

2017 Garden Show another great success

Howard Bolt

This year's show attracted over 600 entries of wide variety and excellent standard, so many thanks to all who entered or visited on 15 July. Your support is vital to keep this traditional village event going which the Constantine Cottage Garden Society hopes provides opportunities for all ages and makes for an enjoyable afternoon.



Although overall entries were slightly down on last year, there were more entries in the Cut Blooms (133), Photography (72) and Gardens (52) classes. We particularly appreciated the 142 entries from children, whether from the School, Pre-School, Rainbows, Brownies, Guides, or as individuals. Their standard of work this year was remarkably good, so well done everyone!

The musical entertainment and support from Constantine Silver Band was also much appreciated. Unfortunately, the weather was not too cooperative, causing sheet music to blow away, so they played inside the marquee, although this late change was not without its problems!

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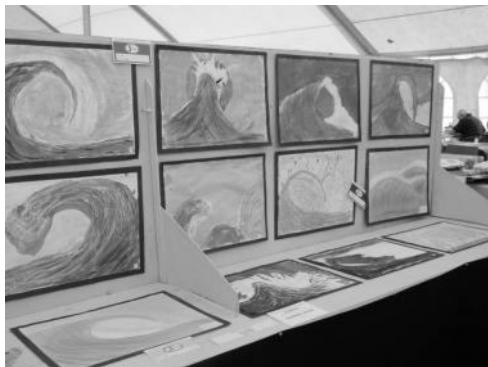


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2017 Garden Show (Cont'd)



The Society is indebted to everyone who donated a prize for the tombola. Members and non-members gave such a lot that many items were 'left on the doorsteps' of the lady organizers who were unable to thank the donors personally. Our raffle prizes were again generously provided by local firms or members and we owe them our grateful thanks.

We asked the Falmouth and Penryn Sea Cadets for help to clear the marquee and their hard work was really appreciated.

Finally could I thank the two ladies, both non-members, who spontaneously offered their help. One phoned prior to show day and asked if there was anything she could do to help for a couple of hours. The other said after the show she could give an hour to help tidy up. Both offers were gratefully accepted.

Something interesting to say?

If you have any community news or want to talk about a particular subject, e-mail constant.times@gmail.com

Seat upgrade at Tolmen Centre

Over the summer, we are seeing the arrival of a complete set of specially designed upholstered seat cushions for the Tolmen Centre theatre.

Ever since the Centre opened as a performance place in 2002, we have been beset by the lack of comfort offered by the original wooden church pews. These are part of the 'listed' features of the building and can't be physically altered – even if we wanted to. In fact they are such an intrinsic part of the old chapel, and contribute so much to the much loved ambience of the Tolmen Centre, we would never want to replace them with modern theatre seats. So the compromise has been to commission made-to-measure upholstered foam cushions. These should make them more comfortable – or at least, much less uncomfortable!

The Tolmen Centre's days as a place of 'numb bums' may be over! If you have been reluctant to attend our performances because of the seats, please try the new seating – and hopefully you'll be persuaded to come more often!

We are very grateful indeed to Cornwall Council's Halls for Cornwall Fund for a substantial grant to cover this improvement, without which we would never have been able to afford the considerable cost: and to Perham Upholstery from Treverva who have designed and made the cushions for us.

The new Autumn programme of events is just being distributed – pick one up from the Tolmen to see what's on offer between now and Christmas.

The Tolmen Team
www.tolmencentre.co.uk

Beyond the Garden Gate

Tracey Clowes, Christmas Lights

Three gardens in "Bridge" opened on Sunday 23 July, raising £307.88 for 'Constantine Christmas Lights'. Each garden told a different story reflecting the house to which it is attached and its owners. Whilst I am no gardener, for several weeks beforehand I found myself weeding, pruning, planting, mooching in garden centres, discussing cuttings with friends, feeding plants, and daily checking for growth - and I loved it!

