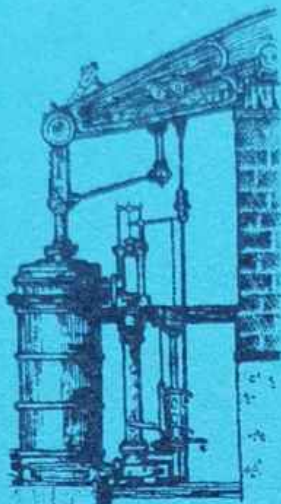
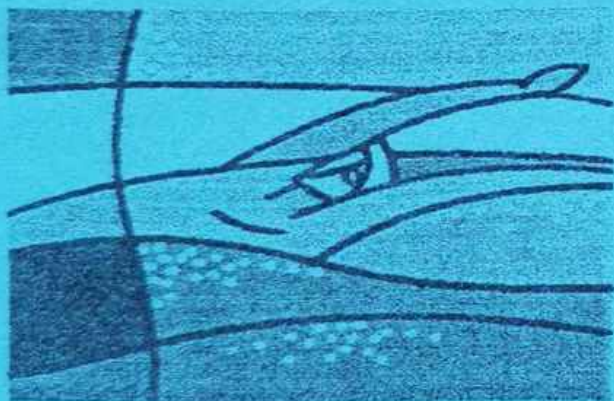


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## FIRST HAYLE TRIATHLON SATURDAY 21<sup>ST</sup> AUGUST

It is hoped that more than 100 athletes will be welcomed to Hayle on August 21<sup>st</sup>. for the first ever triathlon to be held here.

It is being organized by Karen Hayden, the town's head lifeguard and all profits are being donated to the Friends of Hayle Swimming Pool.

A T-shirt and medal will be awarded to all finishers.

For more information and an entry form please contact Karen on 01736 756204 or email [hayletri@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:hayletri@yahoo.co.uk) or Darren on 07790 447 915 or email [indijames@hotmail.com](mailto:indijames@hotmail.com)

## Hayle in Bloom 2004

**Blooming Hey!** Didn't Hayle look lovely on July 16<sup>th</sup> when we were expecting the judges to arrive? Now we have to wait on tenterhooks until 26<sup>th</sup> August for their decision.

The Hayle in Bloom committee has been working since last year towards this, starting last September when Mr. Richards the daffodil grower at Connor Downs donated several sacks of daffodil bulbs to the town, and a group of volunteers gave up their free time on a Sunday to plant them, including our lovely Hayle gardeners.

The Flower Club have been working hard in the Scented Garden for the Blind, despite people still stealing plants. (How low can some people



go, it never ceases to amaze me. The plants along King George V Memorial Walk also get stolen regularly.)

We started to clear up the corner of the road between the A30 and Pickfords, as this is the beginning of Hayle, but were defeated this year, however we will continue with it after the holiday season.

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with the Millponds and many improvements have been made there.

We asked Hayle Harbour Co. if they would allow us to clear up the scruffy corner by the swing bridge, they came up trumps and did a magnificent job for us. Even the furcraea, (those big plants from Mexico) joined in and threw up huge 6 metre flower spikes just in time for the judges.


We transported a boat, with help generously given by Western Blocks – thank you, Western Blocks, which was donated by the Lions, to its resting place in front of the Library, and the residents of York House helped with the planting.

There was a Schools Painting Competition run by Britain in Bloom and Hayle Community School, St. Piran's School and Penpol School

sent in some lovely paintings, which are on display in the Library. The winners in each age group were chosen by Bob Devereux, the well-known local artist, who kindly agreed to be the judge, and these were sent off to Bristol to be entered in the Southwest Area Britain in Bloom competition. The winners were: age up to 6 years Finn Bullock age 7 -11 Ruby Ferris age 12 – 16 Zoe Gilbert.

Some of our members went out early on judging day to pick up litter, but sadly next day there it all was again, still for one day it did look nice.

On behalf of the committee, I would like to thank Penwith District Council, Mike Matthews and The Lions Club for the donations they have given us this year, to Brian Hosken for all his




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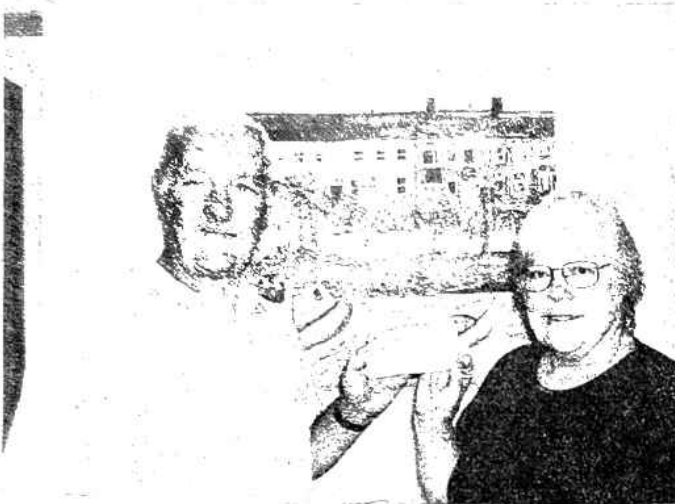
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help, Paradise Park for the photographs they supplied, and the Bird in Hand pub for the lovely buffet they laid on for the judges.

*Marjorie Roberts,  
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*Pictured is Adrian Felix of the Lions Club handing over a cheque to Sarah Turk.*



## Cornwall's Festival of Cycling

**There was a really healthy turnout for the 'Festival of Cycling' event in Commercial Road Car Park on the 4th July.**

Hayle Cycles Trials Riders put on a display of tricks and stunts providing entertainment throughout the day, while the 'Company of Cyclists' offered anyone and everyone the opportunity to try out all types of cycles from rickshaws to recumbents.

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Comments received by the Health Action Zone from the Hayle Roadshow were:

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"Excellent, very welcome in Hayle"

"Provide hand bikes so disabled could take part"

"A wonderful idea – you are to be commended for your initiative"

"Really good fun – not embarrassing, everyone chatting to one another and discussing the bikes"

"Brilliant to see what's out there"

"Excellent event"

"Fun"

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a budding or an existing artist in search of a studio and sales area it could be worth your while to see her about renting one of the units.

This issue's competition is to find a name for the gallery, Heather will present a prize of a print worth £20 for the name she likes the best.

