

Lewannick, Polyphant & Trevadlock Newsletter

Shiver me timbers – Pirates in Lewannick



Lewannick Amateur Dramatic Society once again had us all laughing and singing along; this time to a performance of *The Incredible Adventures of Robinson Crusoe* on 15th to 19th January.

A talented local cast led by an accomplished Ali Corner playing a diminutive and frenetic Robinson Crusoe who was a spy aboard the good ship *Victory* hoping to entrap hilarious Long John Silver (Paul Corner) (ex Pirate of the 'Curried Bean'), his sidekick Cacks (Phil Pridham) and their glamorous leader Blackbeard (Margo Pridham). The plot thickened when the much bearded Captain Nelson (Sarah Pridham) and 1st Mate (Emma White) were joined on board by Mrs Miggins (Dot O'Sullivan), Alice (Peter Retallack), who was a vision in pink, and Jeremy (Bridget Thomas). Intrigue, disguise and pyrotechnics had the audience on the edge of their new comfortable seats.

Seaman Dave Tripledecks (Will Kingdon), master of the ad-lib, was accompanied by Bernard the dancing and drumming gorilla (Andrew Jones) in a slick sketch, which all ages enjoyed. They also had colourful parts as The Cannibal King and Friday, a psychedelic fluorescence on platforms, and were joined by The Witch Doctor (Emma Murphy).

A clever ocean scene, showing Robinson Crusoe swimming after being thrown overboard, was followed by all the cast appearing on Cannibal Island where we heard and joined in with well-rehearsed songs. Of course the baddies got it in the end and a bonus was that there was no embarrassing romantic thread.

It was good to see Luke Jones, Lewis Wilton, Sam Thomas, Maggie Leslie and Jo Sandercock, the younger members of the cast, eagerly performing *The Hornpipe* and *The Haka*; also April Cowen, Richard Jasper, Becky Vine, Katie Vine and Sam Mercer. With talent like this to draw on in future years LADS will carry on from strength to strength.

As is always the case with pantomimes, the unseen workers are key to the smooth running of the evening. The backstage team (Barry and Chris Spooner, Larry Rowse

and Ian Burns) produced smoke, fog, fired a cannon and changed the scenery faultlessly to order. They also made the props with Lizzie Grant's help. The costumes were cleverly sourced or made by Barbara Bloomfield. The make-up and dressing-room team were Margo Pridham helped by Gemma Pridham, Jayne Brooks, Carole Newbery and Sarah Sandercock.

The door stewards were Derek Crabb, Elaine Randall and a very reserved Clarence Kingdon. The bookings were taken by Elaine Randall and Heather Kingdon. The LADS pantos have become so popular that an extra performance was needed this year. Ken and Betty White and Veronica Retallack organised the raffle of kindly donated prizes.

David Eno is listed as programme producer with Bridget Thomas, lighting with Terry Jasper and music and technical effects. This of course doesn't mention the many hours he has selflessly and silently devoted to another excellent LADS pantomime.

Similarly the programme lists Jenny Eno as helping Lizzie Grant, Margo and Gemma Pridham with the scenery and providing hats and accessories. What it doesn't reveal is that Jenny adapted the script, directed the rehearsals and final panto and of course made Cedric the seagull. Well done. Just a tip though, perhaps Cedric the carrier seagull needs house training.

This year's pantomime raised £3,000 for charity. This will be split between Cornish Blind Charities and Children's Hospice South West Precious Lives Appeal. Thanks very much to everyone who supported us, gave generously to the draw, and advertised in the programme. See you all next year!

Robinson Crusoe - The Film

LADS members and anyone who is interested, are invited to a free viewing of a video of the pantomime on the big screen at the Village Hall on **Saturday 23rd February** at 7.30pm. Bring a bottle or any refreshments you'd like. Tea and coffee will be provided.

LEWANNICK PARISH COUNCIL

We met at Polyphant Village Hall on Wednesday 16 January. The meeting commenced at 8pm. There was one member of the public present who made a request for additional play equipment at Polyphant play area.

Planning, which were all supported, comprised 2007/02376 Rosewood, Bowden Derra, erection of new lobby and kitchen store with associated canopies, 2007/02478 East Lodge, Polyphant, Mr Neil Cash – erection of a double garage and 2007/02489 construction of a swimming pool, North Lodge, Bowden Derra, Mr David Cash.

