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20th September 2002

HAYLE'S OWN MULTI-PURPOSE COMMUNITY COMPLEX

A recent project by the Hayle Area Forum identifies that St George's Hall, the derelict Cinema building in Copperhouse could possibly be redeveloped into a Multi Purpose Community Complex for Hayle.

The building, which already houses a Café, Pizza Parlor and Video Shop on the ground floor, with the derelict Cinema auditorium on the first floor, will have to be totally renovated, and the unique terracotta front elevation restored as near as possible to its original condition.

The proposal under consideration endeavours to make every square foot of the site available economically self sufficient with as many multi-service functions available within it as possible to the benefit of all including the disabled.

It is suggested that a new entrance foyer, café, two small cinema, studio or rehearsal rooms with a self contained club room at the rear are provided on the ground floor and a new staircase and lift from the foyer to a bar and ante room on the first floor set adjacent to the main hall. The original cinema auditorium on the first floor is to be completely stripped,

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In order to register your support or to obtain further information please contact the Forum secretary:-

Cllr. Christine Windegaard
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Connor Downs
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THE ARCHIVE'S 4TH SUMMER EXHIBITION

The Community Archive's Photographic Exhibition opened on Monday 29th July and runs until Friday, 30th August.

Entitled "Cornwall's Other Garden of Eden" it is a celebration of Hayle's natural beauty. Upstairs in the main display area will be the many aspects of the town's landscape, with their related flora and fauna. Our foyer exhibit "Hayle in Bloom" is a tribute to Hayle's gardeners, and in particular Mike, Matt and Paul, who so lovingly attend our parks and gardens providing us with so much colour and interest throughout the year.

Earlier this year the Archive's photographers, Andrew Szmidla and John White visited the Eden Project and their impressions of and John White visited the Eden Project and their impressions of this stunning venue are also on show.

Admission is free and we hope you will come along and enjoy the Exhibition.

Georgina Schofield
Archive Coordinator

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A MESSAGE FROM BUCKINGAM PALACE

To: Councillor Dave Barratt,
Town Mayor, and the towns-
people of Hayle.

The Queen has asked me to thank you very much for the five splendid hand made cards which you sent on the occasion of her Golden Jubilee and for the greetings from the townspeople of Hayle

Her Majesty has received these cards and messages with much pleasure and has asked that the enclosed copy of her Golden Jubilee message be sent to you with her good wishes.

*Elizabeth Vyvyan, Lady in
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Throne in 1952. It is especially an opportunity to thank all those of you who help others in your own local communities through public or voluntary service. I would like to think that your work will be particularly recognised during this Jubilee year.

I hope also that this time of celebration in the United Kingdom and across the Commonwealth will not simply be an occasion to be nostalgic about the past. I believe that, young or old, we have as much to look forward to with confidence and hope as we have to look back on with pride.

I send my warmest good wishes to you all.

ELIZABETH R.

HAYLE HARBOUR – A LAMENT

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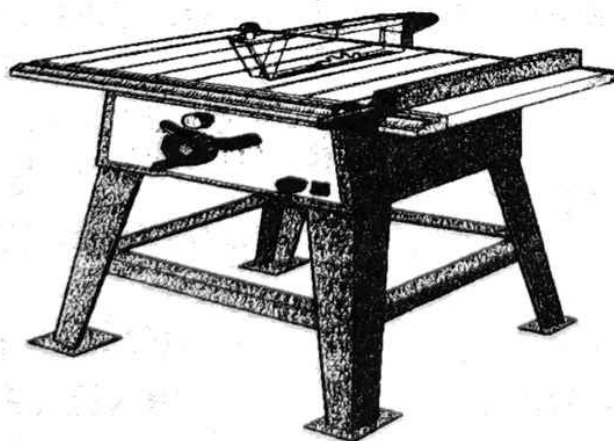
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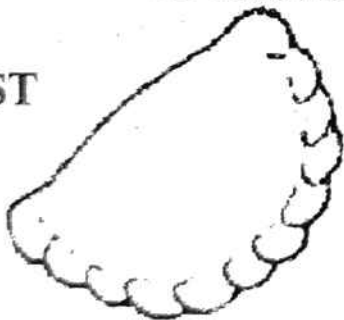
As mentioned briefly in our last issue, thanks mainly to the indefatigable Martin Nunes of West Penwith Music, The James Last CD "Bluebird", has finally been re-released. It features the ever-popular James Last composition 'A Morning in Cornwall', which is frequently played on local radio. Of the eleven other tracks on the CD, three more are written by James Last, and four by Ronald Last. Frequent use is made of pan pipes throughout the album, and apart

from the title track, several of the titles include bird names, for example 'The Sandpiper' and 'Night owl'. Quite apart from the track with the Cornish connection, the huge army of James Last fans will undoubtedly find this typically easy-listening offering well worth the asking price. (49 mins, £6.50.)

The noted organist Christopher Herriek plays the organ of Truro Cathedral on "Organ Dreams 3", a recent release on the Hyperion label. This organ is thought by many experts to be one of the finest in the country, and its many virtues are exploited to the full in a programme of 23 tracks. These include Ketelbey's 'In a Monastery

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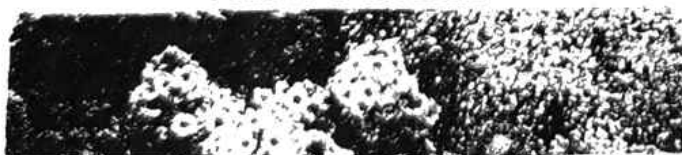
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about the aims and aspirations of the campaign.

Please add your support to the campaign by registering your interest on the website and help bring this increasingly important technology to the town.

Mark Gendall



On Monday 22nd July Hayle was judged in the "Britain in Bloom" competition.

This is the 3rd year that Hayle has entered the competition; last year the town achieved "Highly Commended" and this year could do even better.

In the S.W. Britain region Hayle competes against towns like Launceston, Minehead and Glastonbury, and not its neighbouring towns such as St Ives and Penzance. It is not all about hanging baskets and floral displays either. These are important, but the judge also takes into account all the improvements made in recycling, nature conservation and community involvement.

