



ST DENNIS

Community News Magazine



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August 2026 Edition



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COMMUNITY NEWS & EVENTS

Find out what's happening in and around St Dennis.



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Useful information including contact details of local amenities, details of a community drop-in hub and more!



COMMUNITY EVENTS

Two full pages of photographs from St Dennis Carnival! Details of children's activities during the summer holidays! Details of a 'crafternoon'! And much more!



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St Dennis and Nanpean Community Trust August News

Since the Community Trust was established in 2016, it has awarded nearly £1.75 million to local projects and organisations. During 2025, grants were approved for St Dennis Over 70s Christmas Lunch, St Dennis Football Club, Claytawc, St Dennis Community Fireworks Display, St Dennis Ukulele Club, and St Dennis Working Men's Club.

Volunteer Resident Trustees Needed

The St Dennis & Nanpean Community Trust is also looking for Volunteer Resident Trustees to join its Board.

The Trust was established to support projects that benefit residents of the parishes of St Dennis and Nanpean and is responsible for distributing the community funds associated with the Cornwall Energy Recovery Centre (CERC).

The Board consists of:

- Five Parish Councillors (three from St Dennis and two from St Stephen)
- Two representatives from Cornwall Council
- Seven local Resident Trustees (four from St Dennis and three from St Stephen, Nanpean and Treviscoe).

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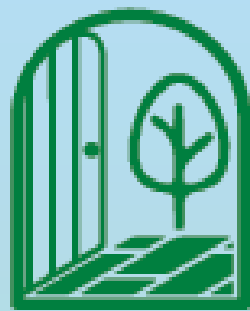
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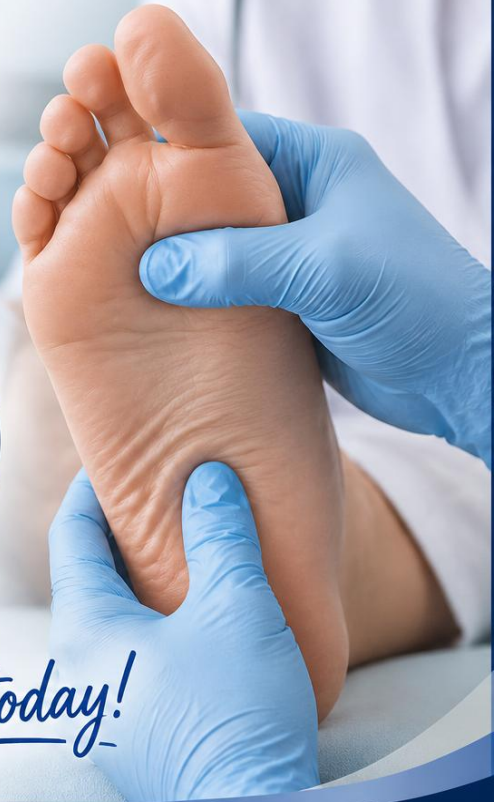
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- ★ Thursday 20th August
10.30am - 1pm
- ★ Wednesday 26th August
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- ★ Thursday 27th August
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FREE activities throughout the
Summer Holidays – come along
and join in the fun!





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SUNDAY SERVICES
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Preachers for August

Sunday 2nd August – Bray HC
Sunday 9th August – Fellowship
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COFFEE MORNING

Saturday 8th August, 10am – 12noon
Meet up with friends and a lovely chat!

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“Let your light shine”
Matthew 5:16

Choir sings for its Friends

Singing in a choir is said to be good for your health, and certainly the Imerys Mid Cornwall Male Choir had a tonic on June 28th. Their energetic Ladies' Committee welcomes them and all the 'Friends of the Choir' to a generous cream tea concert at Nanpean Chapel. In return the Choir sang some of their latest songs, as well as old favourites. And did you know that June 26th was International Cream Tea Day, according to a website far away in North Dakota, USA? They could learn a thing or two from the Ladies Committee!

Our next event was a concert on 7th July with the Tresillian Ladies group at Drinnick. This was a major charity event, which raised over £800 for the Air Ambulance and made use of the large meeting space at OURHQ, in Nanpean.



Coming shortly – very shortly, when this is published – we will be missing our regular Thursday practices at St Dennis Working Men's Club and instead giving weekly concerts throughout August on the quay at Charlestown. We will be collecting for charities and praying for dry sunny weather just like May and June, so that we can introduce visitors to the Cornish tradition of male voice choirs. Why not come over for an evening stroll, a look at the new lock gates – which we greeted at a concert in April – and a drink or a snack beside the sea? Otherwise, we always welcome visitors at our regular Thursday practices.



