

Redruth Record



TOWN NEWSLETTER

Foreword by the Town Mayor, Cllr Ian Thomas



Well we've seen the best, or should that be the worst, of the summer. During the past three months or so we've certainly had mixed weather and a mix of emotions too.

Unfortunately the town's spirits were dampened by the relegation to National Division 2 South of our much loved Rugby Club despite the 'Reds' gallant efforts. However, within a few weeks we were celebrating Murdoch Day and oh what an uplift that gave us. The town was festooned with flags and bunting, the streets were packed with people, music, song and dance. I'm sure you will agree that everyone had a wonderful time ... you could see it in their smiles and hear it in their laughter. Once again the highlight for me was the Schoolchildren's Dance and Art Procession. What a magnificent effort the schools, the teachers and students make. I must also acknowledge the brilliant Murdoch Concert at Redruth Wesley, the Murdoch Lecture at St Rumon's and the efforts of the Churches, the Moseley Museum and everyone else who helps celebrate Redruth's special day.

Another 'team' I must mention is, of course, the Redruth Lions. What a fantastic event they always put on for us on Redruth Fun Day despite some awful weather. You may also have heard about, experienced or enjoyed the mobile skateboard park (plus scooter and bmx) which the Town Council led and organized in the town on each Wednesday in August. This project had three key aims. Firstly, to give our young people something constructive to look forward to and participate in during the school holidays; secondly, to facilitate a consultation exercise on the 'need' for a skate park in Redruth; and thirdly to engage with the young people in our community. Mission accomplished!! - this was a monumental success, but more on that at a later date. Once again, we owe a great vote of thanks to our friends in the Lions, the Rotary Club of Redruth, the Redruth Charity Trust and Redruth Rugby Football Club who were so willing to financially support this wonderful initiative.

Events like these take an enormous amount of time and effort and without those friends and volunteers who assist, none of these things would happen. So I make a plea and a promise to you. Firstly, the plea. REDRUTH, your town, NEEDS YOU! Whatever your skills, knowledge and experience, we can probably find a job for you to do. It may be fixing up Christmas lights, trees and decorations, it may be as a marshal or steward controlling traffic movements or people during an event, it could even be providing admin or reception duties on a temporary or a permanent basis. And so to my promise it's simple no pay, but a huge reward. That reward is priceless - you will enjoy yourself and have your spirits lifted. Please try it and see.

Finally, if you would like to volunteer your services, wish to comment or have ideas on how we can promote and regenerate our town, please contact the Town Development Manager on 01209 210038 or by e-mail to tdm@redruth-tc.gov.uk.



REDRUTH SCHOOL

Open Evening Thursday 29th September 5-8 pm

We would like to congratulate our students, staff and parents for this year's record examination results.

Mr C Martin Headteacher

58% of students achieved 5 or more GCSEs A*-C including English and Maths.

73% of students achieved 5 or more GCSEs A*-C

GCSE results within **top 25%** of similar schools nationally (Fischer Family Trust Data)

99% Pass rate at A level



EXPECT THE BEST

Redruth Memory Café:

offers entertainment, tea and cake to people with dementia and their carers, family and friends on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month at St. Rumon's Social Club Penryn Street, Redruth. Good parking and easy access. Entrance free.

Café Scientifique Redruth meets on a Friday about every six weeks in Murdoch House, Cross Street, Redruth for a talk on a scientific subject. Visit the website: www.cafescientifiqueredruth.co.uk or ring 01209 215917 for further details. Next date: 14th October 2011. Entrance free.

True Tales of Redruth

Volume 1
By The People of Redruth

ON SALE
25th October
In town centre shops

Artwork by Julia Pascoe
www.juliaspascoearts.com



REDRUTH TOWN COUNCIL'S ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE COUNCIL YEAR 2010-2011

Welcome to this brief summary of the Town Council's Annual Report for 2010-11. It is Redruth Town Council policy to be open and informative. In light of this not only do we publish this report, it is also available on our website www.redruth-tc.gov.uk, as are minutes of all Town Council meetings and other documents which may interest you. We are on Facebook - www.facebook.com/RedruthTown. We hold regular monthly surgeries, the schedules of which are available on the Town notice boards and the website - members of the public are welcome to drop in, no appointment is necessary.

