



MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY, 19TH MAY IN MAWNAN MEMORIAL HALL

PRESENT: Cllrs Sadler (Chairman), Barnicoat, Bate, Nash, Robinson

ALSO PRESENT: Mrs L Clements, Clerk and 15 members of the public

The Chairman explained the safety procedures.

2230. TO ACCEPT APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr Moyle (late – Cllr Faiers)

2231. MEMBERS TO DECLARE ANY DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY AND NON PECUNIARY INTERESTS AND ANY GIFTS RECEIVED

None noted

2232. TO RECEIVE REPORTS FROM REPRESENTATIVES OF THE COMMUNITY:

Reports were read out by members of the following groups:

Mawnan History Group

Mawnan Wives

Mawnan Memorial Hall Committee

Mawnan Mothers' Union

The Mawnan Bowling Club

Mawnan WI

Mawnan Methodist Church & Sunday School

Friends of Mawnan Surgery

Mawnan Cricket Club

Hedgehog Rescue

Abbeyfield Scott House

Reports from the Snooker Club & The Anvil Trust were read out by Cllr Sadler

Reports from the 1st Brownies, Helford Scouts, Mawnan Allotment Society, Mawnan Rainbows, Mawnan Pre School & St Edwards RC Church were provided prior to the meeting and read by Cllr Gibbons & The Clerk

All of these reports are given in full at the end of these minutes.

2233. TO DISCUSS PRIORITIES FROM THE COMMUNITY FOR THE UPCOMING YEAR

None brought up

The meeting finished at 7.35pm

Mawnan History Group

The Mawnan History Group has had a very busy and rewarding programme this year.

The History Group has also retained the dedicated committee of five. This year our visitor numbers doubled to sixty four along with our normal member numbers.

Our talks covered Trevithick, Quirky Cornwall and an insight into life living in St Michaels mount.

Also we covered our local history with talks on the History of Mawnan schools and the Rogers of Carwinion.

As the village population ages, we still are able to find new treasures such as old photographs and documents etc. These have been loaned to us for copying to add to our archives, most of them returned the next day. In addition Artefacts are photographed.

A large thank you to all the parish for their valuable contributions and help,

Ted Glover

Secretary Mawnan History Group

MAWNAN WIVES GROUP.

Mawnan Wives group meets in the Memorial Hall, Mawnan on the first and third Friday of each month. We have 35members on the register.

We publish our meetings on the village notice board, the monthly newsletter and in the Memorial Hall All are made welcome and we regularly have visitors throughout the year.

During the year we have various speakers, for example, Head Gardner from Trebah, South West Water, Wool Spinning and crafts, Rodda's History. Local History, Local Charities, plus entertainment and games evening. We attended a cookery demonstration at The Cove Restaurant and we have excursions and outings locally.

Whenever we have speakers we always like to donate from our funds to a charity of their choice and that is always appreciated. Members have boxes for Action for Children and this past year we donated £285.00.

We hold two popular coffee mornings a year and this also enables us to donate to various charities. We are a lively group and all our members willingly support the village and all it has to offer.

Trudy Smith
Secretary.

Memorial Hall Committee

The increased popularity of the War Memorial Hall is due to the dedication of the Chairman, Mrs Beth Lawry, plus the very active, supportive Committee.

Although the hire rates had to be increased a little, the Committee are still very proud of the fact that the premises are among the cheapest and best in Cornwall and all its clients leave it in a tidy condition. This is due to the success of the Annual Craft Market, which raises significant funds for the upkeep of the premises. Although the Hon. Treas. Mr Ian Newman is always "on duty" for that 2 weeks, he leads the happy band of volunteers, before and after the event.

On 11th November, there was a moving Service of Commemoration in the hall, led by the Parish Council Chairman, Cllr Rex Sadler, followed by refreshments served by members of the Committee.

Two other new projects this year have been the re-opening of the Snooker Room and the newly- formed Film Club. Tony Barbary instigated the forming of a Snooker Team, which has had some success winning the Falmouth & District League. Chris Mason qualified for the County Competitions. Rod Allday has organized the showing of some popular films, with many more to come.

The Committee are grateful to everyone who gives freely of their time and expertise, especially Mr Evie Payne, plus the staff, Miss Jane Roberts and Mr Roger Hurst.

