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For Observer readers

Derek Holley, Cornwall Councillor,

Saltash East

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## Housing - Road Improvements and Road Safety

Thank you to all the people and organisations who either praised or cursed me for the thoughts I expressed about housing in my last article - if you remember I said I had more or less completely changed my mind about the amount of new housing required for Saltash people - I said I think we need more, many more houses, partly to help the huge number of people on waiting lists and partly because nationally the only way we are going to get down disgracefully high house prices, caused by insufficient supply and the buy-to-let disaster, is to build a lot more everywhere. Who opposed me? A residents group did, and members of another such group, both with understandable vested interests (good views etc.), and a small handful of individuals. I was more surprised by the much larger number who supported my stance, including three of the never-written-or-phoned a councillor-before type! Hey - ho.

### Road Improve-ments and Road Safety

I like Laurence Reed's lunchtime Radio Cornwall discussion show. Laurence never, ever talks down to people, and his callers feel they can talk freely. So I learn a lot about real opinions, especially about lovely Cornwall Council and equally lovely Cornwall Councillors. What has this to do with roads? Well, one of Laurence's callers was complaining about a county road "improvement", blaming the council. Then he made me think. He said something like (it was a long time ago), "no wonder people drive badly". So now I always consider this when I try and get improvements... to what extent will this improvement help road safety?

Example: double yellow lines. I am often asked for them and road safety is the first thing I consider and I have to bear in mind that double yellows always increase traffic speed and can worsen road safety.

Example: road surfacing. I have lobbied for surfacing all around my patch, Saltash East and most of it has been done. It was always necessary as the

road surfaces were breaking up, but unfortunately, where a nice smooth, even road has been achieved it seems again to have increased road speeds...North Road is an example: a resident from the south side recently phoned me to say that when it was breaking up and bumpy the road was slower, now it seems faster...

Parking helps. Today another resident reminded me that Lollabury Road, which is very bad, has not yet been done. I am working on this one and Cornwall has agreed to do it but in this case the parking and consequent limited visibility will maintain road safety. Parking, on the whole actually helps improve road safety by slowing traffic. The exception I know to all this is the dangerous, bad driver brigade who drive too fast everywhere, thinking they are capable, that they are skilled etc. etc... Sadly you cannot legislate for fools and I am afraid they will always be with us. We all drive badly from time to time but we can improve our chances and the safety of other road users by keeping speeds down, keeping back from the car in front and remembering that you may be surrounded by idiots! I read that somewhere and it stuck!

So when you see a new, smooth grey road think about it. I do. Please also be careful on those roads around Saltash where the road gets wider in front of you, the distance view improves and worst of all, the road goes downhill. Invariably your speed increases, usually without conscious thought. The classic example is Liskeard Road going out past the Ploughboy. We probably all mess up there - I certainly do and always have to be careful. Going towards Plymouth off the Burraton traffic lights is another example...I live there and see "normal" drivers speed all the time. You can probably give me more examples - in fact I wish you would - I will make sure they are debated at the Area Road Safety Committee.

One of groups which attend the Committee is the excellent small Speedwatch team who, with the police, monitor the Saltash Area. They are an

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invaluable aid to road safety because by checking individual car speeds with their camera we get valuable data. The individual results can be painful for the speeding motorist but they are essential for making changes to improve road safety for all of us around the town. Speedwatch is a trained and equipped group of volunteers and more are required - if you feel you could help with this occasional work contact me and the police - do both, please.

This has been a surprisingly

cold start to the gardening year. The soil has taken up till now, midsummer's day, to warm up. This is my excuse for late crops and a mediocre potato patch. However the wet spring has been wonderful for Arion ater, the long, fat orange slug, proving there is a silver lining to every slug cloud.

Something else last year no apples; this year loads. In fact I am seriously thinking heretical things. Ditching my favourite Cornish beer and making cider...

