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- 3 **Sch** Autumn term begins
- 8 **MC** 10.30 Sunday school restarts
- 9 **OS MGC** talk on Trelissick - p11
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- 26 **TH** 7.30 Hist Gp lecture

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- 4 **FH** 7.15pm Parish Council
- 8 4.30 Mobile library
- 22 4.30 Mobile library
- 23 **TH** 7.30 Hist Gp lecture

Key: **AS:** All Saints Church, **Con:** concert, **CL:** Christmas Lights, **CM:** coffee morning, **FH:** Flushing Vlge Hall, **FSM:** Friends of StM, **MC:** Methodist Chapel, **MFC:** Mylor Flower Club, **MGC:** Mylor Garden Club, **MM:** Mylor Movies, **MS:** Mylor Sessions, **MYH:** Mylor Yacht Harbour, **OS:** Ord Statter pavilion, **PF:** Playing Fields, **PH:** Parish Hall, **Sch:** Mylor School, **StM:** St Mylor Church, **TH:** Tremayne Hall, **TL:** TDFAS lecture, Mylor Theatre, Truro College.

Vicar's letter ~ Revd Jeffrey James

For many people September feels like January, not in terms of weather but because it marks the beginning of the new academic year. In the same way that the new calendar year holds out the promise of new possibilities, the new school year is full of opportunity. There are new people to meet, new places to explore and knowledge and skills to acquire. So for many



children and young people, it's not surprising that this is a time of considerable excitement.

I sense that most people hope that it is also a time of excitement and opportunity for the teachers and teaching assistants and other staff who help to make nurseries, schools and colleges safe and welcoming places where children and young people can make the most of their gifts and talents. Our friends and neighbours who work in learning establishments need to feel that we value their role in developing the citizens of tomorrow. Our village school and its staff are held in high esteem by the community served by the school. But that is not a matter of luck or good fortune. It comes about because of partnerships between children and teachers, parents and staff where the goals of individual learning and development sit alongside a shared sense that the school serves the wider community. These partnerships take time to develop and require effort to sustain. The fruit of these efforts is seen as succeeding generations of children are encouraged to take their place in the wider world and school staff can fulfil their calling to be educators in the broad sense of that term.

The idea of a calling to serve others is well known and recognised and not just in faith communities. It is wonderful that some of our ablest men and women still sense that call to serve the community as **teachers. This September, I'd like to suggest that as well as giving** thanks for those who serve us in nurseries schools and colleges, we ask ourselves what we might do to strengthen and support that work. For some this will mean serving as volunteers to support school activities, for others it might mean supporting the school governing body. For all of us it could mean being mindful of the village school as a vital part of our community and offering encouragement in whatever way we can.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jeffrey James', written in a cursive style. The signature is positioned above a thin red horizontal line.

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8am Holy Communion, 1662, St Mylor
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10.30am Parish Eucharist, St Mylor
4pm BCP Evening Prayer, All Saints

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9am Morning Prayer, All Saints
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Wednesdays

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Church and Chapel News

Church news: This summer has seen more visitors than usual attending Sunday services. They have all commented on our beautiful church, the warmth of our welcome and promised to return. Many are on boats visiting in the harbour, and we welcome all who join us for our Sunday worship. Our Parish Priest, **Jeff James** reports that it is not unusual for visitors to join him for evening prayer, which takes place on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays at 5.30 pm. September is the month when we celebrate Harvest - a time when we give thanks for the richness of our lives. **It is an opportunity to collect a bumper 'harvest' of non-perishable food for the Falmouth and Penryn Food Bank, for which they are very grateful.** Our Harvest Festival takes place on Sunday 29 September, at 10.30 in St Mylor church, followed by a Harvest Lunch in the Ord Statter Pavilion - a faith lunch when everyone brings a plate of food to share. On 14 October we are holding a Parish Day at Epiphany House, Truro. We will examine two important topics: our worship of God and our service to the local community. Through prayer and thoughtful discussion we seek to develop and enrich the opportunities for both in our daily lives. All are welcome on this very special day. ***Judy Menage***