*Sarah Turk*

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Because the organisation is subsidised, many of the activities provided are free, such as flying, gliding and shooting. There are also seven nationally organised sporting events, which include rugby, football, hockey, netball, athletics, cross-country and swimming.

The ATC is the largest independent

provider of the Duke of Edinburgh's Award in the UK and also provides many other opportunities for young people to take part in adventurous activities under qualified supervision. These include rock climbing, abseiling, kayaking and mountaineering.

Every cadet takes part in a training syllabus, which will lead him, or her, to a nationally recognised qualification in the form of a B-tech certificate in Aviation Studies. There is also the opportunity for any cadet reaching the age of 16 to register for a national diploma in public services, which is equivalent to two A levels. There are other opportunities to gain further qualifications in such areas as first aid and expedition leadership.

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stations, where cadets will have the chance to fly in some of the larger aircraft in operation by the RAF, along with many other activities available on the station. The typical cost of a week long camp at an RAF station is £25, which includes accommodation and food. As well as camps on RAF stations there are also Adventure training camps, which are situated in the Lake District and in Snowdonia. These camps provide more adventurous activities, and typically cost £30 for the week.

The local unit at Hayle will be very active throughout the year, taking part in many hiking competitions around the country and participating in various navigation schemes, including the Duke of Edinburgh's award and the National Navigation Award Scheme. Having close ties with its partner unit at Redruth, Hayle squadron enjoys a healthy camaraderie and joins in with all the events listed above.

In March 10 cadets from Hayle and Redruth took part in a 20 mile challenge hike in and around Abergavenny in South Wales. They tackled three peaks, Skirrid (500 metres high), then 5 miles away across open country they climbed Sugar Loaf and arrived at the top just in time for lunch. Then Bloreng, which seemed an awful long way away, but after 2 hours of walking they finally arrived and then came the climb to the summit, but everyone finished the course, with a feeling of great achievement.

In April the cadets were off again to the Brecon Beacons to compete in a competition organised by the Boy's Brigade. The competition consisted of

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During the two events a number of cadets managed to complete their bronze Duke of Edinburgh's Award Expedition. These were; Garry Millard (Hayle) Richard Cook (Hayle) James Treloar (Redruth) Daniel Oliver (Redruth) Mathew Medland (Redruth) and Colette Knill completing her Gold practice expedition.

On the 3<sup>rd</sup> of May, Richard Cook from Hayle competed in the S.W. region of the "Golden Putter" golf tournament, despite being a little foot weary from his Brecon Beacons expedition the day before! He was overjoyed when he won and was pre-

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**NB** If any organisation putting on an event would like some willing helpers the cadets do a first rate job, please call me at the above number.

*Richard Moyle*

sented with the trophy. He now has to go forward to represent the south-west region in the final at Wentworth on July 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Also in May the Squadron competed and won in the Athletics Championship held at Par, and won the girls event, the boys event and the overall trophy, with a winning margin of nearly 100 points over their closest rivals from St. Austell.

On Monday 12<sup>th</sup> July and Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> July cadets from the squadron provided activities for Hayle School and have gained 17 new cadets, bringing the total to 35.

It is very simple to join the organisation.

Hayle squadron meet at the cadet centre in Commercial Road on Mondays and Thursdays at 7 o'clock until



OH, I DON'T GET MANY TRAFFIC WARDENS IN HERE

## SALT GALLERY OPENS

The Salt Gallery in Fore Street, Hayle has opened with a show of paintings, drawings, ceramics and a light installation.

The private view in July attracted

over 200 people spilling onto the street and many people said it was a breath of fresh air for the Cornish gallery scene. The new gallery (that was once Miss West's School) has been extensively renovated with restored Venetian window and re-rendered in the traditional lime render. The owners, artist Marilyn Middlemiss and Louise Fox said "It has been a labour of love with this property, six months of hard work has paid off and the gallery looks great. A clean light and airy space that has not lost its original features."

The aim of the Salt Gallery is to offer something slightly different. Showing a mixture of work that is for sale, from some of the country's leading artists and craftspeople to work that is non-commercial. For the first show it managed to attract the inter-

nationally renowned artist Ron Haselden, who many might remember from his 'Divers' light piece in Regatta Pool, together with a major show of exciting new work from local painter Catherine Jauslin, beautiful ceramics by Charlotte Jones and delightful drawings from the sculptor Ray Exworth.

The gallery is hoping that both visitors and local people feel there is something for them with shows changing every couple of weeks.

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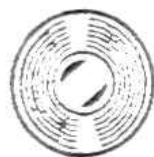
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It's difficult to categorise the first offering this time – maybe Celtic dance/folk/rock would be an apt description, but there are influences from many other musical styles, for example echoes of Klezmer and jazz on some tracks. The CD in question is "More Salt!" by Dalla, and it features some fascinating, infectious and effective instrumental combinations. Dalla's members on this CD are Neil Davey on fiddle, vocals, bouzouki, mandolin and accordion, Hilary Coleman on

vocals and various clarinets, Simon Lockley on vocals, guitar and dee's chimes (don't ask), and Bec Applebee on vocals, darbuka, melodica and djembe. Playing double bass is Pete Kubrick Townsend, who is certainly a versatile and hard-working chap, because in the last issue we reviewed a modern jazz CD by the Viv Rodd Quintet which also featured him. Dalla are augmented on some tracks by other instrumentalists; unfortunately space prevents me from listing them. This is a thoroughly engaging CD and the standard of musicianship is excellent throughout. Many tracks are written by the members of Dalla, for example the hypnotic "Awel Vase" (Fair Wind) by Hilary Coleman, Neil Davey's "Woolly Monkey" and Simon Lockley's "Cold Turkey". There are also adaptations of traditional Cornish songs, including the most original treatment of the Helston Flora dance I've ever heard, The riotous final track "Nancedra/Hushabye", which is apparently and intriguingly a "furry step serpent" dance, was recorded live at the 2003 Golowan Festival in Penzance, with a considerably augmented line-up. The traditional Cornish "An Melwez" (The Skylark) is an instrumental track which has a repetitive rhythm very reminiscent of Bo Diddley, and "Parra Hearn" (Curing Pilchards), song in Cornish, is one of those insistent folk melodies you just can't shake off. I'm sure this most listenable and enjoyable CD will be appreciated even by those not particularly into folk music. Incidentally the packaging is excellent, with open-out cardboard sleeves, and unlike

conventional CDs will not shatter into pieces if you drop it on the floor! (£13.50, 73 mins.)