For information 2006/01841 erection of extensions – Trelaske Vein has been approved by NCDC the works to the play area at Polyphant 2007/01860 and finally 2007/01980 Hillside, Hicks Mill has been approved.

We have serious concerns with regard to the proposals to remove the confirmatory tourism sign to the Archer Arms and have written to Highways, MP and County Councillor Neil Burden. The grass has now been cut at St. Martin's Close and following lobbying by the PC the cut will be put on the regular grass cutting scheme which is governed by Launceston Town Council. One of our Councillors, John Newbery, has very kindly volunteered to repaint the posts at on the War Memorial.

We have requested a report on the maintenance schedule for work on the trees and green at Polyphant for the next three years.

Our comments on the North Cornwall Local Development Framework have been confirmed. We have also made our representations with regard to the Fire Brigade Service Plan. The four proposals being Risk Management Assessment – regarding use of resources. Identifying areas of improvement following the Penhallow Hotel fire, Retained Duty System – to implement a new system for the home/work system in Cornwall and Regional Fire Control Implementation – the government intends to implement a national network of nine regionally based control centres. In essence we have replied with additional comments that the control centre needs to be within the region. Cheques for payment comprised £40 – hire of village hall, Lewannick, £49.95 broadband monthly payment x 5 months, £105 maintenance of parish clock and £15.00 British Legion – wreath.

Our next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday 20 February at Lewannick Village Hall. The meeting will commence at 8pm and is open to the public.

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Village Hall News

Village Hall AGM

Wednesday 13th February at 7.30 pm

Wine and Wisdom

Saturday 15th March 7.45 for 8pm

Jumble Sale

We will be having a Jumble Sale in April. Donations of jumble welcome. Please leave at Joy White's - Bovetown Farm or Ken and Betty White's - Glebelands. Thank you.

For further information about all Village Hall events or to book the Hall for your own event call Margo on 782 767.

Did you know?

There's a free bus to Asda in Bodmin on a Tuesday. It collects from Lewannick at 09.25 and Polyphant Green at 09.35 arriving at Asda at 10.05. The return service leaves Asda at 11.35. Happy shopping!

Cinema in Lewannick

Friday 22 February

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Lewannick Film Society

LEWANNICK CHURCHES TOGETHER DATES FOR FEBRUARY

**Lewannick Morning Services
all at St Martin's Church (times variable)**

Sun 3 Rev. Chris Probert 9.30am
Sun 10 Rev Margaret Oxenham 10.00pm
Sun 17 Rev. Chris Probert 9.30 am
Sun 24 Chris Paxman

Garden Club

**February 6th
Slideshow - Rosemoor Visit June 2007**

**March 5th
Flower Show Preparation**

ALL WELCOME

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Garden Club

SPRING FLOWER SHOW

Saturday 29th March 2008

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Dog owners

We thank the majority of owners who keep their dogs under control and clean up after them. Sadly there are a few who are less responsible and allow their dogs to roam freely in built up areas, fouling roads, pavements and even doorsteps. There have been reports of this in Polyphant and Lewannick. Apart from being a fineable offence this is extremely unpleasant and anti-social. Dog mess trodden into carpets or picked up on children's shoes or clothing is not good. Quite a few dog bins are provided for your use throughout the parish. Please have consideration for those around you and be a responsible dog owner. Thank you.

METHODIST CHURCH PREACHERS AND EVENTS FOR FEBRUARY

**Superintendent Minister
Rev. Margaret Oxenham - Tel: 01566 782240
Polyphant Morning Service 10.30 am
(unless otherwise stated)**

Sun 3 Philip Parsons
Sun 10 Neil Burden
Sun 17 Peter Bloye
Sun 24 Rev. Margaret Oxenham

Events

Wed 13 Coffee Morning 10.30 a.m. - 11.30
a.m. in Polyphant Church Hall.

Polyphant Ladies' Club

Our February meeting will be on
Wednesday 27 February at 2.00 pm. We are
having a Members' Afternoon to celebrate
the end of our first year. There will be a
cup of tea, raffle, quiz and beetle drive.
Everyone, including non-members, is very
welcome to join us. Any queries, please
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Trevadlock Village, Tuesday 12th & 26th.