Many different groups have worked with Penwith District and Hayle Town Councils to improve upon and add to the features to be judged this year and meet regularly to plan for future changes.

To acknowledge those who so generously gave sponsorship Multisigns have provided and fixed, free of charge, plaques that are sited on lamp posts throughout Hayle, including Memorial Walk, with the name of the sponsor.

Hayle Millponds have also been entered for a newly-created Special Environment Award for the work done together with the Town trust and the Environment Agency to eliminate the notorious Parrot Weed. The results will be announced in early September.

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In May of this year our friends from Pordic came over to Hayle on their annual visit. This visit, though a month earlier than usual, was once again a great success, only made possible because we have such a dedicated membership. All our members work hard together throughout the year raising funds and meeting every month to organise the way ahead

for the coming visit from our friends from our twinned town in Brittany. All of us are always encouraging others to join our merry band of travellers. This year's visit started with their arrival in Hayle just after midnight on Wednesday 8th May so everyone was introduced to their host family, then off to bed; for several this was their first time of hosting. On the Thursday we had with help from Hayle Community School arranged a visit so that the people from Pordic could have a glimpse of a Cornish school. It was a very succesful visit, all the more so seeing that we had five youngsters of school age in the group. There was an exchange of addresses and e-mail contacts, this is what we had hoped for. The school had also done us proud by laying on some Cornish pasties and heavy cake which were cooked in the kitchen by the staff. We were met by the head mistress Mrs Jackman, Mr Wyld and year 10 pupils who took us around on a short tour. We are hoping that through this visit we may now be able to expand our twinning, either through exchange visits, video-cam links, e-mails or even penpals. This is open to all the schools in Hayle; we hope to work together with the schools, and we would like to take this opportunity to say a big thank you to the staff and

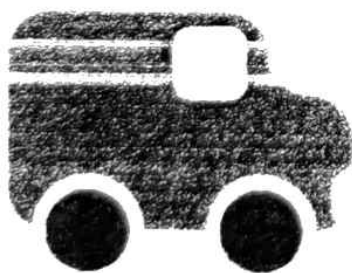
pupils of Hayle Community School.

In the afternoon we all visited Paradise Park. We arrived in time to see all the displays that are put on daily, then we meandered through the beautiful settings. This was also an eye-opener for our friends, they still talk about it now, the birds, the otters, the penguins, well everything, even the view over the estuary. They all took loads of photographs, they were especially interested in the Cornish Chough, the national birds of Cornwall. Thanks also to the management and staff of Paradise Park for making this visit possible.

The day hadn't ended there, because then we were off to the

Hayle Day Centre where the Hayle Town Council had arranged a reception for our cousins from America who were travelling under the name Dehwelans; there were also Australians in this group so altogether there were at least four nations being represented here in Hayle. We were all greeted by the mayor Mr David Barratt and his wife Carol. Once again refreshments were laid on. There was a great display of photographs, everyone enjoyed these, as they did the cake, which was supplied by members of the Forum, so we would also take this opportunity to thank Hayle Town Council for inviting us along. In the evening we did our own thing, sightseeing

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Friday we met at the car park and then departed on the coach for a little shopping, first to Penzance and then on to St Ives. For some it was the time to treat our friends to their first taste of fish and chips. We arrived back in Hayle to give ourselves time to get ready for our trip to the Carbis Bay Hotel where we were having a meal. Just over 70 attended including the Hayle mayor and his wife, members of Hayle Chamber of Commerce and friends, and we had a very enjoyable meal. On the Saturday morning we met at the car park for the departure at 10.30, and once again there was a lot of hand-

shaking and kisses plus some tears. By the Wednesday of the following week the story of the trip was put on the website. This visit was made possible through hard work and commitment, once again a big thank you, and apologies if I have missed anyone out.

We are visiting Pordic ourselves in September, Friday 13th to Monday 16th, leaving Hayle at 5am and returning at 11.30pm. If you are interested give me a call, the price is £65 adult, £45 child, and we only have a few seats left.

As you can see by reading this we enjoy ourselves so why not join us? Our aim is to expand, this association is for the benefit of everyone in Hayle.

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Harbour Watch.

Mr. Chris Brown-Bolton has given a presentation to members of both Hayle Town Council and Hayle Area Forum of the new plans for the Harbour development.

The Harbour Company has now spent £2.3 million pounds in their efforts to produce a plan that will please everybody, the RSPB, English Heritage, the fishermen and the people of Hayle. The plans for South Quay include civic buildings, a flagship building overlooking the Estuary, a posh hotel and a budget hotel, a Bingo hall, sports hall, a market square and small shops, bistros etc. (not a huge shopping complex) with houses, apartments etc. interspersed amongst the businesses, as it is on Penpol Terrace opposite. It will be possible to walk around the town from Copperhouse along the Memorial Walk, over to

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I cannot speak for the Town Council, as I was not at the meeting, but I did attend the Forum Meeting on July 19th and everyone present was in approval. I hope that this time the Harbour Company will succeed and Hayle can go forward to a bright future.

Sarah Turk.

THE VIEW FROM THE STEEPLE

**The past few weeks have been a
time for hellos and farewells!**

Firstly it was warmest greetings

to the Marazion Apollo Choir visiting St Elwyn's for the final concert of the winter season. They had not visited us before, but what a treat they were to the ear, with Mrs Rosewarne's caustic wit in between the sweet melodies. Please come back again next year, boys!

Fond farewells came at the end of June when Bob and Jackie Hoskings left St Erth for the parish of Newmill in Derby.

We have also welcomed Bishop Roy of St Germans on a double pastoral visit to the Team Ministry for their 6th Team Anniversary Service on 14th July, which was held at Gwinear this year, and for Canon Tony Neal's re-licensing as Team Rector, on 21st July at St Elwyn's.

The opening of our 4th Summer Art Exhibition saw a brace of bishops in attendance, with Bishop Bill performing the ceremony and Bishop Roy giving moral support. This year's exhibition features 14 artists with a full programme of concerts during its 3 week run, starting with folk music, poetry and story telling by various artistes on Tuesday 30th July at 7.30pm. See the posters for details and I'll tell you all about it next time!