"Unsung Heroes – The Lost Gardeners of Heligan" is a powerful documentary musical drama written and performed by Cornwall Songwriters, and tells the story of the fall and rise of the Lost Gardens of Heligan, focusing particularly on the gardeners responsible for its creation. The original idea was by Kathy Wallis, and the team which created and perform the work include Roger Bryant, Jon Heslop and Ron Openshaw (guitars), Lucy Burrow (percussion), Mike O'Connor (fiddle, concertina) and Tony Truscott (guitar, whistle, auto-harp), with scriptwriting and production by Mike O'Connor. In turn all the performers provide lead songs, harmonies, choruses and accompani-

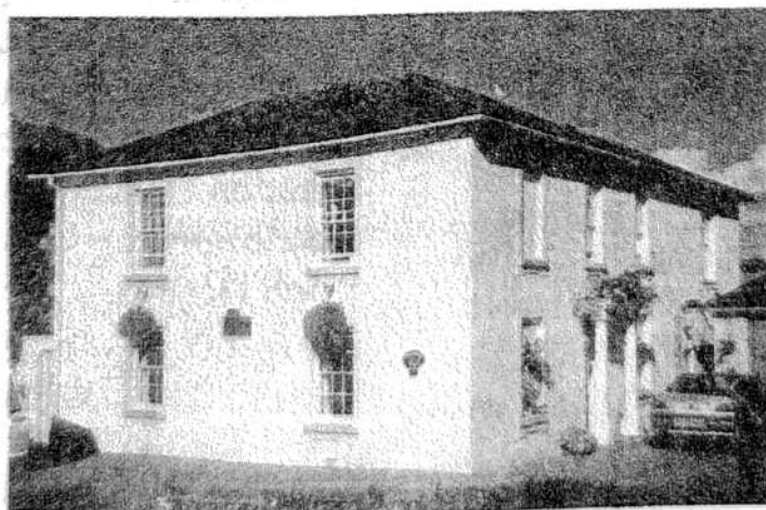
ments. Although this is also a folk album, the story is performed in a much more conventional folk style than the Dalla album reviewed above, but is none the worse for that. The story of the Lost Gardens has now been well-documented, but this CD puts a different and fresh slant on one of the most fascinating Cornish tales of recent times, as seen through the eyes of the labourers, their joys and sorrows. In particular, it focuses on the heartbreaking tale of conscription of the garden labourers into the army for the first world war, with hardly a family left unscathed, and all the other tribulations and upheavals caused by the 'war to end all wars'. Then, finally, the story ends on an upbeat, optimistic note. This very moving CD is also strongly recommended. (£13.50, 79 mins.)

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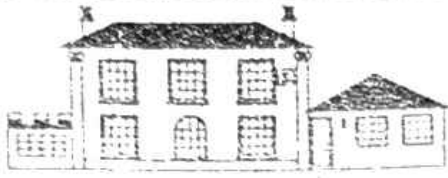
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### MR. B.H. THOMAS – AN APOLOGY

Last issue we published a letter from Mr Barry Thomas, formerly of St Erth, but now living in Illogan. He included his email address in case any old friends would like to contact him, but unfortunately we got it wrong. The address should have read:-

[bhthomas@eurobell.co.uk](mailto:bhthomas@eurobell.co.uk)

## The View from the Steeple

Okay, so I opened my beak too soon! The unprecedented heatwave finally gave way to even more unseasonable gales. Boisterous north westerlies whistled around the eaves of my belfry, leaving the swallows and the martins twittering on about African sunshine and balmy Cape breezes. If everything is so good-south of the equator why do they risk life and limb travelling north every year?

At least we enjoyed a few warmer musical moments while the sun was still shining, especially during the second week of Jim Whitlock's superb Art Exhibition. The Kenwin Barton Gilbert and Sullivan Singers delighted us with a concert performance of "Patience". Their visits to St. Elwyn's are now a welcome annual event and their highly enjoyable interpretations of the G & S Comic Operas are much in demand during their summer season.

The exhibition ended with a Celebration Concert of songs and poetry performed by Canoryon Lowen with Bob Devereux, a truly fitting climax to a very successful show.

At the end of May our winter choir season came to an equally triumphant end with the City of Truro Male Choir doing the honours, with their special guest Angela Browning, who was also making a very welcome return visit. Once again the concerts have attracted a very loyal following

and not just from Hayle. It seems that the quality of performance by both the choirs and their guest soloists has ensured that all five concerts now form an important monthly event in the winter calendars of Cornish Choir Music lovers countywide. Next year's season starts on Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> January 2005.

As the month turned and 'flaming June' arrived the Local and European Elections deemed to have put paid to summer! We were however, granted one last musical treat before it all finally descended downhill into meteorological mayhem! Hayle Ladies Choir, who are celebrating their 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary this year, joined the Hayle Male Voice Choir to present a fund-raising musical evening for the

MacMillan Nurses. We also enjoyed a truly memorable performance from their guest soloist for the event, the soprano Kay Leeming. Many fine soloists have sung or played at St. Elwyn's and I feel very privileged to have enjoyed them all since I took up residence in the belfry. Long may it continue!

Well, at least it has stopped blowing a hooligan and my unhappy neighbours have ceased their twittering. Now, perhaps, we can continue with summer without being rudely interrupted again. I'm away to dust the sand off my deckchair.

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The next walks are to:

August 4<sup>th</sup> Godrevy (swim)

August 11<sup>th</sup> Marazion Marshes & Mount (swim)

August 18<sup>th</sup> Red River

August 25<sup>th</sup> St. Agnes (swim)

Sept. 1<sup>st</sup> Hayle Towans & Phillack

Sept. 8<sup>th</sup> Mousehole – Lamorna

Sept. 15<sup>th</sup> Prussia Cove – Perranuthnoe

Sept. 22<sup>nd</sup> Trelissick

Sept. 29<sup>th</sup> Lelant – Knill's Monument.

*Walks leader Joan Smith,*

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### *A Meander to St. Ives*

**We met at Carbis Bay and walked down through the wooded paths which edge the coastline, taking us away from the busy traffic.** We passed the huer's hut where in days gone by the lookout waved his arms to indicate the shoals of pilchards which the waiting seine boats would encircle and bring a welcome harvest to the people of St. Ives whose economy was centred on the success of

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their fishermen.

