

South Hill Connection



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EDITORIAL



[Welcome to the latest edition of the South Hill Connection newsletter](#)

As I write this, I have just returned from a few days spent upcountry and in the capital. After all the noise, the seething mass of anonymous faces, the ceaseless frenetic bustle, and the polluted smell of city air, it is almost a shock to return to the incredible beauty of Cornwall. Perhaps it is good to go away for a few days, if only to remind ourselves how lucky we are to live in such a lovely place

In a similar way, the long cold and wet winter has helped to remind us how glorious those long warm and sunny days of summer are. Now that it has finally arrived, hopefully we can start to forget the worries of the economic crisis and enjoy again the simple pleasures of the countryside in summer. There's still a lot to look forward to.

(The picture above was taken at the village Fun Day to raise money for new playground equipment in Golberdon - more further on)

If you want to write a letter to the editor, or contribute to our next newsletter, please call or email:

Geoff (editor@south-hill.co.uk or telephone 362623)

Messages from "out there"...

The arrival of occasional messages from the old Golberdon website has prompted us to get our own Guest Book attached to the South Hill Connection.



[South Hill Connection Guestbook](#)

Go on - check it out and leave greeting for the Parish...

The new Guest Book is hosted by 123Guestbook.com. Messages are moderated and do not appear until they have been checked.

Dear Newsletter

Recently we have had a couple of messages in our Guestbook from people overseas with ancestral connections in the Parish.

One of these was from [Marjorie Rickard](#), whose ancestor emigrated to Canada in the 1860s. Marjorie was asking for news of the [Uglows](#) who farmed at [Lower Manaton](#) after the Rickard family.....

We have received the following response:

"Marjorie's relative who farmed at lower Manaton was [Kenneth Uglow](#). He also had another farm at Kingston near Stoke Climsland. I don't remember anyone calling him Ken, but I do remember that he usually carried a bag of "Nuttals Mintos" sweets which he would offer to anyone he met. I have heard that when he was County Chairman of the Cornwall branch of the National Farmers Union in 1965, he would pass around mints to the whole audience, perhaps to stop them interrupting him with questions before he was ready!"

Kenneth and his wife May moved from Manaton to Callington when they retired. May now lives in a local Nursing home. Their eldest son, Jonathan, lives locally too.

Manaton had a big garden with a stream through it, with a bridge and a pond. It was an ideal venue for garden parties so there must be lots of photographs out there somewhere. The only one I have is this one:



Ladies from left to right:

Winifred Skelton, Rosalie Raymont, Clara Parkyn, Mrs (May) Uglow,?.... Valerie Fitze, Shirley Veale, Evelyn Fitze, Margery Coombe,?.....,?.....Vera Fitze,?....., May Bolton

Can any newsletter readers identify the ladies whose names are missing?"

[David Skelton](#)

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South Hill Parish Hall

Parish Hall Committee Report

The AGM was held on 25th May at 7.30pm.



Reports from the Treasurer, Secretary and Chairman all showed a successful year with the Fun Day, Harvest Supper and Barn Dance demonstrating good involvement from the community. Thanks were given to all who had contributed towards making these events a success. The election of officers followed with all incumbents being re-elected. The representatives from local organisations also remain the same. We are still short of a representative from St Sampsons Church.

Our aims for next year are:

1. To follow up on the possibility of Photovoltaic cells for the hall roof.
2. Once again have successful Fun Day, Harvest Supper and Barn Dance.
3. Improve lighting to the car park in order to meet Health and Safety requirements.
4. Continue with ongoing maintenance to the hall.
5. Further increase the use of the Hall

The Committee Meeting followed on from the AGM

Chris Andrews has agreed to provide the Entertainment at the Barn Dance again following his great success last year. By popular demand, The Ideal Village Band will again provide the music and calling for the Barn Dance on Saturday 30th October.

We are holding a meeting on Thursday 3rd June 7pm at the Hall to discuss the lighting which is needed in the car park to meet Health and Safety Standards. David Skelton will be present to discuss what is required and the best way of providing it. We would like to have some input from local residents and families with houses abutting the car park will receive individual notification. There is no point in complaining once the work is done. Come and have your say so that a solution, agreeable to all, is reached.

