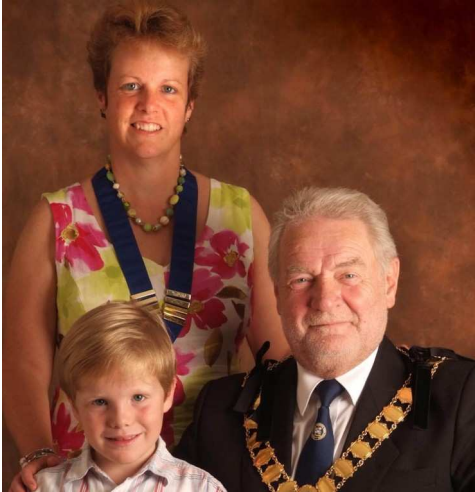


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TOWN NEWSLETTER

December 2011



Foreword by the Mayor of Redruth, Cllr Ian Thomas

Welcome, once again, to the Christmas edition of the Town Council's newsletter – just where have the last twelve months gone? It occurs to me that the older I get, the quicker time passes me by, for as a young child each Christmas seemed more than a year apart and yet now the days and months roll on at an accelerated and endless pace.

And so to the present. Can I, firstly, wish all the people of Redruth a very merry and peaceful Christmas and a prosperous New Year – Nadelik Lowen hag Bledhen Nowyth Da! Again, I would also wish you all health, happiness and hope for the coming year. I pass these greetings to you also on behalf of my wife Sharen, little Lewis, my Councillor colleagues and all the staff of Redruth Town Council.

To reflect on 2011, I have had a wonderful twelve months. I probably have no need to remind you of Murdoch Day, the St Piran's Day Festival, the Mining Festival and the current and ongoing Christmas Events

programme which started with the tremendous Children's Procession through the town, led by Father Christmas, the Town Crier, myself, and Redruth School's Samba Band. And let's not forget the Christmas lights, trees, decorations and the 'steaming up' of the Murdoch Flyer ... absolutely brilliant! Two other events that I must mention are the launch of the 'True Tales of Redruth' book, which is a series of short stories about our town and the people who live or lived in it, penned by people from within our community and by people now living overseas. The other event was, of course, the amazingly successful and worthwhile tour of the mobile skateboard park. We saw literally hundreds of young people enjoying the facility and hundreds more contributing towards a consultation exercise to evidence whether, or not, there is a need for such a facility within our Parish. Whilst we are still collating the responses from that exercise, you wouldn't need to be an Einstein to work out what the outcome is ... you might need to be an Einstein to work out what we do next!

And then to look forward to 2012. You would expect me to say that we will build on our successes and we will, but we have ambition too. Yes, we will endeavour to make the key events in our town bigger and better year on year. But we will also continue to promote our town and encourage investment in it despite the difficult financial climate that most of us are enduring. There is never a day goes by when I am not discussing such matters as the Brewery, Avers, the Cornish National Archive, the cost of Car Parking, Business Rates and even Fire Cover, as well as the transfer of assets, functions, responsibilities and budgets(!) from Cornwall Council to the Town Council under the Localism agenda. We must aspire and develop not wither and die.

Finally, if you have a comment or ideas on how we can make the town more vibrant, appealing and prosperous or simply need information on what is going on in the town, please call the Town Development Manager on 01209 210038 or send an e-mail to tmd@redruth-tc.gov.uk.



What's Going on in Town

See Details inside

**Christmas
Celebrations 2011**



**Dates for next year's
Diary**

Christmas Events

PICK UP YOUR FREE DIARY of CHRISTMAS EVENTS in local shops!