Dropping down past Porthminster beach where the holiday makers were enjoying the sunshine, we walked along the harbour and round to Porthgidden beach and climbed to the top of the Island where we stopped to take in the views and visited the Coastal watch, who do such wonderful work keeping their eyes on the many small boats in the bay.

Walking on to Porthmeor we reached Man's Head, and then climbed the coastal path to Clodgy Point (Leper's Point). This is presumably where the unfortunates who were suffering with this awful disease were kept away from the rest of the people.

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weather forecast of heavy rain, so we turned inland to climb directly up the hillside towards Higher Burthallan Farm through an overgrown path and onto the lane. Here high above the town we had an eagles eye view of St. Ives nestling behind the headland.

We made our way across St. Ives in heavy rain and arrived at Terry and Jean's home very wet, and ready for the wonderful cream tea which they had kindly provided for this meander.

*Joan Smith 01736 793631*

## **Hayle Decorative Lighting News**

Our last fund-raiser, the Quiz Night at Hayle Bowl was a really good evening, with £158.00 being

raised. Many thanks as usual to David Jones and Jeremy Joslin for their hard work, it is much appreciated.

Our next Quiz will be on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> August (it's going to be lucky for someone!) at Hayle Bowl 8 o'clock, £2 per person.

Then there is the Great Raft Race on Sunday August 22<sup>nd</sup>, we will be starting at midday and there will be a beer tent, lots of stalls and a bouncy castle etc., so come along and help to make Hayle a brighter place this Christmas. (Can't believe I'm writing that in the middle of July!) but it is a year round task to keep the lights going.

On Sunday September 19<sup>th</sup> we will be having our sponsored Bike Ride, you can pick up an entry form at Matthews & Co. Estate Agents in Copperhouse and if you haven't been on one of our bike rides before, do give it a go, it's a great day, not too strenuous and we stop for lunch at a pub along the route.

The lights have been switched on along King George V Memorial Walk for the summer season, just to cheer us all up.

*Richard Horwell, Chairman Hayle  
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## **News from the Sustainable Trust**

**Calling all tree huggers!** This month's task in Crenver Grove (sw

637 339) is to try and identify veteran trees. If they are 1.5m in diameter at 1.3m above ground, there's a good chance they may be heading for ancient. We mark them with yellow tape (not quite ribbon!) awaiting confirmation from an expert. We're also planning next winter's planting. It's an ideal time now that the woodland canopy is at its fullest to mark those sunny glades on the ground and calculate how many whips we will have room for.

We are there from 10.30 on Saturdays, weather permitting. The wood is between Praise-an-Beeble and Nancegollan on the B3303 Camborne – Helston road.

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tion which is to be held in Camborne. Featuring alternative building materials and construction methods, it could also be a showcase for anyone with bright ideas of how to improve the sustainability of the wasteful construction industry.

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## SO MUCH FOR SUMMER!

I know I was horribly spoilt last year and picking up loads and loads of beautiful sunshine throughout the summer but surely this is not normal is it? Gale force winds certainly had their impact on the caravan I'm living in at the moment, like sleeping in the belly of a bucking bronco and I know many of my customers have lost treasured plants so it seems as if even nature did not expect the extreme conditions

that we have been experiencing.

Thinking of the many people who love and cherish their gardens I was pleased to get some neem oil specifically prepared for garden use: neem operates on plant consuming pests and does no harm to such things as butterflies or the environment. There is also a preparation to protect dogs from biting beasties and of course ourselves. For parents dreading the autumn return to school as the start of 'nit' season neem oil can be used with neem shampoo or added to your own favourite shampoo as treatment and deterrent to these pervasive pests. As one of the fairly rare defences against viruses as well as bacterial infections both the tincture or capsules and the cream could be essentials for the traveller's first aid

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I am glad to say that bread supplies have settled down happily at last and the current suppliers, Village Bakery, not only do a gluten free loaf which actually tastes of something nice – including chestnuts – but also do a fine selection of both gluten free and other cakes, slices and biscuits. There is now an absolutely vast range of special diet products, growing all the time and having talked to visitors from large cities I think we are well served down here as they are often amazed and delighted at the choices. Of course it is only a small shop and I cannot keep everything in

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stock but I am delighted to track down and try to obtain any 'specials' that people would like.

Just in case summer does appear in the not too distant future I have a range of sun protection and after-sun lotions with no 'gunk' in them, after all the skin is our largest organ so we must be particularly vigilant what we spread on it! Wishing you all a wonderful season whatever the weather.

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### **Wonderful Words Festival**

Hayle Library is delighted to be taking part in "Wonderful Words" a book festival for children and adults. On September 15<sup>th</sup> at 2pm to 3pm Michelle Cartlidge is here to delight everyone with stories based on her long list of wonderful books. Her loveable animal characters are a real treat and some of them live in Cornwall, very near to

Michelle's home in Mousehole! Her recent book "The Cats who went to Sea" is sure to be a favourite with all! An ideal treat for the under 5s, contact the library to reserve your free ticket.

On September 23<sup>rd</sup> at 4pm Caroline Binch will be showing you how a story is created from start to finish, with drawings and words that make up the magical finished book. Caroline has written popular books like "Amazing Grace" and "Since Dad Left" that have great characters and absorbing story-lines. Aimed at 6 – 11 years, tickets are £1 each, please ask at the Library.

At both events you will be able to buy these books and get them signed.

### **Homework Club**

School term starts again in September and we are launching our Homework Club. Sam is also hoping to start a Reading Club, diving into the great collection of books available for older children. We'd love to hear from interested children – come along or ring us for details.

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*A motorist passing a speed camera.*

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## PHILLACK CHURCH

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On **Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> August- Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> August** we have our Annual Art & Craft Show. Each day from 1pm – 6pm with of course our delicious cream teas!

Then on **September 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>** we have our Flower Festival 10am – 5.30pm, also with cream teas. On the afternoon of **Saturday 11<sup>th</sup>** there will be a harpist playing in the church. A rare treat!

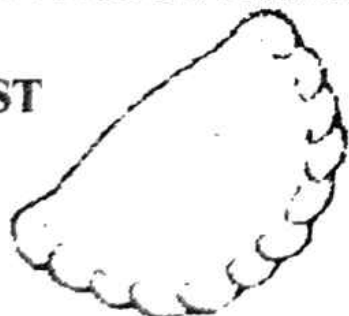
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# Letters....



