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Cornwall Country Link Programme October, November, December 2018

Hi Fellow Country Linkers

Welcome to your Autumn 2018 programme for Cornwall Country Link, with loads more great events for you to enjoy.

We send out programmes to all our members but there are a number of people that we don't see over the year at all and some we have not seen for longer still. Is there a reason we don't see more of our members? If you have any suggestions as how we can attract our wider membership then let me know. I am very concerned that there are a small number of enthusiastic people who put on events (and thanks to all of you who do so), which are then advertised through the programme to about 100 members, but support of the events is often very poor. Lack of support has meant that sometimes events have been cancelled, businesses have been let down and the enthusiasm of organisers is affected. **Please help to support your club by being an ACTIVE member. Your club membership fees cover the costs of insurance, programmes etc. but it is the attendance of members at the events that makes it a vibrant and enjoyable club where we can make friends and encourage new members.**

As you know we are part of National Country Link and as such we can attend the National Country Link weekends that are planned. These are always lots of fun, a good way to meet up with old friends and to make new friends, and to visit new places. The next one is 19 – 22 Oct 2018 and has been arranged by the Norfolk group. Please let me know if you would like details. Next year there are two in the pipeline. Details are not yet fully available, but if you would like to put the dates in your diaries they are:- 7 - 10 June 2019 in Cheshire, and 18 - 21 October 2019 in Dorset. Details will be available for one National weekend at the preceding one.

There are still a few General Data Protection Regulation Forms outstanding. I will send out reminders with this programme to those few people. We do need this to be able to hold your information.

Look at the website www.country-link.org.uk for information about other Country Link groups elsewhere, photos and reports of events we have had in Cornwall, updates on reports from the National Committee, and other useful information.

I hope you find something of interest in the autumn programme. Thanks to everyone who puts on events, and those that support them too. Cornwall is an amazing county and we have plenty on offer.

It's a bit early, but I would also like to wish you a very Happy Christmas

Valda
01872 865038

GET READY TO PARTY!! Friday 7 December 2018 at the Meudon Hotel, Mawnan Smith. Meal - £36per person. Rooms available by calling the hotel direct on 01326 250541 (Ref: Countrylink). Single room rate £40 and double/twin room rate £30 per person based on 2 people sharing. Full details and booking form are attached. Book early to avoid disappointment.

If anyone has anything they can donate to our tombola/raffle please let Eve, Ann or Elaine have items before the party date if possible please.

If you would like a Country Link lapel badge or car sticker, or would like to know about Country Link groups elsewhere let me know.

There is a new National Country Link website: www.country-link.org.uk

"Committee" / Steering group

Chairman – Valda 01872 865038

Programme Coordinator – Eve **New members contact**– Clive / Steve and Lin **reasurer** – Peter Wilkes

Minutes Sec – Ann **Membership Sec.** – John **Advertising** – Martin



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PLEASE BE CONSIDERATE TOWARDS THOSE MEMBERS ORGANISING EVENTS – ALWAYS BOOK AND DO SO IN GOOD TIME. PROBLEMS CAN ARISE AT VENUES IF PEOPLE TURN UP WITHOUT BOOKING AND IF ANY DETAIL OF THE EVENT HAS TO BE CHANGED ONLY THOSE WHO BOOK WILL BE INFORMED.

SEPTEMBER

Thurs 27 Sept

7pm A meal at Ploy Thai Restaurant, Quay St. Falmouth.

Sun 30 Sept

12.00 lunch at The Lemon Arms Mylor Bridge.
1.30 Easy walk in the area.

OCTOBER

Fri 5 Oct

Hoe Down at Hotel Bristol, Newquay. Music and Dancing from 7.30pm until midnight. £15 per person to include a delicious Tex-Mex buffet. Pre-booking is essential. Prize for the best dressed Cowboy and Cowgirl! Fancy dress is optional.

Tues 9 Oct

8pm At the cosy Lane Theatre Newquay, TR8 4PX 01637 876945. "An evening in two halves" two plays, Blood on canvas & A friend of Ronnie's. Please buy own tickets £9 /10

Wed 10 Oct

8pm to 10pm Folk evening at Waterside Café, Penryn TR10 8BE (next to Lidl). Please come along to just enjoy the evening or maybe to take part in making music. This is in aid of Pants Cancer charity. Refreshments and bar available (Arabian buffet £15 must be pre-booked - ring 01326 374438 if you would like the buffet).

Sat 13 Oct

7.15 for 7.30pm. 1920's Murder Mystery Evening at Carnon Downs Village Hall in aid of Penhaligon Friends and Carnon Downs Christmas Lights. Tickets £10 each from Bob & Caroline on 01872 864567, or Katie on 07866 614106 – tell then you are joining "Valda's table". Free drink on arrival with a selection of savouries, canapes and nibbles. Please bring your own alcohol/drinks for the evening. Prizes for best 1920s costume and winning super sleuth table, plus raffle.

Sat 13 Oct

7:30pm For all you bowling enthusiasts, join Paul at Truro Bowl - one game and a meal from £11.

