are at St. Elwyn's Church every Wednesday evening at 6.30 pm.

Time is moving on! I must fly, to sort out the fluffy chicks and Easter bunnies!

See you all again soon!



Sanctuary Sparrow

Tanka

Godrevy Lighthouse

Standing proudly in the sun

Calm blue sea around

Other days grey sea and sky

White horses racing to shore.



Hayle Rose and Cabbage Horticultural Society

Would you like to become a member? If so, telephone Hayle 752967 for details.

The Annual subscription is £2.00. Schedules will be available shortly for the Summer Show, and Open Meetings and Autumn Show are being organised. Details of Open Meetings will be sent to all members.

Hayle Twinning Association

When Hayle Twinning was trying to form some of you showed an interest but unfortunately you left because things were moving slowly.

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Maurice Trathen



Hayle Twinning Association

Are you and your family willing to host our friends from Pordic for a very short visit of two nights in June?

They arrive on Saturday, 2nd June at approximately 5.30 pm and depart on Monday, 4th at approximately 10 am. If you would like to become involved, or just to help us, please telephone me on 753520.

Remember that this also gives you a chance to visit Pordic in Brittany for just the cost of travelling. Also if you have any children or young relatives who would like to take part in exchanges, please let us know.

Maurice Trathen

 "My dog's cross-eyed" says a man to the vet. "Is there anything you can do for him?"
 The vet picks up the dog and examines it at length.
 "Hmm," he says. "I'm going to have to put him down."
 "What!! Just because he's cross-eyed?"
 "No," says the vet, "because he's heavy."



*Phillack Church
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From Phillack Tower

In the cold, dark winter months, the early time of the morning service at Phillack Church is not always appreciated, especially by the ringers, who try to be in the belfry at least half an hour before service time. To some, Sunday is their only chance of an extra "lie in", but the ringers turn up in reasonable

strength, realising that the sound of the bells are calling people to worship - and, in one instance, the message was sent much further than could possibly be imagined!

One winter Sunday morning a local "Radio Ham" made contact with another "Ham" in Invercargill, South Island, New Zealand - about as far south as one could possibly get - and in the course of conversation, it was noted that the Church bells were ringing for morning service. The local "Ham" then learned that he was talking to a native of Launceston, who had emigrated with his wife to New Zealand over 30 years before, and knew both Hayle and Phillack very well indeed!

He then made a very touching

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request: he asked for a brief description of what could be seen and heard - the weather, the colour of the grass and flowers, the sounds of the birds and, to end, by placing his microphone out of the window, to her the bells ringing. Thus he was able to record it all in New Zealand to play to his wife, who was critically ill with terminal cancer, to give her great comfort listening to the sounds of her native county.

So, on that particular Sunday morning, the message of the bells was travelling many thousands of miles away giving someone a little bit of joy and comfort.

Mike D. Smaldon

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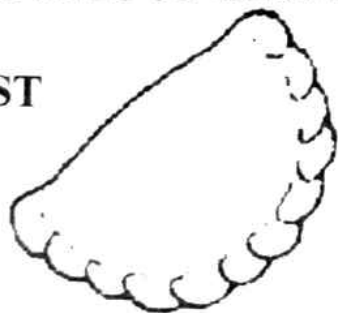
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HAYLE LIBRARY

By the time this goes to press, many good friends and acquaintances will have realised that Anne Cooper, who has been the Chief Librarian in our library, has at long last retired. She has been at our beck and call, to offer her assistance, advice and ideas for an amazing 22 years. She started part time, giving aid to customers 8 hours a week. Anne really enjoyed her job, meeting people, getting to know their likes and dislikes, and their various interests. Her official retirement was dated for 26th April 2001, but unfortunately had to leave a little sooner due illness.

It was Anne who started the story telling on Saturday morning, from which various other activities evolved. Such as Special Events i.e Chinese New Year (now gone) and fund raising events, phone up or call in and ask for details. She encouraged parents of the children to come along and tell their own stories, and now the parents children are bringing their own children to listen to more and more stories. From Little acorns...etc. Marvellous! Surely a good way to encourage youngsters to read. I am sure the Mums and Dads enjoyed themselves as well. The average number of children on a Saturday morning is about 20, unfortunately Fire Safety Precautions do limit the

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numbers that can be accommodated.

Anne has lived in Penpol Terrace for 26 years, and has been married for 40 years. She had 4 children, but sadly one was killed in a car crash. All the children went to school in Hayle. She now has 4 Grand children.

Her main hobbies are painting and writing, and before her arthritis set in, dancing and gardening.

May I suggest to all interested parents, keep a good lookout for special events coming up.

I am sure everyone would like to wish her a very happy retirement and proffer many thanks for her help and assistance in the past.

JRWP

Childhood Memories of Ventonleague

Children's games in Ventonleague seemed to rotate through the thirties. We gathered together with our marbles, proud of our "taw" and "bully" enthusiastically playing "pit", "ring" or "town". The whipping top - a game to see who could spin the longest. The hoop was rather exhausting when it was made of iron. Wooden ones were thrupence each, but we happily truckled them along the lanes. Skipping ropes, if

we had thrupence we could buy one with wooden handles. Most of us had an ordinary length of rope that was not kind to the hands. Kites came in focus made with brown paper and bamboo. We flew them from the top of the hill. Rounders had its session at the bottom of the hill - this seemed to be an evening game. Hopscotch, statues, leapfrog and erkie were always popular.

