

PLATINUM JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS

The weather over the long Platinum Jubilee Bank Holiday weekend 2nd to 4th June just about managed to behave itself and all the planned events passed off unscathed.

The celebrations kicked off with a Jubilee Flower Festival which ran from the Friday to the Sunday of the weekend and saw St Odulph's Church filled with a wide range of

eye-catching floral displays put together by villagers.

On the Friday afternoon there was a well attended Family Afternoon held in the Village Hall play park with fun and games for local children and their parents. Then on the Saturday the biggest event took place which was the Jubilee Party in the Village hall featuring a Hog Roast with live music and a disco and which succeeded in attracting many people from both the village and the surrounding area. *(See pages 10 and 11 for more details).*













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Pillaton Village News

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Quite a lot of things seem to have happened since the last edition of the Village News.

Some very successful Platinum Jubilee celebrations have come and gone, and congratulations to all those who were involved in their organisation.

On the domestic front fuel and food prices are rising and further afield the awful war in Ukraine continues. Also, as one or two of you may have noticed, there have been some new developments on the political front. Now I might not have got this completely right, but my understanding is that Prime Minister Boris Johnson is going to spend his summer being a caretaker. To summarise metaphorically, there have been rumblings and discontent in the staff room, Boris has been left to close the school down for the holidays and will check the boiler ready for the arrival of a new headmaster in the autumn term. The runners and riders are now all jockeying for position in the party leadership stakes, and at the time of writing the new Prime Minister is expected to be unveiled on 5 September. Of course, with the speed things seems to happen these days, everything could change. Who would have thought a drunken fumble in the Carlton Club could have had such dramatic consequences.

Now I know I might have banged on about this subject before, namely the disappearance of local amenities, with banks in particular fast becoming an endangered species. Whilst banks may claim your telephone calls are very important, they do seem very nervous about getting up close and personal. Online banking can be very convenient for dealing with routine transactions, but sometimes there is no substitute for face-to-face advice for getting things done. In a similar vein post offices have become increasingly scarce, but fortunately some good news on the conservation front as I understand the Post Office at Hatt is soon moving back to full time opening.

Finally, as I write we seem to be enjoying a period of prolonged good weather, accompanied by vast amounts of advice about all the precautions you should take when venturing outside. Enjoy the sunshine while you can, the one thing you can be certain about with the British weather is that it will change. The next copy date is 5 September - full details on page 23.

Robin Dwane, Editor

GARDENING CLUB SUMMER SHOW

The Pillaton Gardening Club Summer Show is planned to take place on Saturday 3 September in the Village Hall. Entry forms will be available from Carole Hoskin; watch out for more details on the village Facebook page.

MINUTES OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETING 7 JUNE 2022

ATTENDANCE Cllrs, Warne, Moore, Ley, Floyd and Johnson.

ELECTION OF CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR

The Council elected Cllr Dolley as Chair and Cllr Warne as Vice Chair.

<u>APOLOGIES</u> Cllrs Dolley and Bunkum.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST None

<u>PUBLIC FORUM</u> There were 2 members of the public present.

MINUTES

The minutes of 3rd May 2022 Council meeting were accepted unanimously. PLANNING APPLICATIONS The Council approved the following applications:

PA22/03988 and 03989 Extension to Rowse Farm for K. Agutter.

PA22/04363 Conversion of garage to living space and new front porch at Larks Rise for Mr and Mrs Barrett.

PA22/ 03966 Replacement windows & doors at Orchard cottage for P McClaughry.

MATTERS ARISING

a) <u>Telephone Box</u> The Council ratified a quotation for the repainting of the telephone box in the sum of £460. Palladium Stores were thanked for supplying the painting materials free.

b) <u>Parking in the Row</u> The Council noted that Cornwall Highways had said there was no action they could take to prevent obstruction caused by parked vehicles in the Row and recommended that it was only the Police who could take action. Accordingly the Parish Council agreed that they could only pass on this advice.

c) The Council resolved to seek professional advice regarding the length and fall of the zip wire as the installers of the new equipment had alleged faults with the existing zip wire.

SITING OF THE SEE SAW

In response to a complaint from a parishioner the Council decided to seek professional advice advising the safe distance from the bottom of the slide to the see saw. It was resolved that costs of up to £250 could be allowed for this exercise funded from the Playing Field Support Group (PFSG) and that the PFSG would report this extra expenditure with the Pillaton Village Hall CIO as the other party to the group in due course.