At the Committee Meeting on 8th September last year, recognition of the esteem that the former Committee member, Mrs Eileen Newman, held within the community was given by the Chairman. More recently we heard of the unexpected death of a previous, long-standing Committee member & Trustee Mr Joe Gundry, whose grandfather was on the original Committee.

In a recent letter requesting a grant from the Parish Council, our latest financial statement was sent, as well as the answers to the Village Questionnaire, which has resulted in the decision that a Feasibility Study is necessary to keep the premises up to its usual high standard for the local community.

Sylvia King, Hon. Sec. Mawnan War Memorial Hall Committee.

Report for Mawnan Parish Council from Mawnan MU 2016

The Mawnan Branch of the Mothers' Union continues to be one of the largest in Cornwall. Our monthly meeting in the Methodist Schoolroom are cheerful, inspiring occasions and our coffee mornings & Afternoon Tea Parties attract many from the local community, whose generosity enables us to donate significant amounts to MU projects in Cornwall, around the United Kingdom and Overseas.

MU is all about supporting family life, underpinned by prayer.

We appreciate the friendships we have made with the young families of the areas, especially their loyalty to our Activity Mornings & Carol Service & all the families who are keen to host the Travelling Nativity on its rounds of the parish.

Recently, we staged an Exhibition at St Michael's Church, celebrating HM the Queen's 90th birthday, which was enhanced by the colourful painting of the village schoolchildren.

We hope that our colourful flower tubs at the two entrances to St Michael's Church will have cheered up passers-by; our thanks to the Parish Council for their assistance in purchasing the plants and bulbs.

Sylvia King, Hon. Sec. Mawnan Mothers' Union

Mawnan Methodist Church & Sunday School

Our Chapel in Mawnan still has regular attendance by local and visitors at 11am each Sunday and a warm welcome awaits them all.

We are so very grateful to our Parish Council for the very generous donation you have granted us this year, enabling us to repair one of our windows. The work is due to be started very soon, it will be nice to be able to remove the board and let the light shine in once more.

We always seem to have a challenge in front of us and we are now in the process of seeking permission and carrying out the conversion of our toilets into a disabled one – not easy when it is Grade 2 listed. We are fortunate in having local builders to guide and carry out the necessary work.

We are also grateful to the Guides, Rainbows, Table Tennis Group, Mothers' Union and *-in-a-Bar who use our Sunday School Room for their weekly and monthly activities, which helps with the upkeep of the Chapel.

Our relationship with the other churches in the village is good, we share and attend Easter Services with the Church of England and the Catholic Church joins with us to provide soup lunches every Friday throughout the Lent period, with all of the proceeds going to Christian Aid. Although our Sunday School does not meet regularly, they present a Nativity every Christmas and contribute to Easter and Harvest Festivals, as do the guides, brownies & rainbows which is very uplifting.

Margaret Lugg, Church Steward

Friends of Mawnan Surgery

Our small committee of nine was first formed in September 2000. Our main aim is to raise money through fundraising to provide items to benefit the patients, either in the surgery or their homes. We are also fortunate to receive donations from past and present patients and their legacies.

We also provide refreshments at the two flu jab sessions at the village hall each autumn and sell raffle tickets to raise extra money.

Our chairperson, Gill Glower and Treasurer Ian Newman work hard alongside the committee to provide all the extras outside the doctor's remit.

We are fortunate in having a dispensing Surgery where patients can collect their prescriptions without travelling to Penryn.

Our latest purchase is an E.C.G machine, which should soon be in use at Mawnan. I have attached a short list of some of the things purchased by the Friends in the past...

Purchases by Friends of Mawnan Surgery

Signs	Williams Medical Oximeter with integral printer
Mini Doppler	Blood Pressure Monitor
VISTA Diagnostic set	Portable Heart Scan Monitor
10 Blood Pressure Monitors	Dermascope
5 wrist blood pressure monitors	Doppler Machine
2 Digital Cameras	Ear Syringe
Freeze Unit	2 Nebulisers
Woods Ultra Violet Light	Oriscope
Medisave ECG machine	Books for Children's corner

Margaret Lugg, Friends Secretary

Abbeyfield Scott House

Scott House has 9 residents, all housed in their own accommodation but with communal facilities including a lounge and conservatory. Fundraising takes place to cover the funding to keep a regular calendar of social events, activities and outings up and running.

Marjorie Briers, one of the founding members of Scott House recently passed away and her loss would be felt greatly.