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and oxidises; this together with chemical changes causes walls to swell and decompose. Cracks can appear in the walls and let the damp in, with gradual destruction of the whole building. This could make the property worthless, apart from the site value.

After many tests by mundic experts, many houses were found to be contaminated with this cancer. Several people in Hayle bought houses and when they wanted to sell them, after the necessary tests had been made found that mundic was in the walls. It left property owners with property that could not be mortgaged; building societies were not interested in contaminated houses. They were advised to sue the vendors, surveyors or agents, but this can be a costly business, and any compensation could easily be swallowed up in legal fees. The only course open to them was to cut their losses and sell below the market value, to such people as would take the risk.

Local people were aware of this dilemma and exploited it to the full, with cash in hand, buying houses far below their market value as an investment! Some of these houses are over a century old, and by their appearance will be here many centuries after we're gone. When the dust has settled and the legal parasites find there

WHAT IS MUNDIC?

Mundic is the old Cornish word for iron pyrite, or in layman's language fool's gold. It is found in mine waste, which is prevalent in Cornwall. It was common practice to build houses with mine waste in those days, particularly when the mines were close at hand. In the 1920-30s many of the houses in Hayle, particularly Copperhouse and Ventonleague, were built without any knowledge that iron pyrite could cause problems.

Iron pyrite expands when damp,

are no more easy pickings, perhaps the building societies will be glad to have their custom.

The unfortunate people who have been caught in this Catch 22 situation are advised not to panic as this phase will soon pass, along with all the bovine, radon and chicken diseases that pop up now and again!

Charles Crowle

HAYLE LIBRARY NEWS

After a very successful quiz evening we would like to thank Hayle Bookshop and Gallery, Colin's Market Garden, The Ark, the Foundry Bar, Cinnamon

Tree Indian Takeaway and The Jolly Bodger who supported us by donating great prizes. £60 was raised to help fund the children's events held throughout the year, and the evening was enjoyed by all. By the time you read this Heritage Week will be over; events held at the library were Professor Good Vibes Punch and Judy Show on the Monday, Tuesday Mr Showers and his Show, Wednesday some of the inhabitants of Paradise Park came along and on Thursday the ever popular Complementary Health Practitioners eased our weary bodies. The week finished with Graham the Storyteller on Friday August 3rd.

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Jubilee Issue Competition

The caption on the Union Flag on the cover of our last issue read:

The People of Hayle send their best wishes to her Majesty the Queen on her Golden Jubilee.

The winner was Linda King, of Wheal Alfred Road,

But know this, that in the last days perilous times will come: For men will be lovers of themselves, lovers of money, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy, Unloving, unforgiving, slanderers, without self-control, brutal, despisers of good, traitors, headstrong, haughty, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God, having a form of godliness but denying its power. And from such people turn away!

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Hello campers, I hope you're all slip slap slopping on the factor 12. At the time of writing my back is redder than Chris Rea's girlfriend. Not for me to listen to the protests of her indoors about the cloud cover at Gwithian hiding a dangerous secret. It was a little calculating anyway as I've been whimpering for more after sun treatments.

Well, I've been doing my bit for Cornish tourism of late, my cousin's here from Canada and another friend arrived from Australia so we've been wearing our guide hats. I'll tell you what, there's plenty to do. My cousin loved Tintagel even though Lonely Planet refers to it in their book on England as a tourist trap, but when you're on your hols you want goofy hats and twee mugs, that's what being a tourist is all about.

Tried a few good restaurants out on my day off, plenty of fish on the menu, mind you it seems that £13 is the low end of the mains, I shall have to adjust my pricing! Have you ever had roast hake? A lovely local fish and not too expensive.

The highlight of the week had to be Canterbury Tales at the Minack. Great views, good acting, a fine selection of evening nibbles and

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With all my guests this summer it got me thinking about local Cornish gifts. Last year I stumped up for hand made glass courtesy of Norman Stuart Clarke of St Erth, but my budget's a bit squeezed this year. I'm investing in a fine book of Cornish photography by local genius Bob Berry. A great gift, a fine keep-sake and some stunning photography for about a tenner. I think it's available at Hayle Bookshop in Copperhouse.

So, only a few thousand meals to

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produce and 8 weeks to do it. Friday 2nd August was Australian night and a chance to try out kangaroo, ostrich and marlin. Then following on from there our next nights are Japanese and African in the middle and at the end of August. It will be a Friday but I haven't decided which way round yet!

We are expecting a few entertainers in the coming months – check out the web site as shown below for more details.

And finally, would one of you London investors who has recently purchased that terraced property in Hayle for £135,000 consider a long

let? As a poor chef it seems unlikely that I shall be able to afford to buy in this life time but I'm in the market for shelter. Shall we say a hundred a week for the rest of my life? Affordable housing my eye!

Chef John, The Foundry Bar Café

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I know it's true,
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Nothing is lost, though hidden
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I see the furthest on the darkest
night
Godrevy's far off beacon, shining
bright.*

Charles Crowle

THE HAUNTING OF PRATT'S MARKET

In 1845 the Wesley Chapel was completed in Chapel Terrace. It was one of the finest buildings standing in the Foundry Square area. (Weslyan Chapel School ran at the rear with copper domed roof.) Whilst constructing the chapel a number of workmen were injured when the wooden scaffold collapsed on the 4th September 1845. One was killed. He was part of the team of stonemasons brought in from the Camborne/Redruth area. His name was John James, aged 31, and he left a wife and three children.

On the anniversary of his death each year since a spectre or ghost-like figure has appeared outside and inside of the south-facing wall. It is claimed that he is looking for something and looks very concerned. Inside strange sounds and noises can be heard next to the staff ladies toilets and on the staircase leading up to the first floor. What these are we can only guess. What is he looking for? Why is his spirit still here? How did he really die? If you happen to wander up the staircase sometimes you may feel a cold sensation.

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Our tireless reporters attended as many events as possible during a very full week, and these are their impressions. Apologies to any events not covered, no slight is intended.

The event had a tremendous early kick-off before the official start with the opening on Monday 22nd July of the "Cornish Palette" Art Exhibition at St Elwyn's Church. The work of some of Cornwall's finest artists was on view, with background chamber music, a glass of wine, and even a chocolate. The exhibition lasts beyond Heritage Week, until August 11th.