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May Day was a day to remember. Girls were decked out in colourful crepe paper dresses. I recall being dressed as Bo Peep with my friend as a Harlequin. Some villagers gave us pennies for singing, but one old man was not impressed and threw a bucket of water over us!

Everything was gathered for the bonfire on top of the hill. The boys pulled "trade" from wherever they found it. Percy Williams' horse and cart and Mr. Hockin's lorry were used by the men from the village to bring loads from Wheal Alfred. The men built, lit and supervised the fire. We had lots of fun. I do not recall any accidents.

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field, heating water in a black urn. We held out our mugs, which were filled with sweet tea, and we were given our tea-treat buns. Halfpenny and penny cornets and tuppenny wafers bought from "Johnny ice cream" who came from Camborne. There was lemonade and I recall sweets being thrown for us to scabble for. Most of us wore white plimsolls, thrupence a pair. A penny block of whitening lasted all the summer. Games, races and tug-of-war were played by all ages, while the band played until the light grew

dim.

There were three big events in the 1930s. In 1935 was the Silver Jubilee of King George V and Queen Mary. Houses were decorated with flags and buntings, school children assembled at the War Memorial. Mr. Pearce, our Headmaster, lined us up to march behind the band to The Towans. In front of Mr. Taylor's tea-rooms, games and races were held. I won a celluloid camera in the egg-and-spoon race, which I did not deserve as my brother had told me to hold the egg with my thumb. In the evening was tug-of-war and other games and dancing until the sun set over St. Ives.

The second event was the Coronation of King George VI and Queen Elizabeth. On both these occasions we were presented with commemorative mugs.

The third event was when the outbreak of war was declared on 3rd September 1939, which changed everything. Seven from our little village were killed. Many of the villagers have passed on since then. I know there are some now who share my memories.

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Hayle Decorative Lighting News

The President of the Decorative Lighting Committee, Shirley Oliver, gave a speech at the AGM on 14th March 2001, in which she thanked everyone for their efforts during the past year, and stated how pleased she was to be President. The Committee worked well together, and with the support of everyone in the town, the lights are getting better every year.

In his speech the Chairman, Richard Horwell thanked those whose help had been invaluable – Chris Lello, George Brighton, John

Clayton and Mike Matthews.

The poles have been purchased for King George V Memorial Walk, and are now being painted, the walk will definitely have decorative lighting this Christmas.

Hopefully with the co-operation of the new premises at the beginning of town, there will be a display to welcome visitors at Loggans, and Tempest's will be lighting the other end.

The officers were elected for the next year, but there was no need for change as everyone had done such an excellent job they were all voted in again!

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There is a Quiz Night on April 6th, and the next one after that will be June 8th, both at Hayle Bowl.

On July 22nd there will be our RAFT RACE, (start building yours soon), last year we all had a lot of fun and want to make it even better this year. Anyone wanting space for a stall, the cost is £15.00 trade or £5.00 for organisations.

Richard Horwell 75 2597

R.S.P.B. Hayle Estuary



It has been a very good winter for birds on the estuary with up to 700 Wigeon, 120 Shelduck, 4 Dark-bellied and a single Pale-bellied Brent Goose in February. The Whooper Swans mentioned in the last Pump moved to a stubble field at Leedstown in early February, though occasionally returned to join the Mutes on Lelant Water. Waders have been in good

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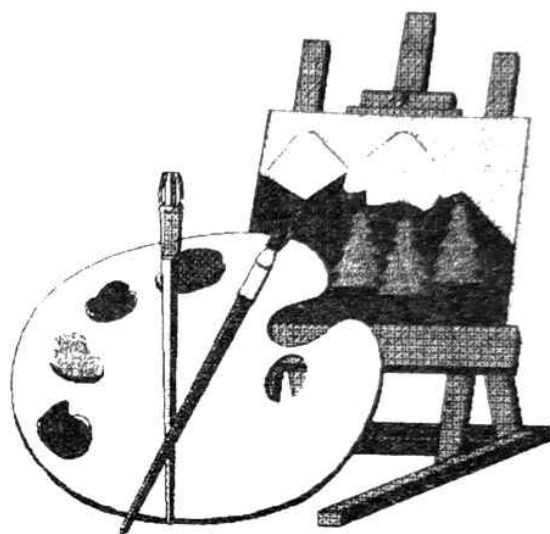
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Hayle Art Society

There's plenty of activity going on at The Hayle Art Society now that Spring is here, with so many lovely flowers to paint and the trees are full of catkins and bright new leaves as our gardens and hedgerows come to life again.

We will be holding a Spring Fayre at Phillack Church Hall on 31st May from 10 am to 2 pm. There will be stalls selling books, tapes, CDs, plants, paintings, crafts and cakes, as well as raffles and refreshments. Do come

public footpath, and we have also been forced to close off Ryan's Field due to the Foot and Mouth precautions. We apologise for any inconvenience this may have caused though are certain everyone would agree we must all make sure we do all we can to help prevent the spread of this terrible disease.

On a brighter note, our summer visitors are fast appearing with our first House Martin over Lelant Water on 9th March, Sandwich Tern there on 14th, and, best of all, a White Stork on 16th over

along and see what bargains you can find.

During Heritage Week we will be staging our members' annual exhibition at the Passmore Edwards' Institute and local schools will be invited to enter into a painting competition with prizes for the best pictures. Unframed pictures will be on sale with all the proceeds going to St. Julia's Hospice.

At present we still have full members-hip for Tuesday afternoons and Wednesday evenings. However, we do keep a list of names and telephone numbers of

anyone who wishes to join if a space becomes available.