We will be holding a meeting with a representative from Community Energy Plus at 7.30pm on Thursday 24th June, to which all are welcome. He will be discussing the feasibility of having photovoltaic cells installed on the hall roof. He will be able to provide information regarding cost, funding available, set up and maintenance etc. We are hoping that a good number of people will be interested enough to attend. Photovoltaic cells can also be installed on homes and the representative will be able to answer all your questions.

The next Parish Hall meeting will be held on Wednesday 21st July at 7.30pm to make final arrangements for the Fun Day. It would be useful, if anyone wishing to have a stall on the day, were able to attend the meeting. Look forward to seeing you then.

Pat Moren Chairman South Hill Parish Hall

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Hall Hire rates (please note these were revised 2010)

- Regular users: £12 per session
- Other users: £20 per session
- Commercial use: £50 per session
- Evening party: £30 + £10 setting up or clearing
- Wedding packages £150 (includes Friday Saturday and Sunday morning)
- Short bookings: £5 per hour
- If rubbish is not removed, there will be a £ surcharge
- There are three sessions a day, morning ,afternoon, evening.

Does your club or organisation need somewhere to meet?

We have a pleasant, well equipped village hall available for hire.

For more information contact: **Peta Emmerson on 382841** or email hallbooking@south-hill.co.uk

51st South Hill Horticultural Show and Fun Day

Parish Hall Golberdon

**SOUTH HILL
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SATURDAY AUGUST 21st 2010

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NOTICES

For full details of what is happening in the parish, please visit www.south-hill.co.uk/events. This is kept as up-to-date as possible.

Events

Weekly Yoga Classes Monday evenings

5pm in the Parish Hall

**Phone Lilian on 389115 to check
times and dates**

All are welcome

Horticultural Show & Fun Day

Saturday 21st August 2010

more details to follow

Harvest Supper

Saturday 11th September 2010

in the Parish Hall

Entertainment by [Chris Andrews](#)

Barn Dance

Saturday 30th October 2010

in the Parish Hall

Music by [The Ideal Village Band](#)

St Sampson's Church Services

Services are held in St Sampson's Church, South Hill every **Sunday at 11:15am**. All are welcome.



Golberdon Christian Fellowship Meetings

The Fellowship meet in the Parish Hall every **Sunday at 6:00pm**. All are welcome.

Download the latest list of speakers from the South Hill Connection website

Whiteford Music Festival
...one of the best outdoor music venues in the South West

Friday 16th – Sunday 18th July 2010

A stunning arched auditorium set within beautiful parkland and rolling hills provides the venue for the 10th annual [Whiteford Music Festival near Stoke Climsland](#). And this year the musicianship and fun have been amped up by the special addition of local legend [Mad Dog Mcrea](#) in a sparkling new line-up.



But Whiteford is far from a one-note festival: if your taste runs more to big band music, take a gander at our [Summer Swing evening on Friday](#), featuring the fabulous Bobby Kemp and his band.

If summer evenings mean proms to you, then look no further – [Whiteford's Proms on the Lawn](#) are a much-loved annual institution, complete with full orchestra and choir, Rule Britannia and fireworks!

And if you feel like taking it down a notch after all of the above, why, we've got the very thing – an all-day [Sunday Chill Out](#), full of family-friendly music for the adults and kiddie-friendly circus skills for the youngsters. Oh, and a certain [Mad Dog Mcrea](#)...

What are you waiting for? See you there!

The Programme

Friday 16th July – Summer Swing

Join us for a selection of the very best in big band music, ranging from the 1930s up to the present day, featuring Bobby Kemp and his band.

Top UK vocalist, Bobby is a truly International performer with all the big numbers from Frank and friends, coupled with that swingin' sound, re-discovered for a new generation by artists like Robbie Williams and Michael Buble; all performed by Bobby with the style and panache of the original era.

Combined with bar, barbecue and a stunning setting, it's a night not to be missed.

Come along and bring your dancing shoes!

Doors open 6.00 pm

Main performance from 7.00 pm

Saturday 17th July – Proms on the Lawn

Who needs Hyde Park? – Whiteford's got it all for a truly memorable Proms evening.