My garden has three 'small rooms' – a top lawn, where, if I position a chair I can see the Church tower and cattle grazing in the Glebe fields, a middle lawn very enclosed by Hydrangeas, Agapanthus, an old Apple Tree for birds to rest and feed, and a secret lower garden accessed by climbing steep narrow granite steps revealing a fire pit and surrounded by a mass of Bamboo.



A huge thanks to our neighbours, Anna & Mike at "Bridge House" and Helen & Neil at "Brook Cottage" for opening their gardens, and to Liz and Al Pearce for not only manning the garden at Bridge House, but also donating £20 from their plant sales at High Cross, bringing the total for the day to £327.88.

Thanks also to Harry and Daisy (our Junior Lights Team) for manning a magnificent book and bric-a-brac stall, to Naomi and Pat for baking delicious cakes and scones, Jane and Naomie for working hard in the kitchen all afternoon, Adrian for monitoring our garden and selling lettuces kindly donated by Caitlin and Russ, and to Cynthia who spent all afternoon washing up!!!!

Most importantly thanks to all of you who came and drank tea, ate cake, walked the gardens, and supported making it such a special afternoon.

Constantine History Group

June visit to Bodmin & Wenford Railway

Twenty one members of the Constantine History Group enjoyed a visit to the Bodmin & Wenford Railway for their June meeting. The group was led by committee member Richard Clowes, also a fireman on the heritage line.

Members boarded the 11.15 for Boscarne Junction where on arrival they watched the run around of engine 4247, which is now over 100 years old and has a Cornish pedigree having been used for the haulage of China Clay to the docks at Fowey and Par.

On return to Bodmin General, the group then travelled to Bodmin Parkway and enjoyed a pasty lunch and a commentary from Richard. On the journey, the group alighted and had a tour of the loco works where they were able to see tank and saddle tank engines and the oldest engine currently on the line - a T9 No 30120, dating from 1899. Once there were 66 of these locos; this is the only one to survive in steam.

The visit ended with a look into the very spick and span signal box.



The group visit the loco works on the Bodmin & Wenford Railway

Reports and photos by Don Garman



Group member Peter Tatham investigates the engine while the group look on.

August visit to The Penrose Estate

Following a gentle descent into the valley of the Cober from the Penrose car park, a parkland vista with Loe Pool in the distance appeared. This was the beginning of an evening exploration of a small part of the 1600 acre Penrose Estate led by National Trust Ranger, Greg Cross.

The parkland was set out for the Rogers family by landscape architect Gilpin. Eighteenth century maps also showed a small deer park and extensive orchards. Many of the specimen trees were brought to the UK by plant hunters. Unfortunately, some are now reaching their lifespan.

Members were intrigued to see the bathhouse with its deep plunge pool. This gothic building awaits renovation. Further down the valley the main house came into view. There has been a house on the site for at least a thousand years. Wealth obtained from mining by both the Penrose and Rogers families enabled the house to be expanded from time to time, so it incorporates a range of styles. Later, the original front was observed

with the remains of the grand drive, where greater symmetry is apparent.

The group were able to visit the coach house, which still retains some of its original fittings and members were intrigued by the slate-lined chests in the window embayments. The stables and farrier tunnel, unused for many years, remain as they were when the last horse left. Several of the buildings are occupied by bats; in fact the estate is bat-rich and has a good collection of UK species.



Greg Cross, National Trust Ranger, explains the history of the Penrose Estate to members

Next the walled garden dating from 1772 with the remains of hothouses and frames and then the Dial Garden with its Ginko, Japanese Pine and Eucryphia. Mrs Rogers' walled garden once had a pool at the centre whilst the gardeners' bothy still has an original potting table. The line of buildings at the northern end of the walled garden included a laundry and school room, all awaiting a new roof.

The yard behind the walled garden contains a timber store and the carpenters' workshop which used to process the abundant timber from the estate.

The Temple Plantation once provided pleasure grounds for the house but is now overgrown as are some of the formal gardens, reminiscent of Heligan.

