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FROM

DOBWALLS PARISH COUNCIL



HELLO, and Welcome to the Spring 2023 edition of your parish magazine The Villager.

We hope you'll find lots of interesting bits and pieces: The annual parish litter pick and the Coronation (look to your right), Dobwalls Into Garden-



ing (DIG) is back, Dobwalls Warm Space is growing in popularity, Dobwalls Football Club gets ready to expand, Disney comes to Doublebois?, a new initiative at the memorial hall and much more. Oh, and don't miss the latest in Sean Jackson's walks around the parish—this one's a bit different!

Dobwalls Parish Council and The Villager editorial team would like to formally thank Samworth Brothers, the British food manufacturing company and owner of Cornish pasty maker Ginsters of Callington, for donating a 27-inch monitor and refurbished laptop to the council and the team. This has made laying out and editing the parish magazine much easier—so thanks once again.

Happy Spring from The Villager editor Michael Taylor and the editorial team.

THE NEIGHBOURHOOD DEVELOPMENT PLAN - IT'S GETTING THERE!

MHAIRI Mackie, the plan co-ordinator, has this update: After the full submission to Cornwall Council of Dobwalls and Trewidland Neighbourhood Development Plan documents in the last week of October, things went quiet until mid-January.

But now we have had several emails from Cornwall Council Neighbourhood Planning officers with minor requests for clarification, which have all been dealt with rapidly. We believe Cornwall Council is now carrying out the legal compliance check, which they must do before completing a comprehensive impact check on the plan proposals, after which an Independent Examiner will be appointed to review the plan.

The public consultation on the plan is unlikely to start before the end of March or into April. This means the referendum on the NDP is unlikely to be held before the summer.



PARISH LITTER PICK 2023

"IT'S that time of year again," writes Tracey Kitto, the main organiser of the popular parish litter pick. "The birds are looking for nesting sites, the bulbs have been pushing up through the ground to blossom and bloom and Dobwalls Parish Council is looking for helpers to tidy up the village before the big day – the King's Coronation.

"So, if you have a spare couple of hours on Saturday April 22 why not come along and join in, young and not so young and family groups too. Just bring a pair of gloves. Everything else you need is provided.

"Looking forward to seeing you. The more the merrier to make it a successful morning.

"Oh, and make sure you 'like' The Villager Facebook page which will send out a reminder closer to the date."

Litter pickers should aim to be at the village car park, next to the Highwayman pub car park, by 9.45am on the day.

Just a reminder of last year's event. The photo features most of the litter pickers and highlights just how much rubbish they collected — bags and bags of it and some of it too big to bag up!



THE CORONATION
ANOTHER BIG DAY
FOR DOBWALLS



DOBWALLS Parish Council and Dobwalls Football Club are organising a special family day to celebrate the crowning of King Charles III. Here's council chairman John Dunn: "The day will probably run on a similar format to the Queen's Platinum Jubilee celebrations last year which were a great success. The council is looking to provide a commemorative keepsake for the children of the parish to add to the jubilee coins they received. It might be a special mug, or it could be a 'gold' coin, or something else. More information will be available once we have decided what form it will take. We will post updates on The Villager Facebook page to make everyone aware of the date and time and exactly what's happening." **See Page 30**

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Dobwalls Into Gardening



DIG, Dobwalls Into Gardening, your local gardening club, has started up again after the Covid pandemic and has a full programme for 2023, including a special plant sale in May. New members are always welcome, whether they know a lot, or nothing, about gardening!

DIG began in 2004 when local resident, Pam Jarvis, asked around to see if a gardening club could be formed. Sixteen people attended an initial meeting in February and 32 attended the following meeting and a committee was formed. The Parish Council gave the club a grant and a lady from Cornwall Council offered her help.

