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Rector's Notes – MARCH 2020

The same, but also different

I'm still enjoying my early morning half-hour runs round the town – it gives me a strange sort of energy for the day! Just this week it's been noticeably not quite so dark when I begin, and best of all I've been hearing the most beautiful sound of an early-to-rise blackbird singing at the end of my road.



Spring follows winter; it's one of life's certainties. But nonetheless, to see proof that something better is on the way gives us a great boost - change is on its way! Of course at one level the changes are ones we witness every year, but usually something about them strikes us in a fresh way too.

The church year also has some big changes coming up, though much like the seasons of the year, these changes we are used to living through each year. Lent is now upon us – a time for reflection and penitence, as we prepare for the intensity of remembering Christ's passion during Holy Week, and the glory of Easter once more. Lent is a time for growth too, and elsewhere you'll find details of the four different Lent groups happening in our benefice, designed to move us on in our faith, and increase our understanding.

Something new for this Lent is more evidence of Readers-in-training. Our own Jason Hoole-Jackson is preaching his first assessed sermon which forms part of his first year formal training. And from the nearby parish of Stithians, Jane le Page is joining us for most of Lent on placement. She's in her second year of training, and is coming to us for a wider experience of church life in a different context to her own.

Both Jason and Jane are super examples of God calling people to new vocations. This Lent would be a good time for all of us to offer ourselves afresh to God in case he might be calling us to a different sort of ministry. Certainly it's a good time for us to continue to pray for God to raise up new leaders of all sorts to carry on with and develop new ministries in the life of our churches. The initiative Growing Your Church is throwing up all sorts of good ideas of ways we can encourage the growth of our churches in numbers, in spiritual depth and in service to our communities, but always these new initiatives need people to make them happen. Yet God is not poor – so let us continue to pray for God to provide us with all that we need, to enable us to do the things he wants us to do – whether that is more of the same, or different new things!

With my prayers & best wishes
Caspar Bush (Team Rector)

ST STEPHEN TRELEIGH



Twenty seven members and friends of the Treleigh congregation enjoyed a après Christmas celebration meal at Tehidy Golf Club on the evening of 25th January. A vote of thanks to Carol Stewart was proposed by Keith Naylor. A big thank you from all of us to Carol for organising such a lovely evening and for the added touch of free raffle tickets and 'goody' bags of chocolates. It was a great get-together and thoroughly enjoyed by everyone.

Mothering Day service will be on March 22nd at 11.15am with the usual distribution of flowers and simnel cake. Treleigh's tradition of simnel cake on Mothering Sunday started many years ago when members of the Sunday School made the cake under the direction of Linda Penna using the recipe of Marjorie Tamblyn, mother of Margaret Bradley and mother-in-law of Paddy. Alas we have no Sunday School now and things have moved on with the cake being made in recent years by Anne Youlton. On top of the cake are eleven marzipan balls to represent the apostles, minus Judas.

On Saturday March 28th there will be a soup and dessert lunch and various stalls in Treleigh Hall 11am-3pm. Lunch will be £5 per person and proceeds will be for Treleigh Hall Refurbishment Fund.

Advanced notice: A date for your diary...May 23rd....An evening of Fifties & sixties music with The Rockin 5.

Treleigh Sales

The History of St. Stephen's Church Treleigh.....	£3.50
Blank Greetings Card to suit all occasions.....	£0.50
Bookmarks (Laminated).....	£0.50
Original mini acrylic paintings on easels (Cornish views) by Trish Rowe.....	£5.00

Treleigh Church services

Regular services at Treleigh are on Sundays at 11.15am, Thursdays at 9.30am and a Healing Service on the first Friday of every month at 7pm.

Trish Rowe (01209 218416)

CHRISTCHURCH LANNER

Last Friday of the Month.

The last Friday of each month brings two events at Christchurch Lanner: the first is Snack and chat at 2pm, a chance to eat cake and chat; and the second event is the Film Club, doors open at 6:30pm with a 7pm start. This month we are showing BAFTA-award winning film, *Bait*. These next events are on Friday, 28th February.