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Councillor Resignation



It is with sadness that the Parish Council announces the resignation of our Vice-Chair Jennifer Burnett. Cllr Burnett joined the Parish Council in 2021 and has made a significant contribution to the Council over the past five years. Notably, her expertise in information technology and finance has helped to improve many of the behind-the-scenes systems and processes.

Our Chair Julia Clarke and all the council members would like to express our deep gratitude for Cllr Burnett's hard work and loyal service to the community. We wish Jennifer all the best in the future.

New Vice Chair

Following the resignation of Cllr Jennifer Burnett, we are pleased to announce that Cllr Tanya Edmunds was duly elected Vice Chair of the Parish Council at the Full Council meeting held on the 7th of July 2026. We would like to congratulate Cllr Edmunds on her new appointment.

In addition, following the first Planning Committee meeting of the council year, Cllr Julia Clarke was re-elected as Chair of the Planning Committee and Cllr Kelsey was elected Vice Chair.

Small Community Grants Available

Are you part of an organisation involved with something for the benefit of the village? The Parish Council has a small pot of money to assist local organisations. Past beneficiaries have included ClayTAWC, The Pitch, The Working Men's Club, Enniscaven Defibrillators and The Carnival Committee to name a few. If you think we can help you, please apply. You can find the grant application on our website, or you can pop into the St Dennis Parish Council office situated in The ClayTAWC Building to collect an application form.

Education Bursary Supporting the Next Generation

As we enter the summer holidays, many parents and carers are getting ready for their children to embark on the next step of their education, be it starting secondary school, college or an apprenticeship, or heading off to university in September. Wherever their next step takes them, we could help provide support. The Education Bursary Scheme is open to anyone living within the area of benefit with a qualifying educational need and is not means tested. For more information or an application form, visit our website or pop into ClayTAWC.

Education Bursary Community Representative

The St Dennis Education Bursary Scheme is looking for a representative of the local community to join the committee. As a committee member, you will help in deciding how funds are allocated to help support local individuals pursue their education journey.

Experience in education, training or bursaries would be advantageous but is by no means essential. What is far more important is the desire to help support your community and the ability to act with fairness and integrity. As a committee member you will be asked to attend Education Bursary Committee meetings (min 4 per year), review bursary applications and assist with promoting of the scheme.

The scheme is open to anyone living in the area of benefit which covers Trelion, Step-a-side, Hill Head, Trethosa Village, Little Treviscoe, Central Treviscoe, Nanpean, Old Pound, Rosevear Park, Enniscaven, Gothers, Trerice Terrace and all of St Dennis. The grants are not means tested and can be applied for any qualifying educational need with no upper age limit. The scheme has helped primary school children with additional needs, secondary school pupils, college and university students, apprentices and professionals seeking career development plus a range of adult learners. The scheme provides funding for laptops, printers, software, specialist equipment, travel expenses, books, course fees, childcare, accommodation and more!

If you are interested in joining the committee or would just like to find out more about the role, please email clerk@stdennisparishcouncil.gov.uk or call 01726 821700.



St Dennis Community Litter Pick – Saturday 15th of August

Looking for something to keep the kids entertained in the holidays? Come and join us for our summer community litter pick; all are welcome. We will be meeting at ClayTAWC at 9.45am for registration, a quick safety briefing and to collect litter-picking equipment. Then we'll head out around the village. Following the litter pick, everyone will be welcomed back to ClayTAWC to enjoy a **Free** pasty, refreshments and even an ice cream or icy lolly! There will be certificates and goody bags for all children taking part. So, keep your fingers crossed for sunshine and come along for a couple of hours of fun, while improving our local community spaces. If you are aware of any areas that need attention, please let the office know and we will endeavour to include these on our litter picking routes. Please note all children must be accompanied by an adult.

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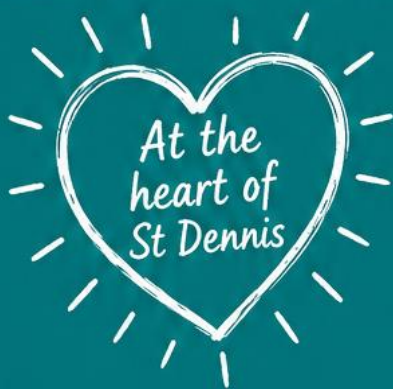


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For our young people this transition can be a time of anxiety as well as excitement. The same goes for all of us when faced with the new or unexpected. A new job, a move to a new area, retirement, the loss of a loved one – I am sure that we can all relate to at least one of these. Even the most confident person will admit to nervousness at times but for some these feelings can be overwhelming and cause pain and a feeling that everything is too much to deal with.

There are many occasions in the Bible where God reassures us that we are not alone – he is with us to comfort and reassure; he also tells us that we are to help and support each other. So, this month, let us try to encourage and support each in all we do and remember that we may not be able to see the pain or worries of others – we must treat each other with kindness.