Club secretary Sue Gruzelier says: "The club presently has just under 30 members, mostly hobby gardeners, but some members are professional gardeners and some have an interest in gardening and enjoy the social aspects of the meetings. There is always time for tea and biscuits at the end to give members time to socialise and there's a raffle to boost the club's funds. "Members are encouraged to take part in the 'bloom of the month' with flowers picked from their garden or allotment and there are special daffodil and dahlia competitions, not to mention which member can grow the heaviest potatoes in a bucket!"

DIG meets on the first Monday of the month from 7.00pm to 9.00pm in Dobwalls United Church hall. Most of the meetings involve invited speakers and there are organised visits to gardens or places of interest.

Every year there's a Christmas dinner and the club donates to a local charity annually.

Here's what's coming up in the next few months:

Monday, March 6th 'A Bucket Full of Treasures', George Kestell

Monday, April 3rd, 'Bumble Bees', Becky Martin

Monday, May 1st 'Changing Climate and Cornish Gardens', Catherine Cutler, Eden Project

Saturday, May 13th, 10.00am - 12.00noon, Dobwalls United Church Hall

Plant Sale, Cake Stall and Raffle

Monday, June 5th Talk by the Blood Bikers and a Garden Quiz with Jim Stephens

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Dobwalls Warm Space opened more than three months ago to give the people of the village and the surrounding area somewhere warm to come once a week and enjoy good, wholesome food and have a chat.

The warm space is open every Tuesday from 11.00am to 3.00pm in Dobwalls United Church hall and is due to continue every week up until April 4.

One of the organisers Doris Taylor says: “It’s lovely to welcome people in from the cold to enjoy the warmth and the food and, if they wish, the company of others.

“Word of mouth has meant the number of people coming along has gradually grown and very recently we had more than 20.

“Anyone’s welcome to pop in and stay for as long as they want and we aim to have something different on the menu every week.”

Dobwalls Warm Space is sponsored by the Methodist Church, Dobwalls Parish Council, local Cornwall councillor Jane Pascoe’s Community Chest Fund and Samworth Brothers who own pasty makers Ginsters of Callington.

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The church will be holding a special Coronation service on Sunday, May 7, at 9.30am, the day after the crowning of King Charles III. There’ll be more details nearer the time on the church’s Facebook page “Dobwalls United Church”.

The hall and the church now have free WiFi, provided free by Wildanet. The church stewards would like to thank Wildanet for installing this fantastic facility.

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Turn to Page 13 for details of What’s On in the church and church hall.

The caverns will re-open to visitors on 11th February
Here's a list of some of our upcoming gigs
We look forward to welcoming you back soon



Peatbog Faeries: Tuesday 21st March

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Barrett's Privateers: Friday 24th March

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PROGRESS TOWARDS DFC NEW FACILITIES

DOBWALLS Football Club is gearing itself up to expand its facilities, once planning permission is given for the change of use of an agricultural field across the lane from the club to be used for sports and recreation.



THE FIELD AT THE TOP OF THIS AERIAL PHOTO IS THE ONE THE CLUB WILL TRANSFORM INTO NEW PITCHES

The field is one of two bought by Dobwalls Parish Council and the council gifted the field to the club. The other has become the Dobwalls Jubilee Community Field.

Club secretary Andy Yeatman says: “Once we’ve got the planning permission it will be all hands to the pump as the ground preparation will involve removing stones, levelling, seeding, weedkilling and fertilising.

“It’s a process that will take some time but eventually we hope to have much needed extra space for football, one full-size pitch and several smaller ones suitable for the different age groups of the junior teams. We hope the extra room will benefit not only our club but the wider community as well.”



Weather permitting, the football season for the two adult sides at Lantoom Park will draw to a close by late April. The first team has three home Kitchen Kit South West Peninsula League games in March. These are 3.00pm kick offs against Newquay, St Austell and

Bude on the 11th, 18th and 25th respectively.

There will also be Duchy League games for the second team on several other Saturdays in March and April. Also on the fixtures front, Lantoom Park has been chosen by Cornwall FA to host the Intermediate Cup Semi Final between Foxhole and St Dominick on Tuesday April 18 at 7.30pm.