Tiddlers 2

Christchurch Lanner hopes to open a satellite of Tiddlers Toddlers. If anyone has any toys that could be suitable for pre-schoolers, please contact Father Peter. We hope to start the group after Easter, so please spread the word amongst any young families who may be interested in the group.

Shrove Saturday Party and Quiz

This took place on Saturday, 22nd February, at 7pm and was a celebration of all things pancake and Lent! The supper and quiz was held in the hall. This was a LAMP and FLAPJACK event where Christchurch, St Andrew's Pencoys and Four Lanes Methodist joined together for a social event, but all were welcomed!

Nepal and Cuba

Thank you for supporting the February first Sunday Event. £110 was raised to support the children of Nepal and Cuba. We held a Cuba Night the previous week to raise funds for Cuba Solidarity. Ross Marshall showed photos of his recent trip to the country as part of a teaching and education project. Money raised for Cuba Solidarity will go towards buying braille machines for blind children. The March event on Sunday, 1st March will be in the United Methodist Church at 6pm. The leader will be Jane Le Page, a Reader in training.



Ecobricks

Thank you to everyone who has supported this initiative. A small group of us recently spent the morning checking the weights of each ecobrick and remedying any "light" bottles. We are repeating this workshop every few weeks, so please check the weekly sheet if you would like to help out.

Julia Knight-Bennett

ST EUNY

St. Euny Feast was held at Candlemas this year. Revd. Graham Adamson combined a service of Holy Communion with the blessing of all the candles to be used during the coming year. We were delighted to welcome the St. Euny Ukes, who accompanied our first hymn - Amazing Grace - and played some of their favourite tunes for us, both during and after the service. The newly refurbished floodlight was also blessed. This will now be used to light up the church as a beacon of hope and remembrance for years to come.

Open Cafe is in full swing, every Thursday afternoon between 1.30pm and 3.30pm until the 26th of March, after which we will break for Easter, reopening on Thursday the 16th of April. We have an exciting project running named Kruthyl (Making) Redruth, where we are working with artists, writers and musicians. The aim is for the group to tell the story of our community through art and song. As always with the Open Cafe, everyone is welcome.

Please do pop in for a cuppa and see what's happening. And if you think you might know someone in the Redruth area who would enjoy being involved with Kruthyl then please let them know of the project and that everyone will be warmly welcomed.

Lucie Rogers

NEWS from
St. Andrew's Pencoys with Four Lanes Methodist Church
'FLAPJACK'

Working, praying and worshipping together as 'One in Christ'

We invite you to our joint events and services and to visit St. Andrew's Church,
open daily from 10 am to 5 pm

Our LAMP **First Sunday Evening Event** at Christchurch in February featured Candlemas, when we celebrated the Presentation of Christ in the Temple at the age of 40 days, and learned about all the candles used in our church services. A retiring collection raised £110 for the Children of Nepal, whom Christchurch has supported for some years, and the visually-impaired children of Cuba, whose desperate need for Braille equipment was highlighted by Ross (Marshall), following his recent visit there. Our thanks go to everyone who came to support this event, and especially to Caroline Opie for operating the hymn-music machine in the absence of Julia, to whom we send our good wishes after injuring her hand. The **next First Sunday Evening Event** will be held on **1st March at Four Lanes Methodist Church at 6pm**, (the theme has yet to be confirmed, please see the weekly pew sheet for more details.)

A reminder that our **Ash Wednesday service of Holy Communion with ashing**, on 26th February, will take place at **Four Lanes Methodist Church**, at **6 pm** and everyone is warmly invited.

Our churches are again taking part in the ecumenical **World Day of Prayer** at 2 pm on **Friday, 6th March**, this year at Bethel Community Church, Pond Lane, Redruth (first turn left up Rose Hill before Plain-an-Gwarry, coming from Foundry Row, opposite Kresen Kernow – or from Plain-an-Gwarry from the opposite direction) and warmly invite **everyone**. There will be a planning meeting on **Friday, 28th February at 12.15 pm. for everyone interested in helping and/or taking part**. Please see our separate notice or contact Jill Tolputt (07809 043656 or jilltolputt@gmail.com) for more details.

