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Remembering
TERENCE FRI SBY



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DOBWALLS CHARITY BEER AND CIDER FESTIVAL





Spring has Sprung



Welcome to your Villager magazine **So, what's inside?**

Terence Frisby died in 2020. Some people will still remember him and his brother as wartime evacuees, living at Doublebois with "Aunty Rose" and "Uncle Jack". His memories of those years are captured in his famous book "Kisses on a Postcard". His family and close friends are to plant a tree in his memory in the parish council's new open space.

There's news on the village litter pick and the 600-strong "Wombling Free" group of litter pickers. And the Dobwalls Beer and Cider Festival, in aid of Cornwall Air Ambulance, is on for two days in July in the garden at The Highwayman.

The latest on the open space project and plans to mark the Queen's Platinum Jubilee with a tree-planting ceremony and a special church service.

The school, the memorial hall and Cornwall Councillor Jane Pascoe are all asking for your help with various things.

And you can vote later this year in the referendum on the Dobwalls and Trewidland Neighbourhood Development Plan.

AND, look out for some fantastic aerial photos, courtesy of "Dronemaster" and parish councillor Brian Clark!

Villager editor *Michael Taylor*



Dobwalls Village Spring Litter Pick

SATURDAY, APRIL 2, 9.45am to 12.00 noon

COVID-19 restrictions put paid to the annual Spring litter pick for the last two years, but it's happening this year!

Tracey Kitto, vice-chair of Dobwalls Parish Council, says: "Unfortunately due to the pandemic the parish council hasn't been able to organise the annual litter pick for the last couple of years.

"But we are extremely grateful to the Womblers of 'Wombling Free' who have been doing a sterling job keeping the village tidy.

"This year the Spring village litter pick is back and the council has a supply of hi viz jackets, litter grabbers and bin bags.

"All we ask is that you put the date in your diary and on the day bring along yourselves and a pair of gloves. And we're delighted some of the Womblers,

armed with their own equipment, will be joining us. We'll be meeting in the public car park next to the pub and look forward to seeing as many of you who can make

"If you can't be there but think there's a particular area we should be visiting, please let us know."

Turn over to find out about "Wombling Free" and how you can join!





WOMBLING FREELY!

“WOMBLING Free” was founded on Facebook by two local schoolteachers - Oli Jones and Gareth Price. Oli, a teacher at Dobwalls Primary, and Gareth, who teaches in Liskeard, were appalled by the amount of litter on the roads and in the hedges when they went running along the Cornish Marathon route from Pensilva.

Oli takes up the story: “We headed out with some friends and collected five full rubbish bags, mainly drink cans, takeaway cups and lids, fast food packaging and so much more. Our numbers have now grown to over 600 with a group also starting up in Cumbria. We regularly support

community groups with the litter picking equipment which has been sponsored locally by Biffa and Howdens.”

Wombling Free also deploys its “Hit Squads” which go out and tackle litter hotspots. Oli adds: “It has inspired the younger generation to get involved, with many families benefitting from exercise and fresh air as well as helping the environment.”

Dobwalls school did a litter pick for an environmental day and pupil Tilly Day completed 100 consecutive days of litter picking and featured on BBC Radio Cornwall and Spotlight. Also, the school has set up an Eco Council of pupils who regularly litter pick the school grounds and are planning picks elsewhere.

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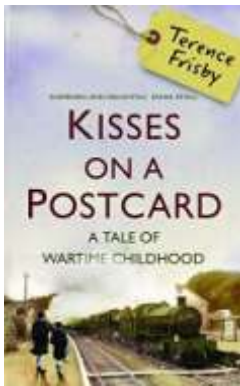
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TERENCE FRISBY, playwright, theatre director, producer and actor, who died in 2020, spent three years of his young life, aged between seven and 10, in the village of Doublebois as a war-time evacuee with his older brother Jack.