Gloria Jeff

Tel: 01736.753405

Hayle Darby & Joan Club

CAN YOU HELP? The Club which meets fortnightly at Phillack Church Hall needs a **Treasurer.**

It is a friendly, thriving club with entertainment at meetings.

Outings during each Summer month. The A.G.M. is on 20th April at 2.30pm in Phillack Church Hall.

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flexibility to change and try new things without having to worry about the cost. The best thing about our new range is that it is manufactured by the same operation who manufacture Kordells, the top of the market complex range, so we can be absolutely sure that we are offering top quality at a budget price.

"We will still be stocking branded vitamins and supplements for those who are perfectly happy with them and, of course, if someone has a special brand they always use, we will do everything to try to track it down for them. As always, the central theme is choice."

The new own label vitamins and supplements will echo the excellent selection of own label fruit, nuts, grains, seeds and pulses, both organic and otherwise, for which Hayle Healthfoods is fast becoming noted. "We believe we have on offer one of the finest varieties in this area" said Nicholas, "and it is growing all the time as our customers bring us ideas and requests. We have been delighted with the enthusiastic and encouraging welcome our shop has received, so many people have said it is just what was needed. It is so good to do something which is fun in itself and also appreciated."

Hayle Healthfoods is open Mondays to Saturdays, 9 am to 5.30 pm. A local delivery service is also offered which may be of particular interest to those without

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 Further information from
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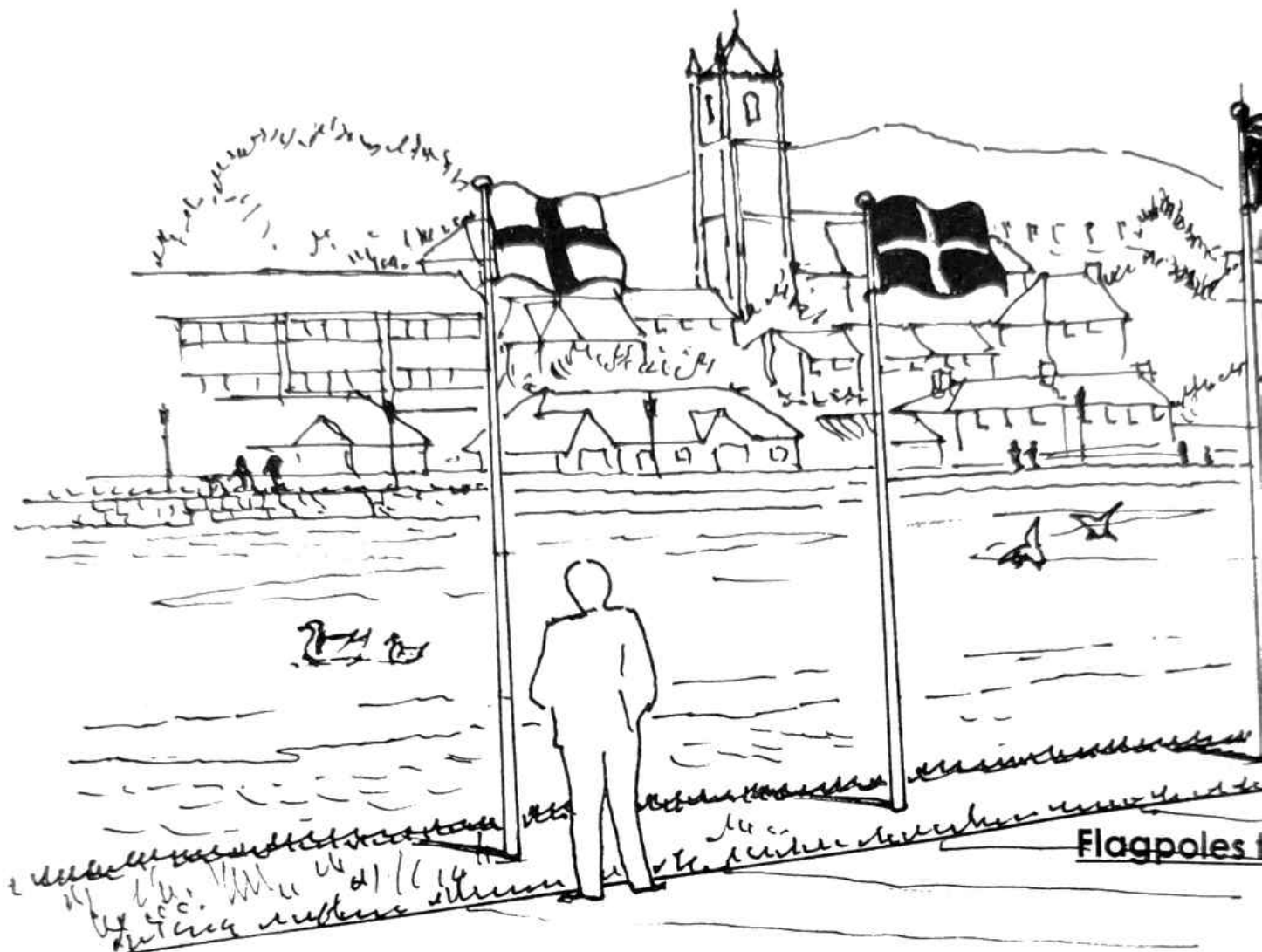
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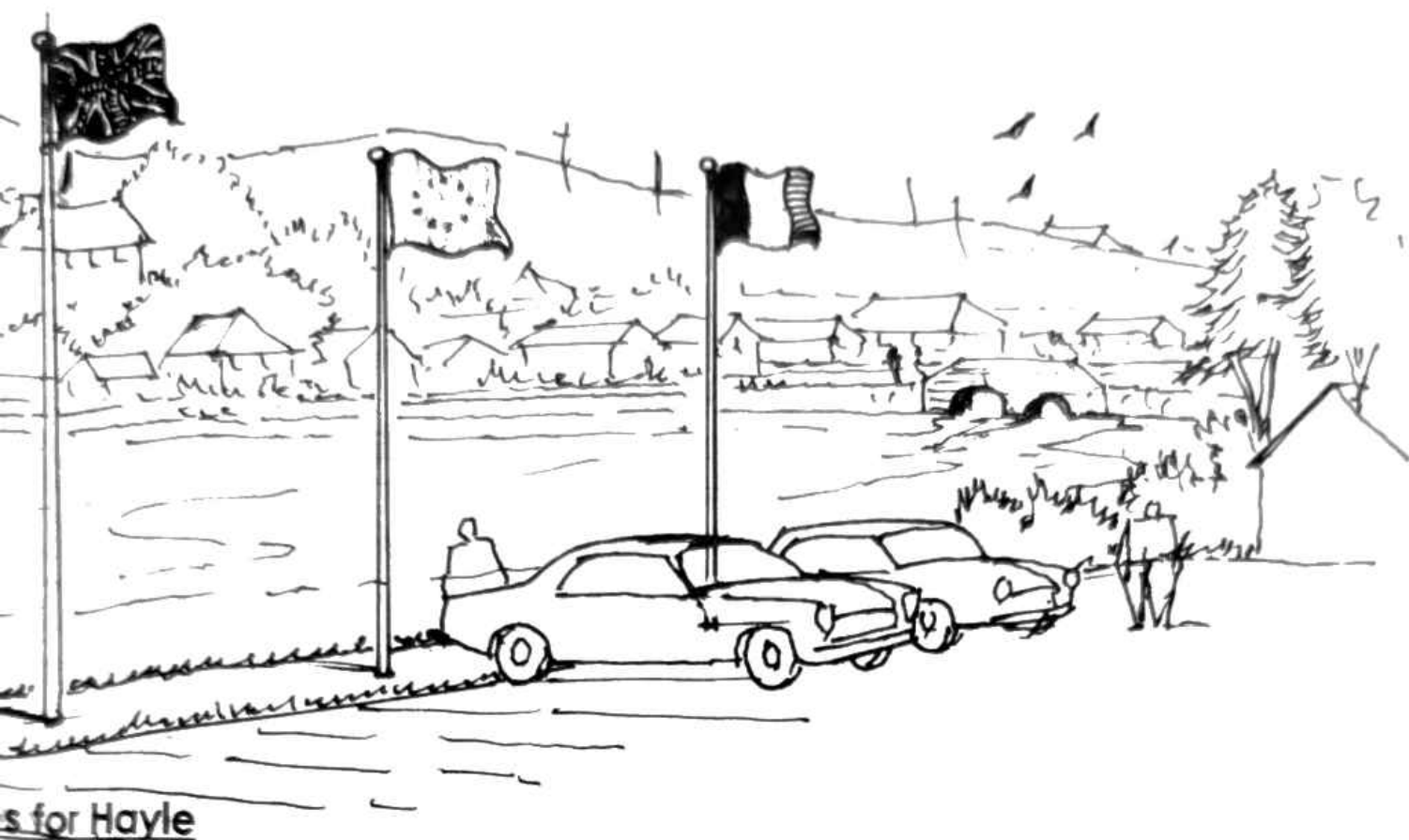
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Flagpoles