## letter

With reference to your perplexed reader (issue no 58) who wonders why some cars carry "Baby on Board" signs, even though I am over 80 and therefore not involved with babies. I understand one valid reason being that in case of an accident and the fact that babies come in all sizes it is an indication for the rescuers. Babies have been known to have been thrown out in an accident and without such a warning the result could be critical. Nothing to do with virility!  
Yours faithfully, *M. Musitano*

## Letter

We would be most interested in knowing if anyone else has seen the death's-head hawk moth recently. On May 26<sup>th</sup> early afternoon and a lovely day my husband and I saw a pair of these fantastic creatures hovering over our small garden pond.

According to my information book the moth comes from Africa and Western Asia and only occasionally reaches Britain, the most recent migration being in 1956. Unfortunately we didn't have a camera to hand, but feel privileged to have seen these beautiful moths.

*T & R.A. Fegan*

*9 Gweal Gollas, St. Mary's Gardens  
Hayle.*

## Letter

The slogan on the front of the bus proudly proclaimed "First - Transforming Travel!" First has certainly transformed travel for my wife. We live in Hayle, and she works in Penzance, and the bus service had become so unreliable she switched to the railway instead. Hey presto, a more reliable, cheaper, quicker service on clean trains!

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## Letter

In the last issue of the Pump you published a notice of a lost bracelet. I would like to thank the person who found it, and enabled me to reclaim it, a present from my husband with great sentimental value.

Thank you to the Pump for kindly inserting the notice in your excellent news sheet.

*H. Wiseman*

## Letter

I cannot speak highly enough of HSC (that means Health Safety and Care) at Guildford Road Industrial Estate. I went there to buy a scooter, Lee and Clive told me to look around at their wide variety and I was not confused with smarmy sales talk or pressurised into making a quick decision. When I chose the one I liked they allowed me

to drive it around the yard to make sure I could handle it, and told me I could come back and try it again to make sure it is the one I want. What more could one ask?

Recently I decided to have an adjustable bed, I ordered it on the Friday

and it was in the factory on the following Tuesday. They delivered it on the day that was suitable for me.

If I am unsure about anything I only have to phone and they will help and if necessary visit me.

One complaint, last Christmas they gave their customers a glass of sherry and a mince pie, the weather was so bad I couldn't go up there.

Better luck this year!

*Dorothy Cook.*

### *Letter*

The other day I was walking home, which is near a large holiday site, and overheard two young ladies (about early 20s) talking, and one said to the other, "Oh my God, what have I done? We've only been here half an hour and I'm bored sick already."

Given fair thought, she is right! If the sun doesn't shine, and you are unable to go to the beach, what then? There is nothing to do in Hayle. St. Ives, Penzance, Helston and Camborne have indoor pools, but to use Hayle Pool you need a fur coat. So what happens? They all jump on a bus or into their cars (in a bad mood)

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What I'm saying, is it not time something positive was done to Hayle instead of all the pussy-footing around, and when in the future, Penwith demands its tax, some of it might be spent here.

*Peter Warren.*

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## RSPB NEWS

We've been celebrating a 'first' for Hayle at our lagoon in Ryan's Field this year with the birth of a baby oystercatcher! The work we undertook earlier in the year to address the problems of heavy metal contamination there enabled us to re-flood the lagoon, and importantly, keep the seawater in so that the islands actually 'worked' as islands again – for the first time in years. A pair of oystercatchers evidently took these to their liking and decided to nest on the bare shingle we had introduced on one of the islands for this very pur-

pose. In early July their excited piping call notes heralded the arrival of a single chick.

Oystercatchers are large black and white waders with long red bills and bright pink legs. Although they can be seen at Hayle Estuary all year round and are not uncommon in the country, at a county level as a breeding species, they are quite rare so this youngster is certainly something to shout about. Let's hope he/she makes it to adulthood. At the time of writing this (15<sup>th</sup> July) other waders are already returning on their autumn migration and today's high tide at Ryan's Field revealed several curlew, a whimbrel, 3 common sandpipers, 33 dunlin and a juvenile little ringed plover, the latter quite a rarity in Cornwall. Little egrets too are on the move with 7 in Ryan's Field this eve-

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## Charles Crowle

5.6.1918 – 5.7.2004

It was with great sadness that we learned of the death of Charles Crowle recently. As most readers of the Pump are aware, he was one of our most prolific contributors, writing on a wide range of subjects of which he was most knowledgeable.

He was first and foremost an engi-

neer, as were his father and grandfather before him. His passion was the age of steam engines and pumps with which Hayle is so closely associated. He loved the hissing and belching, the oil and the grease, the finely machined components and the steady rhythm that these great beasts worked to. At the opposite end of the scale he was also fascinated by small mechanical objects and motors, as when he built scale models of the paddle steamer Cornubia and the Eddystone lighthouse.

It is Charlie Crowle that Hayle has to thank for maintaining and keeping the clock above Harvey's Building in Foundry Square in a condition such that it could be restored and is now working once again.

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are now widely used in both the electronics and engineering industries. A number of "gadgets" which he made for his own use proved so successful they were marketed nationally.

His expertise as a marine engineer was second to none, and once when a cargo boat came into Holman Dock with mechanical trouble it was Charlie they turned to after the company engineers had spent three days trying to sort out the problem. Two hours later the ship was ready to put to sea!

He spent two years in Africa installing six house-sized generators in a power station, and came back with a fund of amazing stories, one where



he was saved from certain death by a "witchdoctor" who applied a potion to his leg when he was bitten by a black mamba. Another time when he was filming a big game hunt the man-eating lion ended up killing the hunter. Charlie was a natural story teller bringing the dangers and wilds of Africa to life usually with a humorous twist. He was always ready to share a joke, many of which you will

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have read here in the Pump.

His interest in photography took him to the skies over Cornwall doing aerial surveys. As a pilot with more than 40 years experience he was often seen flying low level, leaning out of the window clicking away with his camera. He won several awards for his photographs.

He climbed up Furlanes TV mast to repair the lights.

He was the first man in Hayle to ride a motorbike at 100mph.

He was a former Chairman then President of the Hayle Chamber of Commerce and was made a Life Member.

Not content with all these achievements he was also an accomplished writer having had several books on the history of Hayle published. Mostly

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he loved writing poetry where he often revealed another side to himself, one of a God-loving tenderhearted romantic man. We at the Pump are fortunate that Charlie had given us a lot of his poetry and stories as yet unpublished.