His close friend Jeremy James Taylor OBE, founder of the National Youth Music Theatre and its artistic director for almost 30 years, explains to The Villager how “Kisses on a Postcard” came about and how Terry’s family and friends will remember him at a special ceremony in Dobwalls:

“The vivid memories of those years and the kind and generous people Terry encountered made a huge impact on him and led to the writing of an award-winning radio play for the BBC in 1988 called “JUST REMEMBER TWO THINGS, IT’S NOT FAIR AND DON’T BE LATE”.

I had listened to Terry’s play about his “Vacky” experiences and one day, during a round of golf at Saunton in North Devon (we were both fanatical about the game) Terry was chatting about the piece and I mentioned the idea of turning it into a stage work — using lots of children’s playground songs, wartime songs, Westcountry folk tunes and, of course, war-time songs. Terry, never one to miss an opportunity, leapt at the idea of a stage musical which he later mentioned to a mutual friend who was on the Board of the Queen’s Theatre in Barnstaple – and the rest is history!

It opened to great acclaim at the Queen’s in September 2002 and was revived 10 years later under a new name “KISSES ON A POSTCARD”, also at the Queen’s.

His warmly-acclaimed book of the same title was published by Bloomsbury and is still available. A brand new sound recording of the work has recently been made under the expert supervision of Terry’s son Dominic and will soon be available on line. Hopefully it may attract interest from a television or film company....who knows!



When I first met Terry he was already a celebrated playwright, famous for his wildly successful comedy, the stage play "THERE'S A GIRL IN MY SOUP" starring Donald Sinden and the subsequent film version starring Peter Sellers and Goldie Hawn. Terry also wrote many other plays for the stage and television including two comedy series "LUCKY FELLER" starring David Jason and "THAT'S LOVE". Many may also remember him for his regular appearances on Playschool.



Terry and Jack with "Auntie Rose"

Terry was throughout his life a passionate enthusiast about natural history so when he died a group of his close friends, myself included, felt the wish to remember him — by planting an Oak tree in his memory.

We had no doubt in our minds where Terry would have liked it to be planted — namely in the community where those special days were spent during the World War II.

The tree-planting at Dobwalls will be a private event for Terry's family and

closest friends who are travelling from near and far to be there and we would like to thank Dobwalls Parish Council hugely for their agreement to allow it to happen in a place so near to Terry's heart.

It seemed like some kind of good omen when the council clerk Linda Coles told us about the exciting plans for planting a forest and I'm sure that those kisses which Terry and his brother sent on that postcard to their mother and father some 80 years ago would apply equally to a card sent today to the good people of the villages of Doublebois and Dobwalls!"

TERENCE FRISBY (1932 – 2020)



"Uncle Jack" and "Auntie Rose"

PARI SH PROJECT UPDATE — AND A TREE FOR THE QUEEN!!



THE Parish Council has purchased the land needed to create the carbon-neutral community open space and forest in a field on the edge of Dobwalls.

Council chairman John Dunn has this update: Around 1400 trees have been planted and the project management team can now finalise the layout of the rest of the site.

The plans include 15 special trees where people can place plaques in memory of loved ones, a wild flower meadow, orchard and shrubs.

A Darley Oak tree with a plaque will be planted by the council to commemorate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee and we're hoping that ceremony can be part of the official opening of the open space, perhaps during the jubilee bank holiday weekend.

We'll keep you informed via The Villager Facebook page, which will be linked to the Dobwalls Community Group Facebook page.



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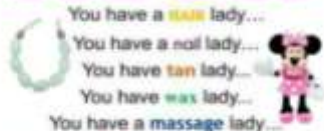
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March

Sat 12th 1.00pm-3.00pm Bacon Butties and Buns DUC hall

April

Sat 9th 2.30pm-4.00pm Cream Tea DUC hall

Sun 17th 10.00am-2.00pm Craft Fair DMH

May

Sat 14th 2.30pm-4.00pm Cream Tea DUC hall

Sun 15th 10.00am-2.00pm Craft Fair DMH

THE MEMORIAL HALL

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"The hall has a very full diary and bookings are very healthy, but it takes a bit of work to keep these events going and we need more help. We are losing some of our trustees this year so we're looking for some new trustees to join us.