Chapel news: After a hectic July the children of the Junior Church broke up for the Summer Holidays, but they came back for our Yard Sale on 3 August. Many helpers manned stalls, children waitressing and selling toys, plenty of chat and coffee for all. This year, at last, we could hold the event outside! Although visitor numbers were a little down, we managed to raise £329.54 for Chapel funds. Thank you to all who helped and supported this event. On 16/17 August a band of helpers set about spring cleaning the large School Room at the back of the Chapel. Paint pots, rollers and buckets were used as we set about freshening up this large room used by the pre-school. Thank you to all who gave up their free time to help. The children start back with Martin on Sunday 8 September at 10.30 am. Come along and join in the craft activities, music and fun. We are still looking out for a second hand Kitchen for the Chapel, if you know of anyone replacing one please let me know on 01326 376241. Thank you. ***Vyv Curnow***

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Community News and Views

Parish Council: The monthly meeting was held on 5 August in Mylor Parish Hall. A new web site is planned in an attempt to improve communications with parishioners and provide up to date information. There was discussion on the merits of a professionally made site or a basic, low cost site. It was decided to proceed with the latter, learn from it and review the situation in a years time.

Grant money is now available from the Parish Council toward projects based in the parish and run for the benefit of the community as a whole. Application details will be posted on the village notice board or from the Parish Clerk.

It is pleasing to report that all footpaths have now been walked and a condition report is being prepared. This will be submitted to Cornwall Council who are responsible for their maintenance. Side growth is the responsibility of the land owner. Mylor paths are now passable following side growth cutting by land owners and others, but some paths in Flushing remain a problem. This has been reported to Cornwall Council. The Parish Council carried out its annual inspection of property belonging to it or in its care. This includes the Leats car park, playing fields, cemetery, war memorial and Flushing Bowling Green. It is hoped to set up a small work party to attend to such things as weeds/rubbish around the telephone box, small paint jobs and dirty road signs. The group will be informal, fun and timed to suit you so please contact me on 01326 375252 if interested.

A public meeting is to be held on the sighting of a car park in Flushing, dates to be arranged. We would like to hear your point of view. On 18 Aug a re-dedication service for Flushing War Memorial, will be held on Flushing Quay at 7.15pm. Everyone is welcome.

To date, no planning application has been submitted for development of the land north of Cogos Park. Once an application has been registered you have 21 days to send your comments to Cornwall Council either electronically or in writing. (www.cornwall.gov.uk/planning) ***Jan Robson***

Charity Calendar: Two enterprising local people are organising a photo calendar for 2014 in aid of three local charities: Mylor Playing Fields, Flushing Bowling Green and the Cystic Fibrosis Trust. Photographs taken by local people have been selected by a panel of judges and the project will be printed by Quayside Design and Print. These would make excellent Christmas presents. To reserve one, phone ***Mrs Leary*** on 07450 551563 or ***Mrs Tresidder*** on 07929 504949.

Community News and Views ~ continued

Garden Club: Mylor Garden Club members went on their last garden trip of this summer to Tremenheere Sculpture Garden near Penzance on a sunny July day. Anyone hoping for reclining nudes or Barbara Hepworth would have been disappointed as the sculptures are more of the installation type, chosen to harmonise with the landscape. There is a camera obscura and Skyspace, an elliptical domed chamber from which to view the sky. This was a wonderfully cool place to rest after negotiating the steep slopes. Once at the top of the garden you are rewarded with a view across to St Michael's Mount. In this frost free valley there are streams, woods and exotic and sub-tropical plants. Rather like The Eden Project but with no domes. An interesting visit end to our visits this year. Our evening meetings resume on 9 September at 7.30 in the Ord Statter Pavilion with an illustrated talk by Tom Clarke, head gardener at Trellisick. Members and visitors are all welcome.



More pictures on p 26.

Maggie Farley

Photography Competition

After the success of our *Pet Pics* competition last year, we thought we would invite entries for another similar competition, this time for **Holiday Pictures**.

So, send us a recent holiday photograph **taken by you**—only one entry per person please. **Any size. Any format.**

Email it to **mylormagazine@hotmail.co.uk** or put it in an envelope marked **Magazine** and hand it in at the Post Office.

Make sure you give us your **name, address and phone number** with your entry, together with a **title** for your picture.

All entries to reach us by **1 November**.

As before, the best ten entries (selected by an independent panel of judges) will be published in full colour in the **January issue**.

If, as before, we receive lots of entries, we will put a full display in the Post Office window.