Saturday 27th saw the interesting and absorbing display of documents by the Old Cornwall Society and Hayle Methodist Church at the Church Hall. We can only be grateful to the dedicated few who make sure these documents have been preserved for posterity.

To Phillack Church on Monday for the Arts and Craft Exhibition, well worth a visit to see some of the many gifted craftspeople at work. On the day we visited, in one corner Edna Bray was demonstrating the art of spinning, and some great music was being played on the organ. The visit was rounded off with a delicious cream tea in the Vestry.

A crowd of about 100 children, together with their parents, welcomed the appearance on Tuesday of Prof. Goodvibes and his Punch and Judy Show. The superb outside setting was the lawn behind Hayle library, with the backdrop of the pool and the distant memorial walk. Even in this politically correct age, the show still featured the traditional amount of wife-beating, and even baby-beating, and lots of audience participation, carried out with much gusto. The kids all loved it, as did their parents, and a great time was had by all.

Such was the antique, distressed nature of the walls in the upstairs room of the Passmore Edwards Institute that one almost expected to happen upon a Canaletto, but it was actually the venue for the Hayle Art Society exhibition, which was an interesting collection of recent paintings, mainly water colours. Local views and flowers formed the bulk of the exhibition; technical skills varied, but the enthusiasm of all the artists for their subjects clearly showed through. Tasteful background music enhanced the enjoyment of this show.

Downstairs at the Passmore Edwards Institute were the "Queen's Jubilee Art Competition" exhibits, featuring items from all the local schools, from age 5 upwards. Most of the entries depicting the Queen were fanciful notions of how a queen *should* look, but a few really captured her present day likeness very well. There were also some good representations of the Jubilee fireworks display, and other delights. A most delightful show, which was a credit to all our local schools, both pupils and teachers alike.

Tranquil calm descended on the Library on Thursday, when the Complementary Health Initiative roadshow came to town, giving taster sessions of Shiatsu, Aromatherapy, Reflexology, Reiki and Healing.

The Rose & Cabbage Summer show has always been a central feature of Heritage Week and its 30th show was as successful as ever. The members certainly know their onions, and most other vegetables besides. The flower section produced a wonderful array of different varieties, and, encouragingly enough for the Society's future, the children's section was excellent. Congratulations to all involved, and particular mention for the floral display round an old pump. (What else?!)

Hughie Jones, ex-Spinners singer, was the headline attraction at the Marquee on Thursday evening, interspersing Spinners songs with more recent material. Also appearing in the well-received concert was local musician Graham Macey, as well as part of the Cripple Creek Band. On Friday, in a last minute switch of venue from the Marquee to the Penmare, the Clay City Jazzmen gave a traditional jazz concert which drew rapturous applause from a good audience.

Elvis magazines £1, paintings £20, antiquarian books £5, tombola tickets 20p. Just some of the things available at the antique, Craft & Flea Market, another of the regular Heritage Week events. The marquee was full with all kinds of stalls ranging from original antiques to computer games, with plenty to interest everyone. Rumour has it that stalls will be hard to come by for next year as many have already been booked, another success for the organisers.

The Rotary Club held their annual Classic Car Show at the Rugby Club on Saturday, and on display were some beautiful old cars and motor-bikes polished to perfection, accompanied by clog dancing and model airplane flying to entertain the crowd.

Saturday evening saw a balmy, calm evening for the Carnival. For well-documented insurance reasons, these days few large floats appear, but by compensation there were many ingenious and colourful walkers to entertain the crowds lining the long Hayle thoroughfare. Later in the evening came the fireworks, a fantastic pyrotechnic display over the harbour which was hugely enjoyed by the large, neck-cracking gathering.

The Lions Club Fun Day on Sunday drew the usual big attendance; highlights included the Fire Brigade's demonstration of the removal of a victim from a 'crashed' car, involving cutting off the car's roof. The victim in question was our sturdy mayor, David Barratt – hopefully none of the rescuers did themselves a mischief lifting him out! There were the usual stalls, a bouncy pyramid, competitions, food stalls, and music in the marquee, and the festive atmosphere provided a terrific finale to the week.

Our heartfelt thanks go to all those hardworking organisers who planned and made possible a most successful Hayle Heritage Festival 2002.

Letters.....♦♦

Letter

Thank you to all the traders of Hayle – especially Hayle Bookshop and Gallery, Bigglestons Hardware, Footsteps Shoe Shop and Transformations 752434 (paint effects and sewing).

I always make a point of coming to Hayle to shop. I never fail to get the right help and advice and superb personal service. Penpol School also continues to be one of the best schools in the area.

Angie Butler

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Letter

I wonder if you can help me. I wish to identify the building in Hayle which housed the printing of hand block work on silk for the years 1947-1952. In the former year my father T.M. Heron re-established the work carried on at the Island Works, St Ives, before the Second World War for Crysede Ltd., as part of Cresta Silks Ltd. The print works set up in Hayle was managed by Keith Ross.

I write as one of the authors of the book "Rebel and Sage" published recently, being a biography of my father Tom Heron. In connection with this I was in Hayle recently and tried to

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find out if the building he used is still standing, and if so, which it is. Nobody I asked was able to tell me for sure but it was suggested to me that my best chance was to contact the Hayle Pump. If any of your readers can provide information, I would be most grateful to hear from them at the address below.

Giles Heron

The Cottage

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Ed. note: on behalf of Mr. Heron we asked Mr. Brian Sullivan of the Old Cornwall Society, who identified the building as Foundry House. We are sure Mr. Heron would like to hear from anyone who has further information, so we print his letter in full.

Letter

I have come to Hayle now for the last 18 years and am still amazed at the lack of signposts to direct us, the holiday makers, to your beautiful beaches. What a shame as I have been told that this is an ongoing argument between Hayle Town Council and Penwith. This should be sorted out as soon as possible because as I can remember, on our first visit it nearly put us off coming back to Hayle. Three miles of wonderful beaches and not a sign to say

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Editorial Note: With regard to Mr Royal's comment, there is no ongoing argument with Penwith, it is simply a lack of funding. It is hoped that soon new information boards will be erected at various strategic places in the town. This is one of the Hayle Area Forum ideas coming to fruition.

