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#### **The deadline for our next edition is 20 November.**

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#### **Back in print**

It's great to have the Packet back in print after three digital-only issues. Along with everyone else we have had our difficulties, thanks to Covid-19: in the early days of lockdown we needed to ensure the safety of our much-valued distributors and readers, and since then as advertisers have struggled our income has fallen, with implications for the all-important printing bill; read more on this below.

However, nothing has daunted our faithful contributors. We are so grateful to them for keeping calm and carrying on despite all the restrictions so that issues 102, 103 and 104 could appear online. If you haven't caught up with us since the start of the year take a look at our website.

Meanwhile, the Packet is back in print as well as being available online. Long may it remain so.

*Liz*

#### **Advertising in the Packet**

The Packet is funded by advertising revenue and a generous grant from Poundstock Parish Council. We pay for printing and our website rental, but apart from that everything is done for nothing by volunteers. We are and always have been a non-profit organisation and aim to keep our costs to the absolute minimum. This means we can keep our advertising charges to an absolute minimum, too.

All year our distributors faithfully take the magazine to every home in the parish – that's the whole parish, from Canceleave to Helscott, Penfound to Trewint, Widemouth to Treskinnick and Bangors and everywhere in between and beyond. They do this six times a year – and we know that the copies they deliver are often passed on to friends and family living outside the parish, so a lot of local people see our advertisements on a regular basis. Many people keep a copy of the Packet handy so they have firms' phone numbers and email addresses available whenever they're needed. That's pretty good coverage for an advertisement with an annual cost of only £30 (for an eighth of a page) or £40 (for a quarter).

Normally we have a waiting list of people wanting to advertise with us, but not this year. The upset of Covid-19 has made life more than difficult for many local firms and we can well understand and sympathise with those who, after advertising with us for years, have had to step back for the time being, and those whose new businesses are having to wait until times are easier. We really hope things improve for them soon, and we are so grateful to those firms who have felt able to continue with us – thank you for your support.

At present, though, we have quite a few empty spaces on our advertising pages and of course we can't carry on like this indefinitely – if we print, we have to pay for it. So, please, will you help? First, let people know it's worth advertising here: if you contact one of our advertisers, let them know that you saw their advertisement in the Packet. Second, if you know anyone whose business would benefit from local publicity, mention us – our email address is at the bottom of each page and we are always very happy to talk to potential advertisers. And third, if you have a local business, take advantage of this opportunity to advertise with us and boost your firm's presence in the area. We really do offer great value for money!

#### **And finally, some good news ...**

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Surely it should be 'a number are coming'?

No. Then it would have to be 'some numbers are coming'. And that wouldn't really make sense.

Then Adam started thinking about plurals. He knew that 'mouse' becomes 'mice', so reckoned that 'house' becomes 'hice'. And if 'ox' becomes 'oxen', then 'fox' should become 'foxen'.

'This is daft. Why don't you just listen to what your teacher taught you?'

'Because the preacher praught us different things.'

'Slim chance of me getting through to you, young man.'

'Don't you mean a fat chance?'

'Stop trying to be a wise guy.'

'But you once called me a wise boy.'

'You'll have to make amends.'

'Why don't I just make one amend?'

Dad became exasperated.

'Go and play outside. It's as hot as hell out there.'

'And it's as cold as hell in here.'

'You're an unruly little boy, Adam.'

'Oh, I thought I was ruly. Are you disgruntled?'

'No, I'm grunted.'

'I thought you were discombobulated.'

'No, I'm totally combobulated.'

And Adam thought harder and harder about English. He thought about his sister Hannah. And realised her name was spelt the same way backwards. And his dad had a *Toyota*, or was it a *Civic*?

'**MAD ADAM!**' cried his father.

*Christopher Asbury*



How do you follow that? 'NUTS!' maybe? Here's one the squirrels missed (they don't miss many).

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**Pumpkins, pumpkins, pumpkins ...**

It's been a good year for pumpkins but unfortunately there can't be a Craft Fair and Pumpkin Festival. But don't despair! If you planted your pumpkins in faith during lockdown or have the best idea for a carving, you can still enter our annual pumpkin competitions, and there's a new one, too. All you need is a camera. Here are the categories:

**Best carved/decorated:** just the same as usual, but instead of bringing it to the Gildhouse, take a picture of your work of art and send it to the Packet. Add a caption if you like.