Thursday 15th December 10.00 am - 3.00 pm



Skills for Life Barncoose, Chariot Road, Illogan Highway TR15 3LG

Come and have a go at a variety of workshops: Christmas decorations for cakes, sewing bags and many more

Get ideas for Christmas and purchase gifts. Refreshments provided

Friday 16th December 7.00 pm **Redruth Radio Christmas Celebration**, St Rumon's Club (the old British Legion), Penryn Street. **FREE**

festive celebration of the first 9 months of the existence of Redruth Radio. Fun activities, entertainment, food, drink and music. Open to anybody who would like to meet the Redruth Radio volunteers, especially those interested in finding out how they could become involved with this growing community radio station. For more info e-mail admin@redruthradio.co.uk or call 01209 698005

Saturday 17th December

10.00 am - 4.30 pm **FREE Christmas grotto** - in the former Boots Store, 31- 32 Fore Street

10.00 am - 4.00 pm **Christmas Craft Fair**, Murdoch House, Cross Street

11.00 am - 2.00 pm **Live Nativity and Carol Singing**— moving through Fore Street

7.00 pm - 9.00 pm **“Dancing to Bethlehem”** by the Bev-Lyn School of Dance, St Andrew's Church, Bond Street. A beautiful, moving, Nativity story told by over 200 young dancers. **Also showing on 14th, 15th and 16th December.** 01209 211377 office@bevlyndance.co.uk

9.00 pm - 11.00 pm **Live Band: Hanterhir**, Gaslights, Station Hill

Sunday 18th December

10.45 am **‘Tidings of Comfort & Joy’** Nativity Play, Redruth Baptist Church, Penryn Street

6.00 pm **Candle-lit Carol Service**, Redruth Methodist Church, Wesley Street

6.30 pm **Carols by Candlelight**, Redruth Baptist Church, Penryn Street



Friday 23rd December

10.00 am - 1.00 pm **FREE Christmas grotto** - in the former Boots Store, 31- 32 Fore Street. A special opening just 2 days before Christmas Day!

Doors open at 7 pm **Melting Pot Christmas Gig with Three Daft Monkeys**, Krowji, West Park, TR15 3AJ. For more events at the Melting Pot visit www.themeltingpotcafe.co.uk

Saturday 24th December

11.00 am **Carol Singing** by Redruth's Anglican and Methodist Churches, accompanied by Waterside Brass - outside the Clock Tower on Fore Street

11.15 pm **Midnight Holy Communion** Redruth Methodist Church

Until Friday 30th December

A Cornish Christmas
Cornish Studies Library,
Alma Place

Discover Christmas past
at an exhibition of photo-
graphs and books.

Exhibition continues until
Friday 30th December.
Monday, Tuesday,
Thursday and Friday
10am to 5pm and
Saturday 10am to 1pm

FREE

Father Christmas' Grotto

Saturday 17th December 10 am - 4.30 pm

Friday 23rd December 10 am - 1.00 pm

31 - 32 Fore Street

(the former Boots store)

Prepare yourselves for a special treat this
Christmas as Father Christmas' Grotto
promises to be bigger and better than ever!
Don't miss out on the magical experience
of meeting Father Christmas as he pre-
pares for his extraordinary journey around
the world. Come and play some games,
and hang your wish upon the tree!

Redruth Christmas Flags, Lights and Trees

After last year's beautiful display of Christmas trees, the Redruth Christmas Events
Group has now purchased 50 artificial Christmas trees which can be reused each year.
Alongside Redruth's bespoke silk flags and ever-growing array of lights, it promises to
be a sparkingly festive celebration in our town this Christmas.