FINANCE

The Council approved the following payments: £45 to Mr A Inglefield for play park inspection and £120 to Mr G Bridgman for repairs to fence posts and play equipment.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

It was noted that Mr G Bridgman would be repairing the wire fence at the top of the field at no cost.

Chairman Mr. Dolley

MINUTES OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETING 5 JULY 2022

ATTENDANCE Cllrs, Dolley, Bunkum , Warne, Moore, Ley, Floyd and Johnson.

APOLOGIES None.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST None.

<u>PUBLIC FORUM</u> There were 3 members of the public present. MINUTES

The minutes of 7th June 2022 Council meeting were accepted unanimously.

MATTERS ARISING

a) <u>Siting of the See Saw</u> I t was reported that the Council had received independent, professional advice advising that the siting of the see saw was satisfactory. Accordingly the resident who complained that the see saw was too close to the slide should be so informed.

b) <u>Zip Wire</u> The Council had also received professional advice regarding the length and fall of the zip wire stating that the zip wire length was shorter than contracted for and had insufficient fall. The council resolved to seek the comments of the supplier.

c) <u>Signage</u> The Council decided to put up signage advising that it was parent's responsibility to supervise their children using the play park facilities.

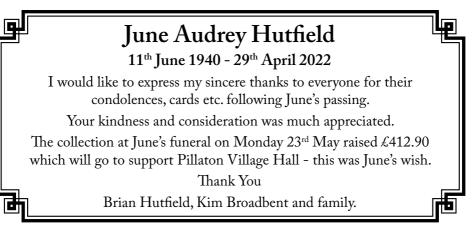
FINANCE

The Council approved the following payment: £60 to Mr. A. Inglefield for play park advice.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

The Clerk was instructed to report potholes at Pillaton Mill to Cornwall Highways for repair.

Chairman Mr. Dolley



A MESSAGE FROM THE LAST PRESIDENT OF PILLATON WI

As mentioned in the May Newsletter, Pillaton WI has unfortunately been forced to go into suspension because it was found impossible to form a new committee for the coming year. The decision was taken after a great deal of discussion and with a general feeling of sadness and regret. Membership had been declining for some time and of those members remaining, almost all had served in many of the offices, often on more than one occasion.

The County Federation will hold all the relevant paperwork and remaining funds for a period of 3 years. During that time anyone who feels they could successfully reform Pillaton WI should contact the County Offices at Truro (Tel no. 01872 272843). Previous members who had hoped the Group would continue would be happy to help and give advice (Heather Troup 07867 517489 and Lesley Allibone 01579 208562).

The spirit of the WI will live on in Pillaton with ex-members continuing to be involved in all of the village activities and planning as many "get-togethers" as possible to reminisce about a wonderful 75 years. My thanks to all for their friendship and support.

Heather Troup

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	8 Nov 2021	£128	63	Ruth Stannard
	7 Dec 2021	£128	90	John Archer
	3 Jan 2022	£128	121	Graham Heap
	7 Feb 2022	£128	90	John Archer
	7 Mar 2022	£130	29	Jan Simms
	4 Apr 2022	£130	82	Wendy Lee
	2 May 2022	£131	32	Brian Henderson
	6 Jun 2022	£131	40	Brian Hutfield
	4 Jul 2022	£132	11	Malcolm Smith
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PILLATON ARTS & CRAFTS SOCIETY

Our Fourth Exhibition will be held on Saturday & Sunday July 16th and 17th in Pillaton Village Hall

from 10.30am until 4.30pm

Entry is £1.00 & refreshments will be available.

Expect to see a fine array of craftwork, art and photography created by Society members and residents of Pillaton.

Please come to help celebrate Pillaton's hidden talents



PUB SIGN COMPETITION



The two winning designs, Alison Downing's (above) and Chris Bowyer's (below), which will go on the new pub sign, one on each side.





Trina presenting the two winners with their prizes.

We would just like to say a huge thank you to everyone who got their thinking caps on, grabbed the paintbrushes, pencils, pens and laptops and created some brilliantly amazing design suggestions for The Weary Friar Pub car park sign.

Thank you to Robin Dwane, Peter Lee, Alison Downing, Les Wyatt, Don King and Chris Bowyer.

Every design was on display during the month of April and we gave every customer, guest, visitor and local the chance to secretly vote for their favourite and pop their choice in a box. We had lots of positive comments and the talent was admired by all. After tallying over 160 votes, the two designs with the most votes were chosen.