**Heaviest pumpkin:** since we can't arrange a weigh-in, this year we'll have to settle for the fattest. Take a photo with a tape measure round your pumpkin's maximum dimension so it can be easily read (we're sure you'll play fair, but read on).

**Biggest pumpkin ever:** can you use a bit of photo trickery to make your pumpkin look even more enormous than it really is? No limits apart from your imagination!

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## Rector: Rev. David Barnes

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Sadly, St Winwaloe's remains closed except for services (see below). However, since the situation changes frequently please contact the rector or wardens for up-to-date information .



## Our Lady and St Anne Widemouth Bay

Warden: Judith MacDonald (01288 362254)

## St Winwaloe, Poundstock

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Barry Smith 01288 361716

## What's happening with services?

As safety restrictions allow, real-life services are at last beginning to take place. They will generally follow the plan as laid out for October, below, but please be aware that it may have to change at short notice according to circumstances. One service each week will be available via Zoom, as indicated:

October 4 Bude, Holy Communion, 9.30 am; Week St Mary, All-age worship, 9.30 am (Z)

11 Marhamchurch, Holy Communion, 9.30 am; **Poundstock, Morning Prayer, 9.30 am (Z)**;  
Whitstone, Holy Communion, 11.15 am

18 Bude, Holy Communion, 9.30 am; Week St Mary, Holy Communion, 11.15 am (Z)

25 Whitstone, Morning Prayer, 9.30 am; **Poundstock, Holy Communion, 9.30 am**;  
Marhamchurch, Holy Communion, 11.15 am (Z)

If you prefer to join in from home, via Zoom, you need to have a tablet, smartphone or computer, preferably with an integrated camera. You also need an invitation to join a Zoom meeting, which we will be delighted to provide. Contact Lesley Booker on 01288 341221 or lesleybooker@gmail.com or text 07967 684823. Lesley also sends a twice-weekly update on services; contact her to be added to the list.

Arrangements for services on Remembrance Sunday (8 November) are still to be finalised; please contact Lesley or churchwardens nearer the time. Health restrictions permitting, there will be an Act of Remembrance at the War Memorial in Vicarage Lane; again, please see parish and church noticeboards and websites nearer the time.

## Poundstock APCM

Our annual church meeting, postponed from the spring, will take place on Wednesday 28 October at 2.30 pm. This meeting is a legal requirement, with the purpose of electing churchwardens and members of the PCC, who are responsible for looking after the church buildings and organising church events throughout the year. The church is here for everyone who lives within the parish of Poundstock, and all parishioners are eligible – and very welcome – to attend.

We have been advised that, for safety, this should be a Zoom meeting. If you would like an invitation, please contact Alan Green (alan.capetown9@gmail.com or 01566 781559). However, if you're unable to attend this way but would like to take part, please contact Alan anyway, as depending on current restrictions it may be possible to arrange for people to 'attend' safely from the Gildhouse.

## Harvest 2020

Although so much is different this year, the beauty and fruitfulness of autumn are as rich as ever. We may not be able to hold our usual harvest service but we can still be grateful and give thanks.

For the promise of harvest  
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# Kids' page



Well, we are still living in strange times. We were hoping that Girl Guiding might allow us to meet face to face inside soon (however, with the news that rules are being tightened this seems unlikely). Although they have allowed outside meetings, all the Jacobstow units decided not to do this, as the evenings are drawing in, the weather is not playing nice and there is a considerable amount of paperwork required. So it looks like we will be continuing on zoom for some time to come!

All units had a few weeks' break over the summer. However, the Brownies had a really fun virtual pack holiday at the beginning of August. We joined with two other Brownie units in the district and enjoyed several zoom calls over the period of a weekend, where the girls were given challenges and activities to complete between the calls and then put photos on a Facebook group, so all could see how everyone had done.

If there are any girls who would like to join us, especially in the age range of 5–7 (Rainbows) please contact Mary on 01840 230006.

Jacobstow Brownies will double in size soon, therefore Louise would love another adult (or young leader age 14+) to help her on a regular basis. Please contact her on 0781 798 5661 if you are interested.

*Louise Cowling*





### Our Night Sky in October 2020

Jupiter and Saturn, which have been delighting us through the summer months, will set about 2300, but Mars will be high in the south east and will be visible throughout the night, being at its brightest since 2018. It will set in the south west at daybreak, but Venus will be shining brilliantly, rising in the east at 0400 and travelling westwards until the sun removes it from sight. Meanwhile, the winter constellations of Taurus and Orion will be making an appearance in the east about 2200, and will be visible throughout the night.

