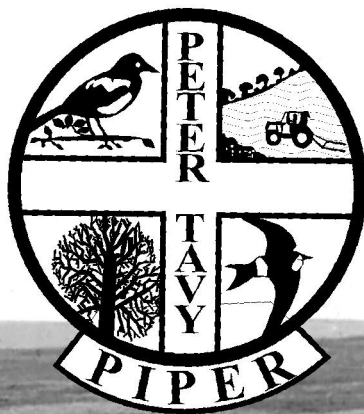


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Cutting peat on the moors above Peter Tavy, around 100 years ago

NEW

PILATES CLASSES

Start in the Village Hall
7th February, 7.30pm
- see page 13

DAFFODIL COFFEE MORNING

Saturday
9th March
from 10.00am

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EASTER SERVICES

Details of dates
and times for
Church and Chapel

What's On?

IN PETER TAVY

FEBRUARY 2019

Sat 2nd	5.00pm	Candlemass Service, Mary Tavy church - see p. 6
Sat 2nd	7 for 7.30pm	"Yer Tiz!" Pop-up Restaurant, Village Hall
Thurs 7th	4.30 - 6.30pm	"Messy Church", Methodist Chapel
Thurs 7th	7.30 - 9pm	NEW - Pilates classes start, Village Hall
Thurs 7th	7.30pm	St Peter's PCC meeting, Edgecombe
Tues 12th	7.30pm	Whist Drive, Village Hall
Thurs 14th	12 - 1.30pm	Soup & Dessert Lunches, Methodist Chapel
Sun 17th	3.00pm	Joint Family Service, Methodist Chapel
Mon 18th	10 - 12.30	Knit, Craft & Natter, Village Hall
Tues 19th	7.30pm	Village Slides Evening, Village Hall
Wed 20th	8.00pm	Quiz Night, Peter Tavy Inn
Wed 27th	10 - 10.30am	Mobile Library calls, Church Lane

MARCH 2019

Wed 6th	7.30pm	Ash Wednesday Service, Mary Tavy Church
Thurs 7th	4.30 - 6.30pm	"Messy Church", Methodist Chapel
Sat 9th	from 10.00am	Daffodil Coffee Morning, Manor Farm, Cudlipptown
Tues 12th	7.30pm	Whist Drive, Village Hall
Thurs 14th	12 - 1.30pm	Soup & Dessert Lunches, Methodist Chapel
Sat 16th	7.30pm	Bingo, Village Hall
Sun 17th	3.00pm	Joint Family Service, St Peter's Church
Mon 18th	10 - 12.30	Knit, Craft & Natter, Village Hall
Wed 20th	8.00pm	Quiz Night, Peter Tavy Inn
Wed 27th	10 - 10.30am	Mobile Library calls, Church Lane
Sun 31st	9.30am	Mothering Sunday service, St Peter's Church
	4 or 5pm - TBC	Choral Evensong, St Peter's Church

APRIL 2019

Thurs 4th	4.30 - 6.30pm	"Messy Church", Methodist Chapel
Tues 9th	7.30pm	Whist Drive, Village Hall
Thurs 11th	12 - 1.30pm	Soup & Dessert Lunches, Methodist Chapel
Sun 14th	9.25am	Process from the Village Hall to church for:
	9.30am	Palm Sunday Service, St Peter's Church
Mon 15th	10 - 12.30	Knit, Craft & Natter, Village Hall
Wed 18th	8.00pm	Quiz Night, Peter Tavy Inn
Thurs 18th	7.30pm	Maundy Thursday service, St Peter's Church
Fri 19th	2.00pm	Good Friday service, Methodist Chapel
Sun 21st	9.30am	Easter Sunday Service, St. Peter's Church
Sun 21st	3.00pm	Easter Celebration, Methodist Chapel
Mon 22nd: TBC	7.00pm	(or 6th May) Felting Workshop, Village Hall
Wed 24th	10-10.30am	Mobile Library calls, Church Lane
Sun 28th	3.00pm	Joint Family Service, Methodist Chapel

MAY 2018

Thurs 2nd	7am - 10pm	Borough & Parish Council Elections, Village Hall
Thurs 2nd	4.30 - 6.30pm	"Messy Church", Methodist Chapel
Sunday 5th	6.30pm	Summer time for Methodist Chapel services begins
Mon 6th: TBC	7.00pm	(or 22nd April) Felting Workshop, Village Hall
Weds 8th	7.00pm	Village Hall committee meeting, followed by...
	8.00pm	Village Hall AGM
Thurs 9th	12 - 1.30pm	Soup & Dessert Lunches, Methodist Chapel
Sat 11th	2 - 4pm	Plant Sale & Cream Teas, Methodist Chapel
Tues 14th	7.30pm	Whist Drive, Village Hall - final one for the season
Wed 15th	8.00pm	Quiz Night, Peter Tavy Inn
Sat 18th	PM	Cream Teas and Pond Walks, Edgecombe
Mon 20th	10 - 12.30	Knit, Craft & Natter, Village Hall
Weds 22nd	10-10.30am	Mobile Library calls, Church Lane

The dates and times shown here are as we have been advised, but may be subject to change - watch out for posters and notices to make sure!

For those on **FaceBook**, you can get village updates by joining the "**Peter Tavy Community**" group.

So, 2019 is well under way now and we look forward to a busy year ahead. Here in Peter Tavy, there's plenty of events and activities lined up at the Hall. By the time you read this, the "**Yer 'Tiz**" pop-up restaurant at the Village Hall will either be just about to happen, or have happened already.

By the way, Jayne Medland tells us that many people in the parish were puzzled by the title "**Yer 'Tiz**", and not sure what it meant... so, for the "**vurriners**" fazed by "**prapper Deb'n**" words and phrases, is there anyone who would like to provide a **list of some key ones, with 'translations'**, which we could include in the next "Piper"?)

If you missed the pop-up restaurant, don't worry- there's plenty more to join in over the coming weeks, keeping the winter cold & gloom at bay as we head into Spring!

But, as the weather turns towards a cold spell, the cover of this issue of the Piper serves as a reminder of how much work used to go into keeping warm. This photo of **peat cutting** was included in a Village history exhibition several years ago. We're fairly sure that, at the time, we knew who the cutters at work were. **Can anyone recognise them again, and let us know their names, and approximately when the photo was taken?** Thanks... If we find out, we'll let you know in the next issue. By the way, you can see some scenes and people from more recent village history at the Village Hall Slide Evening on 19th Feb - see p.14.

- Steve & Ali Carreck, Compilers (810868)

Please let us have any dates and events for the next "Piper" (covering May to early August 2019) by **Wednesday 17th April 2019**. If you can supply your text as a "Word" or RTF file, by email to: steve.ali@care4free.net, it saves us a lot of typing. But please don't worry if this is not possible - we still welcome your hand-written entries too!

PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

First of all a belated Happy New Year from Peter Tavy Parish Council.

It seems almost a lifetime ago that we were celebrating the 100th Anniversary of the end of the 'War to end all Wars'. There was a good turnout at the Bring and Share Tea and the food was, as ever, plentiful and tasty. A few of us were seen scuttling home with doggie bags!

It was a great community event bringing together many members of the parish.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank a few people:- Sandra Dodd, Jane Ball and Jessica for their sterling efforts in leading the making of the new bunting and the fabulous poppies. Can I just say how awesome I thought the poppies and silhouette at the church seat were; it was great to see the animals remembered too.

Edward should also be thanked for arranging the 'Beacon of Light', and for its positioning. It was nice not to have to route march to the top of Smeardon Down in the dark.

Peter Tinson should be thanked for the rockets that represented the parishioners remembered on the war memorial. What can I say about the fireworks? They really did give an impression of what a night barrage could have sounded and felt like. (Sorry animals!)

Last, but certainly not least, thanks should go to the bellringers who took part in the national 'Ringing out for Peace'. It was a poignant reminder of what it must have been like for them to be heard after their silence during the war years.

I think Peter Tavy should be proud of their participation in such an iconic event.

On more mundane matters - we finally got the heating repaired at the Church Cottages so the tenants should be nice and cozy during the winter.

Did you know that this is an election year? Have you ever thought about standing for the Parish Council? There are 7 councillors required.

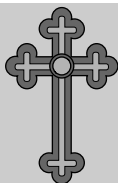
The timetable for the election is as follows:

- Publication of Notice of Election - Thursday 21 March 2019
- Start of Nomination Process - 10.00am Friday 22 March 2019
- Deadline for receipt of nominations - 4.00pm Wednesday 3 April 2019
- Day of Poll - 7.00am to 10.00pm Thursday 2 May 2019

Please put some thought into it. If we get over 7 nominations we will need to have an election, if fewer then the nominees will be elected unopposed. We have the money allocated in the budget for the election to happen so there will be no drain on the parish funds. It should only take a few hours of your time a month, one meeting and maybe a quick get together to discuss any planning applications.

- *Alison Skillicorn*, Clerk to Peter Tavy Parish Council, Tel. **01822 810682**

Email **pertertavypc@hotmail.co.uk** **www.pertertavyparishcouncil.org**



Easter in Peter Tavy 2019

14th April - Palm Sunday: Communion Service, 9.30am, St Peter's Church
- meet at Village Hall gate, c. 9.25am, to process to church

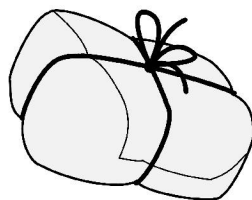
18th April - Maundy Thursday: Service in St Peter's Church, 7.30pm

19th April - Good Friday: Service in the Methodist Church, 2.00pm

21st April - Easter Day: † Communion Service 9.30am, St Peter's Church
† Easter Celebration, 3.00pm, Methodist Church

Angela Larcombe meets difficulties in sending

Post Haste



Have you noticed how certain words have now disappeared?

There is no such thing as a 'parcel', it is now a 'packet', even if, confusingly, it is delivered by 'Parcellforce'.

'Parcel' has gone the way of 'aeroplane', 'wireless' and 'telephone'.

I wouldn't mind so much if it was easy to send a item wrapped in brown paper and clearly addressed, whatever it was called.

Do you remember the days when you just popped your parcel on the post office scales, there might be a query about how it should be sent, (if you were mailing a gift to the other side of the world), but you handed over the money, and that was that?

Now, it's one long interrogation.

"What's inside it?"

(Don't say forwarded letters, even if it's true. Say 'documents' which are apparently cheaper. Though both are just bits of paper with writing on them).
It's a secondhand book.

"Is it going to a Third World country?"

Not unless there is one called Croydon.

"How much is it worth?"

It's a secondhand book, so let's say 50p.

"I don't have that option. It will have to be £5."

"Do you want to insure it? Do you want it signed for?"

No and no.

"Does it contain alcohol or perfume?"

No, it's a book.

"Will it explode?"

Probably not, but it might have been an idea to ask this earlier.

"This is too big for a large letter, but not large enough for a small packet."

There is no sensible answer to this.

"I am about to close. Please move along to the next position."

The one with the long queue?

"Yes."



St. PETER's CHURCH NEWS

We enjoyed wonderful services across the Christmas season, amidst beautiful floral decorations, and are very grateful to our churchwardens, Peter Tinson and Angela Collins, for all their hard work in finding clergy to ensure that St Peter's had a communion service both on Christmas Eve and Christmas morning. The service of Nine Lessons and Carols was a beautiful conclusion to the Christmas celebrations, and thanks too to those who provide us with mulled wine, tea or coffee and mince pies after the service.

In the weeks ahead, we have more special services. Should "The Piper" reach you in time, there is a candle-lit choral Eucharist service at St Mary's, Mary Tavy, on Saturday 2nd February at 5.00pm, for **Candlemass**. A new church noticeboard at Mary Tavy will be dedicated in memory of our much-missed rector, the late Reverend John Higman, on this second anniversary of his sudden death.

Wednesday 6th March will see another joint service with our friends at St Mary's, Mary Tavy, for **Ash Wednesday**, at 7.30pm.

Sunday 31st March is **Mothering Sunday**. There will be a 9.30am communion service in the church, and in the afternoon we can enjoy a choral evensong service, with a visiting choir, at 4.00 or 5.00pm - TBC - please check notices..

The services over the Easter season in April are shown on page 5 - we hope to meet you there. If you can, do please join us on Palm Sunday, 14th April, to process from the Village Hall to St Peter's for our 9.30am communion service.

A Message from The Reverend Dr Steven Martin

I am very much looking forward to spending a few months (from January to Easter) in the parishes of St. Peter's, Peter Tavy and St. Mary's, Mary Tavy. During this time I shall be organising cover and taking services at the churches, and getting to know the parishes.

If you would appreciate a visit, or would like to speak to a priest for any reason, you are welcome to contact me. My telephone number is: 01822 611148. During my four months at St. Peter's and St. Mary's, I shall still be working from Tavistock, where I am currently assistant curate.

Having visited both Peter Tavy and Mary Tavy to take the odd service over the past couple of years, I know that both villages are blessed with beautiful church buildings with loyal and faithful congregations, and it is a privilege to have been given this opportunity to work with them.