Come and enjoy a full orchestral Proms on the Lawn on the theme of the Best of British.

Music is provided by the Radio Light Orchestra, joined by Internationally renowned soloist Darren Jeffery and the superb St. Joseph's School Chamber Choir. Relax to popular classics, warm up your voice to tunes straight from the West End and join in the favourites of all Promenaders, including Fantasia on British Sea Songs and Rule Britannia climaxing in a fantastic firework finale.

A dramatic end to a truly memorable evening!

Doors open 6.00 pm

Main performance at 7.15 pm

Sunday 18th July – Whiteford Music Festival Sunday Chill Out

Relaxing on a Sunday afternoon.....

Family fun is the order of the day on Sunday. The Family Chill Out provides the perfect opportunity to lie back and relax while the children have fun. Come along and hear a selection of original and cover songs from some of the South West's best talent, whilst your children enjoy learning circus skills with a professional entertainer. Amongst our performers this year we are delighted to announce the return by popular demand of [Mad Dog McRea](#). You won't be disappointed!

Family Chill Out is free for children aged 11 and under.

Doors open 12.00 pm

Main performance from 1.30 pm

Whiteford is situated just off the A388 a few miles north of Callington.

For more information and booking, visit www.whitefordfestival.co.uk or call **01579 370559**.

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From our Cornwall Council Representative

Next month will mark the first year of Cornwall Council which has spent much time setting up structures to deal with the assimilation of the 7 councils into one. Inevitably problems have arisen and some departments are still struggling to come to terms with the integration of the different systems and procedures operated by the Districts.

There is now a common system for the collection of **Council Tax** which has been standardised across the county. Whilst there have been adjustments in certain areas any future changes will be common across Cornwall.

The Planning system is altering radically to reflect modern working practices and to give more influence to **Parish and Town Councils** in the decision making process. I hope that this will eventually allow these councils to make decisions on minor applications within their own area.

Having just returned from the South East I have to say that **Cornwall's roads** are in a much better state than those in some other counties. I was quite appalled at the condition of some busy A roads and personally consider our highways department have done a good job in making temporary repairs where they are most needed. That is not to say that everything is perfect but the review of the winter road treatment programme and the aftermath should highlight unresolved issues. **Please let me know if you have any problems in your locality so that I can deal with them.**

Parking charges always figure highly in the public agenda and a panel is now considering how tariffs will be applied from April next year over the whole of Cornwall. It is disappointing that the Caradon Parking Card no longer affords any discount for local residents but the 20p charge applied by Cornwall Council will continue for the next few months. You can still use it however but at the standard charge. **Rover parking permits** are available to those who need to use car parks in other areas and details of these can be obtained from **the Cornwall website or One Stop Shops.**

My own work continues with membership of the Waste Panel, the Adoption Panel and a small committee set up to consider the future of community grants as well as the Health & Adult Social Care Scrutiny Committee.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any concerns or problems on 01579 362122 and I will do my best to help or advise you.

Cllr John Turner Cornwall Council St. Ive ED

Callington Heritage Centre

Up to the end of October, Callington Heritage Centre will be holding its first ever exhibition about **Kit Hill**. There is a wealth of information about the Hill, from the past 6000 years!

Kit Hill is a distinctive feature of the landscape of South East Cornwall and this year the Heritage Centre commemorates not just the 25 years since the Duke of Cornwall gave the hill to the people of Cornwall, but at least 600 years of its 290-million year history.

The Centre's Chairman, Lynda Small, said "The problem has been what to exclude, and there are so many stories to tell. Fortunately there is no shortage of written material."

Kit Hill's regular, conical shape has sometimes been mistaken as man-made, but it was volcanic activity over 290 million years ago that created this granite outcrop.

The exhibition starts with a survey of the Hill and an account of its archaeology and covers the story of mining, including the 19th century windmill and the tunnel under the Hill. Later in the season, the Heritage Centre hope to feature 20th century events on the Hill, such as the putting green, the cafe and the toll road. Do you know anything about the rodeo on the Hill? Or the mineral water works?