The Constantine History Society lecture programme begins on Friday September 15th when Jo Mattingly will talk about "Cornish House Fires" at 19.15 in the WI Hall, Constantine. Visitors welcome.

Cruising along with Helford marine group

Still time to get out and about and enjoy the beautiful area we live in with the Helford Marine Conservation Group's activities and events.

Sunday 17 September – Conservation Cruise

Join the Helford Marine Group on their annual conservation cruise down the Helford River and in and out the creeks, leaving from the Ferryboat Inn Jetty at 2.30pm and returning at 4.30pm. Experts will be on board to tell you all about the wildlife, geography, geology and history of this unique estuary, plus displays and children's activities. Booking for this one is essential. You need a ticket to come aboard and they sell out fast. Cost adults £12, children £6.

Saturday 14 October – Fungus Foray in Tremayne Woods

The Helford Marine Group's final outdoor event of the year. National Trust Ranger Justin Whitehouse will be leading a foraging session and walk in Tremayne Woods from 10.30am to 1.00pm meeting at Gear Farm, St. Martin, TR12 6DE. Could be a muddy one!

For more information on both events and availability, please Contact Sue Scott, Coordinator @helfordvmca.co.uk or phone 01326 340961.

W.I. Meeting - July

History of the Handbag

"Handbags" proved to be a surprising story from Rachel Mills. Before the 1500s, pockets in ladies' skirts and mens' robes were used to keep small personal items safe. When more items were to be transported, the 'handbag' came into being. They were used for herbs (for the scent), sweetmeats, love letters etc, and made with small light-weight materials (linens) and were highly embroidered with silks & beads.

By 1800, real handbags, as we know them, were in use called 'reticules' or 'ridicules'. The modern 'handbag' allowed women to shop, fill their handbags and carry money. By the 1920s Louis Vuitton, who was originally a packer for Empress Eugenie, wife of Louis-Napoleon Bonaparte, began designing handbags and eventually travel cases, with varying materials like crocodile and even a very volatile plastic called Lucite, which in some items exploded!!



The very fashionable and popular 'Kelly' handbag became THE bag for ladies after Grace Kelly (*above right*) began carrying the design, mainly in black leather. Even today there are waiting lists for the handmade 'Kelly' bag.

Barbara Willoughby



From the 1960s to the present day, there have been fun and homemade designs, like Totes, a precursor to the Rucksack, the Satchel fashionable in WWII, retro bags from the early 1900s, and larger Shoppers for everything. Now there will always be a handbag available to carry for every occasion and the fashions could cover several centuries.

An enlightening talk, Rachel was warmly thanked by Angela Stokes.

On Monday 9 October, we have our annual Harvest Auction, when members bring harvest items to Auction and a plate of food for supper. This is a very happy and social evening, starting at 7.15pm. Then on Monday 13 November the subject will be "Christmas Cookery" with two of our very entertaining members, Mary and Sylvia. The competition will be "Your least used kitchen gadget".

Port Navas Village Hall - Autumn Programme

Mel Chambers Exhibition

Thursday 24 to Monday 28 August

Andrew Tozer Exhibition

Tuesday 29 August to Sunday 3 September

Autumn's arrived

Wednesday 6 to Wednesday 13 September
11am – 5pm. A display of diverse arts and crafts. All locally made.

Make your own 'Alchemy Tiles'

Saturday 16 & Sunday 17 September
A great opportunity to make your own Alchemy Tiles (or Encaustic tiles as they are officially known). Using ancient techniques dating back to 13th century you'll be guided through the skills of carving, applying coloured slip and developing your own tile designs as well as understanding the history and background of this lost craft. This is a great way to hand make your own bespoke gifts or tiles for your own home, as well as relaxing and enjoying the stunning views of Port Navas and delicious vegetarian organic lunch and home made cake on both days. You'll be making up to 6 of your own tiles; each tile is approx. 14x14cm with a RRP value of £30. The price of £140 includes full tuition, all materials, glazing, firings and lunch on both days.
To book contact Mel on 07768 193848 or info@melchambers.com.