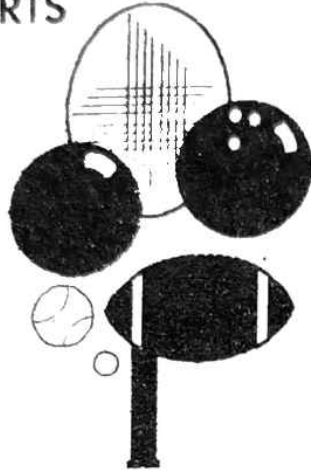
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you Jeff and Sarah Turk, Tim Appleton, not forgetting Jeremy Joslin took it upon yourselves to make a new comer of the Hayle Pump Newsletter the only one and only Editor Goudie Charles who seems to be out to ruin the Hayle Pump Newsletter. For your readers do not like bottom of page 28 by Taurufax. ("Can't remember a f***ing thing.") We all know its the F--- swear word, just bring the Hayle Pump Newsletter down to the gutter. It was never like this when there was a Editorial Team. Please don't put the Hayle Pump Newsletter into the gutter or you will have me to answer too.

P.S I wish you would print this in the next issue. But I bet you don't.
*Mrs M. Perkins, 4 Pools Court,
Hayle TR27 4NS*

Editorial Note. Not only are we prepared to print the letter, but it is published verbatim, unedited in any way, exactly as it arrived.

We are sorry if Mrs Perkins, or any other reader, was offended by what was intended to be a light-hearted limerick. To clarify the chain of command at the Pump, we recently adopted a written constitution, which was an essential requirement if we were to apply for the grant we successfully obtained for our new printing machine. Under the rules of the constitution the editorial team members, currently numbering eight, who are all unpaid volunteers, elected from their number three officers, namely editor (Goudie Charles) treasurer (Sarah Turk) and secretary (Roger Winterburn), by a simple majority vote. These officers will normally serve a 12 month period before coming up for re-election. At any time however during the 12 month period, should any officer be deemed to have brought the Pump into disrepute or to have been in some other way unhelpful to the Pump's cause, he/she can be removed from

office by a simple majority vote of the other members, and any team member can similarly be removed. We feel these democratic constitutional safeguards are sufficient to ensure that no one individual would be able to "bring the Hayle Pump Newsletter down to the gutter."

Letter

Two weeks ago, my mother-in-law was admitted into the (apparently non-existing) emergency department at West Cornwall Hospital with a recurrence of her heart condition. Within minutes of

arrival, she had been attended to, quickly stabilised, and was told she would be admitted to a ward as soon as a bed became available. It took SIX HOURS to find a bed, they were 'full up'. During that time A & E were under constant pressure with people having to wait on trolleys in the corridor due to lack of space. I can only thank the hard-pressed staff for their help and forbearance. Any delay was not their fault, just a lack of facilities.

I related this episode to a colleague and he reported that on the same day, he had an accident and went to Royal Cornwall Hospital at Truro where he waited



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for over three hours before being attended to and again there were several trolley-bound casualties waiting for a place on a ward.

As has been said at all the consultation meetings, the Hospital services are unable to cope adequately with existing demands. So what happens when all the proposed new housing is completed in Penwith and there are another two thousand or more potential patients living in the area? What would happen if Royal Cornwall were hit by one of those 'super-bugs' and had to close or reduce activities? Would it be a good idea to close Poltair Hospital

(relocate the patients in St Michael's, it's more than capable) and build a new purpose built hospital on the site? West Cornwall site could then be utilised for housing if required or for rehabilitation as Poltair is now.

Central government issue grand press releases telling us how much extra cash is going into the health service. Are we having to fund this through cost-cutting exercises here? Or is it because our MPs are not shouting loud enough where it counts, Westminster?

The Old Tub Thumper.

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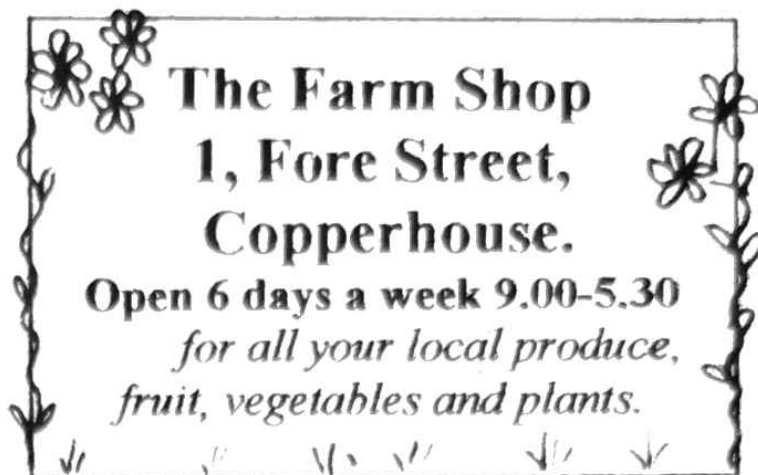
PLEASE SUPPORT LOCAL TRADERS.

Letter

Ref: The Hayle Herald

The above publication, prepared by the local Liberal Democrats, was recently distributed to the people of Hayle. Contained within the publication was a questionnaire asking various questions regarding the regeneration of the town. 1-11 were asking the people of Hayle how they felt about various aspects of the proposed development etc. However, question 12 asks "what do you think of the Hayle Decorative Lights Committee's efforts this Christmas?" with tick boxes for the answer, ranging from "brilliant" to "exceptionally brilliant". Since the Hayle Herald was distributed, some members of the Hayle Decorative Lighting Committee have been approached by members of the public expressing surprise that the Liberal Democrats are actively involved with the work carried out by the Hayle Decorative Lighting Committee. This is obviously the impression given by the questionnaire.

The voluntary members of the Hayle Decorative Lighting Committee would like to point out, through the Hayle Pump, that they have had no input or help, financial or practical, whatsoever from the local Liberal Democrats, and we hope that this letter will put a stop to any confusion.