Both Hayle Lions Club and Hayle Twinning Club had the same idea of cheerfulness to the town and give us a sense of pride. The Lions wanted the entrance to Hayle from Camborne and the Twinning Club wanted the present Cross. Both ideas were turned down by the Council. The Twinning Club considered that very few people in Hayle would see them. The Lions considered a compromise and agreed that the best place would then be the corner of the Recreation Ground for the flag of whichever

The total cost of purchasing and erecting the poles is of the order of £1000. The Council has agreed to find half the cost if we can find the other half. Contact Don McGeorge on 752656.



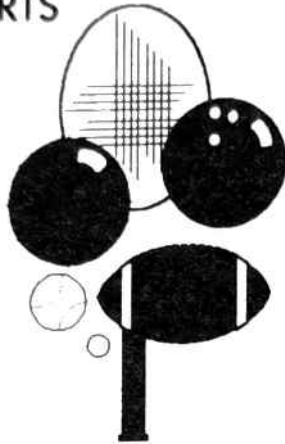
...ne idea that having flags flying in Hayle would add a touch
...ne Twinners wanted to erect the poles on the roundabout at
...ed to erect these same poles on the Plantation near to the
...il - the roundabout would be too dangerous to get to the
...ake them down. The Plantation was turned down as it was
...n true British fashion, the Twinners and the Lions reached a
...e Commercial Road Car Park with just a single flagpole on
...ver group are holding an event there.

...order of £3,000. The Chief Executive of Penwith District
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So what is better for you - Sport or Sex?

Sporty men and women of Hayle and beyond - this is the news we have all been waiting for - a recent Scottish health campaign encouraged people to make love frequently because it is the equivalent in energy terms to a three-mile run. Great! No more early rises (no pun intended!) on cold damp mornings, watching what we eat, etc. etc. Unfortunately, having played rugby, football and hockey to a reasonable standard during my teens until my mid-30s and still pursuing my greatest sporting love

at 40 - long distance cross-country running - I realise that personal fitness needs a bit more work than just regular love-ins.