Community News and Views ~ continued

Mylor Brownies eco-experience:

Victoria O'Regan, the Brownie leader, brought her group of youngsters down to the churchyard at St Mylor for an activity which would help them complete a badge award activity. We had devised a two hour slot of observing, finding and naming some of the many animals and plants that inhabit our churchyard. The group learned how to collect specimens safely with pooters and to observe without harming anything. They saw how the churchyard volunteers have left some places for wild-life to flourish in the environment as well as setting up other places for animals to hide. They were



able to observe many bugs and creepy crawlies, a slow-worm or two and the swallow patiently sitting on her nest brooding her young. They saw the bat droppings in the church porch as evidence of our resident Pipistrelles and proof of vole activity in the form of runs under a piece of corrugated iron. The evening finished with an individual challenge quiz which was well answered by everyone. Each Brownie was awarded a certificate of completion at the end of the evening and all of us, adults and children, said how much they had enjoyed themselves. All good news for youngsters growing up in a rural environment.

Barbara Baker & Dorrit Smith

The Darlwin Disaster: I am currently researching for a book on the tragic loss of the Darlwin on 31 July 1966. The Pleasure boat, on a day trip from Mylor to Fowey, disappeared in poor weather on its return somewhere off The Dodman. The wreck was never located and all 31 on board were lost. Most of the passengers came from The Greatwood Hotel. A brother and sister from Mylor were tragically lost and there is a memorial screen to all the victims in St Mylor Church. I would be most grateful to hear from anyone who has any photographs of The Darlwin and original locations and/or has recollections of the tragedy that I might possibly include in the book. Please leave a message on 01736 785627 or email m_banks@talk21.com or contact *Jill Quilliam* of Mylor History Group on 01326 376403.

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Churchyard Restoration Group: Over past months we have left large areas of the Churchyard to nature and some of the weeds and wild flowers are now taller than many of the headstones. This is done each year to meet the requirements of Cornwall's Living Churchyards remit. We are now cutting back these areas and for a while our lovely churchyard will look fairly untidy. The cut grasses will be raked into piles and removed for composting. We have weeded some more graves and re-chipped them. We desperately need some additional help to maintain these and the other graves we've cleared, so if you have an hour to spare once a month we could allocate some graves to your care. All the hard work will have been done and all that is necessary is to keep the gravel weeded and perhaps add a small bunch of flowers if an anniversary should occur on one of your allocated graves. Please call me if you'd like further information.

During the past few months we have seen mice, slow worms, butterflies, voles, grey squirrels and many birds. We also have badgers and foxes visiting regularly. Sadly we haven't seen any hedgehogs. We are still keen to have a couple of bird boxes fixed to one of our trees. Has anyone got one hidden in a shed that they could donate? We can arrange to come and collect it. Our logs from last year's fallen branches have been drying out and we will be offering bags of logs for sale towards the end of September.

The local members of The Ganges Association visited the memorial to attend to its maintenance. They were joined by a team of volunteers from RNAS Cudrose. The chain and anchors around the memorial have been re-painted and the paths and gravel weeded. It was great to see such an eager team of volunteers working alongside the Association. The following note was received from the team:

All the willing 'volunteers' were from the Engineering Training Section, (ETS) at RNAS Cudrose. They included four Aircraft Engineering Technician trainees who are at Cudrose to complete their Phase 2b training which lasts for 23 weeks. This period consists of a mix of classroom theory and work place training culminating in an examination that, if passed, allows them to conduct aircraft maintenance. The rest of the group were made up of Instructors from ETS. Everyone who attended enjoyed it greatly and it was very worthwhile assisting in the upkeep of an important Naval memorial and we look forward to providing further assistance.



We have recently acquired a beautiful new gate at the top of the Churchyard, alongside the Lych-gate. This was kindly donated to the Churchyard by a local benefactor and we are most grateful.

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Bowls: Mylor Bridge men's team won the Group 4 Captain's Shield final at the Mylor green on Sunday 21 July. This knockout competition is for teams of four committee members (with the club Captain skipping the rink), against local clubs within the area. Mylor had won through to the semi-finals at Mylor. The day was baking hot, the green extremely fast with strong crosswinds affecting the bowls. In the morning semi-final, Mylor played the Stithians bowling club in a tight game with both teams level on shots after 21 ends. This meant an extra end. The game was decided by Mylor's skip, **Bill Foote** who managed to get shot with his last wood of the game.