FULL COUNCIL – The Council Year began in May with our Annual General Meeting. At this meeting Councillor Ian Thomas was elected as the Town Mayor, and Councillor Mrs Judy Davidson was elected as the Deputy Town Mayor.

One of the more important decisions that Council has taken during this year is in support of the Redruth Action Plan Project and we have appointed a Town Development Manager who we hope will lead this project in the coming years. We believe it is essential that the town is revitalised. Council continue to put what pressure we can on the “blots” on our landscape and the Brewery site in particular. This is going to take time but we hope to make progress over the coming twelve months. We have agreed to fund the monitoring of the CCTV system in the town by setting up a partnership with other Town Councils in the west of Cornwall, and will hopefully contribute towards a safer environment in which to socialise and work. This was necessary following Cornwall Council's withdrawal of funding, although they will continue to maintain and upgrade the system.

We continue to have an excellent working relationship with our Neighbourhood Police team and support the work they carry out throughout the parish. We have been actively involved in reorganising and promoting the Partners and Communities Together (PACT) scheme which the police have helped to set up within the county.

AMENITIES COMMITTEE – Once again this year the committee was responsible for providing the Floral Displays in the town, and we hope you were as pleased with them as we were. We continued our involvement in the Cornwall Council Local Maintenance Partnership whereby the Town Council receives a financial contribution towards the maintenance of the footpaths within the parish; we have had on-going discussions concerning the transfer of assets and services from Cornwall Council to the Town Council where we believe the community will be better served by locally based services. Our involvement with the proposed Adventure Playground at Gweal-an-Top continues with much support for the Friends of Gweal-an-Top. We welcomed the Kernow Credit Union as new tenants on the ground floor of our building. We have and will continue to ensure that the Cornwall Council owned parks and play areas in the parish are well maintained and are places that the community wish to use.

FINANCE & GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE – The committee was once again responsible for the town's celebration of Murdoch Day, and a very successful day it was with plenty of good weather to help things go well. We have been involved in various consultations with Cornwall Council which will hopefully pave the way for a greater liaison between the two tiers of local government. Regrettably we have decided not to continue to provide the funding for the Tourist Information Point during the coming summer months. Although this has proved an invaluable resource for visitors, we, like other authorities, have had to be very prudent with our finances and balance many things against others. On the positive side we have agreed to fund during the coming year new town orientation maps, a new town website and a town leaflet to replace our town guide, and these in themselves will help visitors to the area. We have had input in a plan to update the directional signage around the town which will help everyone. We have also made a financial contribution towards sprucing up the derelict site at the bottom of Station Hill which will hopefully come to fruition in the near future. The committee also authorised its annual financial support to the Redruth Christmas Events, Redruth Fun Day and Christmas Goodwill projects, and gave grants to the following organisations: REAP (Station Hill); Sculpture Series; Redruth Leats Eco-Clean; Penhaligon's Friends; CCPFA; Cornwall Blind Association; Cornwall Air Ambulance

PLANNING COMMITTEE – During the year the Planning Committee considered some 180 planning applications, the decisions on which were forwarded to Cornwall Council as recommendations. The committee received a number of notices regarding road closures due to highway maintenance in the parish of Redruth throughout the year, and were also consulted on numerous topics such as Renewable & Low Carbon Energy schemes, Affordable Housing Developments, Community Involvement, and the Local Transport Plan. We have also been actively involved in the development at Hallenbeagle and road schemes at Avers roundabout and Bucketts Hill. Detailed consultation has been carried out with the new Cornwall Council concerning the protocol that its Planning & Regeneration Service has with local councils. The committee has continued its proactive stance in respect of planning enforcement, ensuring that Cornwall Council is made aware of any issues and pressing for some form of action to be taken by them as the planning authority.

COUNCIL FINANCES – Set out below is a summary of the Council's Income and Expenditure for the Financial Year 2010–2011:

<u>INCOME</u>		<u>EXPENDITURE</u>	
Precept	220090	General Administration	96518
Agency services	1261	Agency services	11260
Interest	394	Grants & Donations	22235
Floral Displays	2910	Murdoch	9395
Tenancies	12732	Capital Expenditure	5968
Other Income	4156	Running Costs	33985
		Other Payments	59550
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Members of the public can view the Annual Return of the Council's Accounts for the year ended 31st March 2011 online on the Council's website or contact the office.