To continue playing sport of any kind on a regular basis, every sports person knows diet plays a big part in success at any level. There is also a movement these days towards natural healing of all those too-familiar muscle aches, pains and strains. Before you reach for the paracetamol bottle, consider this - Paracetamol can damage your liver and cause a potential increase in your risk of asthma and other allergic reactions. Regular use of painkillers of any kind can, over a period of time, reduce the body's ability to resist pain. There are alternatives available through homeopathy, which are both effective and 100% safe. We have a leaflet on the subject at Hayle Healthfoods, and I'd be happy to discuss any particular concerns individually - I may not know the answer, but we have access to quite a number of natural health specialists.

Another consideration for the sports person is what supplements are needed for optimum health? Do you need a product that will help build muscle, protect your immune system which could be lowered through hard training or simply a multi-vitamin to supplement any dietary shortfalls? We stock a range of sports supplements or we can supply to individual order

products from Allsport, Ironman, Cybergenics, Designer Sports, Leppin, Maxim, Science in Sport, Maxi-muscle, Multipower, Nutrisport, Tropicana, Ultimate Nutrition, Weider and last, but not least, High 5. Plenty of choice you'll agree - although I think the advice given by the Scottish Health Campaign is the best I've heard yet!

Nicholas Colebourn-Morris,
Hayle Healthfoods



Foundry Bar Cafe' News

"There's a spring in my step".

Hello friends. Well it's so close now I can almost taste it, the promise of

hordes of free-spending upcountry folk ready to charge through the door and eat me out of house and home. Well, I'm sorry but I'm not holding my breath!

We are going to concentrate on what got us through the depths of an horrendous Hayle winter... You!

We've just finished having our mega Spanish Night. It was our most successful theme night ever. Flamenco guitar, plenty of paella and tapas. Last Friday was Old West Night with the Tinnars Band, and a special thank you to Doug Wilcox of DW Car & Van Hire for lending me the monster bbq to cook all the ribs and steaks. Paddy's Night was lively, I prepared the



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mother of all Irish stews and we raised over £85 for St. Julia's (as to eat was free), furthermore another £32 went to Red Nose Day, but I think next year we'll try to double it. Suffice to say the girls are going to be eating stew until Easter.

Speaking of which, we have a load planned. On Friday April 13th there is Mardi Gras Night with live Cajun music and food from New Orleans (pronounce it Loads of Creole Prawns and Jambalaya, Hush Puppies and Dirty Rice. Then just two days later the Belfast Busker is back in Hayle. Last time he proved to be the best entertainer we've ever had so come early to avoid not getting a table. Then there's The

Prawn Cocktail Years on the 27th. The music is of the 70's and 80's and the food is retro hits from the 70's like Beef Wellington, Chicken Maryland, and Potted Shrimps. The staff will be looking like cast members from Thin Lizzy. Sorry girls, I forgot to mention that.

There's a special Easter quiz with extra prizes on April 18th, check out the website for help with the quiz clues on

And finally we have joined the fray and started Sunday Lunch. To avoid comparison we aren't starting until 3.00 (bar open 2.00) and serving until 6.00. We will offer you the best possible local Cornish beef and one other roast, a fish dish and an organic vegetable dish. Plus our homemade starters and sweets. I know you'll find it just a little bit different.

Hopefully see you soon.



Chef John

???. QUIZ - ??? QUIZ ???

1. Complete these well-known lines from The Scarlet Pimpernel. "We seek him here, we seek him there"
2. In 1981 the "Gang of Four" left the Labour Party to form the Social Democrats. Name them.
3. What was left at the bottom of Pandora's Box?
4. With what is the organisation N.H.B.C. concerned?
5. How did Chicago gang boss, Al Capone, die? Was it by shooting, stabbing, or what?

6. Which six characters are found in the game of Cluedo?
7. On which date does the British tax year start?
8. Where in Scotland is the Robert Gordon University?
9. Which Shakespeare play opens with the question "Who's there?"
10. Unscramble "A Sad must made us" to reveal one of London's top attractions.
11. In which game do players stand on the oche?
12. Name the slogan on the famous poster featuring World War I Field Marshal Lord Kitchener.
13. How many carats are there in pure gold?

14. The following are clues to places in Ireland:
 - (a) becoming two
 - (b) The Rose of
 - (c) James flute player
 - (d) fossil fuel precipitation
15. What can be steel, Spanish and electric?

Answers in next issue



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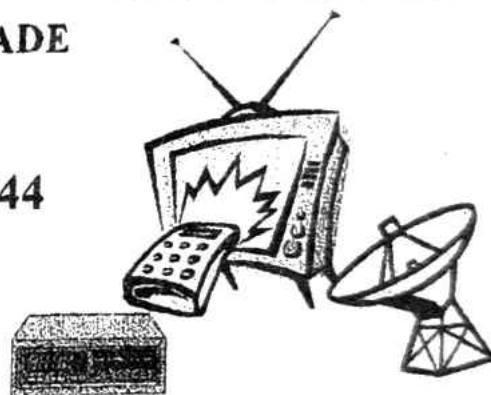
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Margaret Tanner.

Hayle Town Forum

The Hayle Town Forum Community Fund 2000/2001 received thirty-five applications in the last financial year, totalling almost £13,000, which has been distributed to organisations throughout the town.

The Forum has also set up three working groups, i.e. Streetscape & Copperhouse, Tourism & Coastal Issues, Economic Review & Building Integration. These groups, consisting of Forum members, are trying to work out the best way forward for the re-generation of the town, and to improve the look of the shops and streets. There is also a group looking at ways of re-opening the cinema (as has been achieved in Helston).