In the afternoon final, in another tight game, Mylor managed to beat Penryn Bowling Club by one shot in almost a repeat of the semi-final. With

one end to go the teams were level on 19 shots but Mylor managed to get the one shot on the last end to win the game and the Shield. The team of **Mike Diston, Adrian Poole, Derek Shermom** and **Will Foote** go forward to the County finals in September. In the recently completed **men's Cornwall bowls league, Mylor A finished in seventh position in Division one**, but congratulations must go to their B team who won the second division comfortably and who are now promoted to the first division next season.

Derek Shermom

Christmas Lights: Last month we briefly reported the success of our revised Midsummer Market. Thanks again to everyone who helped raise a handsome £732 which also suggests that, with a few minor alterations, the new format could be repeated in future. With that sum added



to recent donations, the committee has been able to make a significant investment in the display. As well as routine replacements, several new motifs are being prepared. At our committee meeting in early August, we began to plan how to mark this special twenty fifth anniversary year. Several suggestions are being investigated, with more detail being decided at our AGM, to which all are welcome at 7.30 pm on 17 October in the Tremayne Hall. Finally, another change and an early advice for **your diary: this year's Switch-on Ceremony will be on the second Monday in December, the 9th.** Thanks as ever for all the vital support given to your Lights Committee.

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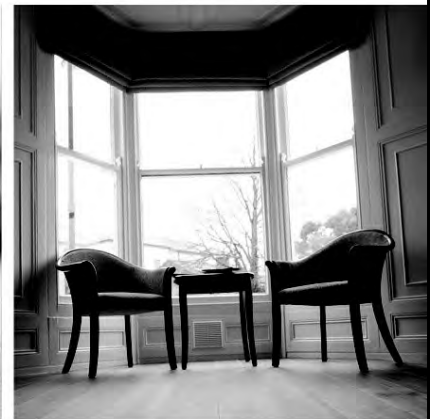
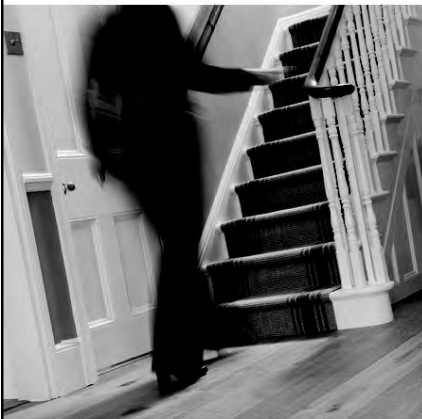
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TDFAS: Truro Decorative & Fine Arts Society is starting the new academic year on Wednesday 11 September with a great lecture by an old TDFAS favourite - *Douglas Skeggs*. This time his subject is 'Prague: the City of the Winter Queen' which looks at the rich fabric of Prague's past through its legends, artists, composers, statesmen and rogues! We do hope you will come along and enjoy finding out more about this fairytale city. Starting at 7pm, but not in our usual lecture theatre - just for this month we will be in the Fal Theatre, Fal building, Truro College. Coffee and tea is available from 6pm and you will be most welcome (non-members £5).

Karen Kitson

Mylor Movies: We are pleased to announce our season of films for the Autumn, starting with *The Great Gatsby* on Wednesday 25 September At 7.30 in the Tremayne Hall. Tickets at the door.

Leonardo Di Caprio, Carey Mulligan, Joel Edgerton and Isla Fisher star in this visually stunning adaptation of the classic F.Scott Fitzgerald novel. With Baz Luhrmann as director, this was never going to be conventional, but Luhrmann's flair adds a new dimension to the story and this modern interpretation sets the themes and morals of the book against a backdrop of grand sets, superb choreography, period costume and impressive scenery. Please come and join us and judge for yourself. Future films will be *The Eye of the Storm* in October, *Song for Marion* in November and *Robot and Frank* in December.

Jo Robertson

Mylor Art Group: We had another very successful Annual Exhibition over a weekend at the beginning of August. On display was an amazing assortment of pictures in a vast range of mediums. Considering the low number of members in the group, Tremayne Hall was bursting at the seams with much for visitors to see.