## Bookshelf's "Royal Ascot" Event "was a Racing Certainty"



**G**lamorous wide-brimmed hats, a flutter on a favourite, followed by a sumptuous high tea with a glass of bubbly. It had to be Royal Ascot – or Saltash's own rival event held in 'The Bookshelf, Tea Rooms'

For two days during Royal Ascot week ladies were encouraged to share the glamour and fun, dress in their best, with a prize for the 'most stylish hat' (or, for gentlemen, a buttonhole). All were encouraged to draw a horse for the Queen's Race with a cream tea to the winner. Winners of the horse race were Mrs Penny Sainsbury and Mrs Rosemary Ford.

To add to the fun and excitement a high tea fit for a queen included smoked salmon followed by scones, jam and cream, cake and a complimentary glass of Bucks Fizz or sparkling wine.

While all entrants were regarded as winners the prize for the most stylish hat was awarded to Mrs Gloria Smith and Julia Sneec.

## DEATH ON MARS

Burraton Community Players are gearing up for their latest "Murder Mystery Evening". This has become a much-appreciated feature of the Saltash dramatic calendar with audience and cast interacting in a night that features murderous mayhem, dastardly deeds and scandalous secrets.

Saturday 11th July is the date for **MURDER ON THE MOON OF MARS!** A futuristic thriller from the pen of Miss Jill Price: an orbiting space station with a dead commander and eight disparate crew members: an alien attack or something more personal and sinister?

As usual the venue is Burraton Community Centre, Grenfell Avenue, Saltash at 7.30 pm and the price of a ticket (£6.00) includes a free pasty as sustenance for all who choose to exercise their little grey souls in deducing which of the characters has perpetrated the foulest of crimes.

Tickets on sale at "Piglets", Fore Street  
This evening will also see the Players present charity donations to two local charities, Jeremiahs Journey and the Garner Ward at Bodmin Hospital. These charity donations are a regular feature of the Burraton Players community involvement.

**Saturday 11th July 7.30pm**  
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## Inspiring Story of Presidential Poet Follows Heritage AGM

**F**rom the toughest of childhood's in the segregationist South to becoming one of the most acclaimed of black poets, actresses and writers Maya Angelov is one of the most inspiring of modern women. She inspired Mrs Sue Hooper MBE who gave Saltash Heritage members and guests an account of her amazing and action filled life following their Annual General Meeting. Sexually abused at seven, a single mother at sixteen Maya Travelled the world as a cabaret singer before becoming associated with leading black activists.

Her account of growing up in the age of discrimination 'I Know Why the Cage Birds Sing' made her known, her poems were favourites of the American people, she participated in President Clinton's Inauguration and she died with countless doctorates to her credit. A remarkable achievement for a girl born the wrong side of the tracks in St. Louis and brought up by Grandma in racist Arkansas.

Prior to the talk Heritage Chairman Martin Gee had warmly thanked the stewards and committee 'the driving force of Saltash Heritage' and reported on a year that saw record members drawn to the town's museum. Secretary Lizzie Sharpe-Asprey confirmed that over ten years there had been a steady increase of visitors and a total of over twenty-three thousand visitors.

All of the officers and

committee were re-elected save for Archivist David Coles who was standing down after a remarkable twenty-nine years of voluntary service to Heritage. He was given a token and a variety of other presents as thanks for his service, and advised that he would continue to be considered archivist emeritus.

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## Essa Files

**A**fter last month's dispatch from Malta I have been asked which foreign country I intend to write from this month so, not wishing to disappoint my readers, I have ventured briefly over the Tamar Bridge to pen this column from England.

My topic though this month is very local since a major centre of our community celebrated its 50th birthday on the 4th of July which is not only US Independence day but also now saltash.net day, marking 50 years since a school opened on the Wearde Road site. Obviously, as an employee of the school, I am a little biased but this does strike me as an anniversary worth celebrating.

One of the things that I have always treasured about Saltash is that it is in many ways the perfect size for a community – small enough for you to know, and care about, many of the people you bump into walking down Fore St, and large enough to sustain a diverse range of organisations and facilities (not to mention its own newspaper!). The school is a reflection of this since a smaller community, like Looe for instance, would struggle to accommodate a good size

school with a sixth form, whilst a larger one, like St Austell, would need two, with the inter-schools rivalries and potential community divisions that entails.