The Chief Executive of Penwith District Council, Jim McKenna attended the meeting on March 23rd and answered questions from

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members of the Forum. Everyone present was impressed by his positive attitude and his input was much appreciated.

Sue Guard, the Director of Penwith Community Development Trust talked about the Healthy Living Network, and how the £1 million they have been awarded from the New Opportunities Fund will be used.

Richard Horwell told the meeting that during the week he had been in conversation with Arthur Roberts of Penwith DC, who said that the roundabout at the Loggans end of Haule, had been judged the BEST IN BRITAIN! in the Britain in Bloom competition. It was spoiled

only by the scaffolding holding up the ship. (Penwith have agreed to take this down sometime next week, and sink two permanent posts and fix the ship properly).

Hopefully there will be more funds in the next financial year 2001/2002, if your organisation wishes to apply, ask for an application form from the Treasurer, Jim Wright, tel 01736 757043

Sarah Turk

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Up The Hill

Many people in Hayle will remember the railway which led from the wharves to the main line and have taken advantage of the footpath which follows the incline from where the old level crossing was on the main road through Hayle to the station. Even for the steam locomotives of the Great Western and British Railways, it was a test of their ability to haul trains up to the main line. The remains of the sand drag which was installed to divert run-away wagons and

prevent them from running onto the road when they reached the level crossing can still be seen. Some of the brickwork of the old stables still remains where the horses, which once worked the branch, were kept.

In the early days, when the West Cornwall Railway operated the line, horses not only worked pulling wagons on the wharves, as they did until about 40 years ago, but they also pulled wagons up to the main line. It is not a bit of wonder that one contractor who provided horses, Mr. Bone of

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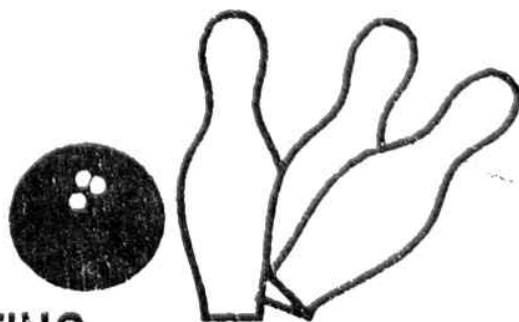
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Bodriggy, had the occasion to dismiss one of his drivers for cruelty! This came out in a horse poisoning case in 1855 which reached both the local magistrate and the Quarter Sessions (where there was a jury), when it was alleged that this driver, Thomas Mills, got his brother, Alan, who still worked for Mr. Bone, to poison three horses with arsenic extracted from a barrel in trucks which the horses were pulling up from the arsenic works, probably on Hayle Wharves, to the station. Thomas was found not guilty at the first hearing, being at home at the time of the offence, and Alan by the jury (Royal Cornwall Gazette 13.7.1855)

A retired engine driver who began on the railway before the First World War once told me an interesting story which shows how formidable this incline was even for steam locomotives. They were bringing a train from the explosives works out on The Towans along what is now the King George V Walk. It was a small tank locomotive, one of the lighter varieties of "matchbox" shunting tanks familiar on the branch years ago. It

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was not powerful enough to take the train up the incline to the main line. To avoid going to the trouble of dividing the train, they used what engine drivers have called a "jemmy", which is an object placed in the blast-pipe to sharpen the blast and so increase its pulling power. For several reasons this was a practice frowned upon by authority. As they did probably many times before, they used a spanner for this purpose and it did answer the need

and the train reached the main line and the wagons were stored in a siding waiting to be picked up by a goods train going eastwards.

The little tank engine then returned to its depot at Penzance. Anyone who saw one of these humble workhorses of the GWR trundling around in goods yards shunting or on other duties, would be surprised at the speed it could achieve on its homeward journey as it looked forward to the comfort of its well-earned rest at Penzance, and its replenishment of coal and

water. Engine driver and fireman were equally keen to get to their homes or some hostelry! Even the "Cornish Riviera Express", in full cry along the same stretch of track would not match the speed of this little tank engine unencumbered by any load behind it!

So through St. Erth station she went and then, taking the incline easily to the bridge at the top, she reached the place where the gradient fell and the long stretch of downhill to Marazion began. Now she would really begin to fly on

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rails! At some point the realisation dawned on them - they hadn't taken the spanner out! Visions of the "jemmy" breaking loose and entering the cylinders with consequent damage to the engine and their job prospects came upon them. As carefully as they could, they stopped the tank engine. They got out and opened up the front of the smokebox and by some miracle, the spanner was still there where they had put it! Whether or not the signalman at Marazion wondered why the journey from St. Erth took longer than usual we do not know, but "all's well that ends well!"

Cedric Appleby

letter

I was taught at school that it was not possible to qualify a superlative, but quite often I hear (local radio included) the expression "more accurate". If anything is accurate, how can it be improved upon?

One evening I was in my local, when my eye caught the label on a whiskey bottle. It stated "Over 100% Proof". How can anything be more than its sum total? And why "Proof"? I asked the Landlord of long-standing what it meant.



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Realising the cognisance of his statement, I decided to find out. The more I asked, the more negative it became and the more determined I became, to find out.

Surprisingly, my research took me back to Medieval times, when it was not uncommon for spirits to be diluted by some unscrupulous Innkeepers. Someone in authority decided to make a "Standard" for the quality of spirits, to ensure that they were not adulterated. A method to detect this fraud was devised.