Attendance was fairly high this year, probably a result of ideal weather and good advertising and some members have sold some of their work which will help them towards recouping their costs. The future of Mylor Art Group is uncertain at the moment as most of the members are losing interest and are looking at alternative hobbies. I can no longer organise the group due to other commitments so if anyone would like to take over the reins and run Mylor Art Group, find suitable premises for it and recruit some new members, then please call me on 01326 375737 as I have all the history etc of the group. If no-one comes forward to take this on then Mylor Art Group will lie dormant until somebody does.

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Local History ~ Trelissick sale

An historic country house was the scene recently of a grand two day auction sale of its contents and the renowned Copeland China Collection. These days such a sale is a rare event and people came from far and wide to attend. Trelissick, originally a modest mid-eighteenth century



house, was acquired in 1800 by the *Daniell* family and later remodelled in neo-classical style. Standing on the terrace, one has a magnificent view, with parkland sloping down to the water and then across Carrick Roads to Pendennis Castle and Falmouth Bay beyond.

For three days potential bidders were able to wander through beautifully appointed rooms filled with artefacts collected from around the world over the past 200 years. Everything on view was for sale and many people were there to admire the china collection started by the then occupants *Ronald and Ida Copeland* and which eventually comprised 2500 pieces from the last three centuries. It was one of the largest and most important collections of Spode and Copeland china in private hands. After the viewing came the sale itself. It was great entertainment. The stable yard became a grand auction venue. A raised floor with seating was surmounted by a marquee roof lined with simulated ruched silk and there were large floral arrangements. Well before the start, there was standing room only.

The auctioneer, on a high rostrum, was flanked by several assistants armed with telephones and computer screens. Several auctioneers took their turns as each item was displayed on a large screen. They included *John Sandon of the BBC's Antiques Roadshow*.

Bidding was brisk, but complicated by bids left with the auction house, bids from the room, numerous telephone bids and also internet buyers from around the world, including China and Hong Kong.



Spode ice pail and cover c.1825

Janet Mosedale MLHG

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Wildwatch: Snakes and Lizards part 2 ~ Dorrit Smith

Last month I gave you some facts about reptiles and about our three species of British snakes. This month it is time to read of the three types of British lizard. If you are quiet and observant you are bound to see at least one of them. There are plenty of Common Lizards around on the rocky, grassy upper parts of our shores at the moment.

Sand lizard

The very rare Sand Lizard prefers to lay eggs into shallow hollows dug in sandy soil. Like the smooth snake in last month's article, it is found mainly in southern Britain. These lizards, which can grow to 20cm, have a grey-beige background with dark



brown blotches. Males take on a bright green side colour in the breeding season. Sand lizards have the ability to take food in large quantities when it is freely available and will eat most types of insects, worms and slugs. They will eat their own young too, if necessary.

Common lizard



The Common Lizard is also known as the Viviparous Lizard because, like the Adder, it gives birth to live young.

These lizards can live almost

anywhere, but they prefer reasonably warm places with good basking sites. They are frequently found even in graveyards. Adults can reach 14cm and colouration can include shades of brown, grey and dark green. They are insect eaters and also eat small snails. The first you may see of them is a sudden movement out of the corner of your eye. Be patient and keep looking; even if it has hidden itself it will eventually poke its head out to see if you are still there!

Slow-worm

Slow-worms are really lizards, but have evolved into a legless form to suit their burrowing lifestyle. Slow-worms prefer well vegetated places which give good cover from predators. They have an almost cylindrical body which is hard and smooth to the touch, with a polished-looking grey or brown colouration. They are



beautiful. The young are shades of coppery gold with vivid dark brown sides. They feed mainly upon slugs, but also eat worms, spiders and snails. They are often found in compost heaps and so they are useful in your garden. They are often mistaken for snakes, but one look at their

Wildwatch ~ continued

head shape and gentle faces will tell you that they are not - **there is also a 'hole' behind the eye on both sides of the head, this is their ear-hole and it is present in all lizards but not obvious in snakes.**



Losing their tails

All lizards have the ability to 'self amputate' their tails for protection, leaving the tail with the predator while they escape. The process is known as autonomy. Here's what happens. The tail bones have a special weak spot where a contraction of the muscles at that point causes the bone to break and the tail to become loose. The separated tail continues to wriggle for several minutes which holds the attention of the predator while the tail-less lizard makes its escape. The lizard will grow a new tail, (this can take many months) but this is usually more stumpy than the original and less flexible. Slow-worms are also capable of autonomy, but are rarely able to grow a new tail afterwards. So, please do not grab them or pick them up because they **will** do it and all you will be left with is a bloody stump end and a mutilated reptile with less chance of escaping a real predator.