Port Navas Art Group

Thursdays 1pm-4pm, 21 September to 7 December

An informal group meeting each Thursday through the winter for art enjoyment.

Contact Ron Prior on 340566.

Kernow French speaking group

Mondays 9 October to 18 December, 11am and/or Wednesdays 11 October to Wednesday 20 Dec, 3pm. *Join our friendly and relaxed groups. £10 per session. First session is a FREE TASTER!* Further information from Fern Wetzel-Harrison. fernwharrison@yahoo.com 07931974816. on facebook "Kernow French Speaking Group"

Soup kitchen

Wednesday 4 October from 12.30pm
*Soup and Crusty bread. £3.
Booking not required.*

Sleeping with elephants

Dilys Gardiner
Thursday 12 October at 7pm *An adventure in Botswana. £7 to include a pasty.*
To book a place ring Margaret on 340214

Pope's Garden Squad

Join the group and help to keep our community garden tidy
Monday 23 October 10.00 am - 12.00noon

Gweek Players 15 - 18 November - 'Hay Fever' by Noel Coward

Gweek Village Hall TR11 6UG. Tickets £10. Call **01726 879500**. Online www.crbo.co.uk

Hay Fever by Noël Coward is set in an English country house in the 1920s. The four eccentric members of the Bliss family (David, an author, Judith, a fading actress and their equally self-absorbed children, Sorel and Simon) each invite a guest to the house for the weekend without consulting the others. The four guests are subsequently subjected to the family's outlandish behaviour, and the general mayhem that ensues provides the witty material for this delightful comedy.

Please note: Ticket sales for this production are being handled by an agency.

Annual Garden Show

Our busiest weekend of the year began on Saturday 15 July at the Constantine Cottage Garden Society's Annual Garden Show where the band played during the afternoon to entertain visitors to the event. Windy wet weather meant we had to play inside the marquee, but this didn't dampen spirits and everyone enjoyed the atmosphere it created..



In the evening, this was followed by a predominantly youth-based concert featuring Constantine School's Choir, Samba Band and Ukulele Band, plus our own band and Youth, combining to perform a short programme which was greatly enjoyed by all. Refreshments were provided by the Brownies raising money for its funds.



Busiest and best weekend of the



36th year of 'Brass on Grass'

Sunday 16 July marked the 36th year of Constantine's 'Brass On Grass', now a major event in the Cornish brass and silver band calendar. With guest bands Camborne Town, Helston Town, St Keverne and, returning after a long absence, Lanner & District Silver Band, we certainly celebrated in style and this year's 'Brass on Grass' must go down as our very best and most supported so far.

'Brass on Grass' is an evening of high class entertainment plus audience participation and has become more popular each year. The setting and staging are tastefully decorated due to the hard work of band members and friends who always make the event memorable and it continues to be one of the best band events in the area.

Parade of the bands

Before the concert, the parade of visiting bands through the village was led by Constantine Silver Band's Presidents, Richard & Tracey Clowes, accompanied

year for Constantine Silver Band



by BBC Radio Cornwall's Donna Birrell who was later introduced as compere for the evening by Tracey.

The audience was then entertained to an impressive and highly varied musical programme from each band with many aspects of individual and duet performances highly applauded. Pieces ranged from traditional to novelty and the contemporary with an unforgettable trombone solo-cum-Tom Jones impersonation of 'Its Not Unusual' by Jack Curnow of Helston Town Band, and the evocative new 'KEM' by Gareth Churcher of St Keverne Band - a picture in sound of the King Edward tin mine.



Rousing finale

As has become traditional at 'Brass on Grass', the massed bands played three stirring pieces at the end of the programme under the batons of Kevin Mackenzie of Camborne Town Band (Flora Dance), Andrew Berryman of Lanner Silver Band (Pomp and Circumstance) and Kevin Johns of Helston Town Band (Trelawney).