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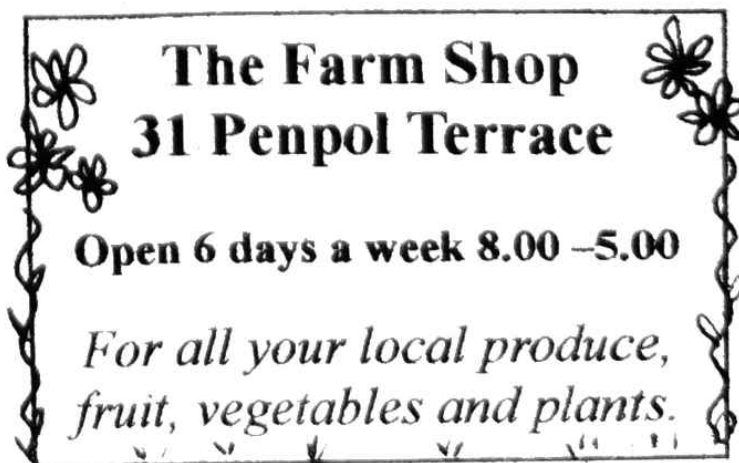
Signed for, and on behalf of, all members of the Hayle Decorative Lighting committee.

***D J Brown, Treasurer, Hayle
Decorative Lighting Committee***

Letter

I live in Africa, and am currently on holiday visiting relatives in Penzance. I broke my necklace, and took it into Copperhouse Jewellers, where to my great delight a charming young man mended it on the spot, and refused to accept any payment. I was most impressed by this level of service, which was better than I have received in many other countries.

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Has the art of card playing left Cornwall? Does everything revolve around the TV or the computer? Our little group of Whist Drive players are beginning to feel that they are the last of a dying breed. They meet to play at the Passmore Edwards Institute Hayle, and they would welcome new and old players on Thursday evenings starting at 7.30pm sharp. For more information ring Bill on 01736 754584, or are these old games to die out?

*A.G. Conquest (Hon. Sec.),
21 Caroline Row
Hayle TR27 4EQ*

Letter

Chef John of the Foundry Bar usually writes a lucid and amusing article. Ever since obtaining the last Pump, however, I have spent the occasional odd (very odd!) moment puzzling about the meaning of the first paragraph of his latest offering. Whatever he was on during his 'fact finding tour of Morocco', could he please share the recipe with us?

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In spite of living "up-country", I have been fortunate to be a constant reader of the Hayle Pump virtually from its birth, and have always been both

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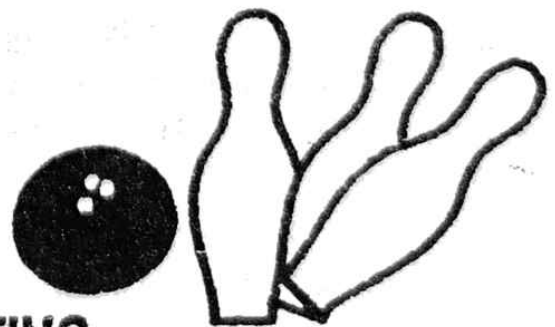
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impressed and entertained by its content – always plenty of news on local events and wildlife, humorous anecdotes mixed with historical interest. However, lately I have felt the need to put pen to paper to voice my concern that the Hayle Pump is beginning to disappoint – is it really necessary to turn such a locally-based publication that has always reflected a close community spirit into a public forum for politics? Surely local newspapers such as The Cornishman are where people expect to turn for such views and opinions? I realise that the issues discussed in the previous 2 Pumps are relevant to the residents of Hayle and are of obvious concern, but please, can we keep to the previously politically untainted and unbiased format that we all enjoy and expect from the otherwise delightful Hayle Pump.

Name and Address

Supplied(Cambridgeshire)

FLYING THE FLAG?

As a celebration of the Queen's Golden Jubilee, many of the shops and businesses in Hayle marked the occasion by flying the Union Flag outside their premises. Most of these are still in place, and have given the town a very festive look throughout the summer.

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Unfortunately, it is a well-known fact that you can't please all the people all of the time, and the flag-flying tradesmen were surprised each to receive a letter from an organisation called 'Celtic League'. The gist of this was that it was politically incorrect to 'publicise' the Union Flag without it being accompanied by the Cornish flag of St Piran. Somewhat alarmingly, the Celtic League letter continued as follows:-

"The overuse of the Union Jack flag is also confusing for people, because it propogates the widely held misconception that the Duchy of Cornwall is part of the United

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Here at the Pump we thought this might be news to the Duke of Cornwall, not to mention the Queen, who commenced her Golden Jubilee tour in the Duchy. We therefore sent a copy of the Celtic League letter to Prince Charles, asking for his comments, and have just received a reply as we go to press. Here is an extract regarding the salient point:-

"I hope you will understand that it is not for His Royal Highness to provide a definitive constitutional view on the status of Cornwall. The fact remains, however, that at no time in recorded history has Cornwall been a separate nation. The legislative powers of the mediaeval Cornish Stannary Parliament were restricted to tin-mining matters and did not reflect any legal status suggesting that Cornwall was constitutionally independent from the rest of the country."

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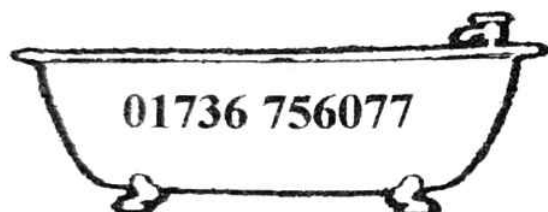
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HAYLE HARBOUR – SOME POINTS TO PONDER

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RSPB. They claim any development will adversely affect the birds' feeding and breeding habits.

Can anyone believe there will be any reduction in bird life? They might move a few hundred yards away to the Lelant Saltings where they have a vast area to themselves. With the 'cleaning up' that will take place, perhaps the bird population will enjoy a better, safer standard of living. After all, we are not talking about ruining acres of marshland here, are we?