As it is one town with one secondary school means that the school can truly reflect the town, maintaining strong links to the outside community and a sense of cohesion and togetherness within its own community. It also means that when I walk through Saltash I can be 90% sure that anyone under 25 either is or was my student, and that gives me a warm glow of both civic and educational happiness.

Adam Killeya

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## Community Chest

Young sailors and scholars at Burraton School are among those to whom the Town Council has given grants from the Town's Community Chest.

Saltash Sailing Clubs have been given nearly £800 towards a boat trailer while Burraton School received £1000 for its play area. Saltash United Football Club also received £1000 towards refurbishment of its club buildings while the Saltash Chronicles Embroidery Project was granted £1000 towards equipment to panel and fit to a wall its project when completed.

The Festival Fund granted £200 towards the Cornwall International Male Choral Festival and £2272 towards the Saltash Regatta.

## Letter to the Editor

"Am I the only one wondering where the improvements are at the Carkeel Roundabout? Maybe I got the wrong impression, but I thought alterations were going to take place, which would significantly improve the traffic flow. What we have is a very impressive bridge and little else. The supposed filter lane left into Saltash coming from the direction of the tunnel seems to be non-existent and Lamp Posts are now being put in, which would seem to indicate that is the extent of it. On the other side ie: the continuation of the A38 there also seems to be a miniscule filter lane, if it can be called that, its not yet open but its effect when it does will also be nil. Until something is done to undo the serious restriction of traffic flow between Carkeel and the Trerulefoot Roundabout where zoning has taken place along its length, commuters and holiday makers alike will continue to enjoy snail like progression and for the former be lucky to be home for "News at Ten"."

Chris Cansfield, Landrake

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# Volunteers Award for Over Seven Hundred Years of Service to Saltash



'Saltash is an amazing town with amazing people and amazing volunteers'. So said Rose Edwards of Community Enterprise PL12 who, with Saltash Town Council, presented a certificate to twenty-seven Saltash Citizens all of whom had given at least twenty-five years of their lives to volunteering.

This was part of a local contribution to National Volunteer Week, a tribute to the 'unsung heroes' who give their time for others. Cornwall has the highest levels of volunteering of any such local authority in the country and it has been calculated that 14,000 full time staff would have to be employed in Cornwall to cover work currently done by volunteers.

Four members of Saltash Heritage, who help with the volunteer run museum and local history centre, have between them put in 114 years of service. This was exceeded by the 129 years given by five organisers of Saltash Speech and Drama Festival, while a local scout leader Peter Carvell has given 25 years to scouting in Saltash out of a total of 56 years in Cornwall, his wife Maureen has given 48 years to scouting and Ian Carvell 26

years, six scout leaders between them totalled 202 years service to Saltash.

Other organisations represented included Saltash District Girl Guiding with over 127 years between five members, Saltash Rugby Club with three members each giving over 25 years, and the Cecily Baker Charity, with three members giving 91 years. Maureen Ashton represented Saltash Handicapped and Disabled Organisation to which she has given over 25 years.

On arrival at the presentation evening in Saltash Guildhall award winners were serenaded by the ladies of Brunel Harmony Chorus.

The Mayor Councillor Bill Phillips in presenting the certificates spoke of Saltash as 'a wonderful place with its number of organisations a magnet for volunteers. A buffet supper enabled all the award winners to socialise afterwards.

The twenty-seven award winners had between them had given 763 years of service to Saltash.

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## From The Mayor's Parlour...

Well it is only been just over four weeks since I was elected Mayor of Saltash and what a hectic time we have had getting to grips with social functions as well as dealing with normal council business. Some of the tasks on our list included the opening of Fox and Sons new lettings office and Jean and I have been getting to know our neighbouring mayors by attending their choosing ceremonies and civic services!

It is always a pleasure to be involved with activities involving children and this month we were invited to the Youngstagers production of Colour my World which was a credit not only to the kids but the parents and helpers of the Youngstagers!

Keeping on the theme of children we were also invited to the opening at Bishop Cornish School of their new model railway track and adventure playground. Saltash United juniors football club is something I

remember from my past as my youngest son James played for them from aged 8 to 14 so it was with pleasure that we were asked to present the prizes at their awards evening.