During these ever popular and rousing performances the audience stood and waved flags to the playing of Land of Hope and Glory and Trelawney, and the singing was led by Melanie Uren. A marvellous end to a wonderful evening.

The concert then closed with the singing of the National Anthem.



Chairman Dougie Down and wife Frances receive a special thank-you for their 40 years' hard work running Constantine Silver Band

Looking to the future

Many in that first audience in 1981 have attended 'Brass on Grass' every year without a break and always look forward to the bands' parade which is such an attractive prelude to the event. We hope that they, and many others, will continue to enjoy 'Brass on Grass' for years to come.

The Constant Times CONSTANTINE CALENDAR

September 2017

Wed (every) – Todlins. 9.30am.
Tolmen Centre.

Thurs (every) – Port Navas Art Group.
1-4pm. Port Navas Village Hall.
Contact Ron Prior on 340566.

Fri (every) – Fitness Fusion. 11.30am.
Tolmen Centre.

Tues (every) – Yoga. 6.30pm. Tolmen
Centre. Contact jess@yogagrace.co.uk

Sat 9 – Farmers market.

Mon 11 – WI meeting @7.15pm.

Weds 13 - Tolmen Movies 7.30pm 'A
United Kingdom' £4.

Thur 14 – Constantine Cottage Garden
Society (tbc). 7.30pm. W.I. Hall.

Thur 14 – Transition Constantine Meet-
ing. 7pm. The Queens Arms. Chris
Hussey 340007.

Fri 15 - Constantine History Society
'Cornish House Fires', a talk by Jo
Mattingley. 7.15pm W.I. Hall.

Sun 17 - Helford Marine Group Con-
servation Cruise. Helford Passage.
2.30-4.30pm. £12/£6.

Sun 17 - Martin Simpson, renowned
guitarist, singer and songwriter at the
Tolmen Centre 7.30pm £12.50.

Mon 18 – Constantine One and All
Club. Proper Job. Sally Coot 340050.

Thur 21 – Parish Council meeting.
7pm. The Vestry, Constantine.

Sun 24 - Harvest Festival 10.30 a.m.
Harvest lunch at 12 noon. *Please come*

*and join us for our Harvest Lunch. If
you are new to the village, or have just
never been before, you will find us wel-
coming and friendly. Don't worry if you
don't know anyone or are on your own,
you will be very welcome. There is no
charge/collection and the food will be
brilliant, it always is. We just want you
to come and meet us, have a chat and
have a meal together.*

Tues 26 - Ladies Circle. W.I. Hall 1.00pm

Weds 27 - Tolmen Movies 7.30pm
'Their Finest' £4

October 2017

Wed (every) – Todlins. 9.30am.
Tolmen Centre.

Thurs (every) – Port Navas Art Group.
1-4pm. Port Navas Village Hall.
Contact Ron Prior on 340566.

Fri (every) – Fitness Fusion. 11.30am.
Tolmen Centre.

Tues (every) – Yoga. 6.30pm. Tolmen
Centre. Contact jess@yogagrace.co.uk

Sat 7 - Tolmen Theatre 7.30pm *'The
Conductor', a concert/play based on
Shostakovich's flight from the Lenin-
grad siege.* £10 & £8.

Mon 9 – WI meeting @7.15pm. Annual
Harvest Auction.

Weds 11 - Tolmen Movies 7.30pm 'The
Levelling' £4.

Thur 12 – Constantine Cottage Garden
Society 7.30pm. W.I. Hall. *An amazing
bulb sale with Mr. Ron Scamp which
includes a short talk on his latest culti-
vations.* Cost £2.00.

Thur 12 – Transition Constantine Meet-
ing. 7pm. The Queens Arms. Chris
Hussey 340007.

Sat 14 – Farmers market.

Sat 14 - Save the Children Bridge Drive and Tea 2 pm Mawnan Smith Memorial Hall

Sat 14 - Helford Marine Group Fungus Foray in Tremayne Woods. 10.30am-1.00pm Gear Farm, St Martin.

