

# TURNPIKE



MARAZION NEWS FOR MARAZION PEOPLE

FREE AND FOR EVERYONE

## THANKYOU FABULOUS FRAN AND REVD SOPHIE FOR YOUR SERVICES



A farewell and huge thank you for all the tireless work in the church and community to Revd Sophie Troczynska (left) who is moving on to pastures new in the summer. Good luck for the future!

Fran Phillips (right) was presented with the Marazion Community Champion of the Year 2024 award for her tireless work for St Julia's Hospice South West. Fran has fundraised since 1992 and in the 33 years she has been doing it has raised an astonishing £275,024.50p. (Here at Turnpike Towers we like to be precise.)



### CHEAPER £2 EVENING CAR PARKING INTRODUCED

Good news for evening visitors to Marazion and St Michael's Mount.

A new £2 parking tariff has been introduced in all short-stay car parks between 6pm and midnight. This provides more affordable and convenient parking options for those enjoying the towns beauty after sunset.

Whether planning a dinner at an eatery in Marazion, or friends need to park whilst visiting, this new tariff makes it easier and more affordable. This will hopefully boost business in the town and help keep money in the pockets of local people.

### COST OF LIVING CRISIS - WHAT HELP CAN YOU GET?

Cornwall Council and Citizens Advice have both published information of how to get help if you are struggling to make ends meet or pay bills.



This year continues to be a tough one but advice is on hand to help restructure debts or find extra assistance.

Scan these codes to read the advice and help from Cornwall Council and Citizens Advice or call 0800 240 4420 to talk to a human.



# DOES YOUR NOT FOR PROFIT CLUB OR GROUP NEED EXTRA CASH?



If you are running a community group or not for profit organisation in Marazion you can apply for extra money to help from either the Town Council or our Cornwall councillor.

The Town Council offers grants to local non-profit organisations that improve life for Marazion residents. A simple form, which can be found on their website, needs to be filled in and some bits of paperwork need to be provided before Marazion councillors will then consider the request.

Meanwhile, our Cornwall councillor has a Community Chest which allows them to give out money to local not for profit organisations that are helping Marazion look better or improve the town. They particularly welcome requests up to £500. There is some form filling but it isn't too bureaucratic. You can find both sets of documents by searching for Marazion Council Grants or Cornwall Community Chest.

## MARAZION RESIDENTS CAN CLAIM FREE LOCALS' PASS FOR MOUNT

Want to access the Mount for free all year round?

Permanent residents of a household within Marazion just have to show proof of residency at the Change House on the Mount's harbour front, either with a driving licence, copy of a bank statement or an electoral roll polling card, when visiting the island.

A photo of the card holder will be taken to create a Locals' Pass card to be presented at future visits. Under 18s don't require a pass but must be accompanied by a Locals' Pass holder if visiting.

You can find full details of the Locals' Pass initiative by searching for 'St Michael's Mount Locals' Pass online'.

If you require any further assistance regarding this please call 887882 or by emailing: [enquiries@stmichaelsmount.co.uk](mailto:enquiries@stmichaelsmount.co.uk).

## FREE WATER AND MONEY SAVING DEVICES BY COMPLETING A SURVEY

We have all heard the tales of woe with water companies of late. And we all know that with climate change the weather will be more unpredictable and the chances of a drought and standpipes are set to become more likely.

South West Water is set to add more reservoirs and possibly the controversial desalination plant at Par. In the meantime, local people can both do their bit to save water and save themselves money on their bills by getting some water saving devices for FREE.

Complete a six minute survey and get your water saving kit from South West Water by going to [www.getwaterfit.co.uk](http://www.getwaterfit.co.uk).

Simply fill out the survey of your water using habits and at the end you can order FREE items such as water butts, shower heads, tap regulators, cistern bags and leaky loo detection strips.

## SCHOOL INSTALLS TOWNS FIRST PUBLIC EV CHARGERS

The first two publicly available Electric Vehicle chargers in the town are up and running at Marazion School.