Nigel Druce

MAWNAN CRICKET CLUB REPORT 2015-16

Last year the Club put out two sides, a Saturday team in Cornwall League Div 6 West & a midweek team in the Mining Evening League. The season turned out to be like the film "The Good, the Bad & the Ugly". The good was the Saturday team got promoted. The bad was we played the least number of games that I can recall in my time to achieve this & the ugly was when the treasurer produced the balance sheet at the AGM.

The Saturday side were in a 12 team division & should have played 22 games but ended up only playing 12. Three games were lost to the weather, 1 more than average, whilst the other 7 were against teams who could not raise a side and in two cases withdrew from the League altogether. We finished third in the league with the top two automatically promoted but during the winter months more teams dropped out in higher divisions & we were invited to fill a vacancy in Division 5 West. We know that this is a big challenge for us but we should get better cricket & fewer cancellations & can hopefully do enough to stay in this league.

The midweek team which we run for beginners, improvers & people who can't play at the weekends took part in the Mining league Group stages and found it hard to compete as we were the lowest ranked club in the competition, in some cases playing against players from 4 divisions higher than us. However we did win 1 game from 8 & just lost another game on the very last ball of the match.

The Club would like to thank the Council for last year's grant cheque & for the investment in improving facilities in and around the Ben Spike Centre which of course benefitted all users not just the Cricket Club. Also a big thank you to the people in the village who contributed to our fundraising which was the best for many a year. It was unfortunate that we could not realise the full potential of these funds as we had a big loss of income from all of the cancelled games. However we did manage to upgrade one of our very old mowers & for the first time in many years the square was dug up at the end of the season, reseeded & dressed & during the winter aerated and eventually rolled with a heavy roller. Now with the weather improving that hard work has paid off and the wickets are playing truer and better.

Martin Ley

Mawnan WI Report for Parish Council Meeting May 2016

Last year was a special year for the Women's Institute as we celebrated 100 years since our foundation. There were events taking place throughout the country and locally we took part in a celebration tea at the Maritime Museum when the Centenary Baton was received in Falmouth.

Mawnan WI continues to be involved in many community events and has a thriving membership. Currently our membership is over 50 and the majority meet regularly at Mawnan Memorial Hall on the second Thursday of the month. We have continued to go out for lunch once a month choosing to go to local pubs, cafes and restaurants and we also still meet at Cornish Maid for coffee on the fourth Tuesday of the month.

We have enjoyed a varied programme of activities and speakers in our Monthly Meetings over the last year which has reflected the different interests of members. Talks and demonstrations have been given by members and invited experts. To give some examples: we began our 2015/16 programme with a visit by Nelson the fire dog; Henrietta Boex, the curator of Falmouth Art Gallery gave us a wonderful talk about her work there and we have been on a visit there to look at the current exhibition.

We were visited by owls from the Screech Owl Sanctuary last summer which was fascinating! In October we enjoyed an evening with Hatty Walker who demonstrated what can be done with Pampered Chef products. At our first meeting this year we had a talk by a local lifestyle chiropractor who emphasised the importance of good posture and immediately had us all sitting up straighter!! All of our meetings have ended with a delicious WI tea provided by the evening's refreshments team.

Apart from our Monthly Meetings we have been busy with other activities. We were thrilled by the success of our second Garden Safari and have decided to repeat it again this year on 18th June. Another popular repeat in our programme was to one of Arty Williams Master Classes at The Cove. Our Fashion Show in October has continued to attract a lively audience and this event has become one of our annual fund raisers. Another of our big fund raising events is the Christmas Gift Fair which we held at the end of October.

We have particularly tried to involve the young mums and children in some of the events that we have arranged. Children from Mawnan School in Years 5 & 6 joined us when Lesley Newman came to do a Clay Workshop. In November our Beetle Drive was held and we again arranged a Christmas wreath making activity which was open to the community. The interest shown led us to put on a spring flower arranging session as well. Our first Knit and Natter session in January proved most enjoyable and as a result, we have set up a Stitch and Knit group which will meet at 1.30pm in Mawnan Memorial Hall on the third Monday of the month. Shrove Tuesday would not be the same without the Pancake Races held for all the community. In 2016 the occasion fell during term time and we were thrilled to welcome children from the Pre-School and the Reception Class from the school. It was lovely to see the enthusiasm of the participants and the organisers as well!