“Therefore, encourage one another and build each other up” (1 Thessalonians 5:11)

Liz (Local Worship Leader)

Services for August : Everyone is welcome!

Sun 2nd August 9.30am: Holy Communion Service led by Rev'd Bryan West

Sun 9th August 9.30am: Holy Communion Service led by Rev'd Mary West

Sun 16th August 9.30am : Holy Communion Service led by Rev'd Chris

Sun 23rd August 9.30am : Service of the Word led by Liz

Sun 30th August 9.30am : Benefice Communion Service led by Rev'ds Mary and Bryan West



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What's on in **August** 2026 July was a very busy month at ClayTAWC and August is looking to be the same. Thanks to everyone who supports ClayTAWC by coming along to the many different classes we run throughout the week.



Recently, Active Cornwall chose ClayTAWC for their staff team meeting and afterwards, 7 members of the team did a fantastic job in our garden, giving us a hand with weeding, planting, spraying of our wooden garden furniture and painting our tables and chairs. The team were absolutely fantastic and got so much done, considering the heat during the afternoon. We cannot thank them enough. If you are looking for a quiet space to read a book, chill or just do a little gardening, then come along and use our garden.

School Holiday Summer Club – ClayTAWC will be hosting children's activities throughout the school holidays. As usual, we will be mixing things up at each session and will be offering cake decorating, bead making, outdoor games, painting and lots more. Please follow us on Facebook to find out more, call into ClayTAWC or see the dates on our poster.

Reading Challenge – Extraordinary Explorers FREE for children of all ages from 11th July to 12th September. We will be working alongside Cornwall Council Libraries to bring the reading challenge to ClayTAWC. Why not come in and sign up your children to make sure they keep on reading throughout the holidays. All they need to read is 6 books by the end of the challenge and at each stage, they will receive stickers and incentives, along with a free swim.

Every Tuesday morning from 10.30am – 11.30am – we offer FREE exercise classes – our exercise class is a great way to meet new people, exercise and it caters for all abilities. The exercises can be done seated or standing and free refreshments are available at the end. All equipment is supplied so why not come along and try something new?

Community Information Hub – Wednesday 5th August from 10am – 12pm

Come along to the Hub if you need help, advice or if there is anything troubling you. There will be someone on hand to help.

Thursday 13th August from 6pm – Community Pizza Night

£12 per person (12 places available)

ClayTAWC will be hosting a fantastic Community Pizza Night. Frank from School of Dough CIC will lead an interactive workshop, sharing his pizza-making secrets and guiding guests through the process of crafting and baking their very own pizza. The evening will continue with a

delicious pizza feast, bringing people together to enjoy great food and plenty of community spirit. There are just 12 places available at £12 per person. Proceeds from ticket sales will help fund local cooking sessions for children and young people. Don't miss this fun, hands-on evening of food, learning and community connection! Book by calling ClayTAWC on 01726 828130 or drop in. Payment in advance required.

Why not come along to the activities on your doorstep:

Mondays – Gentle Yoga from 10.45am – 12pm

Wednesdays – QIGong from 2.30pm – 3.30pm

Wednesday evenings – Yoga from 7pm – 8.30pm (all abilities welcome)

Wednesday evenings – Guitar Lessons from 7pm – 8pm

Thursdays – Craft Club from 10am – 3pm

Friday evening is Games Night at ClayTAWC and runs on the 1st Friday of each month (next one 7th August from 7pm) – All games supplied but feel free to bring your own.

Every other Monday – Loose Threads from 1pm – 4pm

Every 2nd Tuesday of each month – Cancer Support Group from 10.30am – 12.30pm

Thursday 13th August from 6.30pm – School of Dough Adult Pizza Making Night - £12 per person – 12 places available

26th August – Crafternoon hosted by Healthy Cornwall 1pm – 3.30pm

Last Saturday of every month – 15 from 1 Project – Join in and make Tote bags for the village from 9.30am – 12.30pm

ClayTAWC closed on Monday 31st August – Summer Bank Holiday

Clay Tots – Our Toddler group which runs on most Wednesday mornings from 9.30am to 11am

Clay Tots – Toddler Group

Thanks to everyone who supports Clay Tots, our Toddler Group for children 0 – 4 years. Due to the Summer Holiday club activities, the Toddler Group will be starting back on Wednesday 9th September. Come along and have a fun morning, making new friends at the same time.



Our very successful Lunchtime Friends group, which is fully booked at present, celebrated one of its lovely member's birthdays on 14th July. Tom is an asset to the group and we very much loved celebrating with him on his birthday week. Many happy returns Tom from everyone at ClayTAWC. This group has built up over the last year and it's great that so many people benefit.