One of the things that make for a successful well balanced community is reliable volunteers as most organisations wouldn't function without them, so it was a pleasure during national volunteer week to be asked to present awards to a large group of volunteers from a diverse range of organisations who had completed over 25 years service. As I write this I am made aware that the new footbridge over the A38 at Carkeel has just been opened for use. This is welcome news to all of us who have been running the gauntlet trying to get across, mainly memories from my running days. Hopefully next month I will have news of the rest of the road widening works being finished.

*Cllr Bill Phillips  
Town Mayor*

## Nuisance Bikes and Speeding Cars Monitored by Police

Saltmill residents have been expressing to the police their concerns as to nuisance bikes being ridden around the area. 'We are very aware and would encourage reporting to continue so that we can identify and take robust action against the riders', say Saltash Police.

Motorist too are being monitored especially by a small team of Community Speedwatch volunteers. They attend different locations, monitor traffic and act as a visible reminder to drivers to adhere to speed limits. Their success is shown as they have already this year monitored 818 vehicles, noting the licence number of those exceeding the limit - fifteen drivers of which have received police warning letters. Local Police will be pleased to explain the application process for any more police volunteers.

During May 301 calls were recorded by police from the Saltash area including duplicate calls. Of these 81 were road related, 25 concerns for individuals, 8 concerned missing persons and 22 domestic incidents. There were also 62 complaints of anti-social behaviour of various descriptions and 86 recorded crimes. These included two burglaries (one dwelling, one non-dwelling) 24 criminal damage including two arson, fifteen assaults including sexual and domestic and one drugs offence.

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**Saltash Community Market**  
Temporary Closure 27th July - 6th August  
**DIY alert**  
**SOS!** 4 Fore Street needs a revamp and a redesign, but we are entirely volunteer run and don't have the funds to pay professional shopfitters.  
**Can you help us?**  
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# SALTASH TOWN PRESENTS ITS SECOND ARTS FESTIVAL

Programme of Events - 22nd August – 7th September

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The enterprising local businesses have come together to create the second Saltash Arts Festival  
 A glance at the packed programme shows what a variety of attractions they have arranged for the visitors delight and interest.