Mon 16 – Constantine One and All Club. 2pm. Sally Coot 340050.

Thur 19 – Parish Council meeting. 7pm. The Vestry, Constantine.

Thur 19 - Vamos Theatre at the Tolmen Centre 7.30pm 'Finding Joy' *An emotional and enjoyable show* £12, £19, Family (children 12+) £34

Weds 25 - Tolmen Movies 7.30pm 'Hidden Figures' £4.

Sun 29 - Guitarist John Etheridge & singer Vimala Rowe at the Tolmen Centre 7.30pm. £12.

Tues 31 - Ladies Circle W.I. Hall 2.15pm.

St Constantine Church Services

Sun 3 September

8.00am BCP Holy Communion

10.30am Holy Communion

Sun10 September

8.00am BCP Holy Communion

10.30am Holy Communion

Sun 17 September

8.00am BCP Holy Communion

10.30am Holy Communion

Sun 24 September

8.00am BCP Holy Communion

10.30am Harvest Festival

followed by Parish Lunch

Everyone very welcome and coffee is served after the service.

Thursdays in September

10.00am BCP Holy Communion followed by Ladies Fellowship

The times of services in October have yet to be confirmed.

Autumn exhibition at the Tolmen Centre

Dougal Jeffries & Katherine Murdoch

Two medics - one retired, the other at the start of her medical career, are showing paintings inspired by their travels. Dougal Jeffries' carefully observed studies, made in southern Spain, are beautifully painted. Talking about his work, he says, *"In this series of watercolours I have tried to capture the magic of the Alhambra, from the intricate complexity of its interior decoration, through the play of light on its walls and gateways, to the majesty of its setting against the backdrop of the Sierra Nevada. There's nothing original about my work; it is simply a tribute to the artistry of others."*

Katherine Murdoch is a third year medical student at Bristol, where students are encouraged to work creatively on reflective pieces as part of clinical practice. *"Whilst enjoying the precise nature of anatomical drawing, I prefer to paint in a looser style, attempting to realise images from my travels with expressive colour."*

The exhibition runs from 2 September until 20 October.