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Farming Notes ~ Matthew Dale

Harvest has started and we have had some sunshine, an unusual combination of circumstances if last year is anything to go by. We thought that our surviving oil seed rape would be the first crop to go to the knife but the Maris Otter winter barley was ready first. It **wasn't a brilliant crop due to the poor growing season but it did OK** and it is now sitting in a collective grain store waiting to be malted and then brewed for Tribute ale.

The grain came off the field in lovely condition but the straw was too sappy to bale and it spent a fortnight on the ground being soaked by successive rainstorms. It took some spreading and turning to dry it out but it got there in the end and will now be used for winter bedding for cattle. There is nothing more satisfying than the baler following the combine around the field picking up the straw and for it then to be loaded and taken away. The field is then left clear and empty ready for the next crop.

One bit of good news is that the new Claas combine has lived up to and beyond expectations, which is just as well given what it cost. There was nothing really wrong with the John Deere we had before, in the sense that it was reliable and it did what we asked. The Claas too is reliable and



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Point of View ~ Peace in Palestine and Israel

Following our comments in last month's magazine concerning our pilgrimage to Israel 'the troubled land', it is now of topical interest that peace talks have resumed. What we learned in Israel only covered part of the complex history which would take a whole issue of this magazine to explain.

Simply, concerned for its security in 1967, Israel invaded a large territory known as the West Bank of the River Jordan and occupied by Palestinians. It was from this area that Palestinian extremists were launching terrorist and suicide bomb attacks against Israel. Since then this problem has subsided, mainly due to the completion of a massive wall that has been erected.

From 1967, Palestinians living on the occupied West Bank were not allowed Israeli passports and in lieu were granted five year renewable permits to stay and to work in Israel. They are no longer part of Palestine as such and Israel has built a number of Jewish settlements in the West Bank, mainly occupied **by radicals who now total over 10% of Israel's population.**


Part of the peace process involved assisting the West Bank economy. One such example was challenging the unnecessary Israeli restrictions on goods and produce crossing the border through the wall checkpoints. We saw that life for the West Bank Palestinians was not easy and there was much evidence of poverty. An example of harassment by the Israelis involved us on the coach returning to Tel Aviv airport. Our Palestinian driver produced all the correct papers but was nevertheless pulled over at the checkpoint. We had to wait about ten minutes whilst an Israeli guard strolled over to recheck our **driver's paperwork, all of which was totally unnecessary. We also heard of ambulances coming from the West Bank to Israeli hospitals being delayed at the whim of the checkpoint guards where patients have died as a result. The humanitarian issues are ignored.**

Added to the tensions caused by the Israeli occupation, the democratically elected Hamas Palestinian movement which controls the Gaza strip does not recognise the right of the Jewish state to even exist! One can see how serious are the conflicts of interest.

In October 2001 The 'Quartet' was formed. This consists of representatives from the EU, Russia, UN and USA. It was formed to negotiate a cease fire and peace process. Tony Blair is its special envoy and since 2001 he has made visits. The outcome so far, has not been successful. Whilst our Quartet speaker explained the intractability of both sides' demands and the seeming impossibility of a resolution, he felt some progress might be made if America, together with the UN brought pressure to bear, particularly on Israel.

Undoubtedly, America's support of Israel has prevented serious open conflict and has been responsible for the precarious truce over nearly five decades. The current initiative by the Americans has opened the door once again, and one can only hope that the present talks make better progress.

