

LAUNCESTON COLLEGE

CLASS of '52

Hello Folks

Here I am again with very little to report, please send me articles of how life is treating you etc.

A Cautionary Tale.

For the last 20 years or so I have cycled fairly regularly. So as my bike was getting a bit decrepid (Like me), my family decided to get me a new one for my 70th birthday. That made me feel obliged to make full use of this new machine, and started to ride regularly, usually on a Sunday morning, while Joan went off to Church.

We are fortunate in that just a mile from our home there is an excellent cycle track, a dis-used train line that has been resurfaced, so was smooth and having been a train track was reasonably flat. It runs through the wooded Plym Valley adjacent to the local steam railway.

Of course having a smart new bike it was only right to be dressed appropriately, so I acquired a good cycling anorak, tight fitting trousers, and suitable gloves. I have never bothered with a helmet, as the only time I have ever come off a bike was on the way home from school - just messing about as any 15year old would do, so there was no risk of a head injury.

This last Christmas it was decided that I should have a cycle helmet as a present, so this year I have been wearing it every time I have ventured out on my steed.

One Sunday after the February storms I was cycling along minding my own business when the front wheel of the bike locked solid., but me and the rest of it carried on and ended up in a heap on the path.

So I disentangled myself and got up and straightened out the bike.

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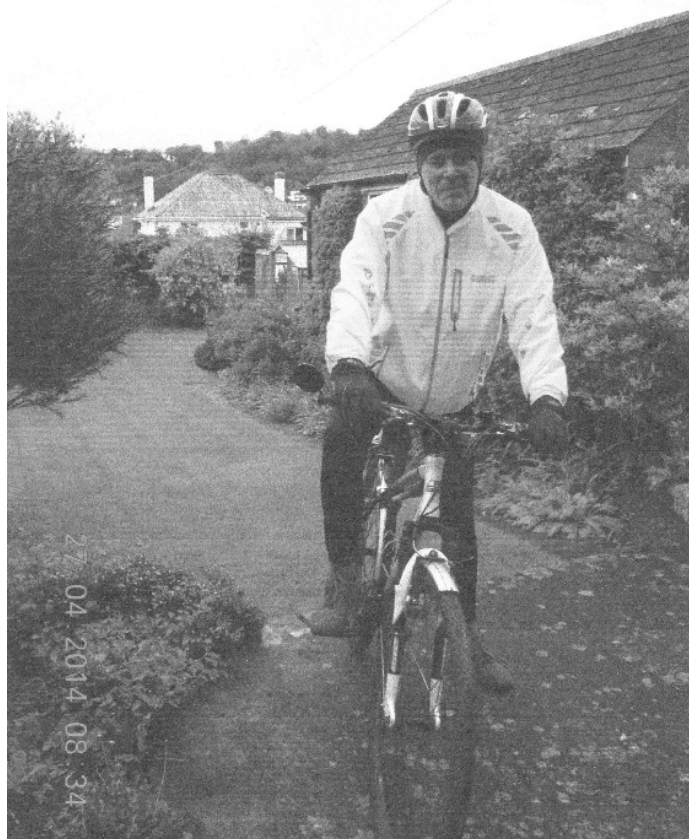
As I was reviewing my cuts and bruises, a fellow cyclist came along, who fortunately was a doctor, she checked me out and decided I was OK to cycle home, slowly. At home when I removed my helmet, I saw that it had a large crack at the front, so I dread to think what state I would have been in, if as previously I had just been wearing a baseball hat.

Investigating the cause, I decided it was due to the front mudguard stay that had come adrift and wedged itself against the wheel. I went to Halfords to complain about what I considered a poor design, which they duly noted. They also gave me a new helmet.

So without the helmet I probably would not be attending our next reunion in October!

All the best,
Ron Screech.

April 27th 2014 - Many thanks Ron. JEG



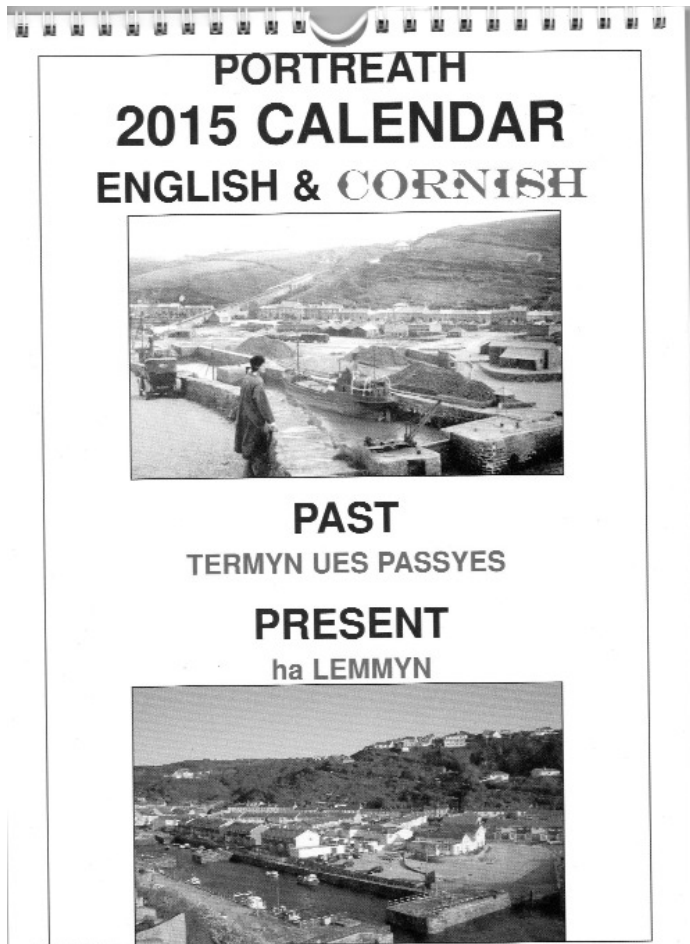
This is my latest effort on behalf of our local chapel.

An English and Cornish language Calendar of Past & Present Portreath.

I had 250 printed by a firm called Azimuth, near Bristol, whom I can really recommend if you want any kind of printing down, Flyers, books, etc. www.azimuth.co.uk



Thankyou Frank for sending this picture of yourself, from 2014. Franks tells me that he hopes to have an operation in July for Stents in his legs. Frank asks the question - would there be enough interested to have a Reunion in Bristol, as he knows of a very good Greek Resturant ? Please let Frank and myself know your opinion on that question.email = werrenasthall@aol.com



Latest on Eagle House.

I now hear that the hotel is trying to be sold as a going concern, so the Reunion in October may still take place as planned, watch this space.

Well folks having had no more info' from anyone else, I am sending this newsletter as it is, just hoping that some of you will be able to send me an article in the near future.

All the best

John.

Now I am putting together the History of the game of Draughts in Cornwall. I have gained much good information from the Internet, from people in Russia and the U.S.A. and this country.



I found these on ebay. Silver Medal given for top Language student. Why not in our day !!!????