Our free **Children's Clothing Bank** has been going well, and the next will be held on **Saturday 21st March** in Pencoys Hall, from **10 am to 11 am**. We are very grateful for the many donations of good used children's clothes, but at present we have plenty of donated items, and do not need any more at present. We need more 'takers' than 'donors', so please, please pass on details of the Bank to any families you know with growing families, who grow out of clothes more quickly than wear them out! There are often toys, novelties and accessories for young children available, all free to good homes. We also offer free refreshments for parents/carers and children, and all are welcome.

We look forward to welcoming our friends from across the team to the Benefice Holy Communion Service at 10.30 am on 29th March (Passion Sunday) at St. Andrews' Pencoys, which will probably be followed by pasties and cake. Please check the previous week's pew sheet for details.

Jill Tolputt

ST ANDREW REDRUTH

"Through dangers untold and hardships unnumbered, I have fought my way here to the castle beyond the Goblin city..."

Okay, so the stage at St Andrews is not quite as impressive as the castle at the end of the Goblin City in the Labyrinth, but the road to the Random's February production was certainly an adventure. The Randoms cast battled their way through at least three big storms and fought off numerous colds, viruses and bugs all with the united effort to bring you, the people of the Goblin City, sorry, Redruth, an evening of music to get even the grumpiest goblin grooving. The Folk Music spectacular!

As usual the evening consisted of a heady mix of singing, snacks and storytelling as well as a well stocked bar. The music was gathered from the four corners of the earth, well Cornwall, America and other locations, and was accompanied by the lively and tuneful strums of the guitar. Audience participation was actively encouraged and it was an evening of fun, dancing and laughter.

"You are the salt of the earth. But if the salt loses its saltiness, how can it be made salty again?"

The Informal communion service this month was led by Graham but featured Redruth's own Reader in Training, Jason Hoole-Jackson preaching his first formal Sunday sermon on "Salt of the Earth." Being an engineer and working for CORMAC, Jason used illustrations of the science of salting the roads in bad weather to illuminate the Bible text and leave us with an unforgettable message. We will look forward to more from Jason as his training progresses and to his initial licensing in October 2021!

As that Sunday was also stewardship Sunday our hardworking treasurer, Richard Robinson had a slot to speak about the cost of running the church, the size of collections and the value of our fundraising activities. Although we had to dip into our shrinking reserves this year we were still able to give a sizable percentage to various causes and support others. The presentation really brought home the need to give through a standing order, or better still through the new Parish Giving scheme which is much more reliable than money in the service collection although this is still much valued.

"But Jesus called the children to him and said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these."

The Tiddler Toddler group at St Andrews continues to go from strength to strength and thanks to a grant and donations we have been able to order some brand new folding tables that are the right height for our little users. The team of helpers is fairly small and more help would be most welcome whether you are a church goer or not! All volunteers are given safeguarding training and a DBS check. If you are interested, or know someone else who should be asked just contact one of the St Andrews Church Wardens and they will pass your details on.

Fran Thurston and Jim Seth

March 2020

1st Su First Sunday of Lent

9.30am	Christchurch Lanner	Sung Holy Communion
9.30am	St Andrew Redruth	Sung Holy Communion with Children's Sunday Club
11am	United Methodist Church	FLAPJACK Holy Communion
11.15am	St Euny	Holy Communion
11.15am	St Stephen Treleigh	Sung Holy Communion
3pm-5pm	United Methodist Church	Lighthouse
6pm	United Methodist Church	LAMP First Sunday Evening Event