It means that for the first time locals and tourists can top up their electric vehicles from within the town. The Governing Board of Marazion School has also organised and managed some green energy projects recently.

The project will not only generate extra funds for the school, it will go a small way to help save the planet and all the while educate local children about the value of tackling climate change.



# Marazion School



## PUBLIC EV CHARGER

**OPERATION TIMES**

During School Holidays 24hrs • Term Time Mon to Fri 5pm - 7am • Sat & Sun - 24hrs





## CAN YOU HELP DURING A MARAZION EMERGENCY?

**If the pandemic taught us all one thing, it is that disasters can, and do, happen.**

Marazion Council is continually updating the town's emergency plan so that everyone can work together to make sure that people and property are protected as best as possible.

The town is special in so very many ways. However, this means that there are certain threats that could impact the town that nowhere else would ever have to deal with.

Are you, or do you know anyone, who may need a little extra help?

Do you have any skills or qualifications in medicine, operating chainsaws, driving 4x4s or other skills that may be useful?

Do you have any kit like sandbags or generators the town could use in an emergency?

If the answer is yes, please contact the Tracey the Town Clerk on 710234 [townclerk@maraziontowncouncil.gov.uk](mailto:townclerk@maraziontowncouncil.gov.uk).



The scene in Coverack in 2017 when it experienced the heaviest rainfall ever seen in the UK. With climate change, scenes like this could become more commonplace and is why the Town Council is asking for your help

## BORROW A FREE BLOOD PRESSURE MONITOR AT THE MOBILE LIBRARY

**Marazion already has a fantastic range of books in the book boxes and charity shop, but if that's not enough, the Mobile Library also provides some and now loans out blood pressure monitors to help you keep an eye on your health.**

Cornwall Council provides a once a month(ish) mobile library service that stops for 25 minutes on Godolphin Drive for people to pick up books or a blood pressure monitor, if pre-ordered online, or browse what is in stock on the van.

Next dates for your diary for when it comes to Marazion are between 11.10-11.35am on Friday, 25 April, 23 May, 20 June and 18 July. Later dates will be added. Google 'Cornwall Council mobile library service' and follow the top link for more information.

## ALL YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT JOINING MARAZION CHAMBER OF COMMERCE



**Marazion Chamber of Commerce was formed in 1998 and includes over 60 small businesses. Their aim is to promote and develop a strong economic environment for businesses and the community.**

Members benefit from an increased voice on town matters, listings on the Chamber website, and advertising

opportunities on town boards. The website, receiving around 90,000 visits per year, showcases local businesses and provides useful information for residents and tourists. Members can also post on Chamber social media sites.

Membership costs £50 per year for small businesses, with larger businesses paying more. Advertising on town boards costs an additional £80. The chamber makes donations to local community groups from membership fees.

The Chamber has supported projects like the Folly Field Children's Playground, Town Centre Public Toilets, and Cycle Parking Racks. They sponsored painting bus stops for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee and erected Union flags for the Coronation. Regular donations are made to the Greenwood Penny Christmas Tree committee and the Marazion Decorative Lights Committee. Recently, the chamber donated £2,500 for plants in the renovated Maypole Gardens.

For more information or to join, visit their website, contact Paul Elliott (Chair) or Julia Greig (Secretary), or go to [www.marazion.info](http://www.marazion.info).

# GET READY FOR THE EXCITEMENT OF THE LOCAL ELECTIONS



**It's that time again. Every four years we have the chance to either stand as a parish or Cornwall councillor, vote for them or vote them out.**

There are two sets of elections happening. One for Cornwall Councils' Longrock, Marazion and St Erth area representative. And one for Marazion Town Council.

Between 7am and 10pm, Thursday 1st May, you can pop to our Polling Station up at the Community Centre and vote for who you want.

The Cornwall Council elections will be contested by national political parties and independent candidates. Meanwhile, historically, the Town Council elections have never had political party candidates and instead feature independent local people passionate about Marazion.

You can vote in person, by post or by proxy (where someone can vote for you if you can't get to the polling station in person) but you must register and let the authorities know.