Next season, the South West Peninsula League merges with the Western League to become the Western Peninsula League with four divisions stretching from Land’s End to Bristol. Andy comments: “Thankfully it is likely to be regionalised so it shouldn’t involve a lot more travelling, but it will be an opportunity to visit and host some new clubs.”



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DISNEY COMES TO DOUBLEBOIS?

IN THE Christmas edition of The Villager, Dobwalls resident and historian Adrian Wilton took us back almost 100 years to pantomime time in what was then the music room at Doublebois House. Now it's a gym and games room as part of the Hoburne holiday complex.

Adrian's article prompted Brian Jewell, from Trevelmond, to write in giving us his memories of when he lived in Doublebois a good 25 years after that Christmas pantomime:

"The main room was, in fact, a sprung dance floor with limited space under it. There were curtains on the stage, probably the originals, with dressing rooms behind. Somewhere under the stage and dressing rooms was a bar. On the walls there were paintings of Disney cartoon characters.

It was about 70 years later I was told they had actually been painted by the original Disney artists.

Dobwalls School once used the music room for a Christmas concert. It was probably all the chairs from the school that were sent out on the horse and cart to be used for the concert.

Schoolmaster Rogers said: 'Anyone from Doublebois can ride home on the cart.' Yea, that was me! However, it would have been quicker to walk! Before or after that occasion, I don't recall when, I went to a film show in the music room. The film was, I think, titled 'The Yearling'. I remember it being a sad story, involving a young deer. Google has just confirmed that!

My last visit there was shortly before moving away from Doublebois. I remember feeling guilty about being there when the new owner dropped by! That was George Hamlyn's father."



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DOBWALLS SHORT MAT BOWLS — WHY NOT GIVE IT A GO

“WE continue to be a busy club,” says the chairman John Worth. “We have two Winter League teams and three Summer League teams. We also have members who are involved in local and county-wide competitions and we have members who bowl at Dobwalls but don’t get involved in competitions.”



The club plays at Dobwalls Memorial Hall Sunday, Monday and Thursday evenings and anyone is welcome.

John explains: “The first three sessions are free and tuition is given to those who have not played

before. You can borrow club bowls but you need to bring soft-soled shoes or slippers.”

Just walk in or email club secretary Gerry Tizzard on dobwallssmbc@gmail.com and you can follow the club on Facebook “Dobwalls short mat bowls club”.

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Dobwalls United Church - What's On

Sunday services are usually at 9.30am unless there are joint services with neighbouring chapels.

March: 2nd Knit and Knatter 2.00pm, 7th Warm Space 11.00am-3.00pm, 13th Ladies Group 2.00pm, 14th Warm Space 11.00am-3.00pm, 16th Knit and Knatter 2.00pm, 18th Soup and Filled Roll £5 1.00pm, 19th No Service at Dobwalls United Church - Service at Trelvelmond Chapel 10.00am, 21st Warm Space 11.00am-3.00pm, 28th Warm Space 11.00am-3.00pm, 30th Knit and Knatter 2.00pm.

April: 4th LAST Warm Space 11.00am-3.00pm, 9th Easter Breakfast Service - Join us for breakfast at 8.00am followed by Easter Service at 9.00am, 13th Knit and Knatter 2.00pm, 16th Joint Service at Dobwalls 10.00am, 17th Ladies Group 2.00pm, 22nd Cream Tea 2.30pm, 27th Knit and Knatter 2.00pm.

May: 7th Service to Celebrate the Coronation of King Charles III 9.30am, 11th Knit and Knatter 2.00pm, 15th Ladies Group 2.00pm, 20th Cream Tea 2.30pm, 21st No service at Dobwalls United Church - Service at St Neot Chapel 11.00am, 25th Knit and Knatter 2.00pm.

June: 8th Knit and Knatter 2.00pm, 12th Ladies Group 2.00pm.



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A TREE FOR THE QUEEN

THIS impressive oak tree has been planted in the Dobwalls Jubilee Community Field to commemorate the long life and 70 years of service of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II.