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2nd Mo	1.30pm	Crypt	Crafty People
	2pm	United Methodist Church	Fellowship
	6pm	St Andrew Redruth	Healing Service
3rd Tu	8.30am	St Andrew Pencoy's	Morning Prayer
	9.30am	St Euny	Holy Communion
	11am	St Euny	Yoga*
	2pm	Glencoe	Hymn singing
4th We	8.30am	St Andrew Redruth	Morning Prayer in the Lady Chapel
	10am	St Andrew Redruth	Holy Communion in the Lady Chapel
	11am	Christchurch Lanner	Holy Communion (BCP)
	11am	Lavinia's House	Margaret's Upper Room meeting Lent Course
	11.30am	Christchurch Lanner	Lent Course
	2pm	Tremethick	Hymn singing
	3pm	Crypt	TOAST (Year 6 and above)
	7.30pm	St Euny	Tower Bell Practice
5th Th	9.15am	Crypt	Tiddlers Toddlers (to 11.15am)
	9.30am	St Stephen Treleigh	Morning prayer & Holy Communion
	9.30am	St Euny	Yoga*
	1.30-3.30pm	St Euny	Open Café. Everyone is welcome
	7pm	The Knight's House	Lent Course
	7.30pm	The Pedley's House	Lent Course
6th Fr	10.15am	12 Mount Carbis Gdns	Book Club
	2pm	Bethel Church, Redruth	World Day of Prayer, Bethel Community Church, Pond Lane, Redruth. Ecumenical, theme: <i>'Take up your mat and walk'</i> , written by the women of Zimbabwe. All welcome
	7pm	St Stephen Treleigh	Healing Service
7th Sa	12 noon	Redruth town centre	Redruth Town St Piran's procession, Archdeacon Paul Bryer is guest speaker
	4pm	Christchurch Lanner	DSBeenies*
	7pm	Pencoy's Hall	First Saturday Quiz

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8th Su Second Sunday of Lent

9.30am	Christchurch Lanner	CHAMP All Age Monthly Praise
9.30am	St Andrew Redruth	Informal Worship with Holy Communion
11am	St Andrew Pencoy's	FLAPJACK Family Event

	11.15am	St Euny	Alternative Holy Communion
	11.15am	St Stephen Treleigh	Sung Holy Communion
	12.30pm	St Andrew Pencoy's	Said Holy Communion
	3pm	Christchurch Lanner	Said Holy Communion
9th Mo	1.30pm	Crypt	Crafty People
	2pm	United Methodist Church	Fellowship
	6pm	St Andrew Redruth	Holy Communion in the Lady Chapel
10th Tu	8.30am	St Andrew Pencoy's	Morning Prayer
	9.30am	St Euny	Holy Communion
	11am	St Euny	Yoga*
	7pm	St Euny	Team Council meeting followed by Redruth PCC
11th We	8.30am	St Andrew Redruth	Morning Prayer in the Lady Chapel
	10am	St Andrew Redruth	Holy Communion in the Lady Chapel
	11am	Christchurch Lanner	Holy Communion (BCP)
	11am	Lavinia's House	Margaret's Upper Room meeting Lent Course
	11.30am	Christchurch Lanner	Lent Course
	3pm	Crypt	TOAST (Year 6 and above)
	7.30pm	St Euny	Tower Bell Practice
12th Th	9.15am	Crypt	Tiddlers Toddlers (to 11.15am)
	9.30am	St Stephen Treleigh	Morning prayer & Holy Communion
	9.30am	St Euny	Yoga*
	1.30-3.30pm	St Euny	Open Café. Everyone is welcome
	7pm	The Knight's House	Lent Course
	7.30pm	The Pedley's House	Lent Course
13th Fr			
14th Sa	12 noon	Pencoy's Hall	Jumblefood
	4pm	Christchurch Lanner	DSBeenies*
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15th Su	Third Sunday of Lent		
	9.30am	Christchurch Lanner	Family Holy Communion
	9.30am	St Andrew Redruth	Sung Holy Communion with Children's Sunday Club
	11am	United Methodist Church	FLAPJACK Service of the Word
	11.15am	St Euny	Holy Communion
	11.15am	St Stephen Treleigh	Sung Holy Communion
	6pm	St Andrew Pencoy's	Sung Holy Communion
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16th Mo	1.30pm	Crypt	Crafty People
	2pm	United Methodist Church	Fellowship
	6pm	St Andrew Redruth	Holy Communion in the Lady Chapel
17th Tu	8.30am	St Andrew Pencoy's	Morning Prayer
	9.30am	St Euny	Holy Communion
	11am	St Euny	Yoga*
	2pm	The Green	Hymn singing
18th We	8.30am	St Andrew Redruth	Morning Prayer in the Lady Chapel
	10am	St Andrew Redruth	Holy Communion in the Lady Chapel
	11am	Christchurch Lanner	Holy Communion (BCP)
	11am	Lavinia's House	Margaret's Upper Room meeting