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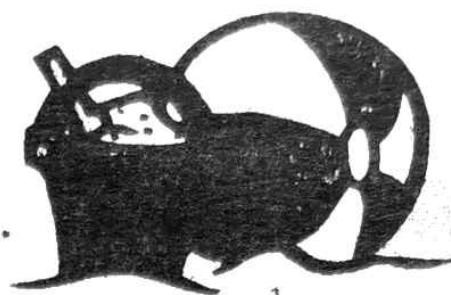
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this was added a pinch of gun-powder. The official analyst would try to ignite the mixture. If it would not ignite, the innkeeper would be arrested and put into stocks on the outside of the Inn, and held up to ridicule. If it ignited it was said to be of sufficient strength or "Proved." It was found that the lowest level that Gun-powder would ignite was when the alcohol and water were of equal proportions. Until recently the approximate alcohol content of any spirit was half "Proof" strength indicated on its label. It is now shown by actual alcoholic content by volume, as it is on the Continent.

My husband sleeps under the bed.
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 A stroll down Hayle's high street
 Seems a million miles from home.

The people are so welcoming
 Quaint shops we now explore
 And friendly chatter fills the air
 Now who could ask for more.

So if you're set for Cornwall
 Then Hayle's the place to call
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Cornish Words and Phrases

AVEEDUNUN

Have you taken the necessary steps to complete your course of action?

AVEEGOTUN

Have you found what you are seeking?

AVEESEENUN

Have you seen that for which you search?

BETTERGOGITTEN

I had better depart and fetch the article for which I was sent.

BIN-UN-DUNUN

I have been and carried out

my allotted task.

COSTY MUCH DIDA

Are you prepared to tell me how much it cost you?

CAIN TELLY

I cannot or will not give you the information you seek.

CRIS

Potato crisps

DIDDY NAWN

Did you know the person of whom we speak?

DIDDY ABM

Did you have it? Did he/she have it? Did anyone have it?

EDGE

A structure separating two fields, used instead of "wall"

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EVVEE IZZA

How much does the article
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EZYAU

I am in agreement with you
over this particular matter.

FAATHURGOTUN

My father is in possession of
that which you seek.

FARIZA

How far away is my
destination?

FERCRISAEIK

For goodness' sake.

GIBMTHABOY

Delegate your task to the
apprentice or younger
member of staff.

GOTUNAVEE

See "AVEEGOTUN"

G'SONUPANGIDDEN

Please go up and get it for
me.

GOYNARY

Are you proposing to go?

GUSON

I don't see your point of
view.

HOFFIZZER

(Police) Officer - there are no
aitches in Cornish phrases..

IDN

1. Is not.

2. Hidden (Idnidnizza - It
isn't hidden, is it?)

ILLY

Extremely steep or
mountainous

IZZA

Is it?

KILLUN DIDDY

Did you terminate his/its
existence?

LIKUN DIDY

Did you find the experience
pleasurable?

LEEBM DIDDY

Did you leave the person?

MENTUT DIDDY

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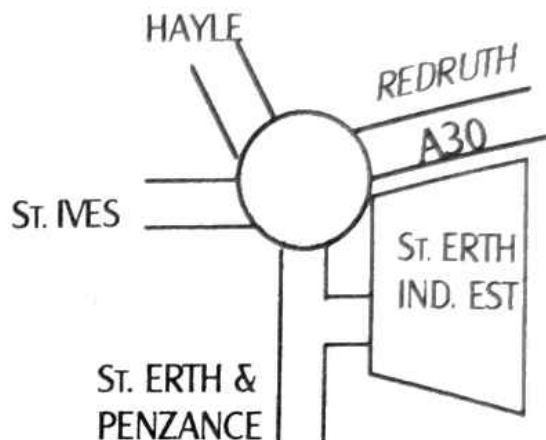
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Living Dangerously

Over the course of time, with all the new diseases that have been discovered, I am wondering if I belong to a "Super Race" to have survived them all.

Us Celts must be a tough lot, especially the Cornish. Up until now I have survived Bovine Spongiform Encephalopathy(BSE), Salmonella, and Listeria. Then this deadly gas, Radon, I am told is highly concentrated in Cornwall, because it has a liking for granite.

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Now I have to brace myself to combat *Mycobacterium avium* subspecies *para-tuberculosis* found in milk (M.A.P.), despite the fact that thousands of pounds have been spent on equipment for pasteurising milk, and very stringent tests are made. These boffins still see a

danger. I have been drinking milk all my life, also my family, sisters and parents.

My dear old Grandmother died at the early age of just over a hundred, and the wife's granny lived to a hundred and a bit. I find it hard to understand how us Cornish folk have survived. My family alone can top over two hundred years. Are we ready to fight the next round of bugs, viruses and nasties that the boffins can throw at us? Or are we becoming a nation of happy healthy hypochondriacs!



Charles Crowle

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The Hatter's Day

"Please join us for tea," invited the Hatter.

"I'll go and prepare, while you all have a natter."

So with smiles and laughter,

They sat down to eat

(Because this is the place where the best people meet.)

Tweedledee asked politely for two beef, with mustard

Tweedledum said "And after, we'll have cake and custard"

Then one by one, all the orders were taken,

*Though some got mixed up
If I'm not much mistaken.*

"An Oxo for me", "Two black coffees just here,"

"A nice cappuccino, but no chocolate, dear."

Amid all the noise, the dormouse slept on

Waking only to ask where the Hatter had gone.

"Hello" said the parrot, "the cake's cooked, you know."

"It's burnt," said the Hatter, "I guess you're too slow."