We are very pleased to announce, the two designs chosen were by... Alison Downing and Chris Bowyer. Alison and Chris were informed a little while ago of their success and preparations are underway to transfer their beautiful artworks onto the sign for all to see.

Thank you again to everyone for your support in making this such a successful event.

> Ryan and Trina West The Weary Friar

THE BUILDING NEXT TO THE PUB

The building next to the pub has probably been in the village longer than any other. The church was first dedicated in 1259, the current structure was mostly built in the 15th century, although some 13th century parts remain. It is badly heated, has no running water and no toilet. It certainly appears to be unfit for purpose and yet it is used throughout the year for weddings, funerals, choir practices, bell ringing, flower festivals, thoughtful times, strolls in the graveyard, family and local history research and of course, occasional services.

But the building is also a statement about Pillaton. It tells us we live in a place where the bells can be heard every week, where there is a place for quiet reflection, where we can visit our departed loved ones. It makes us quintessentially English – even if we are Cornish. If only there were a pond, a village shop and a bus route life would be truly idyllic. Because of the support of the people in the village the church is well maintained and the churchyard is kept neat and tidy. This is part of village life. The church is part of village life. Whether we attend services or not, this is our church.

I was disappointed to read "Use it or Lose it" in the last edition of the News. It seemed to me that the writer had not thought carefully enough about our particular church. In 2021 maintenance and heating costs for Pillaton and St Mellion churches combined were around £3,500, insurance for buildings and public liability £4,000, nothing like the £40,000 suggested for two churches. Admittedly there is nothing to say that at some stage we might not have a large bill to pay, but with the help of our community we would deal with it. We are never beyond fundraising to preserve our building. We have an active PCC and many other non-church going supporters in the village, we have a team who do, and will, keep our building afloat.

Perhaps what we do need to think about is what else we could be doing? Should

PILLATON AT WAR 1914 - 1918

For anyone interested in local history Don King has recently, very kindly made a digital copy of his memorial booklet "Pillaton At War



1914 - 1918" available on the Pillaton village website.

we have a Friends of Pillaton Church to raise funds for emergency building work? Should we have more activities in the church? Are there things we could be doing for children not yet at school or activities for older youngsters in the evenings, weekends or holidays? Should we have concerts or talks? Would those at home during the day like something to do in the church building? It is your church how would you like it to be used?

Sue McClaughry 07771 756125

PLATINUM JUBILEE ROUND-UP





The Queen's Platinum Jubilee weekend celebrations started on Thursday 2nd June with the setting up of the Jubilee Flower Festival in St Odulph's Church.

The intention of the festival was to try and transform the interior of the church into an English country garden, along with pictures and photographs celebrating all aspects of the Queen's long reign. A central theme for many of the floral arrangements was to incorporate red, white, and blue flowers. Once set up, the church



remained open throughout the weekend for visitors to admire the many displays on view, some of which are picture left and right.

The next event was the Family Fun Day held on the Friday. Fortunately, the afternoon was blessed with fine sunny weather and allowed many families and friends to enjoy a range of activities such as a Fancy



Games at the Family Fun Day



Planting the oak tree.

Dress Parade and various children's games. During the afternoon, Joyce Moore planted a commemorative oak tree to mark the Platinum Jubilee.

Pillaton's major event to mark the Platinum Jubilee was the Celebration Party held on the Saturday night in and around the Village Hall. This was extremely well attended, with the peak



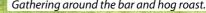
Some competitive racing at the Fun Day.

attendance during the course of the evening being around 120. There was live music from the Cornish Groove Collective, a disco hosted by DJ Mike Keay, a hog roast (supplied by Jeremy & Carolyn Dawe) and a licensed bar (courtesy of Ryan and Trina West of the Weary Friar). The hog roast was particularly popular and resulted in a £60 donation for the village hall. The raffle which was run in conjunction with the Jubilee Party raised a magnificent £789.90. Once all

outgoings have been considered it is estimated that the Party will have raised in the region of £300 for village hall funds.

All images of the various Jubilee events are provided courtesy of John Wheeley and can be viewed along with many others on the village website.







PILLATON 1922

Another in my series looking back at Pillaton in years gone by, this time to 1922. Firstly, what was happening in Britain 100 years ago? The 1922 General Election saw the Conservatives come to power under Andrew Bonar Law and Isaac Foot (Liberal) elected as the local MP. In December that year, the Irish Free State was created, marking the formal separation of the island of Ireland between the 26 counties of the south and the 6 counties of Ulster that remained in the UK. The British Broadcasting Corporation was founded, whilst an excavation sponsored by Lord Carnarvon led to the discovery of Tutankhamun's tomb in Egypt.