In addition to the usual Sunday services, we shall also be celebrating some of the major festivals. To celebrate the Feast of Candlemas, on Saturday 2nd February, we shall be holding a Sung Eucharist by candlelight at St. Mary's. This promises to

be a special occasion and refreshments will be served after the service. All are warmly invited to attend.

A choral evensong at St. Peter's on Mothering Sunday (31st March) is also in the pipeline. Do join us if you can.

I look forward to meeting you, and wish you every blessing for the New Year.

DAFFODIL COFFEE MORNING

**at Manor Farm, Cudlipptown,
on Saturday 9th March, from 10.00am**

by kind invitation of Janet Bedford.

Come and enjoy coffee, cake and home-made biscuits and a chat with friends and neighbours. Browse the Bring & Buy stall, and have a look around Janet's beautiful garden. In aid of St. Peter's Church. Everyone very welcome.



Patrick's PERAMBULATIONS

A silhouette illustration of a person walking two dogs on a path. The person is in the center, walking towards the right, with two dogs on either side of them.

Walking on the Moor and searching for letterboxes has, for the foreseeable future, to be put on hold. I am therefore searching through my records and remembering interesting and challenging expeditions.

Cut Hill remains a favourite haunt - a step further than Vur Tor, which can be visited en route. Angela and I have walked out there over 20 times from either Baggator Gate or Postbridge. It is a strenuous trip from whichever start point but to reach what Eric Hemery in his notes on Dartmoor wrote about: *"Cut Hill and Vur Tor, harshly primeval, emanate an aura of solitude long ago lost by Scarfell Pike, Snowdon and Ben Nevis. Long may it be so!"* really does make such expeditions so very enjoyable.

Perhaps it is not the 'roof of the world' but, on a clear day, one can see for miles through all the points of the compass. The air is pure and the silence broken only by high-flying buzzards, ravens and the bellows of stock. We have explored the iconic North West Passage, Cut Lane, Lamerton Lane, Cut Combe Water, Rush Bottom - all well known to farmers and huntsmen - the routes created through the peat and marked with Peat Pass granite posts by Frank Phillpotts and his son.

Had we been budding archaeologists, we might have been famous for recognising a Stone Row of 9 recumbent stones which Drs Fyfe and Greeves revealed in 2009! We saw them every time we reached the summit from 2002 but, of course, did not recognise their significance! Ah well, I imagine no one would have believed us.

- Patrick Cashell.

MILK STAND RECOLLECTIONS

- Tom Roskilly

We were sitting around the Nutley kitchen table having crib one autumn morning after having driven the cows and calves back up the hill from the pastures at Harford Bridge for winter housing, when conversation turned to how farming was back in the day.

They say that if you can remember the sixties you weren't really there but having the dubious distinction of being the eldest present I felt obliged to take a backwards glance and dredge the memory bed.

“Of course it was all a bit different then”, I said, remembering that most farms kept a few milking cows to get some regular income if not from milk then from their own direct sales of dairy produce. This was largely determined as to whether the milk lorry could get to their farms or not. Up until the mid seventies milk was collected in churns and many farms had their own milk stands which were often no more than a couple of sawn off railway sleepers on top of a hedge or sometimes specially built like the one at Churchtown.



Going around the parish, Blowneys at Kingford had one, we had one up here and further down there was Mrs Wakeham's at Radge cross. Then as you go to Peter Tavy, there were Randolph Simmons' churns on the stand at Langsford corner, which he and Norman filled with milk from their great big South Devon cows.

Next there was Mr Northey's, just past the chestnut tree which has been lovingly maintained as a B&B feature by Mr and Mrs Lane, and further on into the village the vestiges of Peter Bellamy's substantial stand at Sunnyside are still apparent. Peter was not to be overcome by the access difficulties at Harragrove so he used to bring his six churns of milk down each day in the back of his Land Rover and tailboarded them across ready for collection.

Sadly Mr Lynd's milk stand is no longer evident but the one at Chubb is just about visible and of course you can still make out Peter Tinson's at Edgecombe which was on the end of the line. Waiting beside it as a school kid to catch Pridham's bus, I always thought it a tricky job to wheel the churns down the steep hill on a two wheeled trolley and then heave them up - but those churns were pretty robust and had tight fitting lids as I recall.

Mention has to be made of Mr Collins who had a milk round right in the heart of Peter Tavy and sold his green top milk in pint glass milk bottles to grateful consumers. Whether Johnny and Walter Phillips took dishes of cream into town from Youlditch I don't know but I do remember their pony and trap being driven in

every Friday and then back out past Kelly College with a figure bent over on the seat seemingly asleep 'at the wheel'.

I couldn't let my captive audience get up without telling them about Ernie the milk lorry driver who no-one ever wanted to meet on the bends. He really did drive the 'fastest milk cart in the west' and he also made a tradition of not cutting his hair or shaving for the whole winter. And then of course there was the guy at the creamery who determined whether the churn consignments were fit to go into their rice puddings. His job title was 'the sniffer' - we all wondered what he'd be called these days.

On that thought it was time for us to get *back to the future* and wean the calves waiting in the yard, fairly certain that the murky waters of memory would soon settle with the concert to come.

'It happened in Peter Tavy' - **A TALE OF TITHES**

*(This was **Bill Lane**'s entry in the Village Fayre creative writing competition last year, which we felt deserved a wider audience...)*

King William IV died on 20 June 1837 and, due to the fact that his ten children were all illegitimate, he was succeeded by his cousin, Princess Victoria of Kent. The news of the death of the king did not reach Tavistock until the 21st June and, despite the initial period of mourning, the new Francis, Duke of Bedford, decided that there should be no delay in the collection of the Midsummer Day Quarter Day tithes.

Up until 1836, the tithe rents had been paid in kind. But under the Tithe Commutation Act of 1836, in kind payments were substituted by money payments. This change for tenants around Peter Tavy was very unpopular, as it had frequently been possible to persuade the Duke's Steward, Arthur Fitzroy, to take the payments in kind with unwanted goods or goods of an indifferent quality. The Steward therefore realised that he probably had a very difficult day ahead when he set out in his pony and trap on 24th June.

Having called at the Wheelwright on the main route to Ashburton at the top of Pork Hill for some adjustment to the right hand wheel of the trap - which appeared to be coming loose - he made his first port of call on Thomas Prout at Harragrove. Thomas was a good friend of his and a jovial hour was spent over a jug of porter, which Thomas had just acquired from London where it was a most popular drink.

The next call was on Samuel Fuge at North Godsworthy. Here was a very different man, who in the summer had many sheep on the moor. Samuel had readily been able to pay his tithes by persuading the Steward to take some of his barren ewes off his hands, but money was a different matter. After much argument, he gave the Steward about half of what was due and told him to come back another day.