Callington Heritage Centre is located in Liskeard Road, Callington, in the cemetery chapel. It is entirely run by volunteers, so the exhibition will only be open Fridays, Saturdays, Sundays and Bank Holiday Mondays from April to the end of October, 10.00am to 4.00pm. Entry is free, as is the use of any research material.

Further information is available on the web site: www.callingtonheritage.org.uk or contact enquiry@callingtonheritage



Calling all Cornish Communities!

Cornwall Sustainable Village of the Year Competition



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Cornwall Rural Community Council (CRCC) is launching an exciting new competition open to all villages in Cornwall with a population of 5000 or less. The CRCC and SITA UK Sustainable Village of the Year Competition will be looking for communities that have a sustainable and resilient vision for the future.

There is much collective and individual action that communities can take, and have started taking, to mitigate against, and adapt to, an uncertain future due to the implications of **Climate Change, Peak Oil, Fuel Poverty and Food Security**.

Entries are invited from any organisation or individual within a village and will be judged on what has been collectively achieved across the following four themes: **local economy; village amenities; renewable energy and reducing environmental impact; and planning for the future.**

Here are some examples of what the judges will be looking for:

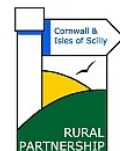
- Alternate provision implemented due to **loss of key services** (i.e. shops/post offices)
- **Energy or water saving initiatives, eco-builds or sustainable energy projects** which have, or are being, established and how the community is benefiting from these
- **Community facilities** (i.e. village hall) hosting initiatives or services that reduce the need to travel
- **Community public transport schemes, car sharing schemes or green travel plans** that demonstrate a low-carbon approach to day-to-day activities
- **Community composting or recycling schemes** in operation
- **Local businesses** that **support** the community
- Future planning towards improving **community resilience**.

There will be five cash prizes: £1000, £750, £500, £300 and £200 respectively to go towards a sustainability project within the villages and the winning village will also be invited to take part in a short professional film showcase.

Entrants need to complete and submit an entry form by 31st July 2010 with judging in late September and an awards event on October 22nd.

For more information and an entry form please contact Sharon Davey, Cornwall Rural Community Council on **01872 273952** or email sharon.davey@cornwallrcc.co.uk.

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Golberdon Play Matters!

On Bank Holiday Monday, the 31st May 2010, South Hill Parish Hall and rRcreation Ground opened to the public for a Fun Day.



The aim was to raise money to improve the children's playground at Golberdon and a dedicated committee organised fun and games, food and drink and a **car boot sale** for all to enjoy.

Children took part in traditional races such as the **three-legged race**, **sack race** and a **relay race** organised by Andrea and Holly Hemmens. Everybody who bought tickets for the **Teddy Tombola** won a soft toy as a prize



Entertainment was provided by three excellent young dancers, in true "Pans People" style and budding world cup stars took part in **friendly shoot out**



Shane Williams, David Skelton and David Mathews manned the **barbeque**, selling burgers and hot dogs to the hungry crowds and later in the afternoon the ladies of South Hill W.I provided hot drinks and cream teas.

For pet lovers there was a **Dog Agility Course**. It has to be said that there were not many entrants but it was great fun to watch all the same.

Two raffles were held—one for the usual kind of prizes and an extra raffle for some excellent prizes generously donated by businesses in the Callington area.

The fun day raised £500 towards the playground. With help from **Cornwall Councils** Regeneration Grants Officer the committee hopes to obtain further funding. The first phase of works needed will be the ground works, before swings and things are even thought of!



To support the grant application, parish residents will be asked to complete a survey, which will be published here on the website.

WATCH THIS SPACE!

The old swings have been here A VERY LONG TIME! On the next page is a picture of four boys who grew up in South Hill in the 1770s, playing on those very same swings.



Here Come The Boys!

Below is a photograph that we showed at the recent fundraising Fun Day (to raise money for new playground equipment in Golberdon)



At the Fun Day, visitors were invited to guess who these boys are. Nobody got it right!

They all grew up in South Hill and are pictured here on the Golberdon swings in the early 1970s.

They are:

Malcolm Jane **Andrew Brewer**
Barry Jasper **David Skelton**