More than seven billion years ago, two immense black holes circled each other until they collided and merged, a cataclysm so intense that it sent ripples soaring through the fabric of space-time. In the early morning hours of 21 May 2019, the signal picked up by two observatories – LIGO in the United States and Virgo in Italy – came in the form of gravitational waves: disruptions in space-time that massive cosmic events can set into motion

Researchers estimate that two black holes 66 and 85 times more massive than our sun spiralled into each other, uniting to form a black hole 142 times more massive than our sun.

The event, announced a few days ago, is by far the biggest ever detected via gravitational waves. In a fraction of a second, the merging black holes released roughly eight times more energy than that contained within our sun's atoms,

The black hole merger is causing a lot of scientific excitement, for a few reasons. First, the black hole it produced fills in a perplexing gap in our observations. Until now, researchers had found black holes tens of times more massive than our sun and supermassive black holes millions to billions times more massive than our sun, but never had confirmed one between 100 and 100,000 solar masses. At about 142 solar masses, GW190521's final black hole is the first ever found in this intermediate range.

I will write more about black holes in the next magazine.

*Bill Turnill*

### 'She laments, sir ... her husband goes this morning a-birding'

Shakespeare – *The Merry Wives of Windsor*

'Oh joy and rapture unforeseen'. I can't tell you how delighted I am. Yesterday I was down in the dumps what with the plague about to spike again as anti-social-distancing hordes flocked to the seaside or rioted on the London streets in order to up the 'r' factor. (*I wrote this a month or so ago.*) But today that is all in the distant past as I sit at the breakfast table and look at my unopened parcel. I know what it is (after all I ordered it), but the pleasure is really yet to come. I will open it carefully to reveal the colourful front cover with a perfect picture of a bullfinch and a goldfinch.

And there it is! ***A Field Guide to the Birds of Britain and Europe***. The best bird book in the world.

And this copy is extra special because it is the 1954 edition. I lent my copy to someone 45 years ago and never got it back. It has a checklist of birds seen. I can remember them all, and I'll tick them off again after breakfast.

The book is accurate to the *n*th degree; its pictures are colour perfect, and its text leaves no room for doubt: **BLACKBIRD**: 'Male, a sturdy *all-black* bird, with *bright orange-yellow bill and eye-rim*.' Even the description of the voice of the **KESTREL**: 'A shrill repeated "*kee, kee, kee*" and a more musical double note "*kee-lee*".'

The maps show clearly where in Europe you can see them in summer or winter.

But the crowning glory of the book (especially for me, a linguist) is the name in five languages: **ENGLISH**: \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ (see the answer below), **DUTCH** IJsvogel, **GERMAN** Eisvogel, **FRENCH** Martin-pêcheur, **SWEDISH** Kungsfiskare. Can you work out what the bird is in English?

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*Christopher Asbury*

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## Parish Council Chairman's Report

The parking restrictions at Widemouth and the 50 mph limit on the A39 are now in operation, and Enforcement Officers have been working along Marine Drive. A considerable amount of concern has been voiced over some aspects of the schemes and it would be helpful if any comments could be made in writing to the Clerk [*contact details are on page 21*]. The Widemouth scheme will be reviewed in the autumn and there will be a further opportunity for residents to have a say. The consultation will be advertised, so please pass the message round, and be prepared to take part.



The Parish Council continues to operate through virtual meetings on Zoom for both regular Council meetings and separate planning sessions, and residents are able to join in the meeting by contacting the Clerk beforehand.

The Parish Council is in the process of upgrading the website to bring it into line with legislation to make it usable and understandable to the majority of people with or without hearing, visual or mobility disabilities. If you use website accessibility aids yourself, or know of somebody else who does, it would be helpful to have positive feedback as the work proceeds. Please let the Clerk have details so that we can keep you informed.

Cornwall Council has redeployed a number of its staff to other duties during lockdown, so a number of routine functions have been put on hold. The Planning Department has had a large increase in work, contrary to expectation, and has changed some of its procedures as a result. Details of all changes and advice can be found on the Cornwall Council Covid-19 web page ([www.cornwall.gov.uk/](http://www.cornwall.gov.uk/)).