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On his way into the village, the Steward collected the tithes due from John Dodd who lived in the cottage by Smeardon Newtake and Thomas Mudge, from the cottage near the church. At this stage it was apparent that there was about to be a very heavy thunder storm up on the moor and he felt it prudent to repair to the Peter Tavy Inn for refreshments and shelter. Here were many friends sheltering from the storm, and amongst them was the Church Warden, who was bemoaning the fact that Parson Macbean still insisted that he clear the Inn of customers before he would start his sermon on Sundays. After partaking well, and the storm being over, he set off for Tavistock in the trap.

The road from Peter Tavy to Tavistock was not well maintained and a short way out of Peter Tavy, with the Steward fast asleep and the horse keen to get home, the trap lurched into a very large pothole and the right hand wheel came off, throwing the Steward to the ground. In a very dazed state he managed to disentangle his horse from the remains of the trap and decided that he would ride on to Tavistock, but he was fearful that riding through the Western Union tin mine works at Harford bridge he would be accosted by some of the very rough mine workers. Therefore, before setting off, he decided to bury the tithe takings in a nearby field to be collected on a later day when he was sober.

His fears were well-founded because as he approached the bridge he saw that some miners were demanding a toll from all those crossing the bridge. To avoid paying any toll the Steward decided to ride through the ford beside the bridge, although the river was in full spate. Sadly this decision was the last that he would make because, his mind still being unclear, he misjudged the strength of the river and when the horse slipped he fell in the water and was drowned.

(Author's note. In 2015, one 1823 Sovereign, some other coins and a small part of a trap wheel were found in a field close to the Peter Tavy road. The only fictitious name is that of the Steward.)

Bells Ring Out!

Peter Tavy ringers rang at both St Peter's and St Mary's (Mary Tavy) to mark the centenary of the Armistice. You'll have heard us at Christmas, and on New Year's Eve as we "rang out the old and rang in the new" 2018 ended and 2019 began.

On Saturday January 26th there was a very special ring to mark the 90th birthday of our Tower Captain, Norman Nankivell. Norman has taught and encouraged many, many ringers over the years, ensuring the continuation of this tradition in Peter Tavy, and we are very grateful to him.

On Friday 28th December 2018, the bells rang in a 39-minute 'quarter peal' at St Peter's to remember George Mudge of Higher Collaton, Peter Tavy, who was killed at Paschendale on August 16th 1917, and is among the names on the war memorial in the churchyard. The ringers were George's nephew, George Mudge of Collaton, Peter Tavy, and his great-nephews, (the current George's sons), Andrew and Philip, joined by their friends Geoff Hill, Donna Baker and Bill Thirtle.

The Bells of St Peter's Church, Peter Tavy

*You hear them ringing out across the Parish often, but did you realise that our church bells date back as far as the 18th century? Former Peter Tavy resident and bellringer **Dr Roger Meyrick** compiled the following information about them:*

There have been bells at Peter Tavy since at least 1553, when the Church Commissioners recorded that St Peter's had "three bells and a chalice". The tower predates that, so it is likely there were bells before then. Today, there are six bells, hung in an oak frame made by Harry Stokes of Woodbury, Devon, in 1909.

The Treble (1st) Bell has a diameter of 26" (66cm) and dates from 1882. It is inscribed "*Lewellin and James 1882 [who cast the bell]. To the Glory of God and in Honour of His House. Gibbon Mary Weaver of Taunton. F.J. Bryant Rector. G. Palmer. W. Harvie churchwardens*". It sounds the musical note - **E**.

The 2nd bell was originally cast in 1761 by Christopher Pennington, but was reported cracked in 1765 and was recast in 1882, with a diameter of 27¾" (70.5cm) and is now inscribed "*Llewellins and James of Bristol. F.J. Bryant Rector. G. Palmer. W. Harvie Churchwardens*". It sounds the musical note - **D**.

The 3rd Bell was hung in 1790 and is 29" (74cm) in diameter. It is inscribed "*Richard Arter C.W. [Churchwarden] CP:IP:1790*" ("CP:IP" is the mark of Christopher Pennington, who cast the bell.) Musical note - **C**.

The 4th Bell, hung in 1790, diameter 30½" (77.5 cm), is inscribed "*RA.CW.CP.IP 1790*". (Richard Arter Churchwarden and Christopher Pennington again.) Musical note - **B**.

The 5th Bell - our oldest - was cast in 1722 and is 32⅝" (83cm) in diameter. It is inscribed "*CP:IP 1722 R.B. CW*" ('R.B CW' is Richard Burley, Churchwarden.) Musical note - **A**.

The Tenor (6th) Bell - The heaviest bell, it weighs 12 cwt (610kg). It was cast in 1743 and is 37½" (95cm) in diameter and inscribed "*Thomas Cole : John White Churchwardens 1743*". Musical note - **G**.

Congratulations to all at Spring House!

Following an inspection by the Care Quality Commission (CQC) in November last year, our local residential care home, Spring House, has been graded as "Outstanding". This is a rating which less than 3% of the care homes in the UK achieve. The CQC's Summary Report said that "People received an exceptionally personalised and responsive service". The full report is available on the CQC's website at www.cqc.org.uk. Well done to all the hard-working team there.

The President of the USA received his daily briefing, and was told:

"Yesterday, 3 Brazilian soldiers were killed."

"I am really, really shocked," the President exclaimed. "That is truly terrible!"

His staff sat stunned at this display of emotion, nervously watching as the President sat, head in hands.

Finally, he looked up and asked, "How many's a brazillion?"

VILLAGE HALL NEWS

Village Hall Chairman: Carol Coles, (Gatehouse Farm, 810169)

Village Hall Bookings: Steve Carreck, (1 Mill Cottages, 810868)

Plenty of events and activities coming up in the Hall over the coming weeks - including our AGM - please do come along if you can and meet the committee and share your ideas for the Hall.

VILLAGE HALL AGM

Weds. 8th May in the Hall at 8.00pm - all welcome!

(Current committee members please note - AGM is preceded by a meeting of the outgoing committee at 7.00pm).



Christmas Craft Fayre in the Village Hall....



and the Children's Christmas Party

Hi!

Here's hoping everybody in the village had a lovely Christmas and New Year!

Our **Christmas Craft Fayre** in November was a great success and we would like to say a huge Thank You to all who supported us, stall holders, those volunteering time and produce for the Village Hall cakes and bakes table and of course all who came to browse and buy!! We raised over £200 for the Village hall so thank you all.