John Dunn, the chairman of Dobwalls Parish Council says: "It will grow in stature in the years and decades ahead."

And, a brief update from John on what else is happening at the field: "The forestry contractors have replaced around 150 trees which failed to take after the original planting. Also, a couple of information boards are being erected at the field.



Initially, the new dual purpose dog and litter bin, installed just outside the football club entrance and at the end of the lane leading to the field, proved a little bit too popular and quickly reached over-capacity!

The bin has been emptied and the parish council is in touch with Biffa, the sustainable waste management company, for it to be emptied on a regular basis.

John Dunn comments: "It's great to see that the vast majority of dog owners in the area are responsible and are using the bin! It's been placed there so it can be incorporated as part of a regular collection route."

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The tasks you might take on include distributing collection boxes to local establishments, supporting local fundraising groups, helping with administrative tasks and co-ordinating local collections. There are lots of opportunities available to meet new people, use your skills and experience, make a difference and have fun.”

Contact Lynda Thomas on 01872 260500 or 07798 638 099 or email-
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LAST
AUTUMN'S
BULB
PLANTING

Last autumn members of the local fundraising group planted hundreds of daffodils in the Dobwalls Jubilee Community Field as part of the charity's “Fields of Hope”, areas of daffodils which create a special place for those who have personal experiences of terminal illness to reflect and remember loved ones.

By mid-February the daffs had pushed up through the soil and they're growing well. The large trumpet variety don't fully bloom in their first year, but wait for 2024 and years beyond!

The volunteers had quite a lot left over so they've been planted at the primary school and by Mike Newton in the border of the public car park in the centre of the village.



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DOBWALLS SCHOOL NEWS



THE school started the New Year with a brilliant poetry week across the whole school and headteacher Kathryn Pipe says the result was some brilliant writing.



Children in Year 6 looked at the poem "Dark Sky" by Phillip Gross, which is about the wonders of the world and space when viewed in pure darkness.

Year 6 listened closely to the poem, then created

their own watercolour pictures and own verses for the poem. In Year 4 looked at the poem "I am a Roman Soldier" by Josiah Wedgewood. They learned how the structure and mood changed throughout, before creating their own poems.



The school has also welcomed the local charity Eccabi, with Liskeard and Looe Foodbank, to give cooking demonstrations for the children.



Kathryn comments: "Our parents have also been invited in after school and were all given a recipe kit and instructions to make at home with their children. We have had a fantastic response and the children have loved it!"



We've had three sessions cooking Crumpizzas, Banana Oaties and Savoury Flapjacks."



A final word from Kathryn: "Don't forget, our Book Swap Shed is available daily for anyone in the Dobwalls community and village. Do pop into school at any time, either to donate a book or borrow a book to read. We are passionate about sharing our love of reading and hope you will join us."



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DEVOLUTION, CAR PARKS AND OTHER THINGS, BUT SPRING IS HERE!

LOCAL Cornwall Councillor Jane Pascoe writes: I'm always pleased to see the snowdrops and daffodils heralding the end of winter and the beginning of Spring. It is especially a relief this year, as so many people have faced difficulties in the cold weather with their escalating energy costs. There could be more cold weather, so please look out for anyone who's struggling. Remember the Community Energy (Winter Wellbeing) email advice@cep.org.uk

I would like to extend a huge "thank you" to Dobwalls United Church for hosting a warm place throughout the winter. The time given freely by the volunteers has been very much appreciated and I hope it has been a comfort for our villagers in these difficult times.

Public consultations on the proposed Cornwall Devolution Deal have been taking place all over Cornwall and the consultation questionnaire is part of that. A questions and answers event has been held in Liskeard public hall. It was well attended and there were representatives from many of the rural parishes. However, it was disappointing to learn that only 4,000 consultation papers have been returned over the whole county. It will be difficult to assess the true wish of all the people of Cornwall with such a poor return.



If it is decided to hold a referendum, it is of paramount importance that all the people in Cornwall take part.