You don't have to have special skills, just a willingness to work on a voluntary basis for 10 hours or so each month. Also, if you'd just like to volunteer to help at weekends to set up the hall for events and clear away afterwards that would be a great help. In those immortal words: "Your Hall Needs **YOU**".

Contact trustee Alison on 01579 320152.



Clubs and Activities

Sunday

9.30am Morning Service DUC

Monday

2.00pm Ladies Group. [Second Monday of the month](#) DUC hall

7.15pm-10.00pm Short Mat Bowls DMH

Tuesday

10.00am-11.00am Keep Fit with Denise Bond DMH

6.30pm-7.30pm Boogie Bounce Class with Stacy Mellor DMH
(Bookings only)

Wednesday

10.00am-11.00am Gentle Aerobics with
Sam Holman DMH

11.30am-12.30pm Pilates with Sam
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5.30pm-7.00pm Slimming World with
Hayley DMH

Thursday

9.30am Slimming World with Hayley DMH

2.00pm Knit and Knatter. [Alternate weeks
starting March 3](#) DUC hall

6.00pm Powerhoop with Jayne Martin
DMH

7.30pm Short Mat Bowls DMH

Friday

6.00pm-7.30pm Clubbercise with Lisa Maunder DMH (Booking
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Saturday

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CORNWALL-BASED rural broadband provider Wildanet says residents in Dobwalls now have access to some of the fastest internet speeds in the UK, following the installation of a new fibre network in the village.

Dobwalls, Liskeard and neighbouring rural areas are among the first to receive the new service after Wildanet, based in Liskeard, chose the PL14 postcode area to kick-start the multi-million-pound roll-out of its new high-speed broadband network across Cornwall.

The completion of the network in Dobwalls means homes and businesses served by Wildanet can now benefit from gigabit speeds up to 1,000 megabits per second, roughly 40 times faster than the average download speeds currently available in Cornwall.

Justin Clark, Wildanet's chief operating officer, says: "We are delighted to see the Dobwalls service connected and now live as part of the first phase of our network roll-out in Cornwall.

"It's exciting to see the numbers of homes and businesses now able to access fast, reliable broadband growing by the day and to be getting fantastic feedback from customers who have seen their internet speeds transformed.

"We would like to thank everyone in Dobwalls for their patience and understanding during the installation works and we hope residents will take the opportunity to enjoy the huge advantages fast, reliable broadband can bring."

Wildanet started work in and around Liskeard and in Dobwalls in 2021 as the first stage of a £50 million investment in the new broadband network for Cornwall. The new hyperfast network is set to transform connectivity, bringing lightning-fast speeds and reliability to many areas of Cornwall that have previously been left without access to fast, reliable internet connection.

Wildanet is also directly and indirectly creating many jobs as a result of its network expansion.

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The event had to be cancelled in 2020 and last year because of Covid restrictions, but now the organisers are pleased to announce its return and are hoping this 11th fest will be better than ever - thanks to you and help from sponsors.

As usual, all proceeds will be in aid of the Cornwall Air Ambulance. The amount raised has risen over the years and reached £2,000 in both 2018 and 2019.



One of the organisers Peter Scott says: "Entertainment is already being lined up, with bands in the process of being booked. Saturday afternoon will have a family theme with several attractions including, hopefully, some craft stalls. If you're interested in playing any part in this then please let us know.

"To support the event and make it as profitable as possible, in terms of the donation to the Air Ambulance, we are looking for



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THE PLAN steering group has been working hard to complete all the documents for the plan which have to go to Cornwall Council. Once that happens, Cornwall Council will go through the documents before it sets up a formal six-week consultation period on the documents. Mhairi Mackie, the plan's co-ordinator, says: "This will allow everyone in former Dobwalls and Trewidland Parish, the area covered by the plan, to look at all the proposals and policies and for statutory bodies and other local organisations to make comments."