DAY/DATE	START TIME	SHOP/VENUE	ACTIVITY
Saturday 22nd	10:00 AM	In the Street	The Senior Moments Quartet will be visiting shops to launch the Saltash Arts Festival
Monday 24th	10:00 AM	Maurice Huggins Room	Toddler Art Club - Charge of £3.00
	10:30 am	Library	Toddler Story Time
	1:00 PM	Field Leisure	Wildways Forest School - Learn how to craft your Forest Friends
	3 pm	Speedy Prints	Learn how to illustrate - Bring a picture you like - from novice to advanced. Book your place on 845755.
Tuesday 25th	10 am	Firepower	Chris Wells - See his lovely sketches and cards
	10 am	Maurice Huggins Room	Seed Swap and Repair Cafe
	10:30 am	Piglets	Book your place to learn how to knit 844326
	11 am	goMobile	Jamie demonstrates Smart Phone skills - Pop in to find out what you've been missing
	10 am	Saltash DIY Keast Mews	"An invitation to Scouts, Guides & Brownies -Create your own picture on the pavement" to win a prize. 6 places available every hour - Book with Mike Parker 657992
Wednesday 26th	10 am	Maitlands	Watch Diane and her Cake Decoration/Personalised Plaques
	10 am	Maurice Huggins Room	Drop in Community make/Join in to help make Wassailing Heads for new apple trees
	10:30 am	Kernow Pet Supplies	Do you want a photograph of your pet? - Book now and pay with your order
	10:30 am	Saltash Tackle & Bait	Angling - try your hand at making a rig - the best one wins a £10 gift voucher - book your place on 415437
Thursday 27th	2 pm	Petit Pain	Jewellery making demonstration by Vikki
	10 am	Poison Pasties	Kerensa Aval - Loving Cornish Apples - see apple pressing and taste the difference
Friday 28th	Morning	Saltash Community Market	See Rachel doing shaving foam marbling
	10:30 am	Noakes & Habermel	See how patchwork is created
	11 am	The Bookshelf	"We are embracing our French twin, Létagere de livre Plougastel-Daoulas." "Book in for an "Allo Allo" themed event with music, french cuisine and a little je ne sais quoi."
	11:30 am prompt	The Florery	Learn how flower arrangements are done
	11:30 am	Bathroom Kitchen & Lighting Shop	See Kerry in a bath full of bubbles
	2 pm	Saltash Cards	What is teabag folding? Ask Rachel
Saturday 29th	10:30 am	Luscombes	Gary Cooper and his lovely paintings
	11 am	Courtyard Music - Top of the Town	Peter Crawford - Sings
	10:30 am	Kernow Pet Supplies	Do want a photograph of your pet? - Book now and pay with your order
	10 am	Library	Bodmin Moor Poetry Workshop
	1:30 pm	Bakers Coffee Shop lounge area	Bodmin Moor Poetry Readings
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Tuesday 1st	10 am	Maurice Huggins Room	Seed Swap and Repair Cafe
	10:30 am	Piglets	Book your place to learn how to crochet 844326
Wednesday 2nd	11 am	Brunel	Enjoy local Folk Music
	11 am	Courtyard Music - Top of the Town	Peter Crawford Sings
	10 am	Keast Mews	Lovely music and voice from Judy Whitlock
	10 am	Maitlands	Watch Diane doing cake decoration/personalised plaques
	10 am	Maurice Huggins Room	Drop in to make Wassailing Heads with other members of the Saltash Town Community
Thursday 3rd	2pm	Kasia Hairdresser	Riverside Quilters demonstrate their craft
	11:30 am	Evans	Fabric dying Workshop
	10:30 am	Saltash Pharmacy	See how Margrett makes her cards
	1pm	Driftwood	Vikki demonstrates her skills in acrylics
Friday 4th	10 am	Lloyds Pharmacy	Learn Ribbon Weaving from Rachel
	11 am	The Bookshelf	"We are embracing our French twin, Létagere de livre Plougastel-Daoulas." "Book in for an "Allo Allo" themed event with music, french cuisine and a little je ne sais quoi."
Saturday 5th	During the day	Pengellys	Brunel Harmony will be entertaining
	Morning	Victoria Gardens	Saltash Town Band
	10 am	Keast Mews	Lovely music and voice from Judy Whitlock
	10 am	Field Leisure	"Learn Serious Outdoor Skills, demonstrations by Jack of Friction fire starting, "natural cordage making, whittling and carving."
Monday 7th	2 pm	Bishops Pasty Shop	"Bread making demonstration, have a go yourself."
	7:30 pm	To be arranged	Colin Brown is 'Creative Arts Chaplain' in Cornwall. He explores connections between art and faith. "Colin will bring us some of his discoveries of this fascinating subject," before inviting us all to share our own views and experiences. Bring along a piece of art (your own or reference to someone else's) that connects you with the divine or sacred. "The 'art' can be music, drama, sculpture, poem or prose, as well as the visual arts."



**Come and Try a New Hobby!**

The programme herewith was full and correct at the time of going to press for the latest additions to it look for the Pale Blue Posters in the windows of every participating business.

**Saltash Town Centre Businesses**



# A Musical Opening will set the Scene for The Second Saltash Arts Festival

Following the success of last year's first ever Saltash Arts Festival this year even more of our friendly local community of businesses are coming together to ensure an even wider variety of events, displays and workshops. The organisers believe that over the two weeks that the festival runs this August and September there really is something for everybody.

From the musical opening of the Festival, when a singing quartet will be touring the town and its shops to serenade Saltash, the range of events is surely unmatched in any town of similar size.

There is an even wider range of art events with local artists

displaying, working on and teaching their skills. Music to suit all ears will be flowing around the town while those who prefer the written word can attend a professionally run poetry workshop and reading.

A variety of new skills being

demonstrated is truly amazing, reflecting the variety of local and mainly family run shops we have in Saltash - anything from cake crafting and flower arranging to bread making and smart phone skills, and just fun features, such as the 'Allo Allo' theme embracing

our French twin town in our local Bookself Tea Rooms.

For a full update of what the two weeks action packed event offers see the programme in this paper and look out for the posters displayed in participating businesses nearer the time.