Night Sky

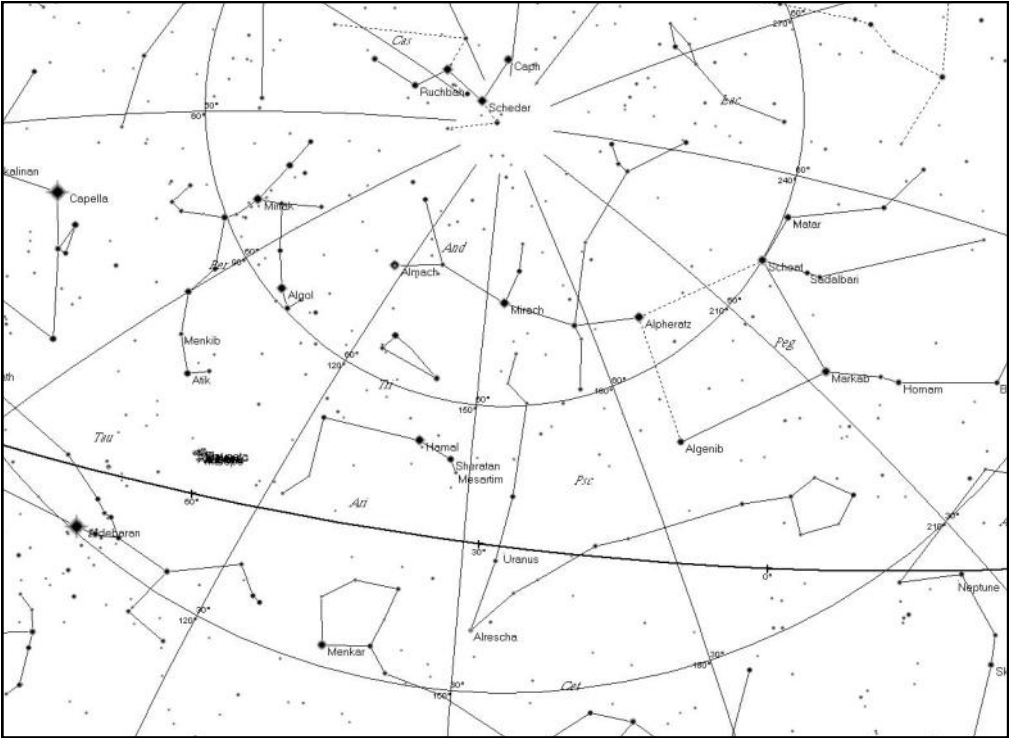
Robert Beeman

A few meteor showers to look out for; The Autumn Arietids which peak on the 9th of October and the Southern Taurids which peak on the 11th of October. Neither of these showers is particularly intense. The Moon will not help on either of the two evenings, but if you can find somewhere shaded from the moonlight and look towards Aldebaran you should see 5 or 6 an hour after midnight.

The peak of the Orionid meteor shower takes place on the 21st of October. The radiant lies midway between Castor/Pollux and Betelgeuse .The shower starts in early October so there is quite a good opportunity for observing these given favourable weather. The peak rate on the 21st is about 15 per hour and the Moon will not interfere. As ever the best time for observing will be after midnight.

The Summer constellations are now starting to give way to those of the Autumn so take the chance to view Alberio, a pair of stars with contrasting colours which lies in the Northern Cross within the Summer triangle. The brighter component Alberio A is an orange giant, 100 times more luminous than the Sun and 20 times as large with a yellow hue; the companion star Alberio B is a main sequence star 270 times as luminous as the Sun but is only 3 times as large ,this has a distinctly bluey tinge.

Another double star worth viewing is Algedi, the principal star of Capricornus the



Night Sky (*continued*)

Sea Goat. This constellation is almost due south in September. Algedi is naked eye viewing but really comes to life in binoculars showing a yellow giant and an orange super giant. This is a good example of an asterism as the two stars lie 100 lys and 900 lys away so they are not bound to each other at all. Each of these stars is a double system in its own right, although you will need a 200mm telescope to detect the faint companion stars.

The Plough is really quite low down on the Northern horizon at this time of year. Try and trace the winding coils of the celestial dragon Drago, which pass between Ursa Major and Ursa Minor. The main star of Drago, Thurban, lies just above Ursa Major and 5000 years ago this was the Pole star. Due to precession, a wobble in the Earth's rotation about its axis, Polaris is now the Pole star.

The planets are bit scarce over September and October with the exception of Uranus and Neptune which are well placed after midnight. You should be able to pick up the former with binoculars or a small telescope but you will need a 100mm telescope for Neptune.

OBITUARY - James (Jim) Dalton *b.21/03/1931. d.3/7/2017*

James Dalton, of Brill, Constantine, known by nearly everyone as Jim, died on July 3rd in Treliske Hospital, aged 86 years. He was born in Bristol, attended St Brendan's College and after National Service, spent 2 years in the RAF as a Navigator Officer, and became a Civil Servant with the Home Office. He worked for the Land Board at first, then in Civil Defence and finally in the Immigration Service, which brought him to Cornwall in 1989.

He and his wife, Elizabeth, married in 1958 and had three children, Helen, Michael and Peter. He was based at Imperial Buildings in Falmouth for many years. His job was to check the passengers of any ship or plane coming from abroad to this county, making sure they had the correct documentation and could be allowed entry into Great Britain.

When he retired in 1990, he took up voluntary work in the Falmouth branch of CAB, helping those who had problems of

one sort or another.

He also became an active member in the Constantine community, a founder member of Constantine Enterprises Company and of the local Credit Union, as well as being instrumental in getting the Methodist chapel turned into the Tolmen Centre. He was a supporter of the Cricket Club and of the Constantine Band. He made many friends in the village and was a familiar sight walking far and wide with his two Jack Russell terriers.