The final documents approved by the council, taking into account any issues raised during the consultation, will then go to an independent examiner. He or she will produce a report on the plan and any changes required by the examiner will need to be made before the plan can go to a referendum. All residents on the Electoral Register in the area of the old Dobwalls and Trewidland Parish can then vote on the plan. Only if a majority of those voting support the plan will it come into force.

Mhairi adds: "If the plan is supported at the referendum it will be adopted by Cornwall Council and become part of the official planning policy for our area, which includes all of the Dobwalls Parish Council and the Trewidland Ward of the St Keyne and Trewidland Parish Council.

"It has been a very long haul for all of those who have been a part of the steering group to get to this point, partly because of parish boundary changes and the pandemic. But everyone who has contributed to the process can feel that we have worked towards something valuable in setting out the ambitions for the future of the Dobwalls and Trewidland areas and their communities."

Help the school celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee!

DOBWALLS Primary School headteacher Kathryn Pipe has this plea: Can you help us?! As you know, it is the Queen's Platinum Jubilee in June and we are making plans for our celebrations. Do you have any royal memorabilia you would be willing to share with us? Any photos of previous celebrations? Previous monarchs? Coins? We would love to hear your stories. If you do, please email me head@dobwalls.cornwall.sch.uk

The new year started with the school getting back out in the community once again. Kathryn says: We are delighted to provide the children with exciting first-hand experiences to enhance their learning. Lerryn Class (our Early Years) have been to the Theatre Royal in Plymouth to see a show called "The Man Who Wanted to be a Penguin".

Their enthusiasm for penguins since the show has rocketed!

The classroom is alive with ice, penguins and development of their vocabulary.

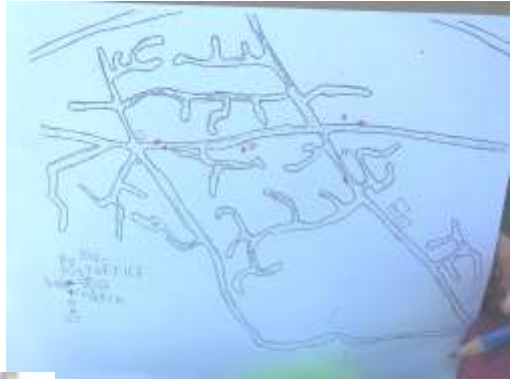


In Loveny Class (Year Two) the children enjoyed a walk into the village using a map to develop their map skills within the local area. It was such a lovely sunny day that they mapped their way to the park.

Valency Class (Year 3) have started swimming lessons, the perfect way to kickstart a Monday morning.

Lynher Class (Year 5) are looking forward to their turn next.

Tamar Class (Year 4) began their new topic about the Romans with a day engrossed in Roman themed activities.



The children came to school in the most wonderful Roman costumes - thank you to their amazing parents!

Kathryn adds: And “thank you” to you too, the local community, for all the pots which have been donated for our memory garden to support children in dealing with bereavement. It really is looking lovely and many children are enjoying time to reflect and enjoy this quiet area.





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PARKING AT SCHOOL TIME AND TAMAR BRIDGE TOLLS

An Appeal from Cornwall Councillor Jane Pascoe

I have received many complaints about road safety issues on Duloe Road at peak school times—and so have the police and traffic enforcement. There's inconsiderate parking on the junction with the Highwood estate, causing estate residents to drive on the wrong side of the road into the path of oncoming vehicles. And cars are blocking private driveways.

So, I would like to ask for help from parents who drive their children to and from school. I wonder if you would consider parking in the FREE Cornwall Council car park next to the Highwayman and then walk to school.

There's a good footpath from Dawes Close to Tamblin Avenue and then the pavement up Treheath Road to near the school. It's not very far. This would vastly improve the safety of your children and ease the congestion at the school and the shop area. I would very much appreciate your help.

I'm concerned about the proposal to increase the Tamar Bridge tolls because many residents have to cross the bridge for their work, schools and hospital visits. Please take part in the consultation at www.tamarcrossings.org.uk/funding-consultation-2022
We want you to have your say.