A full copy of the Annual Report for Council Year 2010-2011 is available from the Town Council offices; Cornwall Council One-Stop Shop (Redruth); and Redruth Library. Alternatively it can be viewed on/downloaded from our website.

Redruth Christmas Events 2011

2011 will mark the 5th year of Christmas lights and a grotto in Redruth town, and the 3rd year since the Redruth Christmas Events Group (RCEG) was formed. Each year the programme of events includes a children's procession, a Christmas grotto, lights, flags and trees to decorate the town and an event each Saturday throughout the Christmas period. Last year was our most successful year so far with record numbers watching the procession and visiting Father Christmas in the grotto. This year our grotto will be on a much larger scale and filled with interactive games.

Would you like to help your local community this Christmas?

Musicians/dancers: We'd like to invite musicians and dancers to come and perform at Tatie Court with a collection bucket during the Christmas period. With all the events going on in Redruth this Christmas this is the perfect opportunity for buskers and as an added incentive if you don't reach £50 RCEG will top it up for you!

Would you like to purchase an advert in the Christmas Events Programme?: Adverts in the Christmas programme this year will start from as little as £10 and we will be printing and distributing 5,000 full colour copies across Redruth and beyond. The deadline to send us your advert is 30th September. To find out more see our contact details below.

Cardboard boxes/old Christmas decorations: With such a large space for our grotto this year we need to collect as many cardboard boxes, materials and Christmas decorations as possible. If you have anything you think might be useful please drop it in at Krowji, West Park, Redruth, TR15 3AJ.

Marshals: We're looking for marshals to help with road closures during the Christmas procession on Saturday 26th November. If you would like to volunteer your time please get in touch.

Your Christmas Events: If you have events planned for this Christmas we would like to hear from you. If you give us the details of your event/s by 15th October we'll put them in our events programme for you.

Volunteers: We desperately need some volunteers who would be willing to help install the Christmas decorations. If you can give us just a small amount of your time it would make all the difference. Contact us for further details.



The Redruth and District Calendar 2012

With full colour postcards / prints for you to keep or send to family & friends

Appointment style calendar

Also includes a selection of homemade mouthwatering recipes

An ideal gift or stocking filler

Printed on environmentally friendly material from a managed & sustainable source using vegetable-oil based inks.

All proceeds to Penhaligon's Friends
Registered Charity No. 1053968

Telephone 01209 210624 for details of how to get your copies of this LIMITED EDITION calendar NOW!

only £3.50

Dec 17
Fri 18
Sat 19
Sun 20
Mon 21
Tue 22
Wed 23
Thu 24
Fri 25
Sat 26
Sun 27
Mon 28
Tue 29
Wed 30
Thu 31

Twelve full colour postcards for you to send to your friends & family!

Plus 13 exciting & mouth watering recipes to try!

Sponsored by Carn Breva Parish Council and Redruth Town Council. Supported by The West Briton

If you can help with any of the above please contact elisa@actcornwall.org.uk for further information or pop into Arts and Graphics in Fore Street.

Christmas Events Diary so far:

Sat 26th November 10am – 4pm

FREE Children's rides in Market Way courtesy of The Rotary Club Redruth

From 5pm **Children's Christmas Procession and meet Father Christmas**

Sat 3rd December 10am **Official opening of the Grotto** at the former Boots store, 31-32 Fore Street with the Town Mayor

Sat 10th December 10am – 4pm **Carol Service and Christmas Fayre** at Murdoch House

Sat 17th December From 11am **Live Nativity and carol singing** moving through Fore Street

A message from George Eustice MP

With parliament in recess, I was pleased to be able to spend the whole of August in Cornwall. I hosted eight public meetings, visited lots of local businesses and parish councils, and was able to hold over thirty surgery appointments. It was a great opportunity to catch up with local concerns and to try and help people with their problems. A number of people raised excellent points which I will be taking back to parliament in September.