The government has just announced the next round of Covid-19 restrictions/guidelines and I am sure that we shall all do our best to remain safe for ourselves and those around us. We are all finding many aspects of life more complicated and difficult than before, and are looking forward to coming through this all to be able to enjoy a more normal existence.

*Steve Pawley, Chairman Poundstock Parish Council*



## Jacobstow WI

Jacobstow WI members continue to keep in touch with each other while normal meetings remain suspended. Our monthly newsletter contains updates from members, sharing stories and pictures as well as news from national and county WI.

Members have been showing support for the ongoing environmental campaigns by making green hearts. These are intended to remind everyone of the issues of climate change and to stimulate discussion about ways we can reduce our environmental impact.



The County Annual Council Meeting will be a virtual online meeting in October. During the meeting, Hampton Court Palace guide and lecturer Sarah Slater will be giving a costumed talk entitled 'Sex, Secrets, Scandal and Salacious Gossip of the Royal Court, 1660–1830'.

We'll be wishing Jacobstow WI a very happy 82<sup>nd</sup> birthday in October. There are going to be a lot of celebrations to catch up on!



If you'd like to know more about the WI and its national and local activities, do contact Jill Baker by phone 01840 239829 or email: [jacobstowwi@btinternet.com](mailto:jacobstowwi@btinternet.com) for more information. We always look forward to welcoming new members to our Jacobstow group.

*Jill Baker*



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## For all the saints ...

If you're confined to barracks and it's pouring outside, make yourself comfortable and have a go at this little quiz. It might help to have a map handy, and if you get stuck try saying possible answers out loud. No prizes, just for fun.

Cornwall has more than its share of saints, some with rather peculiar names. Solve the clues below to find a few of them. The answers are all Cornish saints' names or Cornish place names that begin with 'St' (some are both).

- |   |          |
|---|----------|
| 1 Patron saint of female sheep?                       | St ..... |
| 2 Gnashers, perhaps                                   | St ..... |
| 3 Bees' 'omes?  | St ..... |
| 4 Patron saint of botanical gardens?                  | St ..... |
| 5 Achieve roll in the mud                             | St ..... |
| 6 3.142 (approx.) in a hurry                          | St ..... |
| 7 Definitely not, GP                                  | St ..... |
| 8 Sounds like Adam's better half                      | St ..... |
| 9 Finish about 45 inches before a big cat             | St ..... |
| 10 Favourite stone                                    | St ..... |
| 11 Soft French cheese? Ugh!                           | St ..... |
| 12 Londoner's temporary accommodation                 | St ..... |
| 13 Mother, what time?                                 | St ..... |
| 14 From Hamburg, maybe                                | St ..... |
| 15 Joint a bit warm?                                  | St ..... |
| 16 My rubbish container                               | St ..... |
| 17 Air, fire or water? No                             | St ..... |
| 18 Not a cloud in sight                               | St ..... |
| 19 Row across? So what's down?                        | St ..... |
| 20 Bodmin, Dart and Ex                                | St ..... |
| 21 Mon, Tues, Wed, Thurs, Fri ...                     | St ..... |
| 22 Fair and honest                                    | St ..... |
| 23 The academic term from January to March            | St ..... |
| 24 Sounds pretty bad!                                 | St ..... |
| 25 Patron saint of fire engines, buses and dustcarts? | St ..... |

Answers (and a few explanations) below.

1 Ewe; 2 Teath; 3 Ives; 4 Kew; 5 Winwaloe; 6 Piran; 7 Enodoc (NO, doc); 8 Iwe; 9 Endellion (an ell was an old measure of six hand breadths); 10 Petroc; 11 Briec; 12 Austell; 13 Marwenne; 14 Germans; 15 Neot; 16 Mabyn; 17 Erth; 18 Cleer; 19 Columb; 20 Maves; 21 Day; 22 Just; 23 Hilary; 24 Eval; 25 Dennis (these vehicles were long made by Dennis Motors of Guildford and featured a large 'Dennis' across the front of the bonnet).


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## Legal Update

**Emergency Workers:** Emergency workers are very often unsung heroes. They go about their job diligently, protect us and often save lives. It is therefore staggering how often police, prison officers, custody officers, fire fighters and frontline health workers suffer abuse and physical assault. Currently the maximum penalty for assaulting emergency workers is one year. Sentencing reforms have now been announced to increase the maximum penalty to two years. The Ministry of Justice says the new law will offer greater protection to these frontline emergency workers – but I personally have my doubts that it will do much to stop such attacks, but time will tell.