On the international stage, after 600 years the Ottoman Empire came to an end, there was hyperinflation in Germany and in Italy Benito Mussolini came to power. In Pillaton in 1922 there were two major events. The first was a big society wedding which took place on 12 July at St Odulph's Church when Mr Arthur Hext, Master of the North Cornwall Foxhounds, of Tredethy, Bodmin, married Miss Evelyn Joyce Collins, the youngest daughter of Mr Thurstan Collins of Newton Ferrers House. Extensive details of the occasion were reported in local papers, with three vicars officiating at the ceremony including the Rector of Pillaton, the Reverend Richard Hocking. The bride wore a dress of ivory morocian embroidered with pearls and long close-fitting sleeves of georgette, a train of old Honiton lace and had a Limerick lace veil fastened round her head by a wreath of orange blossom and silver cords. Outside the church the village was decorated with an arch with the word "Good Luck" in red and covered with evergreens. After the ceremony, a reception was held at Newton Ferrers House before the happy couple travelled to North Devon for their honeymoon. As was typical of the time the newspaper reports give comprehensive details of the bridesmaids, their dresses, the names of the best man, the 7 groomsmen, all the principal guests and finally a full list of all the bride's presents. Perhaps rather fittingly, the groom gave his new bride a horse. The other significant Pillaton event of 1922 was the unveiling of the War Memorial on Sunday 21 August. The Western Morning News report spoke of a Cornish Cross being raised with simple reverence in the churchyard, in honoured remembrance of the six men of the village who gave their lives in the Great War. The unveiling was carried out by Lt Col W P Drury and the memorial dedicated by the Reverend Hocking. Others present were the rural dean (Rev W T Wintle, rector of St Mellion), and Rev A J Summerfield (Superintendent Wesleyan Minister Saltash), Colonel Drury, and Mr William Hawk Chairman of Pillaton Parish Council and Chairman Cornwall County Council), members of the Parish Council, ex-service men, and school children. After the unveiling Rev Summerfield gave an address saying, "I often wonder, how soon these memorials will cease to speak to us. No nation is ever worthy of its heroes; I don't believe our country today is worthy of these brave men who have fallen. Every time you pass this memorial

register a vow that, by the grace of God, those men shall not have died in vain." At the end of the service The 'Last Post' and 'Reveille' were sounded by buglers of the Devon Regiment.

Other events in the Pillaton calendar that year included a benefit concert held on 31 January in the School, (now the Village Hall), on behalf of unemployed Cornish miners which raised £27 10s 6d. Then in late June a garden fete and sale of work was held in the grounds of Rectory with the purpose of raising funds for putting heating apparatus in the parish church. The Rector paid tribute to the Pillaton Girls' Club, which had worked assiduously during the winter months preparing for the sale of work. A feature of the fete was the old folklore dances (performed by National School children, who had been trained by Mrs. Fishwick, the head mistress. A concert was also held in the rectory hall, and in the evening a social function and dance took place in the schoolroom. Proceeds from the whole event amounted to £54 9s.

Finally, to finish, just in case anyone thinks football violence is a feature of modern times, the papers carried a report from the Cornwall FA giving details of a match between Callington and Calstock. Following a sending-off, spectators had rushed the pitch, challenged the referee, a Callington player had his teeth broken and the teams were forced to leave the pitch. Perhaps nothing has really changed after all. *Robin Dwane*

PILLATON PLAY INSTALLATION COMPLETED

Installation of the new seesaw, roundabout and monkey bars/climbing frames, and associated matting/grass mat was completed on 12th May.



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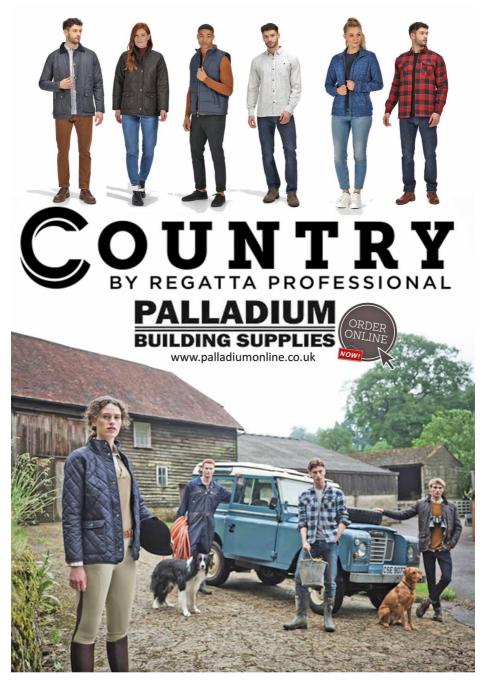