English Heritage. The heritage argument is in many ways valid in that we have a fantastic historical background here in Hayle. It is a pity though that there is now very little left in a condition worth preserving. Many of us would also be pleased to know what the preservationists actually do want to preserve, how they propose to carry out any restoration and who will fund maintenance of our treasured 'crumbling' walls. Yes, we should restore and maintain useful historic buildings, arches and gateways etc., but not everything just because it has reached a certain age. It would also be interesting to know just how far back English Heritage want to go! Before the harbour walls fell in (they weren't built derelict were they)? Before the power station or ICI? Before Trevithick? Davy? Nobel? Or

perhaps, even prior to the arrival of any of the saints! When you think about it, Hayle's historical development was created by, in their day, 'modern thinkers', not stick-in-the-mud, nothing will be changed at any cost Luddites! In fact Trevithick fought the Luddites didn't he? Our great men *wanted* change and modernity, they worked and were honoured for it.

How about creating a 'living museum' depicting Hayle through the ages (like the London Museum) whereby visitors walk through our history in all its glory and gore. This would not only preserve our past, it would create an interesting and valuable attraction, which after all we could well do with. Hundreds of visitors stay in Hayle each year but they all go elsewhere to spend their money! Why? Because there is nothing for them to do or enjoy here except the beach and that's nearly impossible to get to, especially if you are disabled or have children – little or no adequate parking, no bus service! And even if they do manage to get onto the beach, where are there even 'basic' amenities along its beautiful three-mile stretch?

Any developer will only invest if they are able to make a profit on the project, but profit appears to be a 'dirty word' with some people. I don't know why because if no one

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makes a profit then no one gets paid, it's a fact of life that nowadays money has to 'circulate' to keep the economy going, all companies need profit to survive. It's companies making profits that pay our dividends, pay our wages, pensions, local rates and taxes. After all, not many of us have money growing on trees, do we?

Now let's consider our elected leaders. When did any councillor or potential councillor approach you and discuss your ideas and needs or tell you what they proposed to do for Hayle? Reading the local press, it appears many of our town councillors are more interested in sniping at each

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other, practicing verbal and written in-fighting, than getting anything done to improve the town! Whatever one group tries to achieve another opposes them, all totally entrenched. How about a public meeting and getting them all to give an account on where they stand on the development, for and against? Perhaps a written

questionnaire to each of them? It can be kept for future reference when they come up for re-election. It is common knowledge; there are some long-standing, influential councillors who defiantly *do not want any change* at any cost. Allegedly they are actively working behind the scenes, stirring up trouble to ensure they get their way and to hell with what the majority want and this town needs! If you were proposing to invest millions in a project, would you choose Hayle? Where half the council are against any development, they can't agree between them what they want? Then you find some are actively trying to sabotage your efforts.

I am sorry to stir things up but if *no one* changes then *nothing* will change and more years will dribble away without any noticeable improvement and we, the residents of Hayle, deserve better than that, don't we?

*The Old Tub Thumper
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"Rain will not stop play" will have to be our new motto at Penpol, and it certainly didn't stop people spending at our summer fete at which we raised £1,081.12, so a huge thank you to everyone who came along and supported our Wild West evening.

The weather was kind enough to allow the children to have their outdoor "street party" style lunch, with some terribly good speeches from the royal top table, they all passed comment on the wonderful turnout of their subjects, however the Duke of Edinburgh did have a little grumble.

We would like to wish good luck to all of the children who will be leaving Penpol to go on to secondary school, and welcome the new infants who will be starting in September. The PTA at Penpol School will be looking for new mums and dads to join us in September, so if you can spare a little of your time please come along to our monthly meeting on September 9th at 8pm at school. It



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Penpol School

TODAY DEAR LORD I'M EIGHTY-THREE

*Today dear Lord I'm eighty-three
I'll promise not to bore
So I hope dear Lord you'll let me
stay
Until I'm eighty-four!*

*But then dear Lord, if I'm still
alive
And not finished what I have to do
Could you let me stay, please
Until I'm eighty-five?
There's many folk I have to see,
And motors to be fixed,
Would it not be possible,
To make it eighty-six?
I know dear Lord it's much to ask
And it must be nice in Heaven.
But I would really like to stay here,
Till I'm eighty-seven!
I know by then, I won't be fast,
And sometimes could be late,
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*And had a wonderful time,
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To leave at eighty-nine!
But eighty-nine is an odd year
And a year more for to go
I would like to leave at ninety,
In a chariot flying low!*

Charles Crowle

Hayle Volunteer Bureau

As many of you will know, we recruit and support volunteers who are kind enough to offer their help to groups and individuals in the community. But we are also involved in trying to help the local community in other ways. For example, every couple of months we help organise a luncheon club with a guest speaker. The Luncheon Club is a chance for representatives of local groups to get together for a chat and maybe learn something new as well! (Recent speakers have included representatives from The Samaritans, St Julia's Hospice and Hayle Town band.) The next Hayle Luncheon Club is Thursday 26 September, and the cost is £1.20. If you are interested in attending, wish to be added to our invitation list for the future, or would like to be a speaker, please contact me on 757364. All proceeds go to St Julia's Hospice (Hayle) Fundraisers Group.

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with our 'Interlink' colleagues. Amongst other things Interlink organises regular local meetings for community groups and organisations and offers the chance to make new contacts, and importantly pass on information about training, how to access funding etc. If you represent a local group and would like to attend or receive more information do give me a call. **SMALL LOCAL GROUPS ARE ESPECIALLY WELCOME.**

Many thanks to you at the Pump for printing our requests for volunteers in the last edition, we were delighted to receive so many responses. **THANK YOU** all of



you. Best Wishes,
Suzy Leggett,
Unit 4, Foundry House, Hayle.
Tel. 01736 757364
PS New volunteers always very welcome!

YOU REAP WHAT YOU SOW

It's the challenge of making a difference that makes this such an exciting time. Hayle is like the 'jewel in the crown', with so much happening in other areas in Cornwall this town is uniquely placed to draw in a lot of the benefits – a chance not to be missed. The Harbour development

has an extremely important part to play, it will be the catalyst for economic recovery and long term investment; it will provide facilities and business services to encourage innovation, and high quality technology, as well as environmental projects. To complement the Harbour development other very important projects are being worked on to help revitalise and regenerate Hayle; there's the Foundry, St George's Hall, Hayle Watersports, to mention just a few.