Sun 14 Oct

12 noon Meet at The Croust House Restaurant, Roskillys Farm, St Keverne (TR12 6NX) followed by a peek at this real, working Cornish organic farm and a walk in the area. Returning later for tea and cakes, or ice creams or whatever takes your fancy.

Mon 15 Oct

7pm Join us for a cinema night in Falmouth

Wed 17 Oct

6.45pm for 7pm Quiz night at Carnon Downs village hall in aid of Cornwall Ostomy Support group. £2 each. Starts at 7pm and finishes around 9.30pm. Tea, coffee and cakes available for donation in the interval, but you may wish to bring other drinks/snacks. Raffle too (prizes welcome).



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Sun 21 Oct

12.00 Lunch at The Halfway House, Rame Cross, TR10 9ED. Carvery on a Sunday with vegetarian options.

1.30pm Visit the Flicka Donkey & Horse Sanctuary at Mabe Burnthouse. It's free entry, but donations would be really appreciated. If we have enough people, they will give us a guided tour/talk about the sanctuary. They have a café where we can have a cuppa and some yummy homemade cake.

Fri 19 to Mon 22 Oct

National Country Link weekend hosted by Norfolk Country Link at Wensum Valley Hotel, Taverham, Norwich. The basic price is £185 for sharing a room, 3 night's dinner, bed and breakfast. Interesting visits to choose from on Saturday (coach included) and Sunday, plus fancy dress party and formal dinner dance. More details from Valda (01872 865038) and on the website www.country-link.org.uk

Fri 26 Oct

7.30pm Another play at the cosy Lane Theatre Newquay TR8 4PX 01637 876945. Oscar Wilde's charming comedy, Lord Saviles Crime. Please buy own ticket £10.

Sun 28 Oct

12.00 Lunch at Bluebell Nursery Café, on the Camborne to Praze Road, TR14 0RN

1.30pm Walk in Praze and Clowence area.

NOVEMBER

Thurs 1 Nov

6.45 for 7pm. Join Valda at Phoenix cinema, Falmouth for an event cinema evening of "Allelujah" – this is the transmission of a theatre show captured live from the National Theatre. This is a new play by Alan Bennett about a hospital on the edge of the Pennines threatened with closure as part of an efficiency drive! Described as "sharp" and "hilarious". Tickets £15, or £12.50 with a Movie Magic card.

Sat 3 Nov

Join Martin for a local Bonfire and Fireworks display. Details are to be confirmed – probably in Probus. We'll find a good one!

Sun 4 Nov

12.30 Meet in the Café for lunch and a visit around the Seal Sanctuary, Gweek.

Followed by a talk at 2pm. We may be able to get a discount if there are over 10 people.

Sat 10 Nov

7:30pm For all you bowling enthusiasts, join us at Truro Bowl - one game and a meal from £11.

Sun 11 Nov

12noon Carvery lunch at Killiow golf club, followed by a walk along some of the numerous footpaths in the area – should be easy walking.

evening

6.45 for 7pm WW1 Beacons of light commemoration at Trelissick gardens. The UK and its friends overseas will mark the day 100 years ago when the First World War ended. Join us at Trelissick for the lighting of a beacon.

Wed 14 Nov



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7.15 for 7.30pm Join us at AMATA, Penryn Campus for the band "RSVP". RSVP are spearheading the renaissance of live Bhangra in the UK. A unique blend of Punjabi Indian Music with dance beats and mainstream pop. Tickets £15, from www.amata.org.uk or 01326 259349.

Thurs 15 Nov

8pm Talon at the Princes Pavilion, Falmouth. A really good Eagles tribute band!
Meet for a drink in bar area at 7 p.m. TICKETS ARE SELLING REALLY FAST SO IF YOU WANT TO GO, BUY YOUR OWN TICKET AND LET MANDY KNOW YOU WILL BE THERE. You might not get seats together, but can meet in the bar before and at the interval for a catch up.

Fri 16 Nov

8pm St Austell Arts Centre/Theatre. A comedy Show "Genius" with Simon Evans (from Radio 4) Join Chris for an evening with one of the distinctive talents to emerge on the comedy circuit in recent years. Buy own ticket £14 conc. £12 from CRBO on 01726 879500.

Sat 17 Nov

7.15 for 7.30pm Dance evening at AMATA, Penryn Campus. Richard Chappell: "At the End We Begin". Taking inspiration from T.S. Eliot's classic Four Quartet's Burnt Norton, East Coker, The Dry Salvages and Little Gidding. This performance will be 4 compelling quartets of dance based on each poem. Stemming from his experiences of classical ballet, contemporary dance, martial arts and improvisation, Richard's powerful and full bodied choreographic language will be combined with emerging composer Samuel Hall's score of piano and cello to create a thrilling and arresting response to Eliot's timeless poetry. Tickets £14 from www.amata.org.uk or 01326 259349.

Sun 18 Nov

1.30pm Late pub lunch at the Masons Arms, Camelford (PL32 9PG) – there is a large free car park almost opposite the pub, followed by a short drive out to the moor where we will have a little stroll across the moorland and hope to see the wonderful view of the startling murmurations – an amazing sight of a swooping mass of thousands of birds whirling in the sky above. (n.b. weather and nature dependent!)