"The gravy's too thick, and the crumble is black,

*What are you all up to,
When I turn my back?"*

The rabbit was bustling around with the tray,

But it flew from her grasp and she started to pray:

"Dear God - this is me - I could do with a hand.

I've lost all me trifles - now where did they land?"

"Will you let me wash up?"

Asked the Cheshire Cat

*"You know that I'll do it
Much better than that."*

*And above all the noise
And the clatter of plates*

*A voice was heard crying
"Lord - I need a break!"*

At the end of the day

All the diners went home

"Ah, peace at last,"

*Someone said, with a groan
But it wasn't to be
They had spoken too soon
Some guests in the attic
Were locked in their room!*

*"Help!" called the parrot
"Help! - Let me out"
or ... Was it the Hatter
Who uttered that shout?*



Leona

A Short History of H.T.P. Corn Mill, Hayle

Charles Crowle

Towards the middle of the last century, William Hosken, with

his son Samuel, took over a building at the foot of Connor Downs Hill (Loggans) and built a corn mill. It was completed in 1852 and developed into a very prosperous family concern.

In 1855 Hosken obtained a lease on the land at Loggans and a parcel of land at Angarrack (near Steamers Hill). He was a very astute man, and in 1858 had two mills working there.

Hosken, the owner of Carwin Farm (Carwin Rise, Connor Downs) started poultry farming on a large scale, and also built up a pedigree herd of shorthorn cattle, which fetched high prices at markets of pedigree stock,

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and was exported with some high degree of importance.

Another successful milling company in Hayle was J.H. Trevithick, which developed into a thriving business in the 1850s. He also had interests in mining. In 1890 the two families of Hosken and Trevithick joined forces

together with Polkinghorne, a miller of Truro, and formed a limited company, Hosken, Trevithick, Polkinghorn - known as H.T.P, which became famous throughout the West country.

The lease of the Angarrack Mills was conveyed to the firm in 1891, but the development of steam engines to drive the mills, made the water-driven mills at Angarrack redundant, and they eventually closed down.

Another corn mill at Copperhouse (opposite Crowles Garage) known as "Paddy's Mill", was built by the Cornish Copper Company, run by an Irishman, O'Riley, and was powered by a twin undershot tidal waterwheel, reputed to be the largest wheel driving a mill in the county. The normal wheel had the water running through a launder (gutter) over the top of the wheel, whereas this one had the seawater diverted to run under the wheel - hence the tidal mill.

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In 1860 a steam engine was installed to enable the mill to run when the tide had run its course. The tidal water would fill the Copperhouse Reach (now known as Wilson's Pool) under the black bridge. This had two sluice gates and at the opposite end adjacent to the mill, were two more. There were also two more sluice gates adjacent to the road opposite Crowles Garage. These were operated as follows: The two gates were shut when the tide was incoming, to prevent the wheel running backwards. The gates beside the mill were shut. The gates under the Black Bridge were open (incoming tide). When the pool was flooded, these two were shut. The two opposite Crowles Garage were then opened, and when the tide had receded sufficiently, the gates beside the mill were opened, allowing the water to pass under the wheel to drive the mill.

This operation was entrusted to one man, Mr. John Pascoe. It was a very important operation because if the tide ran back, the wheel would turn backwards, and ruin the machinery. When the tide was exhausted, the drive to the waterwheel was disengaged and the clutch for the steam engine was engaged and drove it until



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the next tide was due. This interesting mill is the only one of its kind in England, and could work this way because of its terrain - another instance of Cornish ingenuity!

The engine was removed (there is no recorded date) and transported to Parboola in Gwinear to drive a set of stamps. The mill became the property of H.T.P. and operated well into this century. The mill was demolished in 1930 - another piece of Hayle's history lost, together with the famous name of H.T.P. at Loggans.

For many years after the First World War H.T.P. used horses to deliver their now famous

"Snowflake Flour" and "Cornubia" self-raising flour. H.T.P. also had a biscuit factory in Foundry Square, "The Cornubia", in the 1890s. There are some amusing stories about that - some of which it would not be prudent to relate! But one, however, was about how a delivery man lost his job. He fell sick and as there was no-one to take his place, one of the directors stood in for him. The horse knew the rounds so well, that it would go from place to place on its own. But the interesting fact was, it stopped at every public house en route! When the director returned from

the round, the regular driver lost his job!

Another amusing tale concerns the flour sacks, which were made from very fine cotton to prevent the flour escaping. Many of the Hayle girls may remember going to school with H.T.P. or Cornubia printed on their unmentionables! The print was permanent and unbleachable!

Of all the interesting facts I have uncovered, one eludes me, strangely enough, and that is the word "Cornubia". I have come across it many times, and have been asked many times. I have even seen it abroad - possibly carried by emigrants.

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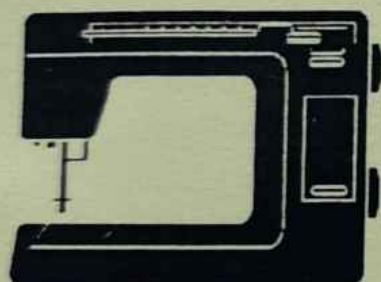
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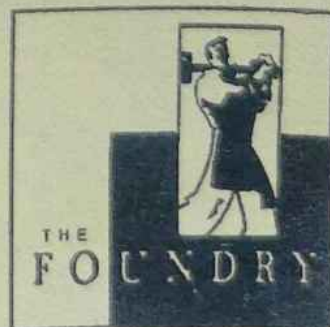
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