A welcome mystery visitor at the Children's Christmas Party

We also hosted the Village Hall **Kids'**

Christmas Party in December. The turn out was great and I think all who came along had a good time. Thanks to all who helped, Abi Ball for the fabulous crafting table, Jenna Bolt and Jeff Ball for helping set up, Dave Coles for being the games master and Martin Stephens for undisclosed vital assistance on the day!!!!!!

The Whist drives are on going on the second Tuesday of each month. We are getting a good turn out each week and it is great fun for all from the absolute beginners to those who actually know what they are doing.

- Carol Coles

Whist Drives are Back!

We seem to have successfully revived the Peter Tavy Whist Drive! (But I suspect that playing was previously taken far more seriously than our very light-hearted attempts!). We have held whist drives on the second Tuesday of each month since September. Nearly 30 people enjoyed our Christmas drive. It was great fun, with plenty of mulled wine, mince pies, Peter's extra games and lots of prizes. The Christmas Whist champion was *Mike Pidsley*. Monthly drives continue until May. The final drive of the season will have extra prizes.

If you have never played before, or are a little dusty around the edges, you will find yourself warmly welcomed. Expert players are also welcome so we can watch and learn!! Drives start at 7.30pm, cost £3 (incl. tea, coffee, biscuits). If you wish to "bring your own" to help your evening along, please feel free.

Circular Footpaths walks

Last summer we went on four walks. In May, we walked up thro' the Coombe to Lower and then Higher Godsworthy. Across the moor, down to Sharpitor and Coombe Tor, and back down into the Coombe and the village. Then, one very hot June evening, nine of us walked from Will Farm to Wapsworthy Farm, the Coffin Wood, Brousentor Farm, Hillbridge and back to Will Farm. Surprisingly, horseflies and midges left us alone and we had a lovely walk.

August found eleven of us walking to Harford Bridge, Mary Tavy and finally back across the Clam to the pub! Finally, ten of us - plus three young 'uns in tow - walked from Five Lanes Cross to Caseytown, Middlemoor, Shortsdown and back to the cars at the crossroads.

Our walks have been really enjoyable although shorter and less challenging this year. As this was mainly due to the wonderful hot weather, I'm not complaining! Thank you to all who joined me on our strolls. - *Jayne Medland*



At the Christmas Whist Drive

PILATES CLASSES

In the VILLAGE HALL

Start on
THURSDAY
7th FEBRUARY
at 7.30pm

Cost £5
Please could you bring
your own mat.

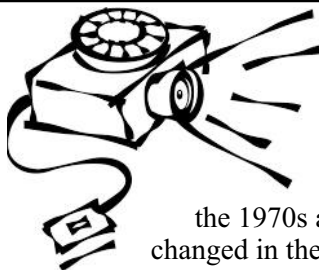
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If you are interested,
or have any questions,
please contact

Anne-Marie Streets
on 01822 810500
or text 07596 510705

I look forward to meeting you!

Pilates is a form of low-impact exercise that aims to help you move efficiently and improve your posture, flexibility and mobility.



Slide Evening in the Village Hall - Tuesday 19th February, 7.30pm

We're planning an evening to look through some of the 35mm slides (*remember them??*) from the "Downton Collection", showing life in Peter Tavy in the 1970s and 80s. Come along to see how Peter Tavy has changed in the last 40 years(?) and help us to identify and recognise the people and events shown. There'll be tea or coffee and refreshments available.



***In the Village Hall -
Saturday March 16th, 7.30pm***

It's been a while since we held our last one, so we've decided it's high time for another fun-packed Village Hall BINGO evening. Ideal for all ages!

★ CASH PRIZES ★ FANTASTIC COMPANY ★ GREAT DRAW
Refreshments available - or BYO

In aid of the Village Hall



FELTING WORKSHOP

We're planning a Felting Workshop in the Village Hall, to be run by Julia Terry (of 'The Felted Sheep'). All materials and tuition will be provided for all participants to make a small item. The cost will be £10/head. Places are limited to 10 people only. The date has yet to be finalised - either Monday 22nd April or Monday 6th May at 7.00pm.

Call Jayne Medland on 810 277 (evenings best!) for more information and to book your place.

Villages in Action

All those who attended the Villages in Action concert given by the *Haldon Quartet* in November were treated to an evening of exquisite music performed by four incredibly talented professional string musicians. Their repertoire for us was Hayden Op 20 No 1; Frank Bridge Three Idylls and Beethoven Op 59 No 2 and I, for one, am now hooked on Frank Bridge and Hayden. The Hall was full and very many in the audience requested that we have more such concerts. As always, we are very grateful to Villages in Action for their help towards hosting such high quality performances in the Hall. The Haldon Quartet themselves were thrilled with the Hall atmosphere and the reception they received and hinted they would be very happy to return - fingers crossed???

Our next VIA performance, however, is not until June when we will be hosting...

Freeplay, *A Cappella* Around the World.

Musicians Suba Sankaran and Dylan Bell will take us all over the world, “from the concert halls of Europe, to the temples of India, and back to the cultural mosaic of their native Toronto,” all without leaving our seats. “From Bach to Bird to the Beatles, Freeplay effortlessly cross musical boundaries, continually combining and recombining sounds to create a concert of endless variety, with the intimate delivery of two people.”



Sounds amazing, huh? So put this in your diary. **Freeplay, A Cappella, Around the World. Friday 14th June 7.30pm.** Tickets: £8 adult; £4 child; £22 family (2 adults/2 children) call Dawn on 810552

We may try to get another concert organised outside the VIA scheme before Freeplay. Watch the posters and the Peter Tavy Community Facebook details for more details. - Dawn Sherrell



*Belgian refugee children
in London, 1915*

Remembering the Refugees...

A talk about the Belgian refugees who came to Devon and Cornwall in the First World War was given by Ciaran Stoker in the Village Hall last November. Ciaran gave a very interesting talk about the fate of the refugees who came here during WW1, and the communities and individuals who welcomed and supported them.

Pete Squires, of West Devon Safe Haven (a group made up of local volunteers which has helped to settle locally, through a government-funded scheme, four Syrian refugee families who had been in camps in Lebanon) also told us a little about that project, and the present day support being offered to refugees - everybody noted how many parallels there were between the two situations, albeit 100 years apart.

About £130 from ticket sales and donations were given to WD Safe Haven, (www.westdevonsafehaven.org.uk) and £52.50 was raised for the Hall from the refreshments sales. A great result.

- Dawn Sherrell



Wendy Hamilton has been visiting Peter Tavy and leading EMMETT Therapy courses in the Village Hall on several occasions now... So what's it all about?

In November 2018 Peter Tavy set a new precedent - the first EMMETT Practitioners (for Humans) to be trained in Devon qualified and are now successfully helping their clients. More courses are to follow in Peter Tavy in 2019. See www.emmett-uk.com for details.