Wed 21 Nov

6.45pm for 7pm Quiz night at Carnon Downs village hall in aid of Cornwall Ostomy Support group. Entrance £2 each. Starts at 7pm and finishes around 9.30pm. Tea, coffee and cakes available for donation in the interval, but you may wish to bring other drinks/snacks. Raffle too (prizes welcome).

Sun 25 Nov

11am Tate Modern, St. Ives. Meet 11.a.m in entrance. Browse at your leisure and have lunch in cafe

Thurs 29 Nov

7pm. Join us for a delightful evening for painting of Christmas baubles and other decorations at Starglazers in Falmouth. These will be a very reasonable price and a lovely start to the Christmas season. **I have reserved a table for us but let me know as soon as possible to be sure of a place and definitely by 20 Nov.** Let me know if you would particularly like to paint a bauble (or two), or if there is something else you would specially like. I will know more about the variety of other items and costs nearer the time.



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DECEMBER

Sat 1 Dec

11am Flambards Christmas Victorian Fayre. This is the best deal of the year! £1 entry and you get to go round the Victorian village and other exhibits, plus a really good Christmas Fair with loads of stalls situated around the Victorian village. There is a café on site if you want to eat. Suggest we meet at the entrance at 11am and then we can go round the fair and meet up for something to eat about 12.30.

Sat 1 Dec - Evening

7:30pm For all you bowling enthusiasts, join us at Truro Bowl - one game and a meal from £11.

Sun 2 Dec

Jingle All the Way!! A festive- themed walking treasure hunt around the ancient town of St Columb Major.
12 noon Meet for lunch at Ring O' Bells, St. Columb Major (TR9 6AT) and then follow the clues and maybe win a prize! We hope to have mince pies too!

Fri 7 Dec – CHRISTMAS PARTY, PARTY, PARTY

7 – 7.30pm at The Meudon Hotel, Mawnan Smith. Meal - £36per person. Rooms available by calling the hotel direct on 01326 250541 (Ref: Countrylink). Single room rate £40 and double/twin room rate £30 per person based on 2 people sharing. Full details and booking form are attached. Book early to avoid disappointment.

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Sun 9 Dec

1pm meet at the Borough Arms Pub , PI312RD. The pub is situated on the Dunmere Road as if you are heading towards Wadebridge. Park in the overflow car park. Small plate carvery £7.00 Leave cars there and walk to the Bodmin Jail along the Camel Trail approximately one mile. Tour of the museum is £8.50 but will negotiate a better price.

The museum is well worth a visit, plus it's interesting seeing the renovation work being carried out turning part of it into a hotel. We can have a coffee there before setting off to St.Petrocs Church to see the Christmas trees at approximately 4.00pm. There are usually around 80 beautifully decorated trees. A dance group called K.B.S.K starts at 6.30 in the church - it's free but a give a donation. It's all about raising funds for children that would like to have dance lessons but are unable to afford it.

Tues 11 Dec

7.30pm Club night and Planning Meeting at Punchbowl and Ladle, Penelewey. Please try to come along - offer a few suggestions for the programme and have a drink. If you can't attend the meeting and want to put an event on, **please contact**

Wed 12 Dec

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Sun 16 Dec

12 noon Meet for a delicious lunch at Lanhydrock Hotel and Golf Club, followed by visit to the National Trust's Lanhydrock House for a "Victorian Christmas" and/or a walk around the grounds, followed by tea and cake of course!

Tues 25 Dec

Merry Christmas to all our members and their families and friends!



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JANUARY 2019

Tues 1 Jan – HAPPY NEW YEAR

New Year's Day walk with lunch or picnic, details to follow in the next programme.

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Wed 16 Jan

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FOR YOUR DIARY

- 11-14 Oct Falmouth Oyster Festival
- 1 - 4 Nov - Lowender Peran, Celtic Festival
- 17 Nov - St Austell Torchlight Carnival
- 21 Nov - City of Lights parade, Truro
- 30 Nov – 2 Dec - Fowey Christmas Market
- 30 Nov – 2 Dec - Krowji Christmas Open Studios
- 6 to 9 Dec - Padstow Christmas Festival

GENERAL NOTICES

Salsa at The Burrows Centre, Par, Nr. St Austell. Wednesday evening (7.45 for beginners - £2 and 8.15 for Improvers £4.50).

Salsa on Tuesdays, 7.30pm at Falmouth Watersports (next to Trago Mills). Starts with beginners/intermediate classes with additional sessions and freestyle after an interval; generally well attended. £6.00 for the evening

10 pin bowling every 4 – 5 weeks at Truro Bowl. Average attendance is 12-14 people. 2 games of bowling plus a very good meal for £11. 7.15pm start.

Anyone interested in **folk dances/barn dances/ceilidhs** please email Celia — and she will let you know of any upcoming events.

Jive

Jive classes are held at the following venues. Beginners sessions normally start at 8pm followed by free dance time & the Intermediate session starts at 9.30pm.

Thurs Indian Queens Social Club; Helston Godolphin Club

Music

Finn MColl, Killigrew St, Falmouth has great music every Thursday.



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