Redruth Town Council - Council Surgery Dates 2011

Come along and meet your Councillors - no appointment necessary

Wednesday 14th December 2011 7.00 pm to 9.00 pm in The Chambers, Penryn Street

YOUR COUNCILLORS

North Ward

Cllr R. S. Barnes - 01209 212558
Fal, Clinton Close, TR15 2LR

Cllr M.S. Eddowes - 01209 215074
2 Roseland Gardens, TR15 1PU

Cllr Mrs J. Enefer - 01209 204103
2 Forth Noweth, TR15 1AR

Cllr M. Hall - 01209 219426
23 West Trevingey, TR15 3DJ

Cllr K. Old - 01209 219202
1 Chapel Terrace, Carn Brea Village,
TR15 3BG

Cllr I. Thomas - 01209 213751
Southview, Wheal Mary, TR16 4BX

Cllr W Tremayne - 01209 314330
13 North Street, TR15 1HJ

South Ward

Cllr Miss P. N. Aston - 01209 211648
Rose Cottage, West Tolgus, Illogan,
TR15 3TN

Cllr H. Biscoe - 01209 212991
29 Treliske Road, Roseland Gardens,
TR15 1QE

Cllr J. Carroll - 01209 214402
Tynedale, Gweal-an-Top, TR15 2DR

Cllr Mrs J. Davidson - 01209 217179
2 Trevenner Mews, TR15 1JW

Cllr Mrs B. R. Ellenbroek - 01209 314422
Gwel an Vre, 83A Clinton Road, TR15
2LT

Cllr Mrs M. McWilliams - 01209 213576
17 South Park, TR15 3AW

Cllr B. Turner - 01209 314481
1 Trelawney Avenue, Treskerby, TR15
1RH

UPDATE FROM TOWN DEVELOPMENT MANAGER, LEE DUNKLEY



And so it's the end of the year already – and it's a good time to look back and see what happened in Redruth in 2011, and what's in store for the first part of 2012.

One of this year's biggest successes was probably St Piran's Day – where we staged the biggest celebration in the whole of Cornwall to celebrate the Patron Saint of Tinners. Next year's even bigger 'St Piran's Festival' is fast-approaching. There will be town-wide events on Saturday 3rd March – to find out more nearer the time, check the facebook page:

www.facebook.com/RedruthTown (which incidentally now has over 700 members!).

True Tales of Redruth – the community book published to celebrate philanthropist John Passmore Edwards – has been a roaring success. We printed double the amount of

books we initially planned for and shops sell out very quickly. Thinking caps on please for your entry to True Tales Volume II at some point in the future!

The Station Hill/Penryn Street site is, as I type, being transformed. By the time you read this the mural should be installed and the decorative hoardings up around the site. The project is an interim site improvement – the long-term ideal is to have a new building there. The site is privately owned, yet the community – in particular Redruth School and Redruth Education and Economic Arts Partnership – and other bodies (Town Council, CPR Regeneration, local Cornwall Councillors) recognised the need to improve the look of the site in the short-term. The Town Council have a licence agreement for the land which expires in September 2013. The mural will be lit up with artistic lighting, making it unique – in fact the first of its kind in the world! The switch on for this is due in early January.

In other news the Redruth Action Plan Project – a document which details what development we'd like to see in the town – is due to be discussed by Cornwall Council's cabinet in mid-December. If they adopt the document, which we hope they will, it will inform planning policy and will help to set the town on a path towards development. Needless to say, the brewery site features very strongly in the document and all parties are agreed that this is the top priority. The document went to public consultation a couple of months ago, so hopefully you have had a chance to see it if you are interested. For another look at the document please contact me at the Town Council.

Finally, the mobile skate parks which were set up during August (and one in October due to postponement) were a massive success. There were five 6-hour events in three different locations across the town which attracted over 200 young people! A survey was conducted at the same time and a report is being written up to make the case for a permanent skate park in the town. If you would like to support this idea, please contact me.

For any more information on any of the above please don't hesitate to get in touch via the contact details below. Happy New Year!

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Dates for your Diary

Saturday 3rd March 2012 – St Piran's Day celebrations Town Centre and Redruth Rugby Football Club

Contact: Lee Dunkley 01209 210038

Saturday 16th June 2012 – Murdoch Day - The main Murdoch Day festivities to take place across the town

Contact: Peter Bennett 01209 210038

Mining Festival September 2012 - to get involved contact Lee Dunkley 01209 210038

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