	3pm	Crypt	TOAST (Year 6 and above)
	7.30pm	St Euny	Tower Bell Practice
19th Th	9.15am	Crypt	Tiddlers Toddlers (to 11.15am)
	9.30am	St Stephen Treleigh	Morning prayer & Holy Communion
	9.30am	St Euny	Yoga*
	1.30-3.30pm	St Euny	Open Café. Everyone is welcome
	7pm	The Knight's House	Lent Course
	7.30pm	The Pedley's House	Lent Course
20th Fr			
21st Sa	10am-11am	Pencoys Hall	Children's Clothing Bank
	4pm	Christchurch Lanner	DSBeenies*
22nd Su	Mothering Sunday		
	9.30am	Christchurch Lanner	Sung Holy Communion
	9.30am	St Andrew Redruth	Sung Holy Communion with Children's Sunday Club
	11am	St Andrew Pencoys	Mothering Sunday Holy Communion with hymns
	11.15am	St Euny	Methodist Morning Praise
	11.15am	St Stephen Treleigh	Mothering Sunday service with distribution of flowers and simnel cake
	6pm	St Andrew Redruth	Breathing Space
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23rd Mo	1.30pm	Crypt	Crafty People
	2pm	United Methodist Church	Fellowship
	6pm	St Andrew Redruth	Holy Communion in the Lady Chapel
24th Tu	8.30am	St Andrew Pencoys	Morning Prayer
	9.30am	St Euny	Holy Communion
	11am	St Euny	Yoga*
25th We	8.30am	St Andrew Redruth	Morning Prayer in the Lady Chapel
	10am	St Andrew Redruth	Holy Communion in the Lady Chapel
	10am-3pm	Tresillian Methodist Hall	Worship Leaders Course
	11am	Christchurch Lanner	Holy Communion (BCP)
	11am	Lavinia's House	Margaret's Upper Room meeting Lent Course
	11.30am	Christchurch Lanner	Lent Course
	2pm	Crossroads	Hymn singing
	3pm	Crypt	TOAST (Year 6 and above)
26th Th	7.30pm	St Euny	Tower Bell Practice
	9.15am	Crypt	Tiddlers Toddlers (to 11.15am)
	9.30am	St Stephen Treleigh	Morning prayer & Holy Communion
	9.30am	St Euny	Yoga*
	1.30-3.30pm	St Euny	Open Café. Everyone is welcome
27th Fr	2pm	Christchurch Lanner	Snack and Chat
	6.30pm/7pm	Christchurch Lanner	Film Club
28th Sa	11am	United Methodist Church	Bangers & Mash
	11am-3pm	Treleigh Hall	Soup/dessert lunch with stalls

29th Su Fifth Sunday of Lent - Passion Sunday

	9.30am	United Methodist Church	Breakfast Service
	10.30am	St Andrew Pencoys	United Benefice Service
	1pm	St Stephen Treleigh	Baptism
	4pm	Pencoys Hall	Family Teatime Celebration
	6pm	St Euny	Evensong
30th Mo	1.30pm	Crypt	Crafty People
	2pm	United Methodist Church	Fellowship
	4.30pm	Trelowan	Last Monday Bible Study
	6pm	St Andrew Redruth	Holy Communion in the Lady Chapel
31st Tu	8.30am	St Andrew Pencoys	Morning Prayer
	9.30am	St Euny	Holy Communion
	7pm	St Euny	Moveable Feast of Prayer