Table Top Sales – ClayTAWC

Please note that we will no longer be holding the regular end-of-month Saturday Table Top Sales at ClayTAWC. However, it is hoped that we will be able to run table top sales on special occasions and these will be advertised.

**HAPPY 90TH BIRTHDAY**

We would like to take this opportunity of wishing Val Trudgeon a very happy 90th birthday. She has been a hard-working committee member for over 40 years, and we hope she will support us for many years to come.

The June Table Top sale at ClayTAWC raised £149.00 nett, despite there being less than a dozen customers, and included two very generous donations. The raffle made £60.00 and refreshments made £29.00.

We were delighted to receive a cheque for £200.00 from St Dennis WM Club. A total of £400.00 was raised during a recent darts tournament, and this was shared between the Fire Fighters charity and Cancer Research UK.

Many thanks to Richard Kitt and Les Plant for organising the event, and congratulations to Greg Hambly for winning the tournament.

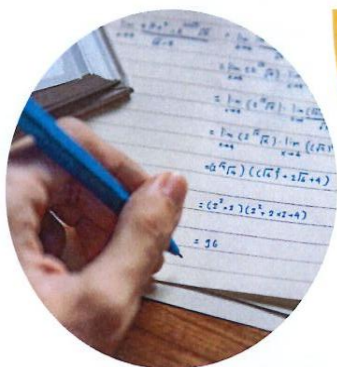
Our Coffee Morning on 14 July raised an amazing £273.10. This included £74.00 on the raffle and £33.90 on the new/nearly new clothing table.



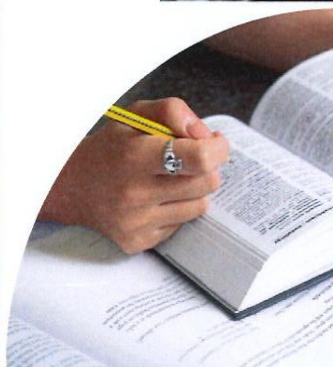
We have had many donations recently and our storage unit is bursting at the seams. Please drop in and have a look at the amazing new and nearly new items during one or more of our coffee mornings.

Date for your Diary:

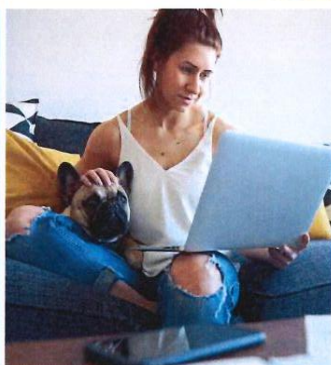
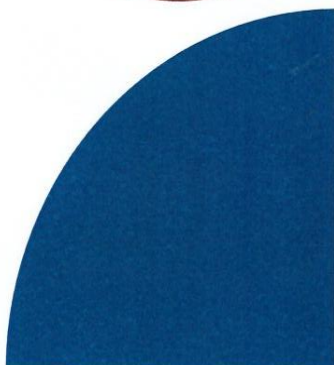
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ST DENNIS CARNIVAL

(All credit to Derek R Williams)

The 2026 St Dennis Carnival week took place during one of this year's heat waves. During the week there were plenty of activities involving water to cool off participants and in some cases the crowds.

The week started on Saturday 4th July 2026 with the Crowning of the Carnival Queen, Scarlet Richards, followed by the Family Fun Dog Show. The weather on Saturday was cloudy therefore better conditions for dogs and owners. The day was rounded off with a Car Treasure Hunt and a Quiz Night.

What followed were seven more days of activities for all ages taking place in venues all around the village. There was the Sunday Fun Day with Children's sports and It's a Knockout for juniors and adult teams of 12 years and over. There was a Euchre tournament, Prize Bingo, Food Face Off, Interpub and a Walking Treasure Hunt

Along with the usual favorite activities of Pets Parade and Fancy Dress Trolley Dash a new addition to this year's programme was the Johnny Cowling Sings event held at the Parish Church. This was an enjoyable event with much laughter, singing and audience participation.

Carnival Day Saturday 11th July 2026 started with the judging of carnival royalty from around Cornwall in the Carnival Queen and Fairy King and Queen competition.

The sunny weather brought out the crowds to line the route of the Grand Carnival Parade headed once again by Derek Savage and our own St Dennis Band. The parade consisted of many classes, a few of which gave entertaining displays along the route.

Once again the finale to the week was St Dennis Band holding their traditional short concert in front of the War Memorial Institute ending with the emotional "You'll Never Walk Alone" this year dedicated to David Jay a bandsman and long-term friend to St Dennis Band who passed away late last year.

As always the main aim of the week was for everyone to have fun and there was a very competitive element to the games and competitions with great effort and inventiveness going into the entries throughout the week. Many thanks must go to the hard working Carnival Committee for such a successful and fun filled week.







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