Charles Crowle was a man never afraid to speak his mind, or for that matter putting it in writing, a Jack of all trades and a Master of most, a man who will be sorely missed by all in Hayle. He achieved most of his ambitions, however one remains unfulfilled, having streetlighting installed from Phillack to Riviere Towns!!

Our thoughts go out to Mrs Crowle and family.

*Jeff Turk & all the Hayle Pump team*

## **CHARLIE AND THE CHAMBER**

(a tribute to the late Charlie Crowle)

Charles Crowle was a Life Member of Hayle Chamber of Commerce, literally. He was involved in it from its inception, filled every post there and held the honorary title of "Life Member" at his death. One thing I learned about Charles was that people either loved him or hated him and he didn't care which (at least that's what he said!) To say he didn't suffer fools gladly was an incorrect cliché – he didn't suffer fools full stop. If you had a different opinion, fine, and if you had the confidence to argue it with him, even better, but mutter it into your beer and Charlie didn't want to know. In my time in the Chamber one of the only meetings that he was well enough to attend occurred soon after my election as Chairman (presumably he'd come along to see what this "incomer" was all about). That evening I got into hot water with some members as I had, with my Vice-chairman, appeared in the local press lobbying on behalf of a new business wanting to move into Hayle without calling an extraordinary meeting at which to discuss our collective attitude. I vigorously defended my actions and invited the meeting to officially wag a disapproving finger, which thankfully they chose not to do. However, after the meeting I shook hands with the venerable member and apologized for the heated debate to which he replied "That's fine. It makes a change to find a Chairman without calluses on his \*\*\*\* 'cos he doesn't sit on the fence!" I was a little taken aback but I had officially met Charles

Crowle!

I believe he liked the perception of himself as rogue male lion and, as Chamber Chairman, brokering no backchat from his 'pride' or simply lifting his tail to the world and getting on with his life.

In his last months his letters to me – we began to communicate regularly – showed a compassionate Charles, one who loved and respected his family, a man who said that without the support of his wife Frances, son Michael and daughter Victoria he had no idea what he would have done.

Charles fought for years after his wife nearly died and became bed-ridden through falling from the cliff-top near their home just because nobody would or will take notice or the re-

sponsibility for the absence of lighting on the Towans. (The Chamber will no stop fighting.)

He wrote poetry, yes Charlie Crowle the Bard, it's very thoughtful, very reflective and sometimes painfully honest. Ever practical though, he wrote "I am rather limited with the number of poems because I can only get a set number of pages with my stapling machine." He asked me to help him find some means of getting them bound but in the end, we never got time. I have the feeling that Charlie still had many things he wanted to get done – but he never got the time.

*Jeremy Joslin, Chairman Hayle & District Chamber of Commerce.*



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In the distance the light of Godrevy  
The gorse and the heather on the Cornish cliffs  
And the ships coming in from the sea  
I can see the faces of my friends I once knew  
And can still hear their laughter gay  
As we drank and sang, and lived and loved

In my wonderful yesterdays.  
I can see a tranquil Sabbath morn  
And still hear the church bells ringing  
I can see Phillack Church where we knelt and prayed  
And joined in the choir's singing.  
There are precious thoughts in my yesterdays  
Treasures and memories galore  
Some are full of joy, some troubled with pain  
Yet I lived them o'er and o'er  
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And my journey into the great beyond  
Where tomorrow will be my yesterday.

*Charles Crowle*

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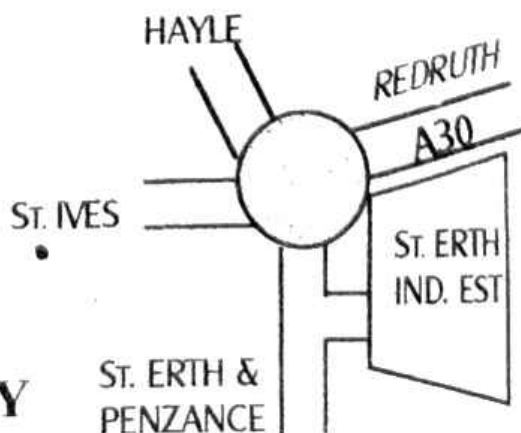
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It took a bit longer this year, but once the weather warmed up and the days got longer, the ducks began to get restless and started to leave us. The teals went first, bound for their northern breeding grounds. Some of our mallards have left too, but on shorter journeys to surrounding riverbanks where they can breed relatively undisturbed. Only about a dozen juveniles remain with our two white muscovys.

Gwinear-Fingar, last year's cygnet left at the beginning of April to join other fledged cygnets on Copperhouse Pool. Flora nested again almost immediately but Bonnie did not nest this year, instead she shared brooding duties on the eggs until the two cygnets were hatched. As we were not sure exactly when they ar-

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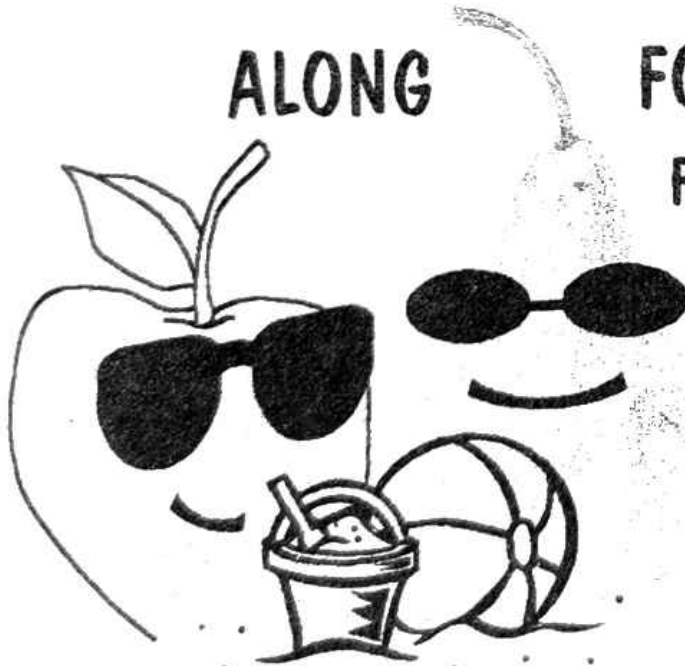
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rived, they were named April and May to cover all eventualities. With three adults to take care of them they should do well enough. They already know how to pose for photographs!

Regrettably we have had some problems with motorcycles in the gardens. They do real damage to the mounds and the Amphitheatre besides being dangerous to both the public and the wildlife.