I'm delighted the parish council has completed the purchase of the two fields to provide more space for the football club and create a community open space. Dobwalls has a third less open space than other places of a similar size, so this will go some way to mitigate the impact of recent developments in the village.

The planting of so many trees will count towards the Forest for Cornwall. It's a great achievement for a rural village and I'm sure the community is looking forward to help create a space for nature.

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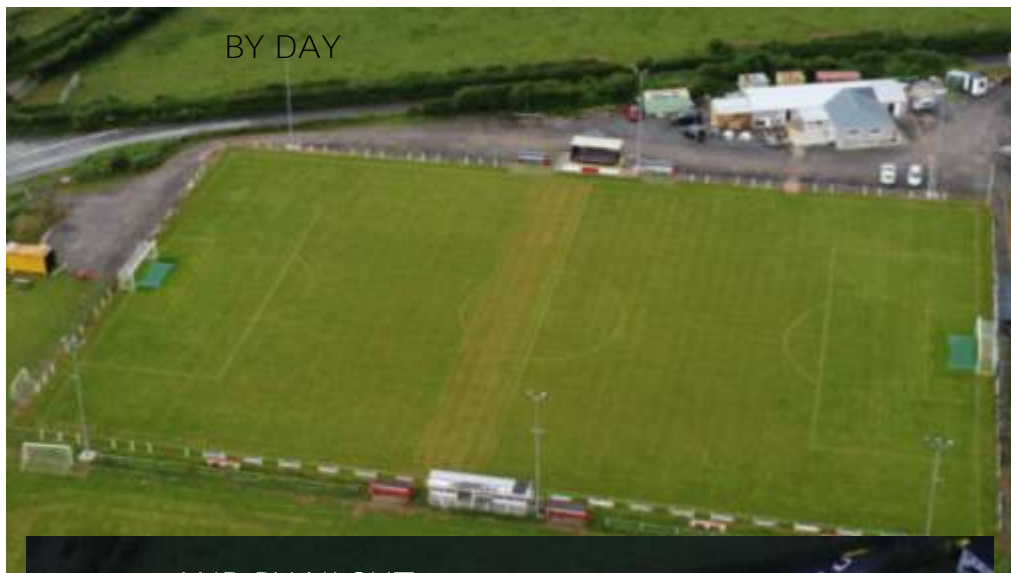
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DOBWALLS United Church is holding a special Sunday morning service to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. It will be on June 5, during the Bank Holiday weekend to celebrate the Queen's 70 years of service.

Everyone in the village and beyond is invited to come along and help mark this unique occasion in the history of the Monarchy, the UK, the Commonwealth and the world!

The church stewards and clergy are making plans for the service which will appropriately reflect Her Majesty's lifetime dedication to her royal role. When everything is finalised, details will be on the church Facebook page - Dobwalls United Church - and in the Summer edition of The Villager which will come out at the end of May/beginning of June.



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John Harris, the custodian of the website, says: "There is so much walking information on the web but it can be difficult to find. Walking in Cornwall is part of the Walking in England website with one for each county in England.

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"With walks from half a mile to twelve miles-plus long, and a note of suitability for pushchairs and wheelchairs, everyone can find a walk to enjoy."

www.walkinginengland.co.uk

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Dobwalls Parish Council

www.dobwallspc.org.uk

Come to parish council meetings and have your say
You can attend council meetings and raise an issue or talk about an item on the agenda which is posted on the council website and the council notice board in the village.

The monthly meetings are held on the third Wednesday of each month and normally start at 6.30pm.

The venue is the clubhouse at Dobwalls Football Club and the dates for the next three meetings are:

March 16, April 20 & May 18

If you have an issue the council should know about then contact one of the councillors or the parish clerk Linda Coles—

by email- clerk@dobwallspc.co.uk

by phone- 01579 350 962

by post- The Firs, Lower Metherell, Callington PL17 8BJ

Why not follow "The Villager" On Facebook

The Villager" Facebook page www.facebook.com/thevillagerdobwalls is followed by 283 people and has been liked by another 243. Let's continue to build a really helpful and useful community page!



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