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DATE	DAY	SERVICE	/EVENT	<u>CHURCH</u>
17 Jul	Sunday	1000	Holy Communion	Pillaton
	,	1000	Morning Praise	Landulph
		1000	Morning Praise	ONLINĖ
19 Jul	Tuesday	0930	Holy Communion	St Mellion
24 Jul	Sunday	1000	Celtic Morning Prayer	St Dominic
	,	1000	Morning Praise	Landulph
		1000	Holy Communion	St Mellion
		1000	Morning Praise	ONLINE
26 Jul	Tuesday	0930	Holy Communion	St Dominic
31 Jul	Sunday	1000	Morning Praise	ONLINE
02 Aug	Tuesday	0930	Holy Communion	Pillaton
07 Aug	Sunday	1000	Matins	Pillaton
-	·	1000	Morning Praise	Landulph
		1800	Evening Prayer	Halton Quay
09 Aug	Tuesday	0930	Holy Communion	Landulph
14 Aug	Sunday	1000	Holy Communion	St Dominic
		1000	Morning Praise	St Mellion
		1500	Service of Remembering	Landulph
16 Aug	Tuesday	0930	Holy Communion	St Mellion
21 Aug	Sunday	1000	Morning Praise	Pillaton
		1000	Morning Praise	Landulph
		1000	Morning Praise	ONLINE
23 Aug	Tuesday	0930	Holy Communion	St Dominic
28 Aug	Sunday	1000	Celtic Morning Prayer	St Dominic
		1000	Holy Communion	Landulph
		1000	Morning Praise	St Mellion
		1000	Morning Praise	ONLINE
04 Sep	Sunday	1000	Matins	Pillaton
		1000	Holy Communion	Landulph
		1800	Evening Prayer	Halton Quay
06 Sep	Tuesday	0930	Holy Communion	Pillaton
11 Sep	Sunday	1000	Morning Praise	St Dominic
		1000	Morning Praise/Family Service	St Mellion
13 Sep	Tuesday	0930	Holy Communion	Landulph
18 Sep	Sunday	1000	Holy Communion	Pillaton
20.6	- I	1000	Morning Praise	Landulph
20 Sep	Tuesday	0930	Holy Communion	St Mellion
25 Sep	Sunday	1000	Celtic Morning Prayer	St Dominic
		1000	Morning Praise	Landulph
27.6	- I	1000	Family Communion	St Mellion
27 Sep	Tuesday	0930	Holy Communion	St Dominic

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Pillaton Village Diary

Sat 16 Jul	Pillaton Arts & Crafts Society Exhibition, Pillaton Village Hall
Sun 17 Jul	Pillaton Arts & Crafts Society Exhibition, Pillaton Village Hall
Sun 24 Jul	Barbecue, Rick Park Farm
Mon 1 Aug	Pillaton Village Hall 200 Club Draw
Sat 3 Sep	Pillaton Gardening Club Summer Show, Pillaton Village Hall
Mon 5 Sep	Pillaton Village Hall 200 Club Draw
Tue 6 Sep	Pillaton Parish Council Meeting, Pillaton Village Hall
Mon 3 Oct	Pillaton Village Hall 200 Club Draw
Tue 4 Oct	Pillaton Parish Council Meeting, Pillaton Village Hall
Tue 1 Nov	Pillaton Parish Council Meeting, Pillaton Village Hall
Mon 7 Nov	Pillaton Village Hall 200 Club Draw

RECYCLING DATES

Along with normal rubbish collections on Tuesdays, recycling and garden waste will be collected as follows:

Tue 12 Jul Tue 19 Jul Tue 26 Jul Tue 02 Aug Tue 09 Aug Tue 16 Aug Tue 23 Aug	Garden Waste Recycling Garden Waste Recycling Garden Waste Garden Waste
Tue 23 Aug	Garden Waste
Tue 30 Aug	Recycling
Tue 06 Sep Tue 13 Sep	Garden Waste Recycling

Distribution & Copy Dates 2022/23				
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