Incursions on to the Island have virtually stopped because the channel was widened and deepened during the winter, but the idiots who tried to dump a Portaloo into the outer pond could have caused a major ecological disaster had they succeeded.

99.5% of our visitors come to enjoy the gardens and ponds, but with the summer holidays approaching one can only hope that with the remaining 0.5% good sense will at last prevail.

*Georgina Schofield*

*Volunteer Wildlife Warden*

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(I hear the bombs see the bodies  
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We would like to thank all members who continue to support our efforts, by contributing and purchasing plants, bringing in seedlings, cuttings and any spare plant from their own garden.

£57.45 was raised last year.

We would also like to thank Michael, Matthew and Bob, the Hayle gardeners, for their willing assistance with any heavy work in the Garden, particularly for digging out the huge, old, Acubas, thus extending our plot. They are also very generous in supplying plants to fill gaps, particularly the border of polyanthus this Spring, which was very colourful and gained much praise from the public.

Last Autumn we spent the cash raised mainly on the Gold border, enhancing it with shrubs that have gold foliage or golden flowers.

Finally, last November, we bought hyacinth bulbs for the scented border, planted in blocks of different colours, these were a great success.

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*Dawn Goff, Hayle Flower Club*

### **RED ARROWS ZOOM OVER PENWITH AGAIN!**

The recent appearance of the Red Arrows over Penwith skies brought to mind the mid-nineties. For my sins, in 1994 I somehow emerged as the coordinator of Foundry Gala Day, part of Hayle Heritage Week. As usual with these events, the initial enthusiasm of one and all was not matched by actual commitment when the day approached. As I was scratching around anxiously for events, I was approached by Bob Butler, who at that time, together with his wife Mary, ran the Pratts Market

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Pet Shop. He had sussed out that Foundry Gala Day fell on the same day as the St Mawgan Air Day, and he knew that the Red Arrows, on their annual trip to the event, flew down to Land's End, taking a route over the sea. In his usual bluff way, Bob felt it would be a doddle to get in touch with the Red Arrows and get them to make a detour and fly over Hayle en route, saluting the town. Desperate as I was to flesh out the programme, I readily accepted his offer, although I didn't take it too seriously because, engaging a chap as Bob is, not to put too fine a point on it, he could teach Alastair Campbell a thing or two about spinning. To my surprise though, a few weeks later I entered the pet shop and Bob was speaking

on the phone. "Oh, hello Phil, you got my latest letter? Yes, that's it, the town with the viaduct, we're exactly alongside the viaduct." After some more patter, Bob put down the phone. "That was the Squadron Leader in charge of the Red Arrows – he found us on his map and he's willing to make the detour over the town. It'll be about 3pm." I was somewhat gobsmacked, but still couldn't quite believe it. Unfortunately that year, the weather on Foundry Gala Day was atrocious, with heavy cloud cover, and although some of us heard them, no-one actually saw the Red Arrows.

Totally undaunted, Bob made similar arrangements with his new RAF friend for the following year, 1995. The weather was much better, and this time plenty of people were in the town to see the spectacular sight of the Red Arrows screaming overhead. 1996, the final year of Foundry Gala Day, the event was even more spectacular. Many of us stood outside Pratts Market expecting the aircraft to take the same route as the previous year, approaching from the north. Suddenly we were engulfed by a veritable tsunami of sound and the Red Arrows appeared very low over the market, from behind, and then flew seemingly a few feet above the viaduct before veering out towards the sea.

The Hayle artist Mervyn Sullivan painted an excellent memento of this event, with the Red Arrows viewed from above, with the town below. As for Bob, unfortunately some people, who apparently had expected the all-singing, all-dancing Red Arrows show

which normally costs squillions, belittled his efforts (no wonder folk give up trying!), but I still think he deserves enormous credit for the single-handed effort he made to get the Red Arrows to fly over and salute Hayle on Foundry Gala Day on three separate occasions – and apart from Bob's phone bill, the whole enterprise didn't cost a penny!

**Goudie Charles**



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## HAYLE ART SOCIETY

The Art Society has been active in Hayle since it was formed by the late Vera Mills as a section of the Hayle Community Association.

The classes were very small at first, but soon became part of Hayle Heritage Week, holding exhibitions in various venues each year. The Society now meets in Passmore Edwards Institute on Tuesday afternoons, and Wednesday evenings.

The members are busy getting paintings ready this year's exhibition (which will also include various crafts) it will be held in Phillack Church Hall from August 9<sup>th</sup> - 15<sup>th</sup>.

Posters will be put around, stating the times the exhibition will be open to the public, please put the date in your diary, and come in to see the work by local artists.

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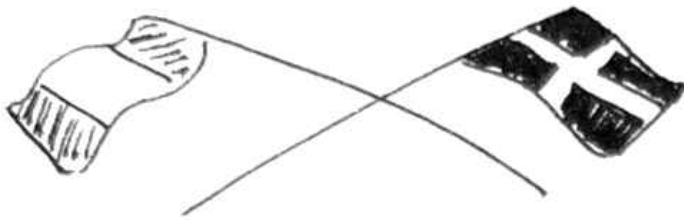
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New members are always welcome to join our happy band of twinners, we meet every 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month at the Passmore Edwards Institute at 7.15pm.

When it's a sunny Wednesday evening we meet at 7pm under the viaduct for a game of boules in the Isis/Jubilee Gardens, which is a perfect setting.

We hope the French sessions at Hayle Language College will resume in the Autumn.

*Maurice Trathen 01736 753341*

## HAYLE PENWITH UNIVERSITY OF THE THIRD AGE

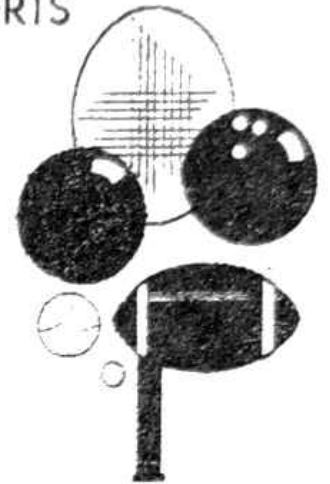
Hayle U3A meet for a Social Afternoon every other Thursday in the Philip Smith Annex of the Day Care centre. The word "university" can put some people off, they tend to think of school or college etc. However, in this context the word is used in its original sense "of people coming together". For older people who

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confirm

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obligatory "no talk"

We knew nothing at all about long  
traffic jams

Postmen and porters, in smart uni-  
forms, looked remarkably neat

Old ladies wore black shawls, and  
mostly clogs on their feet  
It was a time when doors were left  
open with no fear of theft  
And family doctors "forgot" to  
charge patients obviously bereft  
So much more I could recollect and  
compare  
But for now I'll just say "I'm glad I  
was there".