## Something for Everyone at Saltash Arts Festival

All of the arts are represented in the full programme of events for the Second Saltash Arts Festival.

The two week programme opens with the singers of the Senior Moments Quartet giving a musical tour of the town and from then on most musical tastes can be satisfied over the fortnight. Many locally familiar faces will include Roger Smith and Peter Crawford, both folk artists, and Judy Whitlock, cellist and signer. Brunel Harmony and the Saltash Town Band will all be performing throughout the year.

A new attraction this year is a visit by the Bodmin Moor Poetry Festival Team who will give a workshop for would-be writers as well as a reading.

Art itself is well represented with displays and work in progress by local artists including Vince Wilson and Gary Cooper. There is also a range of teaching art skills for all from toddlers to adults. Children are especially catered for with the scouts', guides' and brownies' street art, and a childrens drawing competition. Those who appreciate the medium of photography will be delighted that Saltash Camera Club is, following last year's highly remarked upon display, presenting a fresh exhibition courtesy of two of our local banks.

With so much to enjoy and appreciate and, it is hoped, encourage Saltash folk to cultivate their own artistic talents, there is really something for everyone to enjoy during the Second Saltash Arts Festival.

### CONTINUOUS EVENTS



Treasure Island - See the Saltash Chronicles Tapestry now almost complete. Outside, weather permitting

Barclays Bank Photography Exhibition by Saltash & District Camera Club



Newell's Travel - Childrens drawing competition

HSBC Bank Photography Exhibition by Saltash & District Camera Club

Visit Vanessa to see how the generosity of Saltash people has contributed to the Chernobyl Children's Lifeline

Steps Ahead - Can your children tie their shoelaces? Have fun and Learn how with Amanda

## A Chance to Learn New Skills

There is always a special pleasure watching a skilled craftsman at work. This year the Second Saltash Arts Festival includes even more displays of the popular and in some cases more esoteric crafts and hobbies practiced in and around our town.

In many cases the audience will be offered the chance to learn new skills and perhaps open up a new pleasure.

Cake decoration and flower arranging always prove popular, but how about learning 'how to craft your forest friends?' Artistic skills such as jewellery and card making are contrasted with the more unusual making of wassailing heads and tea bag folding. Quilting, ribbon weaving and fabric dyeing all have their eagerly interested followers who may be tempted to try their skill at these activities. Or how about studying bread making or, for the outdoor types, such skills as fire lighting, whittling and carving? For the gardener there is a seed swap, for the artistic, acrylic design, and crochet and knitting classes for which one needs to book in advance (see adjacent programme for details) Also booking is required for would-be anglers, who can learn to make a rig with a prize for the best one. And for a really local Cornish skill there will be Kerensa Aval, apple pressing to the uninitiated.

We believe that even more than last year those who come into the town during the second Saltash Arts Festival will be amazed at the amount of crafts and skills practiced locally and at which any may seek to be an adept.



## Bodmin Moor Poetry Festival Day At Saltash Arts Festival

The Bodmin Moor Poetry Festival has been running for four years. It takes place on the last weekend in May at Sterts Arts Centre on Bodmin Moor.

See www.bodminmoorpoetryfestival.co.uk throughout the year we also run a number of 'Poetry Saturdays'. We are delighted to join with Saltash Arts Festival 2015 on Saturday 29th August. Falmouth-based Poet Katrina Naomi will run a poetry workshop for both beginners and more experienced poets at Saltash Library from 10 am – 12.30pm – suitable for over 16s - just bring paper and pen!

This will be followed by a reading by Katrina of her own poetry at Bakers Coffee Shop at 1.30pm. A guest poet will also join Katrina.

Katrina has had poems published widely, including on BBC Radio 4. She has published several books of poetry, and won various awards for her work. She teaches at Falmouth University. For more information see www.katrinanaomi.co.uk  
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# Picnic In The Park and Parade of Young 'Heroes



A community picnic in the park was shared by families young and old including children who were afterwards to parade through the town and see their own flag formally dedicated.

The event in Victoria Gardens was enjoyed by over a hundred picnickers who came

together as part of The Big Lunch, a nationwide series of community gatherings promoted by the Eden Project. Here in Saltash it was organised by Saltash Environmental Action together with the Town Council.