The EMMETT Technique is a unique form of body relaxation therapy for people (and animals), involving the application of light finger pressure at specific points. It is based on the belief that light touch can trigger a relaxation response in the soft tissues of the body, and that the therapist can thus help relieve feelings of tension. Many people find they feel more at ease within their body and their emotional well-being is enhanced.

We believe the EMMETT points (which you learn for the releases) are small sensory receptors that allow access to the brain via the therapists' touch. With the correct light touch, the brain receives and evaluates this stimulus and initiates the relaxation response in the soft tissue. It may sound surprising but the relaxation response and the feeling of ease in the area is often immediate.

Questions? Interested to know more? Please contact me, Wendy Hamilton, 07951 922750 or whamilton@btopenworld.com www.challengefitness.co.uk

KNIT, CRAFT AND NATTER

The group meets on the third Monday of each month.

Come along for a sociable morning of working and chatting together, in the **VILLAGE HALL from 10.00am - 12.30pm**

Future dates are: **Mondays 18th February; 18th March; 15th April and 20th May**

For more information, contact Ruth Boswell on 810687.



PETER TAVY INN

Quiz Nights

Forthcoming dates for our very popular Quiz Nights are:

- Wed 20th February
- Wed 20th March
- Wed 17th April
- Wed 15th May

Quizzes start at 8pm.

There's 20% off food prices for quiz participants eating on the night.

Opening Hours

Don't forget that on Saturdays and Sundays, and on Monday to Friday during school holidays, the Inn is open all day for drinks from 12 noon till 11.00pm (10.30pm on Sundays).



www.petertavyinn.co.uk

01822 810348

METHODIST CHURCH NEWS

Many thanks to all who came along to join in **Carol Singing**, and to those that generously donated. It was a damp, cold evening but it brought much warmth to many and is a key part of the build up to Christmas in Peter Tavy. Thanks to all for the supply of sweets as we travelled around (*although we discourage too many toffees that take a long time to chew!*) and to all at the Peter Inn for the warm welcome and wonderful mince pies. Donations totalled £153 - and this has been forwarded to Children with Cancer UK.



Imagine driving through the village on Christmas Eve, thinking about what else there is to be done before tomorrow. As you come slowly around Spring House corner, you find that you are confronted by a group of shepherds, kings, angels - and many more in costumes being lead by two stars. It could only be the **Peter Tavy Nativity Play!** All met at the Chapel and many spontaneously volunteered or were coerced to take roles and read. We were really grateful for the Skedgell family, three of whom played brass instruments, who lead the singing of carols. Travelling around the village, the first Christmas story was told in word and song. Jo at the Peter Tavy Inn fought against all her natural inclinations and said "there is no room in the Inn", and so we all ended up at Edward's barn with appropriate noises and smells. Thanks to all who took part. Many said how it focussed their thoughts on Jesus' birth and started their Christmas celebration.

Looking ahead, we have **joint services** with our friends from St Peter's Church in the Methodist Church on Sunday 17th February and 28th April, and at St Peter's on 17th March. You can find details of Easter season services in Peter Tavy on page 5. Please note that Chapel Sunday **service times change** to 6.30pm from 5th May.

And - a date for your diary - we'll be holding our annual Plant Sale and Cream Teas in the Chapel on **Saturday 11th May**. - David Dodd

Join us for more fun, friendship and learning as we tackle crafts, listen to a bit more about Peter's life with Jesus, and eat together. Come along- it's a time for all ages to share.

4.30 - 6.00pm, Thursdays -

• 7th February • 7th March • 4th April • 2nd May



Soup and Dessert Lunches- an opportunity to meet neighbours and chat, over delicious soups and desserts.

Forthcoming lunches, 12 noon - 1.30pm, on Thursdays

• 14th February • 14th March • 11th April • 9th May



PLANT SALES & CREAM TEAS

Saturday 11th May, 2.00 - 4.00pm in the Methodist Church

Any gifts of bedding, vegetable or garden plants would be gratefully received.

A visit to the Roma

The history of the Roma people has been one full of discrimination and persecution. Believed to have originated from northern India some 1500 years ago, and now spread all over the world, they have been subjected to slavery and many were killed in the concentration camps of the second world war. Even today, they are segregated, discriminated against and feared because of a reputation for criminal activity and their strong cultural identity and reluctance to integrate.



We were fortunate to spend 2 weeks working in the Roma villages of Tarlungeni, Zizin and Garcin near Brasov in Romania. These sites were old disused rubbish tips beside a river, with no amenities. Water and electricity is now available, but at a cost usually above the income of most people.

Each large extended family live in a small wooden or brick house, usually consisting of a single room heated by a basic wood burner. A rough wooden fence surrounds the shack and a small piece of land full of junk, with little ground given to growing vegetables. Many families appeared to have a horse and cart. The surrounding land was common ground, so the horses would be wondering everywhere. A few small flocks of sheep were held communally, and lead up onto the hills each day by a shepherd. Each family was allocated two days a year when they could collect firewood from the forest.

Very little casual work is available and the queue for benefits at the Post Office was always long, whatever time of day. Families were large, with girls commonly having babies by their mid-teens. Children were inquisitive and keen to help, but seemed to lack imagination and an ability to play: their energies being concentrated on survival.

Although superficially welcomed, we were not allowed to wander away from the group, and we had tools stolen. Segregated Roma schools are available but attendance and expectations are poor. A few men had taken the opportunity to work throughout the EU and raised funds to build better dwellings with amenities and gated secure plots.



The Christian charity we worked with had been set up by a young Romanian couple in the late 1990s, when the plight of the Roma people was still hidden. They have recently focussed their work on three areas: a Better Homes project; the Mission House and Vocational training. For the Better Homes project, our UK group built 150m of fencing to enclose land on which three new brick houses will be built,

houses will be built, and we also concreted the floor of a small outbuilding shed, which was to be used by a young family.

At the Mission house 3 sessions a day were held for different children to attend. On arrival, all washed hands - and that was probably the only part of their body which was washed regularly: we met some hungry crawling little friends! The daily programme would vary, but could include some basic letter teaching, games, story, prayers and to finish, a feast... well, slices of bread with meat spread, soft cheese; or piece of salami followed by bread and chocolate spread, topped with a grape. The plates were quickly cleared. Clothes, shoes and other essential were also provided to the extended families.

We were able to put the roof on an extension building which will become a shower block and laundrette for families to use. Unfortunately, the Mission House was broken into before Christmas, and all the Christmas presents and supplies taken. This was a difficult action for us to understand; but when you have nothing in life, we can start to appreciate why this could happen.