With his wife, Liz, he became a keen caravanner, travelling extensively in this country and on the continent, frequently being away for six weeks or more. He liked visiting his older sister in Norfolk and there were often family gatherings there with his younger brother Gerard and sister Margaret, both sadly passed away now.

He was a true gentleman and will be greatly missed by his wife, children and grandchildren.

Parish Council Update

John Andrew

Please note that full minutes can be found at www.constantinecornwall.com/council

Annual General Meeting - 18 May 2017

In his report, Chairman Cllr Carter summarised the year's activity including: consideration of 63 planning applications; taking action on fly-tipping; repairing Port Navas slipway; refurbishment of the bus shelter; progressing provision of village welcoming stones; replacement of the Lawn Cemetery bench; and installing a tarmac strip along the edge of the 'new' car park.

Cllr Carter also listed the many grants made to local organisations and thanked fellow Councillors, both at Parish and County levels for their support.

Cllr Nicholls was elected as Vice Chairman and members agreed which Councillors would undertake various duties in the coming year. The Internal Auditor was also re-appointed.

The offer to lease the Recreation Ground pavilion by the Social Club was discussed and it was agreed to consider granting an initial 2-year lease.

It was agreed to permit the use of the Recreation Ground for a Sports/Fun Day on 20 August on condition the event was free and open to all.

Ordinary Meeting - 6 June 2017

It was agreed that Mrs Bradley-Davis be co-opted as a Parish Councillor and she was welcomed accordingly.

The Clerk reported that there had been no further progress towards leasing the pavilion to the Social Club, but Cllr Nicholls advised that this was due to be discussed by the Social Club Committee during the week

The Chairman reported that Frederick Wearne & Sons will carry out the inscriptions on the new village welcoming stones and he would organise the transport of the selected granite boulders to Wearne's workshop later in the week. Discussion on the siting and installation of the stones continued.

Ordinary Meeting - 20 July 2017

In respect of the planning application for a replacement garage in Port Navas, County Councillor Bastin reported that significant alterations were being requested. However, the Clerk advised that the application had since been approved using delegated powers, adding that the Parish Council had not been given an opportunity to refer it to the Planning Committee.

No further expressions of wish to be co-opted onto the Parish Council had been received. Delegated powers were awarded to the Chairman and Clerk for day-to-day matters during August.

A request from the Carnival Committee to use the Recreation Ground on 19 August was unanimously agreed.

Members noted that the lavatory cisterns in the Recreation Ground pavilion had been repaired free of charge by a local resident in readiness for the Garden Show.

The Chairman reported that the three welcoming stone boulders had not yet been delivered to Wearne's, but this would take place shortly. It was proposed and agreed that Wearne's be engaged to also install the finished stones.

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KERNOW FRENCH SPEAKING GROUP is back!

Join our friendly and relaxed group every
Wednesday in Port Navas village hall at
3pm. Get in touch:

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Facebook@kernowfrenchspeakinggroup
Tel. 07931974816

Constantine Book Group Plus

Join us at the Tolmen Centre on
Friday 27 October to hear **Liz Fenwick** talk about her life and writing.
Liz describes herself as 'writer, ex-pat expert, wife, mother of three, and dreamer turned doer... After ten international moves, I'm a bit of a global nomad. It's no wonder my heart remains in Cornwall'.

Liz is the award winning author of The Cornish House, A Cornish Affair, A Cornish Stranger Sky, Under A Cornish, and a novella – A Cornish Christmas Carol. The Returning Tide was published on 23 March 2017 and she is currently working on her next book.

WANTED - Grazing for 2 well-behaved donkeys. Appropriate fencing and water supply essential. Shelter or stable would be a bonus but permission for a shelter is fine. As big as horses so a good-sized field is needed. Can share with horses or cattle as very friendly. **Call or email Kvmberlev 07747027965, kym90@hotmail.co.uk**

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