Among the families spread out in the late spring Sunday sunshine there were stalls selling local produce including homemade cakes and strawberries and cream as well as pies and pasties. The sunshine ensure that the ice cream stall did a busy trade. There was live music from four different entertainers, while the youngsters enjoyed den building as well as organised games and a quiz.

As the picnic drew to a close Royal Navy, Army and Air Force Cadets assembled together with smartly dressed children of all ages. These children were members of H.M.S. (Her Majesty's School) Heroes, all of whom have a parent actively serving in the armed forces. They were to form up behind the Town Band

together with the Cadets and Deputy Mayor and Consort Mrs. Hilary and Mr Sho Frank.

At St. Nicholas Church they had the thrill of sharing in the dedication service for their newly donated HMS Heroes flag.

## Where Have all the Flowers Gone!

The floral displays in the box beds along Fore Street are well below standard. Councillor John Brady told the Town Council. He had been asked to carry out a survey on floral displays in the town and reported that only two beds containing herbs appeared acceptable. Others had primulas earlier in the year and now just contained wallflowers.

Lower down at the foot of Fore Street the displays looked good but in Alexandra Square the floral boat urgently needed repair and replanting as did the two Rotary boats in the town.

It was noted that the contract awarded by the Council for maintaining the floral displays began last October and it was agreed that the contractors should be given the chance to replant for summer.

'The company wants to do a good job and should be given the chance to do so', recommended Councillor Brady, and this was agreed.

## Conundrum Corner

Taking the initial letter to the one-word answers to the following nine questions can you rearrange them to make the name of a Bird?

- 1 In the 1963 film Summer Holiday what type of transport did Cliff Richard and his friends use to travel through Europe? (3)
- 2 In which City would you see the Spanish Steps? (4)
- 3 Pate de Foie Gras is made from which organ of a Duck or Goose? (5)
- 4 During the Civil War in which City were the headquarters of the Royalists? (6)
- 5 What is the name of the Beagle in the cartoon strip Peanuts? (6)
- 6 Which was England's first Garden City? (10)
- 7 In which Country was the late funnyman Spike Milligan born? (5)
- 8 What is the name of the Bass Tuba that wraps around the player's body? (10)
- 9 Which pigment produces the green colour in plants? (11)

Answers on page 7

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## Seaside Scene Display Wins Newell's First Prize

Spring time shoppers in Fore Street got into the Summer holiday mood as they glanced at the amazingly colourful window display at Newell's travel agents.

The display was our local branch staff's entry into a nationwide competition. Each branch had been sent a straw hat, a mini deckchair, some blow-up seahorses and posters.

From this the Newell's staff enjoyed spending several hours creating a lovely collage display of a beach scene split between above and

under water scenes. 'Everybody loved it including us', we are told.

So too, evidently, did the judges. There were three prizes and of all the nationwide entrants Saltash won first prize. The whole branch was delighted for Ceres who won a holiday for two in Lanzarote.

## War Centenary Peace Garden Planned

A memorial or 'Peace' garden to mark the Centenary of World War I and the 75 years since World War II is planned for the town.

The most appropriate area would be a small triangle of Alexandra Square opposite the War Memorial by St. Nicholas Church, believes Councillor Mrs Sue Hooper MBE who has put forward the suggestion.

She has prepared a plan, which includes an avenue of flowering Cherry trees overlooking the square and a quiet seating area below. Flowers would be of the town colours, red, yellow, white and blue, to include poppies when in season. Three benches would be made of recycled material.

There would also be a plaque, preferably of natural Cornish Slate, commemorating the dead of both world wars and those sadly killed in later conflicts.

The Town Council has given the project the go-ahead and is setting up a working party, to include members invited from the Royal British Legion and Saltash Heritage, with a guideline budget of £10,000.

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# A Perfect Peter Pan Played by Joyous Juniors

The main hall of saltash.net academy erupted with pirates, Indians, lost boys, fairies and mermaids as juniors from that school joined with senior pupils of its feeder schools in a joyous production of 'Peter Pan'.