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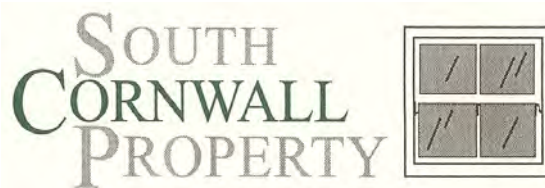
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On the Water ~ Malcolm Clark

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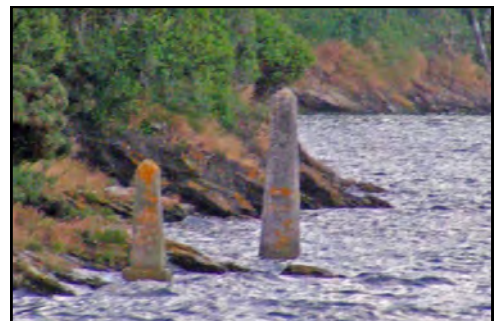
Mildred celebrates centenary: built by **R D Pill** in 1913 at Gorran Haven, Mildred (right) is moored at Mylor. A birthday celebration was held recently at Mylor Yacht Club.



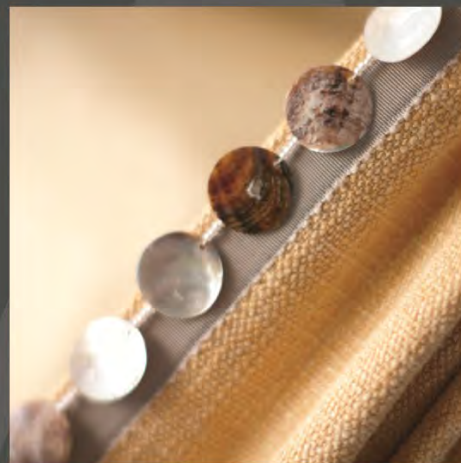
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More About ~ Lawrie Piper

Lawrie was born in 1931 at St Mary's Hospital, Paddington. When he was a month old, the family moved to Gloucestershire and he went to Marling School in Stroud. In 1949 he was stationed in Dover for National Service, where he met **Kath**, a young lady very much to his taste.

Returning to Stroud on demob, he joined his father at **Winterbotham, Strachan and Playne** who manufactured high quality woollen and worsted fabrics such as billiard cloth, military uniform cloth, guards scarlets and hunting pinks. He gained a thorough grounding in cloth manufacture and also studied at Stroud Technical College to gain qualifications in technical management. At this time, **Lawrie** and **Kath** were married and had two sons, **Jeremy** and **Adrian**.

In 1961 Lawrie was appointed Head of the Textiles Department at Derby College of Higher Education and the family moved to Derby. In addition to full time work, further study and research led to a Masters degree in Education from Leicester University.

He was appointed Vice-Principal of Cornwall Technical College in 1967. He also became an active member of the Health Authority, serving on several committees and chairing the Nurse Training Committee. After twelve years as Vice-Principal he became Principal of what is now Cornwall College, retiring in 1991.

In collaboration with the staff of Camborne School of Mines, **Lawrie** recently finished writing 'The History of Mining Education in Cornwall' which is awaiting publication.

You may well be wondering what Lawrie did in his spare time! In earlier years he enjoyed dinghy sailing on the river Derwent in Derby, a family pastime which led in later years to owning a sailing cruiser and membership of the Royal Cornwall Yacht Club. His other interests include microscopy and walking, though nowadays, Mother Nature has decreed that he takes things more slowly.