Cornwall Council is amending the car park tariff structure and the car parks will fit into three zones A, B & C. The charging car parks in Liskeard will be mostly B Zones and C Zone for Rapson's car park.

I made strong representations regarding the increased fee and the variation of the time charges which will be imposed. Thankfully, they have retracted the original proposal to charge until 6.00pm so there will be no charge after 4.00pm. Look out for the car park consultation online at Cornwall.gov.uk

This is due to be implemented in May, so please do take part and make your concerns known to the council.

Finally, I send my sincere wishes to you and your families for a Peaceful and Joyous Easter.



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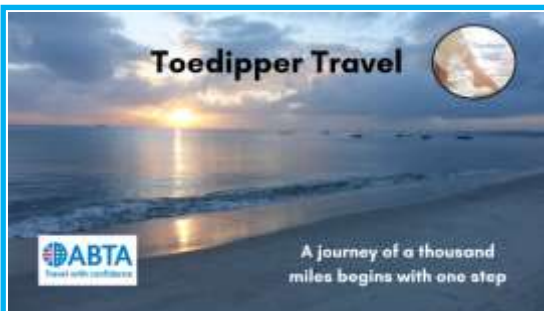
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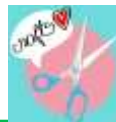
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INTERNET HOMEWORK CLUB IN THE MEMORIAL HALL?

THE trustees of Dobwalls Memorial Hall are looking into the possibility of forming a once-a-week homework club in the hall which now has WiFi.

Alison Butterworth, treasurer of the hall trustees, explains: "The hall is now a 'hot spot' for Wildanet. I have no idea what that means, despite my husband being an IT manager! But I do know the company is helping to facilitate WiFi at the football club and the church. So, our thanks again go to Wildanet for this generous facility.

We are looking into the idea of inviting school-age children into the hall for a homework club. This would be aimed at any pupil without home internet connection who needs to complete homework etc online. We would need to have an idea of how many people need this facility and would indeed like to use it.

As we don't have DBS checks for any trustees, all children would have to be accompanied by an adult. If you would like to use the hall in this way please let me know. Call me on 01579 320152 and please leave a message if I don't answer, or drop a note into the hall letterbox with your contact details."



Dobwalls Primary School headteacher

Kathryn Pipe comments: "I think it's a lovely idea and an opportunity for children and families to come together. I hope people can make use of it."

The regular groups which meet in the hall and the trustees are working very hard to maintain the necessary funds to cover the ever-increasing utility costs of the hall and Alison emphasises this can't be done without the support of the local community: "The bingo sessions are proving very popular. We have all ages from 18 to 95 and it is truly great to see people of all generations enjoying themselves. So, come along and have a go. You'll always get a friendly welcome from our fabulous team."

The next craft fair is on Saturday March 25 and more are being planned. Dates will be on Facebook and on the banner outside the hall.

Alison adds: "After the fantastic response to our Christmas Fair, we have crafters clamouring to book a table. This is a good fundraiser for the hall and it is always the fundraiser events which help towards the cost of the car park maintenance. I think we all know how much the car park is needed for the school run and it is now in need of repair. Your attendance at events and classes at the hall is valued and appreciated by the trustees. Once again, thank you so much for the support. Without you the hall would simply not exist."

Regular groups which meet in the hall:

Sunday and Monday 7:15pm - 10:00pm Indoor Bowls

Tuesday 10:00am - 11:00am Keep Fit Denise Bond

Tuesday 6:30pm - 7:30pm and 7:45pm - 8:45pm Boogie Bounce (Pre Booking required) see link as advertised on Dobwalls Community Facebook page