In the substantial cast of 55 around twenty were from the various schools that feed into side of some productions effectively adopted. As male lead Brandon



our local senior school. This was the fourth such joint production and many of the saltash.net cast members had previously performed while at their primary schools and now appeared alongside former schoolmates.

This was a light-hearted Peter Pan, far from the dark

identification with the lost boys who never grew up and cast Hook and Mr. Darling as two sides of the same person. Instead with rumbustious pirates, bloodthirsty Braves and spirited lost boys this show had the spontaneous joy of Barrie's original script for the family of boys whom he

Escott played a carelessly nonchalant Pan with Panache alongside Emily Lambert as Wendy on the brink of maturity but clinging to her childhood. As Mr. Darling Thomas Hollyman acquired a suitable bubble of pomposity burst at the conclusion, opposite Megan Kelly as the



ideal mother figure Mrs Darling. Tommy Williams played a fittingly villainous cowardly Hook, haunted by his crocodile, Jemima Budd a feisty fairy Tinkerbell and Tia Crews the irresistible nanny-dog Nana.

But above all it was the chorus including the lost boys, fairies and mermaids whose exuberant entrances, excellently timed choreography and joyous singing ensured that the audience shared the pleasure which the cast obviously derived from working together to recreate the timeless magic of 'Peter Pan'.



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24th July – 31st August



**Saturday 25th July – 1st, 8th, 15, 22nd, 29th August**

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6 years and over (and adults)  
£4.10 per person without chips  
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**Thursday 30th July**

## Aquatic Skills Workshop

Stage 5 and above  
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**Thursday 30th July – 13th – 27th August**

## Teen Combat

12 – 16 years - £3 -12pm – 12:45pm  
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**Friday 31st July – Friday 14th August**

## Pool Party

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**Please note** that an adult **Must** accompany all children under 8 years and under 4s will still be charged the full price due to a restriction on numbers in the pool.

**Monday 3rd August – 7th August**

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**Monday 10th August – Thursday 13th August**

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**BRING YOUR OWN BMX, SKATEBOARD, SCOOTER OR SKATES**

Helmets need to be worn, helmets can be hired out from junkyard.

The Summer Shredders will be held at 'junkyard indoor skatepark'  
[www.junkyardskatepark.com](http://www.junkyardskatepark.com)

**Wednesday 19th August**

## Vocal Jam

1pm – 3pm - Max 15 children - £8  
Vocaljam is a fun, exciting vocal coaching session, helping you to learn how to warm-up your vocals and gaining confidence with singing and performing, if you love to sing and want to learn more, this workshop is for you.

**Monday 17th August**

## Shredder Afternoon session

6-16 years - 2pm – 4pm - Max 20 children £20  
An afternoon full of fun packed skills and activities, gaining confidence within a fun, friendly environment. Bring along your own scooter, BMX, skateboard or roller skates and come have fun with a trained coach. (Helmets to be worn)

**Monday 24th August – 26th August**

## Cheerleading & Dance Camp

12pm – 3.30pm - Max 20 - 5-15 years  
£20

A high energy fun dance and cheerleading class with choreographed routines to the latest music.

Combined together to produce a performance for parents on the afternoon of the last day.

**Please wear suitable clothing and bring a drink**

**Memorable May Ball**  
For Head of 6th Form and Deputy Headteacher at saltash.net, Mr Nick Scantlebury, the annual Year 13 May Ball was set to be particularly memorable. Having announced his retirement earlier this year, Mr Scantlebury has been making the most of his remaining time at the school, and this included enjoying a very special evening at The Duke of Cornwall Hotel in Plymouth designed to mark the end of the 6th formers' time at their school.

Arriving in style, the Year 13 students enjoyed 'red carpet' photocalls organised by DT Technician, Mr Darren McDonald, before sitting down to a three course meal and dancing the night away.

Commenting on the success of the May Ball, Mr Scantlebury said,

'Tonight was a very fitting way for students to mark the end of their A level studies. Everybody enjoyed the evening, as was evident in the

wonderful atmosphere. I am sure that the students will have good memories not only of the May Ball but also of their time in the Sixth Form.'



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Wednesday 30th September &  
Thursday 1st October 2015 at 6.30pm

*We look forward to seeing you there!*

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