Redruth Team Ministry is delighted to support various independent community groups which are marked *

CORONAVIRUS

In relation to the Coronavirus issue, and having received advice from the Diocese, here are some changes in the way we prepare for and administer holy communion. This is subject to review, and any updates will be given in church services as necessary:

1. Parishioners with coughs and sneezes are asked to refrain from shaking hands in the Peace. We suggest such people greet others with 'Peace be with you' and a cheery smile while staying in the pew, with their own hands clasped together.
2. After the ablutions at the altar, priests will sanitise their hands with alcohol-based sanitiser, as will those assisting before the distribution.
3. Intinction (dipping the wafer in the wine) is to be avoided, as it represents a disease transmission route.
4. The common cup will continue to be used until we receive advice to the contrary.
5. Before communion begins, those with coughs and sneezes will be asked to receive in one kind only (ie just the wafer).

Millions of Christians all over the world will be marking the start of an important period of time on 26 February 2020 - the festival of Lent.

That is because it is Ash Wednesday, which marks the beginning of Lent in Western Christian churches.

During Lent, many people decide to give something up that they love - perhaps chocolate or biscuits. Others might decide to take *up* something, like helping out more at home or making an effort to be nicer to their brother or sister

What is Lent?

Lent is a period of 40 days during which Christians remember the events leading up to and including the death of Jesus Christ, who Christians believe is the Son of God and whose life and teachings are the foundation of Christianity.

The 40-day period is called Lent after an old English word meaning 'lengthen'. This is because of the time of year when it happens, as this is when the days start to get longer, as we approach summer.

It is a time of reflection and of asking for forgiveness, and when Christians prepare to celebrate Jesus's resurrection at the feast of Easter, which comes at the very end of Lent.

On Ash Wednesday, churches hold special services, at which worshippers are marked with ash. This is a symbol of death and remembering bad things that we have done, and is where the day gets its name from.

Typically, the ash is made from burning special crosses made out of palm wood, which were used in church services on the previous year's Palm Sunday. It is sometimes mixed with special oil.

Why do people give things up until Easter Sunday?

Millions of people do this during Lent as a sign of sacrifice and to test their self-discipline. Christians believe that this is to represent Jesus Christ's sacrifice when he went into the desert to pray and fast for the 40 days before later dying on the cross.

In the Bible's New Testament, while Jesus was there, Satan tempted him to turn away from God and worship him instead, but Jesus refused to, which is why people might give something up, in order to test their own self-discipline too.

A small number of Christians may even fast for the whole of Lent. But more will only observe this practice on Ash Wednesday or Good Friday (the day at the end of Lent which marks Jesus's crucifixion, which is a day of mourning).

Lent ends with Holy Week, which leads to Easter Sunday - the most important day in the Christian calendar. This day marks the resurrection of Jesus after his death on the cross, and is a celebration of his life.

During Lent, the colour purple may be used in a lot of churches. This is because it is associated with mourning, ahead of Christ's death.

It is also used because it is the colour of royalty - and the end of Lent celebrates Jesus's resurrection and power.

(source BBC website)

Lent Groups 2020

We have four groups meeting this year:

Wednesdays 11am at Lavinia Green's house (Trewirgie area)

Wednesdays 11.30am at Christchurch Lanner

Thursdays 7pm at the Knights' house (top of Mt Ambrose)

Thursdays 7.30pm at the Pedley's house (near Raymond Road)

Please contact any member of the clergy to be put in touch with these groups - why not give one a try!