We have continued to have regular trips to The Hall for Cornwall this year. We went on a boat trip down the Helford in June and had a day tour of Bodmin Jail in September. Next week we are off to the Lost Gardens of Heligan.

In the last year Mawnan WI members have again helped out in the front of house at the village pantomime and Musical Extravaganza and were up on the field serving refreshments at the Fun Run in September. We supported the Craft Market in August by serving refreshments and we have continued to arrange the Village Christmas Party which is supported by the Rendlesham Trust.

We are looking forward to another exciting year and hope to continue to increase our membership and the profile of WI in Mawnan.

(Gill Druce - Hon. Secretary)

1st Mawnan Brownies

Mawnan Brownies is pleased to report we have had a very successful year. We have 20 brownies, 2 leaders, 1 helper and 2 young leaders. Our girls are ages 7-10 years and our aim is to provide a varied programme of activities which gives the girls opportunities to try new things and to challenge themselves. We listen to the ideas of the girls themselves and try to incorporate these into our programme. The girls make a promise to help others, to work together and to help the community in which we live. We try to support local events and activities – our clutch of scarecrows last November was a sight to behold! The girls work towards obtaining badges – recent ones have been the Hostess Badge when they hosted a tea party for Mother's Day; Road Safety Badge which included bike maintenance and safety and their Entertainer Badge last Tuesday when they performed their very own "Brownies Got Talent"!

Beverly Benney & Helen Bate
1st Mawnan Brownie Leaders

Helford Scouts

The Troop has grown; I counted 22 Scouts and 5 leaders last night. They recently took part in a County event hiking from one coast to the other with an overnight camp at the Eden Project.

The Beavers and Cubs also have full membership, they have recently had some archery sessions and the Cubs cycled along the Bissoe trail. The group took part in the St Georges Day Parade which was reported in the local press. All sections have a busy program ahead including camping, hiking, outdoor cooking and various visits.

Best wishes, Sue Rosevear.

Mawnan Allotment Society

The last 15 months have seen amazing growth in for the Mawnan Allotments Association.

In March 2015 we were starting our "new year" from a bleak position, as following the resignation of our founding Chairman Alex Marshall, we were down to only 5 active members. However, numbers picked up during the spring and slowly gathered momentum, so that by mid-summer, we had 17 of our 20 plots allocated, with our member numbers increasing to 18. This was due in part to the improvements made to the entrance of the field and parking area, that had been funded by the National Trust in October 2014 and the purchase of a rotavator in April 2015 (funded by a grant from Shell International) to help us to prepare plots for new members as part of our new "Ready to GO" policy. During autumn 2015, the National Trust agreed to fund the connection of a water supply to the field, which has helped to attract even more members and by the end of the year, we welcomed the return of Alex Marshall as our Life President. In January this year we were able to announce our successful bid for funding from the National Lottery Awards for All scheme, which will enable us to build a shed and polytunnel, erect fencing and install a water distribution system, as well as the planting of an orchard.

Whilst we have not been able to hold on to all of our new members, we have witnessed rapid expansion this spring, so much so that we have had to increase the number of plots on site to 34. At this point in time we now have active 44 members with several additional helpers. Ages range from early 20's to late 70's with several children accompanying their parents.

We would like to thank the Parish Council for the donation of £500 which I understand we been granted, to help us to pay for improvements to the entrance to the field, to full conditions laid down by Cornwall Council on approval of a planning application for the building of a shed and polytunnel on the site.

Granville Williamson

Secretary — Mawnan Allotments Association

Mawnan Pre-School

The past year has been another busy and successful year for Mawnan Pre-School. We currently have 43 children on register and are full up every morning and most afternoons.

Looking over the past year the children have visited the Beach, Trebah and enjoyed another fabulous Puppet Show from Squashbox Theatre and lots of lovely Nature Walks.

We have also enjoyed several parties over the past year including, Easter, Superhero and Christmas, any excuse for a good party!

Our fundraising efforts have included a group of staff and parents completing the 12k Tuff Enough challenge, a gruelling obstacle course. Unfortunately we had to cancel our Sports Day, due to our fabulous Cornish weather, for the first time in 22 years, which was a huge blow, however we managed to hold a scaled down version later in the term. We also held our Nativity raffle which helped out a bit.

In the autumn term we had a visit from Marc's Arc with a selection of bugs and animals for the children to learn about.