Unfortunately there is also a destructive element in Hayle; the whinge-bags, those who use smoke-screens or computer wizardry to manipulate the Cornish (or indeed anyone else they can snare in their evil web). None of us are perfect, but I do think these whinge-bags need to search deep within their souls and reflect on their destruction, or believe me they will reap what they sow, because trying to destroy the hopes and aspirations of a community is a heavy burden to bear.

Cllr Christine Windegard

MOVING ON.....

Well the last few weeks have been stunningly busy but good fun as we prepared to move Hayle Healthfoods from Pratts Market up to 3 East Quay. As I write this is still in progress but

hopefully by the time you are reading this the deed will be well and truly done. I am told by a friend who knows about these things that the Feng Shui for a corner is the precipitation of loads of energy, I am hoping that this means we will be very busy there.

There are lots of new products planned which I hope will enhance our current ranges. Whilst at Stithians Show I happened across a lady with a range of Cornish Lavender goods which are not only local (YES!) but beautifully presented. Lavender is a wonderful relaxant in just about every form and also a delicious and subtle flavouring. As a feature of modern life is stress in one form or

another these should prove popular both for ourselves and as presents for our overstressed, overstretched friends!

Following on the relaxing theme we will be stocking relaxing music and self-help tapes, I also hope to find time (soooooooon) to make my own range of specifically tailored hypnotherapeutic CDs... (watch this space). Focus of course can be achieved in many different ways including the use of crystals which have their own very special energies and properties. We will have a glittering selection of large stones, ideal for crystal healing work; there will be an information sheet for those new to crystals although as you become

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Felicity, Hayle Healthfoods

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Thanks from Soundlee

I would like to say a huge Thank You to all my customers for the overwhelming show of support I've received since the burglary at my shop back in May. The expression 'restored my faith in human nature' never really meant very much to me until now, but its meaning has become clear over the past few weeks. I have received messages of support, letters, flowers, a bottle of wine, hugs from complete strangers, and one kind lady even left a note with a cheque for £10 in the shop. I've been unable to thank her until now, as the gift was left anonymously.) You have all encouraged me to continue trading, and I am determined that I will. I'm gradually building the stock back up, and trying to think of new ideas all the time.

Once more, thank you all for your support and encouragement, without which I may not have carried on here. You are lovely people!

From Lee, Soundlee Music.

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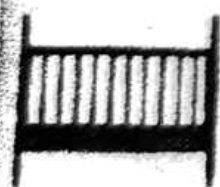
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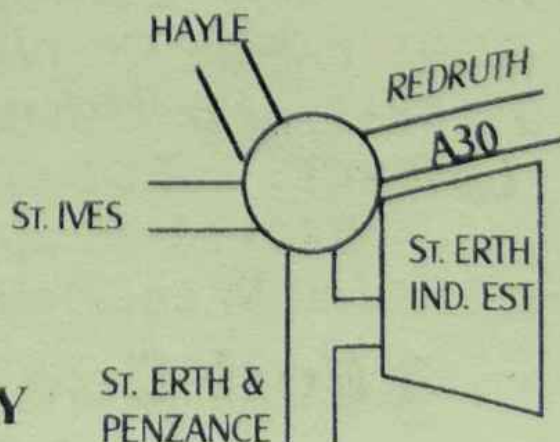
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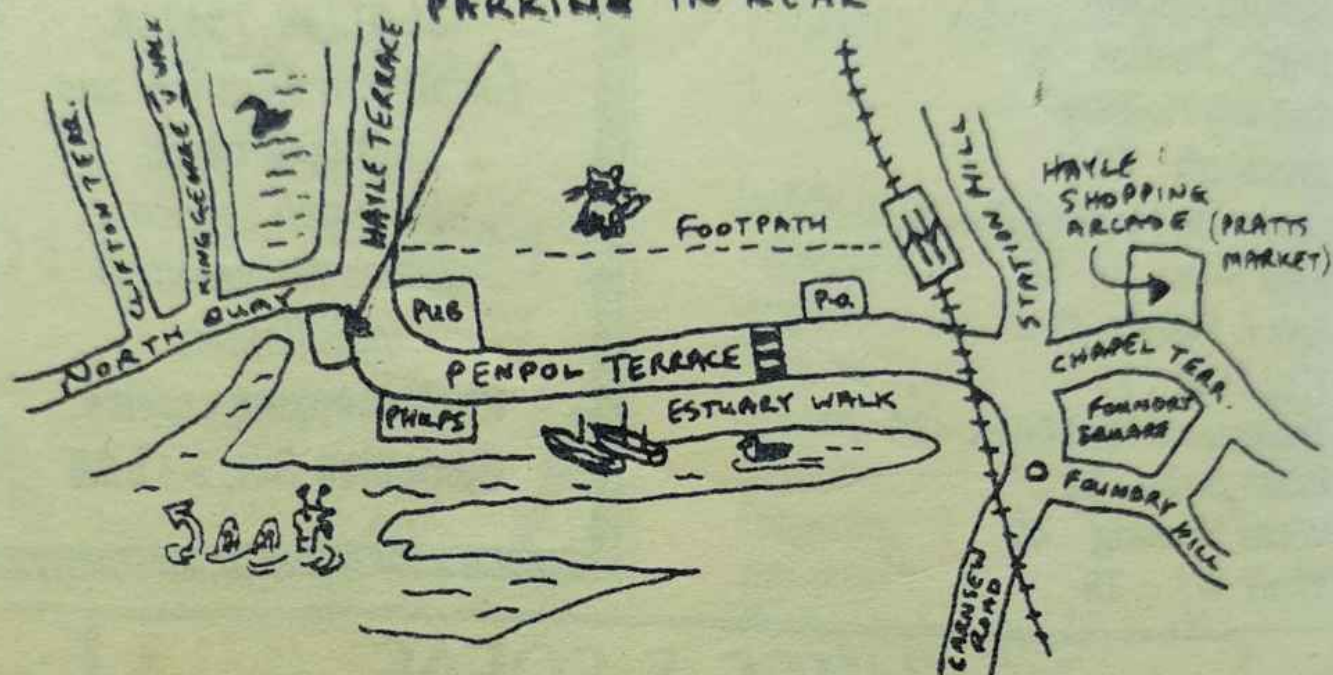
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