FROM THE REGISTERS

BAPTISM

26 January	2020	Isla Holland	St Andrew Redruth
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FUNERALS

20 January	2020	Beatrice Gwendoline Mary Beard	St Euny
24 January	2020	Patrick Rider "Paddy" Bradley	St Stephen Treleigh

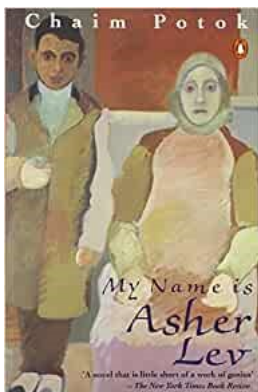
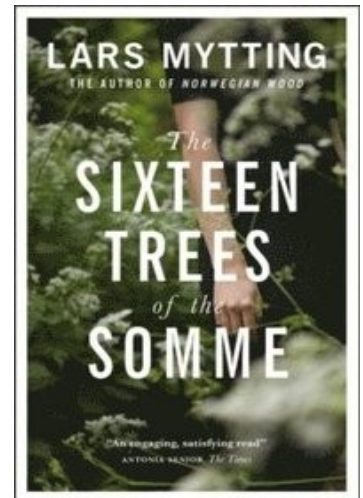
WEDDING

25 January	2020	John Scott Gerrans and Sharon Rendell	St Stephen Treleigh
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BOOK CLUB—FRIDAY 06 MARCH *THE SIXTEEN TREES OF THE SOMME* *by Lars Mytting*

Edvard grows up on a remote mountain farmstead in Norway with his taciturn grandfather, Sverre. The death of his parents, when he was three years old, has always been shrouded in mystery - he has never been told how or where it took place and has only a distant memory of his mother. But he knows that the fate of his grandfather's brother, Einar, is somehow bound up with this mystery. One day a coffin is delivered for his grandfather long before his death - a meticulous, beautiful piece of craftsmanship. Perhaps Einar is not dead after all.

Edvard's desperate quest to unlock the family's tragic secrets takes him on a long journey - from Norway to the Shetlands, and to the battlefields of France - to the discovery of a very unusual inheritance. *The Sixteen Trees of the Somme* is about the love of wood and finding your own self, a beautifully intricate and moving tale that spans an entire century.



BOOK CLUB—FRIDAY 03 APRIL: My Name Is Asher Lev by Chaim Potok

Asher Lev is the artist who painted the sensational 'Brooklyn Crucifixion.' Into it he poured all the anguish and torment a Jew can feel when torn between the faith of his fathers and the calling of his art. Here Asher Lev plunges back into his childhood and recounts the story of love and conflict which dragged him to this crossroads.

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Further details are available from Sue Macdonald (01209 211357) or Jill Tolputt (07809 043656 (text) or jilltolputt@gmail.com)

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WESTERN FILMS AND THE CORNISH

by Michael Tangye

Before the advent of television in Cornwall the cinema reigned supreme, providing a welcome retreat from the worries of WW2 and taking us into a world of colour, interest and humour. At that time, we had two cinemas at Redruth—the present Regal and the Gem in Penryn Street, now the site of St Rumon's garden. Each showed twice weekly programmes with main and supporting films, trailers for those forthcoming and cartoons featuring Mickey Mouse, Donald Duck, Popeye and animals. Black and white dominated the screen with colour taking second place.

A visit to the cinema was always termed as 'going to the pictures'. Both buildings were crowded on a Saturday evening, with long queues at the Regal extending from the foyer up Fore Street. Those at the Gem extended at the Penryn Street entrance up winding steps to the pay desk, where it met steps ascending from the rear entrance in Cross Street. We were shown to our seats by uniformed ladies bearing torches, at each cinema.

At the Regal all was overseen by a uniformed commissioner stationed in the foyer — his job being to announce to the large crowd, in a loud booming voice, the availability of vacated seats— 'one at a shilling', 'this at one and nine pence'.

The favourite film of most boys was a cowboy 'Western', depicting such masculinity as fighting and shooting, always heralded at school by 'Western down Regal'. Any appearance of a female on the screen into this tough male world was always greeted with loud audible groans by the boys, while triumphs by the male heroes brought forth cheers and clapping.