The children have taken part in many activities such as painting, gluing, dough and construction and at present we are enjoying digging, sowing and growing in our planting area.

As the Pre-School continues to thrive it is encouraging to see so many younger families in the village and the continued support the parishioners and Parish Council show us.

Yours sincerely
Liz Shaw (manager, Mawnan Pre-School)

Report on St. Edward the Confessor Roman Catholic Church Old Church Road, Mawnan Smith

St. Edward's RC Church has two Masses weekly; at 10.00am on Thursdays and at 9:00am on Sundays. Our parishioners come from areas covering Mawnan, Truro, Budock, Mabe, Constantine and Port Navas. We also have support from our regular, frequent visitors and holiday makers.

We are fortunate in having Father Brian Kenwick, Parish Priest of St. Mary Immaculate RC Church in Falmouth, officiating at Masses at St. Edward's. We have recently provided improved kitchen facilities within the church, which enables us to easily provide refreshments after Masses.

We are an active group of parishioners, who have in the last two years been involved in organizing ground clearing sessions, culminating in a controlled bonfire in an open area within the grounds on 5th November. Refreshments that were provided included hot dogs, soups, cakes and hot drinks, served by the ladies of St. Edward's.

During Lent we unite with other churches in the village to provide Lenten Lunches; homemade soups and bread, served to many of our villagers. All money raised is donated to Christian Aid.

Our present project is to help fund three of our parish teenagers to attend World Youth Day in Poland next July. To this end we have had a successful Fund-raising afternoon and it is also planned that we take part in an organized parish family walk on Sunday 3rd July. Refreshments will be served at St. Edward's during and after that event.

The parishioners feel privileged to continue having a Catholic Church in the village and hope that it remains an important part of the local community.

1st Mawnan Rainbows

Following the kind grant from the Parish Council last year to our 1st Mawnan Rainbows unit please find below a short report for your forthcoming Annual Community Meeting and also I have attached a copy of this coming terms programme so you can see what we get up to!!

Firstly a huge thank you from myself and the girls at Rainbows for your grant last year of £200 which meant that we could buy some games apparatus for the unit to use both indoors and outside when the weather is kind, fingers crossed for this term ! The more expensive item we invested in was a games parachute which just about fits into the Methodist hall where we meet on a Tuesday but will really come into its own at our annual sports evening in July with the local Brownies at Carwinion Playing Field where we can space out to have real fun! The bright and colourful, rather Rainbow like, parachute opens out to a full large circle where we can play team games and helps their co-ordination and movement to get everyone involved.

We try to organise a varied programme of activities for the Rainbows from cookery to planting to woodland walks to sewing and craft all done with a special enthusiasm that only 5 or 6 year old girls can bring to the session!! We currently have 11 Rainbows, 2 leaders and 1 young helper, all looking forward to the new term ahead and praying for some good weather for our outdoor activities!! Although even in the rain like last June, beach BBQs can still be a giggle!!

If anyone on the Parish Council would like to come along to see what we get up to then you are most welcome as I feel a real sense of community in our group that reflects Mawnan as a village. Thank you once again.

Kind regards and best wishes

Tahnya Sweatton
(1st Mawnan Rainbows Leader)

Mawnan Snooker Club

Work on the new and improved table lighting will commence soon and should prove to be a huge benefit to the playing environment.

The snooker Club continues to grow in popularity and with the support of the Parish Council we can look forward to an even brighter future.

Martin Tremayne (chairman)

Mawnan Anvil Trust.

In the last twelve months we have filled the last remaining workshop vacancy with a furniture maker. We now have a full complement of craft workers - a blacksmith, a jeweller, a sign writer and a furniture maker -and the craft centre offers a varied and an interesting range of traditional crafts of exceptional quality. The Trust has also welcomed two new trustees - Kate Hellyar and Alan Tully- who will bring valuable skills to our Board.

On site, the appearance of the craft centre has been much improved by the addition of a purpose-built split stable door which adds greatly to its traditional appearance. The door was partly financed by a grant from the Parish Council and the trustees are very appreciative of your continuing support.

Currently, the trustees are working to raise the profile of the craftcentre A new publicity leaflet has been prepared and we aim to improve the information available on site by revising and refreshing the information boards to give added interest to visitors.

Routine maintenance work continues and the trustees now undertake monthly checks on health and safety to ensure compliance with all new regulations.

Ian Martin
Company Secretary