**Reporting Neighbours:** The Policing Minister has been extensively quoted for encouraging people to report neighbours flouting the new 'rule of six' coronavirus restriction. They can do this by using the non-emergency number 101. People now face fines of up to £3,200 if they do not abide by the measures in both indoor and outdoor settings. Apparently Snow White has given notice to two of her small friends to take a hike!

**Boost to Care Staff:** Ten home care workers employed by the contractors Diligent Care Services and Premier Carewaiting, both commissioned by Harringey Council in London, have won their claim in the employment tribunal. Judgment has just been given saying that travelling and waiting time of up to 60 minutes between appointments should be treated as work time, and therefore they should be paid for it. Unison said the decision has implications for thousands of care workers across the UK who care for vulnerable people in their own homes. The successful carers will receive an average settlement of around £10,000 each following the favourable court ruling.

**Drivers Who Kill Others:** Drivers who kill others after speeding, racing or using a phone could now receive life sentences under new legislation. Those causing death by careless driving under the influence of drink or drugs could also get a life sentence. Sentencing reforms will be put before Parliament early next year. They include a proposal for a new offence of causing serious injury by careless driving. At present, without that specific offence, drivers who cause injuries under such circumstances can only be convicted of careless driving. This presently has a maximum penalty of a fine.

**Virus Scams:** An analysis by UK Finance shows that bank scams have increased by an alarming 84 per cent during the lockdown. Cases of impersonation fraud have nearly doubled in the first six months of the year. The banking trade body said there had been 15,000 reports of such scams, with these resulting in losses of £58 million – a 3 per cent year-on-year increase. Of the 15,000 reported impersonation scams, over 8,200 cases involved criminals impersonating the police or a bank, while 6,700 cases involved fraudsters pretending to be from organisations like utilities companies, telecoms providers or government departments. I am sure the vast majority of us have been victims of such attempted scams – maximum alert is required at all times.

**Pension Appeal Setback:** Two women affected by the state pension age being changed from 60 to 66 for women lost their appeal against a High Court ruling. Campaigners claimed that women born in the 1950s have been treated unfairly by rapid changes in their pension age. On 15 September, Appeal Judges unanimously dismissed the women's appeal. They said that introducing the same state pension age for men and women did not amount to unlawful discrimination. Joanne Welch, founder and director of campaign group Backto60, said she would now consider taking the case to the Supreme Court and would also draft legislation to bring a women's bill of rights.

**Flammable Cladding:** The Commons Public Accounts Committee has warned that thousands of flat dwellers have been 'condemned to lives of stress and fear' over the government's failure to replace flammable cladding on high-rise buildings. Following the Grenfell disaster in 2017, the government pledged to provide safe alternatives to dangerous cladding on all multi-storey buildings, but just 155 out of 455 high-rises with similar flammable cladding to Grenfell have had it replaced to date. The committee said that progress has 'been unacceptably slow' and leaseholders have been the victims of a 'system-wide failure'.

*John Busby*

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## Excerpts from the draft minutes of the virtual meeting of Poundstock Parish Council, 28 July 2020

An Ordinary Meeting of Poundstock Parish Council was held via Zoom, starting at 7.30 pm. Present: Cllrs Stephen Pawley (Chairman), Alison Rowland, Brenda Alison, Kerensa Cobbledick, Brian Furse, Colin Gilbert, Pamela Idelson, five members of the public. Apologies for absence: Cllrs Paul Curtis and Fred Ward. Absent: Cllr A. Rowland.

**Agenda items:** Wanson Mouth access: resolved to undertake a Definitive Map Modification Order.

**Planning applications:** PA20/02778 plot adjacent to Hantreath, Combe Lane, Widemouth Bay EX23 0AA, Reserved Matters application following Outline Approval PA18/10620 (14 January 2019) for the erection of a single dwelling with some matters reserved (appearance, landscaping, layout, scale), Mrs L. Bhaskaran; resolved to support. PA20/04927 Atlantic Reach, Leverlake Road, Widemouth Bay EX23 0AF, proposed extension, Mr & Mrs R. Alexander; resolved to support. PREAPP-PA20/01327 Morveth, Combe Lane, Widemouth Bay EX23 0AA, pre-application advice for demolition of garage and doctor's surgery at Morveth and construction of new entrance porch, remodelling of Trearden and subdivision of existing gardens to form separate building plot for proposed new single detached dwelling, Jason Wright; no comments given. PA20/05248 Downs Barton, Vicarage Lane, Poundstock EX23 0AX, proposed Listed Building consent for repair of existing storm-damaged barn, Mr and Mrs R. Pearce, no comments given.