The research of Cornish Victorian newspapers show almost weekly reports of the exploits of Cornishmen and women living in the pioneer mining camps of the Wild West of America. Many of these rough towns are regularly featured in films. Amongst the Cornish were mine captains who were also local Methodist preachers noted for their oratory from the pulpit which often marked them as someone who could represent their community. We read of some who became prominent figures in politics, law and some as Sheriffs. The legendary Richard Bullock, 'Dashwood Dick' of Goss Moor hardly one of such who rode shotgun on the Deadwood Stagecoach on the Black Hills of Dakota in the 1870's, was only one of so many Cornishmen who made their mark in the American Wild West.

Another far less known was John Jenkins of Gwennap and well known as 'Uncle John' throughout the Cornish dominated community of Grass Valley in California where he died in 1888. He had first emigrated as a young man to South America, where he was gold mining, before settling with his family in the well known Cornish settlement of Mineral Point, Wisconsin where he mined for lead.

After mining for seventy years in all, his obituary recorded "He was a man who had faced bullets and pestilence where others have fled—a man who knew no fear". In the 1850's, with a Sheriff's posse he corralled three horse thieves at a point in Bear River, not far from Grass Valley. The cornered desperadoes opened fire on the posse, every member of which, save Jenkins, hastily sought shelter—but Jenkins stood his ground and killed one of the thieves and the others were captured. In 1849, he was one of the few who remained in the town and nursed the cholera stricken patients and gave Christian burials to the dead.

We see many similarities in Western films today which remind us of our own Cornish forbears who helped, in their ways, to shape the history of America.

<<Talkabout>> Padstow to Harlyn Bay - © by Tricia Rowe

We left home at 8am on a lovely sunny day, heading for Harlyn Bay where we planned to catch the 9.15am bus to Padstow to begin our coastal walk.

Dave had spent the previous evening pouring over the coastal path map and a monster time table which includes buses, ferries and air flights. This time table had become his bedtime reading! St. Merryn was a bustling little village as we passed through with shops just opening up and people chatting on street corners, and then we were in Harlyn Bay. The beach was empty except for some dog walkers and five young men alighting from a car loaded with surf boards, obviously chasing the waves as one said: "Do they rate the beach here?"

We caught the bus into Padstow, the driver swooping along the country lanes, alighting by the old station platform the terminal of The Atlantic Coast Express in the days of steam. We could see the sand dunes of Rock on the other side of the River Camel, where we played as children, jumping off the dunes and shouting "Geronimo!"

A very flat, civilised path leads out of Padstow beside the River Camel passing the War Memorial, St. George's Cove, Gun Point where a notice informed us there had been a battery there for 400 years, the expanse of Harbour Cove, known locally as Tregirls, Hawker's Cove and the notorious Doom Bar where, according to our guide book, over 300 ships have foundered. All was quiet here except for the buzz of bees and flies, the tramp of our boots on the footpath and the tap of our walking poles. Pentire Point on the opposite side of Polzeath Bay was looking quite peaceful quite different to when we were over there with a raging wind tearing at our clothes a few days before. The Daymark on Stepper Point had an 'unsafe building' notice attached to it and barbed wire all around it. More people around here and we could now see Trevose Head clearly.

Everyone on the coastal path says 'hello', from the youngest to the oldest....the camaraderie of the great outdoors! Pepper Hole and Butter Hole are collapsed sea caves along this stretch of the coast, and entering Trevone is the spectacular Round Hole, another collapsed sea cave with the sea far below. We passed a couple of walkers in flip flops both carrying sizable back packs. By their flip flops I'd say they hadn't come far but by their back packs it looked as if they had been travelling for weeks! Ever onwards and westwards we walk the cliff tops to Harlyn Bay. Rounding every headland is an adventure and this adventure of ours will last for 600 miles, until we get to Poole in Dorset and the end of The Southwest Way!



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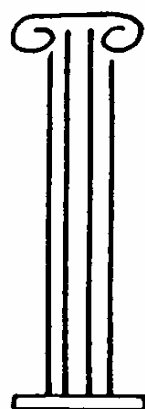
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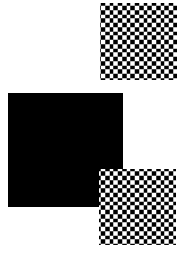
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