August also provided me with the opportunity to host a seminar focusing on how we make the most of Cornwall's World Heritage Site status. This is something I have been thinking about for some time, and, for me, Redruth is the heart of the uniquely disparate Site. I was delighted, therefore, to be able to host the seminar in Murdoch House in Redruth, and that over sixty people packed in to join the discussion. Lots of good suggestions were made, and I was grateful to the Cornish Mining World Heritage Office for giving a brief presentation about the excellent work that has been done and an exciting new website that has just been launched. There is obviously more to do however; I am pleased that Cornwall Council are planning better signposting of the attractions, and I hope that sites will work together to become much more complementary. I think the Heartlands project will help in this respect, and provide a much-needed hub to the whole World Heritage site. It was clear from the meeting that there is no shortage of passion on this issue, and I hope people will work together to maximise the potential our unique status offers.

Please note that whilst every effort is made to ensure accuracy, Redruth Town Council cannot in any circumstances accept responsibility for errors or omissions

The last three months seem to have gone so fast. A lot has happened and, as we move forward to the ever-closer Christmas period, Redruth has a lot to look forward to:

Town Development Manager

Lee Dunkley

What has happened? - Art exhibitor Studiofourseven, at the top of Fore Street, has opened and is free for people to browse works done by local artists. Look out for exhibitions being organised there in the coming months.

- After an initial downpour of rain Murdoch Day went very well, with many more people staying in the town centre much later in the day. Congratulations in particular to all of the children and young people involved in the procession and the artwork.

- Victoria Park Fun Day, run by Camborne & Redruth District Lions and held at the beginning of August, battled through the adverse weather conditions and provided lots of family-oriented fun for local residents.

- The All Things Cornish fair, held at the YMCA in August, was a great way to help establish Redruth as a place to come for local, quality products.

- The mobile skate-parks held in various locations across the town each Wednesday in August were a huge success. Aside from the postponement of one due to the weather, all went very well; a total of 203 young people participated in four events. See photos on www.facebook.com/RedruthTown. The provisional rearranged date for the North Country skate-park is Saturday 1st October. A survey has been carried out to see if people want a permanent skate-park in the town; to date over 350 people have taken part.



- New town maps have been installed at the Train Station, New Cut car park and other areas, and new leaflets promoting the town and our World Heritage Site status have been printed and distributed (25,000 in total).

- Redruth School students and teachers have worked hard to achieve record-breaking exam results this year. In short they are: 58% five GCSEs A*-C including Maths and English; 73% five GCSEs A*-C; 99% pass rate at A level. Massive congratulations to all involved. The school has an open evening on Thursday 29th September, 5pm-8pm.

What's up next? - The community book-writing project called *True Tales of Redruth*, which has been organised as part of the Passmore Edwards centenary celebrations, will be on sale in local shops from Tuesday 25th October 2011. The book has been written by over 40 members of the community and includes artwork from local artist Julia Pascoe. To pre-order your copy, please contact me. The price is yet to be confirmed but likely to be under £4.

- By the time the next newsletter is out I hope we will be able to present a new look to the area at the bottom of Station Hill/Penryn Street, courtesy of REAP Lighting, Redruth School, CPR Regeneration and Redruth Town Council.

- The St Piran's festival working group is three times the size for the 2012 event than for this year's. We're working to make the day bigger and better. We still need more people; to help with the ambitious project, please contact me.

- A new DVD and CD about the Murdoch Flyer will be launched over the coming weeks. It highlights and explains Redruth's World Heritage Site status; the story of the Murdoch Flyer group; and the fascinating workings of Murdoch's invention, in a brilliantly produced animated recreation. Contact me for more details.

Christmas events take place every weekend from 26th November to 18th December. For further details, and to find out how you can help the Christmas Events Group, see the previous page or contact me: Lee Dunkley, Town Development Manager, Redruth Town Council, in person at The Chambers, Penryn Street, Redruth TR15 2SP (9am-5pm, Mon-Fri). Telephone: 01209 210038 & 7764339534. Email: tdm@redruth-tc.gov.uk.

Redruth Town Council - Council Surgery Dates 2011/12

Surgeries held in The Chambers, Penryn Street, Redruth (Old Barclays Bank opposite St Rumon's Gdns)

Wednesday 12th October 7 pm to 9 pm Saturday 12th November 10 am till noon Wednesday 14th December 7 pm to 9 pm

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

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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
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Cllr Mrs B. R. Ellenbroek - 01209 314422
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Cllr Mrs M. McWilliams - 01209 213576
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