**Ward Member Report:** Cornwall Councillor Nicky Chopak gave an update on the Widemouth Bay Parking Scheme; she asked for observations on parking around the Beach House Shop. Work has begun on the A39 Bangors Speed Reduction Scheme with dragon teeth road marking giving the effect of road narrowing now in place and 50 mph signage expected soon. A similar scheme at Hele Bridge has been put forward to slow traffic along the A39. Vehicle speed monitoring is to be carried out at Kennacott along the A39. Public Space Protection Order – No Dogs on Beaches has been reinforced for the summer; permission was requested for the training of volunteers by Cornwall Council to enforce control, all agreed. It has been confirmed that Stratton Minor Injuries Unit will remain open overnight until April 2021; Cllr Chopak and colleagues are working to ensure this will be a permanent arrangement.

**Chairman's report:** see page 14.

**Correspondence:** Because of the pandemic Cornwall Council proposes to renew existing PSPOs – No Dogs on Beaches for a year with further consultation in 2021.

**Meeting closed:** 21.27 pm.

*(For the full approved minutes, please see the Parish Council website or the parish noticeboards. To attend a meeting via Zoom please contact the Parish Clerk.)*

### Poundstock Parish Council

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The Parish Council website publishes agendas and minutes for current council meetings, together with details of councillors and how they can be contacted. You will also find a list of planning applications affecting the parish and lots of information about the Neighbourhood Development Plan. For further information, contact the Parish Clerk.

Got a few moments to yourself? Grab a pencil and try to solve these.

## Seasonal Wordsearch

B	X	O	N	I	U	Q	E	S	H	G
I	L	W	R	N	M	U	T	U	A	R
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A	P	I	H	E	S	O	R	B	H	Y
L	X	O	A	P	P	L	E	R	E	E
L	P	S	Q	U	A	S	H	F	Y	W

Acorn	Conker
Grape	Apple
Squash	Blackberry
Autumn	Fall
Bird	Equinox
Hare	Pumpkin
Cold	Hot
Damp	Web
Sloe	Rosehip
Frost	Harvest
Haw	Hop
Summer	Strawberry

## Mad Musical s

These musicals have got into a mess. Can you unscramble them? We've made it harder by arranging the letters in alphabetical order.



AAEEFHMMNOOOPRRTT

ABEEEILLMRSSS

DDEEFFHILNOOORRT

DEEIORSSSTTWY

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CDEIKW

AAAIMMMM

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## Diary Dates

### October

- 25 Clocks go back one hour  
28 Annual Parochial Church Meeting, 2.30 pm via Zoom. To attend, contact Alan Green (see p. 9).

### November

- 8 Remembrance Sunday; Act of Remembrance at the War Memorial, Vicarage Lane. Details nearer the time; please see local noticeboards and council website, or contact the Parish Clerk (see p. 21).

### FREE ADVERTISING FOR LOCAL EVENTS

The Packet will always advertise local community and charity events free of charge. As soon as circumstances allow meetings and events to take place, we will be delighted to publish the details: the deadline is 20 November for events in December and January.

**Don't forget: tell the Packet!**

## Defibrillators in the parish

There are three, all in Widemouth Bay. One is next to the Summerhouse (at the church in Leverlake Road), one is near the top of Long Park Drive by the entrance to Pencarra and Bellair, just below the junction with Edith Walk, and the third is at the back of the public toilets just above Widemouth beach. The RNLI lifeguards also have a defibrillator.

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While the churches are closed, Poundstock's two pop-up libraries, in St Winwaloe's and Our Lady and St Anne's, are not available.

### Poundstock Post Office

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The following details relate to pre-covid meetings. We apologise that with **SUCH A CHANGEABLE SITUATION IT'S** impossible for us to give up-to-date information. Contact each organisation for the current situation.

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Guides: Monday, Jacobstow parish hall  
Scouts: Tuesday 6.30–8.0 pm  
Beavers: Wednesday 6.0–8.0 pm (07855 001284)  
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### Marhamchurch WI

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### Jacobstow WI

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### Juliotter Garden Club

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### Widemouth Bay Summerhouse

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