Wednesday 10:00am - 11:00am Gentle Aerobic Exercise Sam Holman

11:15am - 12:15pm Pilates Sam Holman

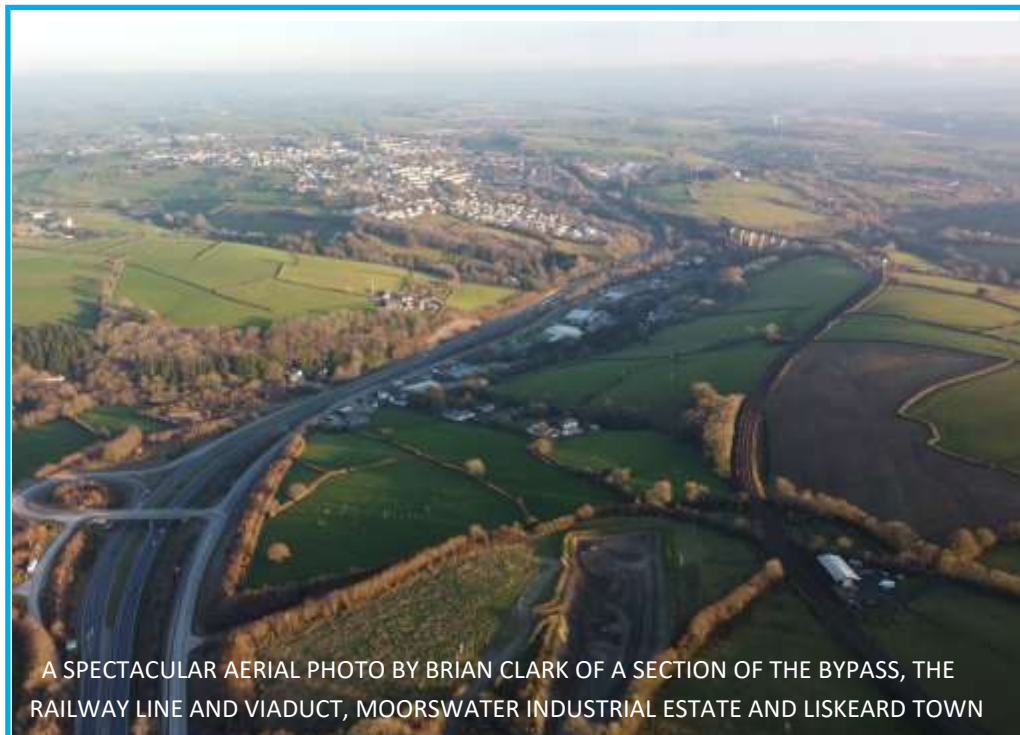
Wednesday 5:30pm and 7:00pm Slimming World Chrissie Ham

Thursday 9:30 Slimming World Helen

Thursday 6:00pm - 7:00pm Powerhoop Jayne Martin

Thursday 7:30pm - 10:00pm Indoor Bowls

1st and 3rd Saturday 7:00pm Bingo. Doors open 6:00pm



A SPECTACULAR AERIAL PHOTO BY BRIAN CLARK OF A SECTION OF THE BYPASS, THE RAILWAY LINE AND VIADUCT, MOORSWATER INDUSTRIAL ESTATE AND LISKEARD TOWN

Sean Jackson's Spring Walk 2023 – The "Flying Scotsman" is coming to town!



WHEN I discovered the "Flying Scotsman" train is coming to our neck of the woods at the end of April I decided to investigate some good vantage points to look out for this icon of the railway world. Also, due to the poor weather that we have recently had, I also decided that for this edition of the magazine we will have a go at making use of the quieter country lanes to avoid getting too muddy! I also took the opportunity to pop in to Penhale Pantry for a coffee.



Route 4 – The Trainspotter Loop.

Distance – Approx 6 kms.

Time – 1.5 and 1½ hours.

Difficulty – Moderate with hill after the railway footbridge about half way around.

Pram friendly – Only the path from footbridge down into Moorswater could be a problem.

Additional information – More information on the Flying Scotsman visit can be found at www.railwaymuseum.org.uk/flying-scotsman/centenary-programme/flying-scotsman-excursion-royal-duchy

The Public Right of Way (PRoW) used on this walk is 607/20. More information about footpaths around Dobwalls and the local area can be found on the [online Cornwall Council Inactive Map](#)

So, from our usual start point of The Highwayman head east to the double mini-roundabouts, check for the Penhale Pantry sign here. It's normally open Saturdays and Sundays and possibly school holidays.