*Yorkie*

## **CALLED TO SERVE** **(One Man's Memories of** **National Service)**

The end of this year sees the 44<sup>th</sup>  
anniversary of the end of National  
Service in Britain. Albeit, it was a  
time of hard discipline and short,  
sharp shocks, many look back on  
their time in the forces with great af-  
fection. As far as myself is concerned,  
I enlisted in the R.A.F. and signed on  
for a little longer to qualify for extra  
pay. It was for a long time after de-  
mob that I woke up in the early hours  
sweating with the memory. A barrel  
chested Flight Sergeant shoving his  
face within an inch of mine shouting  
"get up you lazy so & so, I'm your  
mother now and don't forget it." It  
was the early fifties and I was on my  
square-bashing course at R.A.F. West  
Kirby in the Wirral. One of my train-  
ing corporals (Cpl. Coe) used to come  
through the billet like a bullet, bash-  
ing a stick against anything that made  
a noise.

One Friday evening during bull

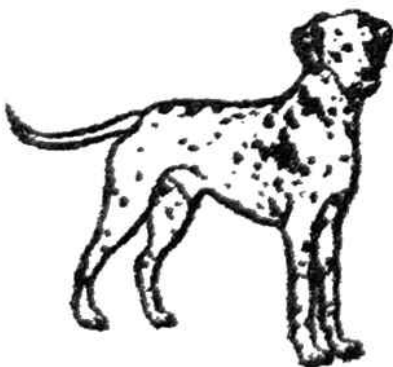
night it was my turn to do 'hut surrounds', which meant I had to pick up all the butt ends etc. from outside the billet. Having completed my duties the Corporal would later inspect it and I remember quite well on that particular evening, something had been thrown out of the window after I had gone around. I was almost put on a charge for not having done my duty properly. Such absurdities, comic now but terrifying at the time were part of the daily life of millions or so young men, like me, called up for military service between January 1949 and December 1960.

First of all, it began with an OHMS envelope. In it would be a railway warrant and a command to report to a specific place at a specific date, warn-

ing that failure to do so would incur a £100 fine and/or two years in prison. We all obediently turned up for training. Those 8 weeks were a shock to the system. It didn't matter if you were a barrow boy, a labourer or a layabout (although there weren't many of those in those days) you sent your civilian clothes home to Mum and the R.A.F. then began to break you into a serviceman. This involved a great deal of shouting, screaming and abuse – some of it witty (although you didn't dare laugh) but most of it foul-mouthed. It required you to march everywhere and spend hours practising drill in the vastness of a barrack square. Evenings were spent, generally, gossiping around a coke stove as you burned the pimples

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off your boots with a hot spoon before bringing them to a mirror-like shine with spit and polish. It didn't seem like it at the time but the Services knew what they were doing alright. Quickly and on the whole effectively, they turned a bunch of young men into a military squadron – fit, trained and ready for the next step, which would have been trade training.

I must say though, after the square-bashing and rifle drill was completed, it was one hell of a big thrill during the passing out parade (with parents present) to demonstrate your skill carrying out 20 or 30 minutes or so of continuous drilling, with rifles, without a single command.

National Service should never have been stopped. It was money well

spent because it instilled discipline into men, and however many ex-servicemen you speak to, they all say "It didn't do us any harm did it?"

Having said that, what with discipline having been allowed to be so lax over the years, the youths of today wouldn't be able to cope with it.

*B.H.Thomas*

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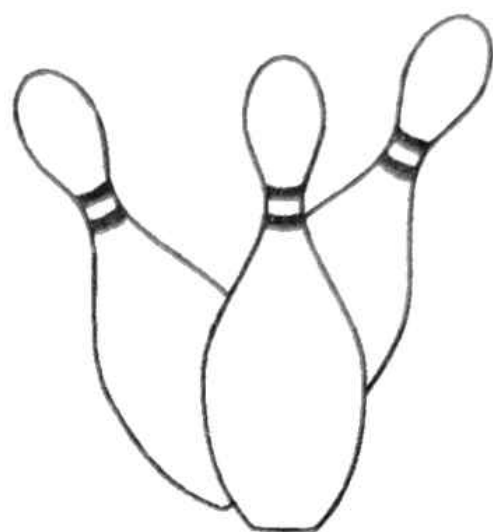
### **How is the Handyperson Scheme funded?**

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Answers to crossword in last issue.

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**Down** (1) Harbour (2) Eel (3) Bodriggy (4) Mill (5) Rockpool (6) St George (8) A Pintail (9) Seagull (12) Pump (14) Mac.

Jesus said,  
Verily I say unto you. Except you be converted and become as little children, you shall not enter into the kingdom of heaven.

*Matthew 18 v 3*

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29 Treeve Lane, Hayle, TR27 5DQ  
01736 757507

OLIVER, Brian  
3, Viaduct Hill, Hayle TR27 5HT  
01736 752121

## South Ward

BIRCH, Paul  
10 The Pathway Fields, Hayle  
TR27 4BE

COOMBE, John  
4 Commercial Road, Hayle  
TR27 4DG 01736 752831

HAMPSON, Peter  
20 Chapel Terrace, Hayle,  
TR27 4AB 01736 752427

HAYWARD, Marcus  
11 Trevoarn, Foundry Square  
Hayle, TR27 4HA 01736 755699

MATTHEWS, Mike  
1 Cledma Bank, Chenhalls Road  
St. Erth, TR27 6HH  
01736 757741

OLIVER, Mrs Shirley\*  
3 Viaduct Hill Hayle TR27 5HT  
01736 752121

WALL, Mrs Victoria  
Culhan Cottages, Ludgvan  
Penzance, TR20 8HB  
01736 740181

\* Also County Councillors

District Councillors : Robb Lello, Mrs Terry Lello, Mrs Shirley Oliver  
and Owen Philp

**FULL COUNCIL MEETINGS 7.15PM**  
**1ST & 3RD THURSDAY EACH MONTH EXCEPT DURING AUGUST**  
**THE GENERAL PUBLIC ARE WELCOME TO PARTICIPATE**  
**AT BOTH MEETINGS.**