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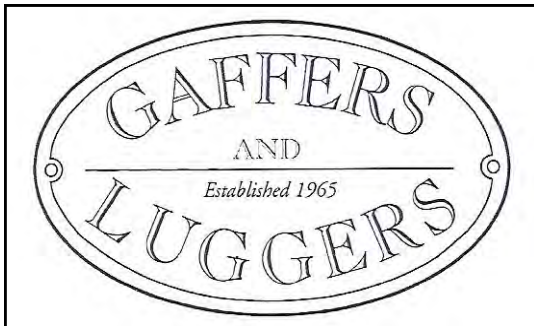
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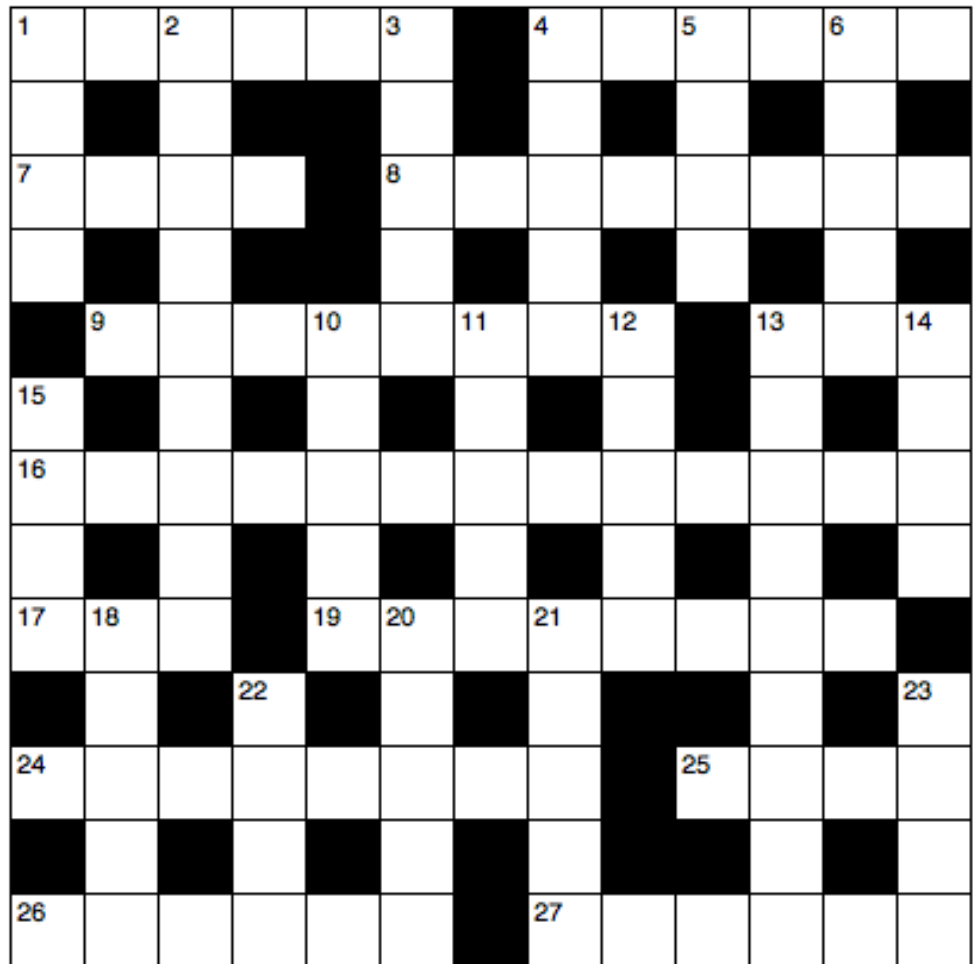
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Across

- 1 'Unless the Lord builds the house, its builders — in vain' (Psalm 127:1) (6)
 4 Season of the year (Psalm 84:6) (6)
 7 'My soul is overwhelmed with sorrow to the point of death. — here and keep watch with me' (Matthew 26:38) (4)
 8 It came over the whole land from the sixth to the ninth hour on the first Good Friday (Luke 23:44) (8)
 9 Paul invariably did this in the synagogues he visited on his missionary journeys (Acts 17:2) (8)
 13 'It is God who works in you to will and to — according to his good purpose' (Philippians 2:13) (3)
 16 Members of the Church of Scotland (13)
 17 'Now when he saw the crowds, he went up on a mountain side and — down' (Matthew 5:1) (3)
 19 Mock (Luke 14:29) (8)
 24 Disgrace (Psalm 44:13) (8)
 25 First month of the Hebrew calendar (Exodus 13:4) (4)
 26 Christianity of the Britons before Augustine arrived from Rome (6)
 27 Mean (Numbers 35:23) (6)

Down

- 1 'Whoever finds his life will — it' (Matthew 10:39) (4)
 2 'My lord the king, let the — — on me and on my father's family, and let the king and his throne be without guilt' (2 Samuel 14:9) (5,4)

Down (continued)

- 3 O raid (anag.) (5)
 4 'If two of you on earth — about anything you ask for, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven' (Matthew 18:19) (5)
 5 Take care of (1 Samuel 17:15) (4)
 6 What the older son heard as he came near the house the day his prodigal brother came home (Luke 15:25) (5)
 10 'Do not think of yourself more highly than you ought, but rather think of yourself with — judgment' (Romans 12:3) (5)
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 14 'Each one should — his own actions' (Galatians 6:4) (4)
 15 Among the items imported by Solomon's fleet of trading ships (1 Kings 10:22) (4)
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