The care, compassion and commitment of the three Christian Roma ladies who worked in the Mission house was amazing, and they helped restore one's faith in human nature. The vocational training project was run by trained local Roma people with whom we had little contact, but it was based on the belief "Education defeats poverty." If only it were that simple. We came away with more questions than answers.

We would like to thank the generosity of friends from Peter Tavy in giving financially to the project. Every penny was used directly to help the children and their families. We look forward to returning and seeing how the work has progressed. If you want to learn more then please search FAST Romania.

Thanks again! - *David and Anna Dodd.*

Donna's Deliberations

So here we are again. Another New Year. Where do they all go, and why are they so short? It used to be such a long time from one New Year to another, from one Christmas, from one birthday. Yet now, it seems that we've barely taken down the Christmas cards and carefully smoothed out the wrapping paper for use next year (which used to be called 'mean-ness' and now wins Brownie points for 'recycling') when it's time to start all over again, make lists and try to remember how to hold hands properly while singing *Auld Lang Syne*. (What does 'Auld Lang Syne' mean, anyway? 'Long Time Since'? Patrick will know.)

Last year was a busy year and in many ways a unique one. As the centenary of the end of the First World War, it was a time for reminiscence, commemoration and reflection. Had the world really learned much since the end of that cruel and terrible war? We know more now about what happened during those years, things that returning soldiers and sailors seldom talked about - perhaps if they had been able to, those at home might have understood that war brings plenty of death but precious little glory, and tried to avert any repetition twenty years later. And yet... what else could have been done to halt the march of Hitler across the whole of Europe and up to our own shores? These things can begin so subtly that interference is unthinkable, until not interfering is impossible. And there you are, in the middle of a conflict again, each one seeming more deadly and horrific than the last.

I was born just before the start of the Second World War and lived close to a front-line naval port. My father worked in Portsmouth Dockyard, leaving home at 6am each morning to walk or catch a bus to the ferry across the harbour and then up to the Dockyard gate nearest his place of work. He took a home-made box containing his dinner, which he would heat up somewhere in the boiler-shop where he worked, and he generally worked overtime before trudging home again, often not arriving until 7.00 or 8.00. And if there were an air-raid, which was frequent as Portsmouth was bombed regularly and suffered three severe blitzes, my mother and sister and I, (my brothers were evacuated at that time), would spend the night huddled in the air raid shelter at the bottom of the garden while Dad stood outside, watching for incendiaries or fire. He had very little rest.

We did, one night, have a German parachute land close to our garden and he brought it in (there was no German attached, just a fire-starting device) and laid it out along the length of the garden. A few months later, he was told he could keep it and my mother made underclothes and nightdresses from it. Real silk, in wartime! It was like finding gold.

But how did they do it? How did they cope with the anxiety of saying goodbye each morning, not knowing what the day might bring and if they would survive until teatime? How did they live with the fear, the grinding, unending torment of not knowing what each new day would bring, and how did they survive the utter exhaustion and fatigue of it all?

And think of the Christmases and birthdays and New Years' Days, following one after another, that they celebrated, notwithstanding the difficulties, always hoping

this would be the last of the war and sometimes, surely, wondering if there ever would be an end to it at all.

As a small child, most of this passed me by. For me, it was normal life to be woken from sleep by the wail of an air raid warning, to be snatched up by my sister (12 years older than me) and rushed down the garden, to spend anything from an hour to the rest of the night crouched in a hole in the ground, protected only by a few sheets of corrugated iron. It was quite a homely hole, mind, or at least it seemed so to me - my father had knocked up a couple of bunks where we could sit or even lie down, and there were pictures and cartoons pinned up round the walls. I remember a baby called Henry who featured in quite a lot of them, and I came across a pack of these cartoons not so long ago at one of the Sunday Flea Markets in Tavistock Town Hall. The lady selling them was asking £20 and I was tempted to buy them but didn't. I wish I had now. What is £20 for a childhood memory, after all?

It's memories that we share most at times like Christmas and New Year, perhaps because - more than any other time of year - they are associated with families. Despite rationing and imminent fear of bombing (not that I knew there was anything to be frightened of) and hardly any toys, I remember so many warm, happy family Christmases with my brothers home again, and games like Charades, (in which we had to enact spontaneous little plays to illustrate each syllable), Alibis, Murder and Family Coach. We always finished with a rousing sing-song and because I slept on a Put-u-Up in the front room of our 2-up, 2-down terrace house, I had the unaccustomed luxury of the fire embers to lull me to sleep. To me, that has always been how Christmas should be. Families, playing games and singing.

We never had New Year parties but once I became a bellringer, of course, ringing in the New Year became an important part of my life. Walking late at night the mile or two to the church and then coming home after midnight when normally I had to be in by ten, was an excitement in itself, and somehow the bells sounded different then, just as they do on Christmas morning or when we ring for a wedding. Since then, I have rung for the vast majority of all the New Years I have lived through and, for the past few years, most have been at Peter Tavy. There is something very special about the bells of a village church sounding in the clear, unpolluted air, and the friendship and warmth that binds the ringers together. And in Peter Tavy, there is an added ingredient that makes it all the more special.

I'm not sure exactly what that added ingredient is. The cheeriness and good humour (and good food!) at the Peter Tavy Inn during the evening, the sudden cold of the walk to the church at half past eleven, ringing out the old year and the solemn tone of the tenor bell striking twelve midnight before the others join in, in joyful clamour. Or - more likely - the times we have shared during the past year and hope to share during the coming one. All those, but something else as well, and I don't think you find it anywhere else. It belongs in this village and it doesn't go away.

So let's just call it... Peter Tavy.

Happy New Year.

- Donna Baker

MARY TAVY & PETER TAVY W. I. NEWS

Back in November, Graham Reed gave us a fascinating insight into the glass industry. We asked our questions and the more adventurous tried their hand at glass blowing.

Remembrance Sunday had beautiful weather and the WI wreath was laid by Jill Lamerton, along with other village wreaths, an emotional occasion.

Decorations for the WI Christmas tree at the church festival were made and the village litter pickers provided with tea and cake.

Our December meeting now has the lovely tradition of listening to the Mary Tavy Primary School choir. The twenty children sang beautifully, both new and traditional songs: they are a great credit to the school, the village and their dedicated choir mistress. After the children, we settled down to more musical entertainment from Brian Burley who had a very wide choice of music, with a bit of Frank Sinatra, music from the shows, jazz and Daniel O'Donnell, finishing with a bit of Christmas. Brian also played the saxophone and a guitar, so we really had a lovely musical afternoon.