Turn south down the Duloe road all the way to the railway bridge which is a good viewpoint for the train. There is a pavement up to the footy club entrance where you then need to use the road to the railway bridge. When using the roads it is normal practice to walk on the right so you can see oncoming traffic, but please be careful when on a road as some road users may not be expecting pedestrians, especially around the bridge.



Just after the bridge you will see a gate which leads on to the field at Penhale Pantry. There is a long patch of wild flowers on the left of the path which look great when it blooms. Continue up the path to the main entrance gates where you can re-join the Duloe road. Thanks Penhale Pantry as this new path is a lot safer than walking in the road and there is ramp access at the entrance gates.



Once back on the Duloe road it is a matter of metres to the next junction where you turn left past the Penhale Farm entrance. Continue up that lane until you come to the next T junction. During lambing season I have been able to observe lambs being born in the fields when I'm on this part of the walk.



At this T junction there is a gate which gives a great view over the valley towards Liskeard and another location to catch a glimpse of the train. Turn right towards North Boduel Farm junction. It is worth keeping an eye out for deer in the fields to the left, as I have come

across them feeding there.

At the next T junction near North Boduel follow the road around to the left away from the farm. Approximately 500 metres down this lane you will come to a path joining the road next to a gate and a mystery door! There is a footpath sign here, but it can be hidden away in the vegetation so keep your eyes peeled. Take the path and you will find the railway bridge. The view of the Moorswater viaduct from the top of bridge is probably the highlight of the walk!



For me, this is an ideal location for a bit of trainspotting and certainly one of the best places to see The Flying Scotsman when it visits Cornwall!



Once over the footbridge head towards the far right hand corner of the field. As always, be aware this field is sometimes home to sheep. Even from the middle of the field there is an excellent view of the viaduct. When you hit the tree/fence line follow it along until you find the stile in the corner of the field. You will see the path leads to the road in the area of Lime Kiln House and is



clearly marked.



Once on the road, turn left towards the Moorswater industrial estate. Be careful in this area as there are no pavements. At the Old Road junction you have the option just to come up the Moorswater road or join the Caradon Trail and go under the A38 road bridge to get to the north side of the bypass, which is the route we have chosen.



Take the path on the left just after the bridge for the Caradon Trail.



About 500 metres from where you join this path and near the Looe Mills Farm entrance you will find a photo opportunity with a difference. Here a tree was planted and a plaque placed to mark the opening of the A38 Dobwalls Bypass.

Follow the trail up all the way to the next bridge on the A38. Two things to look out for after the houses and cottages at Looe Mills. Make sure you check the fields out on your right and as you approach the A38 access bridge as in the past I have watched a deer quite happily lying by a hedge for ages, even though the major road is so close. Secondly, watch where you put your feet as this area is a contender for the Guinness Book for Records as the most dog poo in one location!



Once across the bridge and on the Moorswater road it is a straight walk west up the hill back to the village and into The Highwayman for the usual post walk swift half or whatever! As always, mine's a pint of Guinness.

Be safe and please remember and respect the country code. It would be great to get your feedback on the walks, the state of the other PRoWs and, of course, any suggestions for future routes. So please send them to The Villager editor. Also, it would be

great if we could have any of your Flying Scotsman photos if you do get a chance to see it.



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It is also on the council notice board in the village

You can attend and speak at most meetings which are held on the third Wednesday of each month in the clubhouse at Dobwalls Football Club and start at 6.30pm.

The next couple of meetings are:

March 15 & April 19

The May meeting **May 17 is actually three meetings!!!**

Same time, same place - first the annual parish meeting (a chance to look back at the past year) then the annual parish meeting (at which the chairman and vice-chairman are elected for the coming year and councillors chosen to represent the council on other bodies) and then the actual May council meeting when the ordinary monthly business of the council is conducted.

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