Knowing that the speaker for January was a Hypnotherapist, members might well have wondered if they were all going to be sent to sleep! However, Grace Jones soon dispelled any myths surrounding her profession and explained the difference between a Hypnotherapist and a Hypnotist the latter being purely a showman getting people, mainly on stage, to do things out of their control. The Therapist's clients are in control all the time and do nothing against their will. It is purely a helping therapy whether it be phobias, stress or giving up smoking, as examples.

Grace held the close attention of all her audience and generated a lot of questions at the end. She stressed that anyone seeking advice from a Hypnotherapist should make sure they are fully qualified with a GMR, CNHC or NCH; are fully insured and will offer a free initial consultation.

A total of £40 was raised in lieu of members' Christmas cards and the invitations are being sent out in January for the Institute's 70th Birthday party it is hope that many former members will be able to come.

Two teams are looking forward to the Tor & Tavy WI quiz night and eight members are going a bead making workshop. At our meeting on 14th February, members will be looking to their feet, with Andrew Scowcroft's talk will be Foot Solutions.

- Barbara Weeks and Jill Lamerton

Thank You!

...to Jo and Chris Wordingham at the Peter Tavy Inn - and to all who supported their raffle on New Year's Eve - a wonderful £223 was raised for Tavistock Muscular Dystrophy Group's respite holiday for young people with the condition..

Patrick's Competition

WIN A STAR PRIZE!

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As winter looms and the cold/damp/windy/snowy weather may reach the south west, why not sit back and read a Dartmoor-centred book or resort to Google to find the answers to my competition and, perhaps, win that welcome bottle of red wine?

For **'Who? Where? Which? No. 6'**, I received entries from Steve Carr and from Paul & Julie Hooper. Both were 100% correct! The answers being:

1. William Crossing. 2. Langsford Park. 3. Vixen Tor. 4. Michael Morpurgo. 5. Double Waters. 6. Burrator Reservoir. 7. Revd. Sabine Baring-Gould. 8. Lee Moor Village Hall. 9. Ingra Tor. 10. Tom Pearce. Out of the compilers' hat came the winner: Paul & Julie Hooper.

Well done! Enjoy your prize! And so, on to....

Who? Where? Which? And one What? No. 7

1. Who wrote "The Mother"?
2. Where are the "Ten Commandments" stones?
3. Which bridge over the Dart shares its name with a Tor?
4. Who constructed a Chapel near Huntingdon Warren?
5. Where was there once a plaque inscribed "Run before the wind"?
6. Which tor, seen from the north, resembles a camel?
7. Who laid the foundation stone for Dartmoor Prison?
8. Where are the "V" rocks?
9. Which Bottom is known for its foxgloves?
10. What, it is said, causes the "Eight Rocks" on Cosdon Hill to dance?

Good Luck! Have Fun! Have a Go! Send an Entry! To me at Brook Cottage or by e-mail: gpcashell@btinternet.com by: **Friday 12th April 2019**

- Patrick Cashell.



YOUR Mobile Library - please support it!

The Mobile library calls in Peter Tavy on one Wednesday each month with a 30 minute stop. It is free to join and return dates are flexible, so there's no need to worry if you miss a month. There is a good selection of children's books, along with fiction, non-fiction, large-print and talking books. DVDs are also available to borrow for a small fee.

**Forthcoming visits
are at 10.00 - 10.30am
at the bottom of
Church Lane on...**

**Weds. 27th Feb.
Weds. 27th Mar.
Weds. 24th Apr.
Weds. 22nd May**

*If you have any queries,
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www.devonlibraries.org.uk*

THE WEEK

in **PETER TAVY**

regular events

SUNDAY

9.30am (Check in Church porch for details of dates) Holy Communion - St Peter's Church

2.45pm Junior Church, Methodist Church
(term-time) (Torie 810264 or Sandra 810343)

6.30pm Service, Methodist Church

MONDAY

10-12am (3rd Mon of month) - Knit & Natter, V Hall

7.30pm Bellringing practice, St Peter's Church

TUESDAY

c.10.45am Ring and Ride Bus to Tavistock*
(returns from Tavistock c.12.45am).
Older & disabled passengers -
book on 01822 618028

WEDNESDAY

10.00 - (monthly) Mobile Library calls at the

10.30am bottom of Church Lane

Mornings Art Group, Village Hall

THURSDAY

2.00pm (2nd Thursday each month) Mary Tavy &
Peter Tavy WI. Usually Mary Tavy
Coronation Hall (Barbara Weeks 810697)

7.30pm (4th Thursday in month) Tor & Tavy WI,
Mary Tavy Coronation Hall (Trish - 810115)

FRIDAY

10.00am "Minnows" (Parent/toddler group) in
Chapel.

10.45am Bus to Tavistock from Peter Tavy - was
No. 95, now **No. 122** - Oakley's Coaches
(*Departs: Village Hall, returns at 13.15
from opposite Bedford Hotel in Tavistock)

8.00 - Scottish Country Dancing, Village Hall -

10.00pm (Patrick Cashell 810918 for details)

NB: The Parish Council meets in the Chapel at 7.30pm
on the second Wednesday of each month

**Bus Notes: Don't forget that about 8 buses a day stop
at the junction on the main A386 road near Harford
Bridge Holiday Park
For all public transport information contact
Traveline SW (0871 200 22 33).*

*Please report any problems with the No.122 bus to
Devon Bus on 01392 382800.*

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Alison Skillicorn 01822 810682

Peter Tavy Village Hall bookings

Steve Carreck 01822 810868

Peter Tavy Chapel

The Dodd Family 01822 810343

01822 810776

St Peter's Church

Ch.wardens - Peter Tinson 01822 810314

Angela Collins 01822 810243

Local West Devon Councillor

Terry Pearce 01822 810648

Local Devon County Councillor

Philip Sanders 01822 612265

Traveline (public transport info.)

0871 200 22 33

National Rail Enquiries 03457 48 49 50

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01822 618028

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(Devon County Council) 01392 383329

Highways Local Services

(Okehampton area) 01837 52773

Devon County Council 0345 155 1015

West Devon Borough Council

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General contacts 0800 096 3080

Power failure 105 or 0800 6783 105

South West Water Helpline 0800 1691144

Environment Agency emergencies

0800 80 70 60

Floodline 0345 988 1188

Tavistock Library 01822 612218

book renewals 0345 155 1001

Citizen's Advice Bureau 03444 111 444

West Devon Voluntary Services

Freephone 0300 660 0357

Devon & Cornwall Constabulary

(non-urgent -24 hours) **New No.** 101

Crimestoppers 0800 555111

Domestic Violence Helpline 01837 55228

Trading Standards 03454 040506

Alcoholics Anonymous 0800 9177 650

*If you can add others to this list,
please let us know for the next "Piper".*