If you are not registered to vote and you want to exercise the right that millions fought and died for over the decades, then you need to

do so by Friday 11 April otherwise you won't be allowed.

If you're voting in person don't forget the new rules which mean you must take photo ID, like a driving licence or passport, to prove you are you.

Alternatively you can vote by post. However, to do that you must also apply and be registered with the government by 5pm on Monday 14th April. If you miss this date, you can still vote in person but not by post.

If you want a proxy vote you must already be registered to vote - as does the person you want to vote on your behalf. But you have until 5pm on St George's Day (23rd April) to register for a proxy vote. All details can either be found on [Gov.uk](https://www.gov.uk) or on Cornwall Council's website.

If you are interested in earning a bit of cash on the 1st May then Cornwall Council is looking for people to work on both election day and the election count.

They need a presiding officer (£295) and poll clerk (£221). This involves working from at least 7am until 10pm and also requires you to attend online or in-person training.

They also are looking for count supervisors and count assistants (£12.50p/h in the day and £17.50p/h if it is an overnight count).

Now the fun part - if you want to stand to become a councillor. You must have your nomination papers handed into Cornwall Council by no later than 4pm on Wednesday 2nd April.

For Marazion Town Council, there are 11 unpaid councillor posts available for the 1,170 voters in our town to vote to fill. In an ideal world many more than 11 people will put their names forward so that residents can vote for their preferred candidate.

However, should there be 11 or fewer people wanting to be a Marazion Town Councillor then there will be no election and no chance for you to select who you want.

If there are fewer than 11 councillors on Marazion Town Council then it can still operate but then the council will start looking to 'co-opt' (absolutely not press gang) people into serving our community.

The elections are held every four years and any elected councillor, unless they stand down, will serve for that amount of time.



## NEW TRANSPORT FOR CORNWALL APP GIVES LIVE BUS DATA



Transport for Cornwall, the people who try and give us a regular and on time bus service through the town, have launched a new free app that will stop you having to wait for hours hoping that maybe one might turn up.

Download the app called *Transport for Cornwall* on your phone and, aside from seeing timetables, planning journeys, finding where your nearest bus stop is or seeing if there is any disruption on the route, you can also buy tickets.

Not only that, you can also see a live update every ten seconds of where the nearest and next bus is. Hopefully this then saves you spending lots of time huddling in the driving rain at a bus stop waiting for a bus that is late or never comes.

## WORLD CLASS CONCERT AND ROLLING HARMONIES COME TO MARAZION

Two musical events come to Marazion's Community Centre this year. On the 19th April at 7.30pm the International Musicians' Seminar next generation of international classical musicians will take part in the *Spring Masterclasses* season.

Professors select a few to perform from each class, and this is a wonderful opportunity to hear some vibrant young musicians on the brink of their international careers perform a wide repertoire of works. Under 25's go FREE, over 25's tickets cost £14-£18.



On the 7th June, try your hand at learning to be part of a rolling harmony a cappella group or enjoy their evening concert with the Kana Kernow singing workshop. Tickets for the workshop are £24, the concert is £12, combined are £32 with a limited number of bursaries for young people to join in.

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## WHERE ONLINE TO FIND OUT WHAT IS GOING ON IN MARAZION

**Turnpike is only a once every six month publication, but there are online ways you can find out what is going on in and around Marazion.**

There are several pages dedicated to the goings on around town on Facebook that you can search for and join. 'Marazion Town Group' has more than 3,000 members and is a place for the community to chat about local news and issues. 'Marazion Memories' shares historic photos and stories from the archives. Meanwhile 'Marazion' is the place to find information about what is going on for Marazion businesses. The school and museum also have up to date latest news to peruse too.

If that isn't enough, [maraziontowncouncil.gov.uk](http://maraziontowncouncil.gov.uk) and [marazion.info](http://marazion.info) on the web also provide latest information about things happening in town.

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## BRAND NEW TRIATHLON WITH EVENTS FOR ALL COMERS COMES TO MARAZION



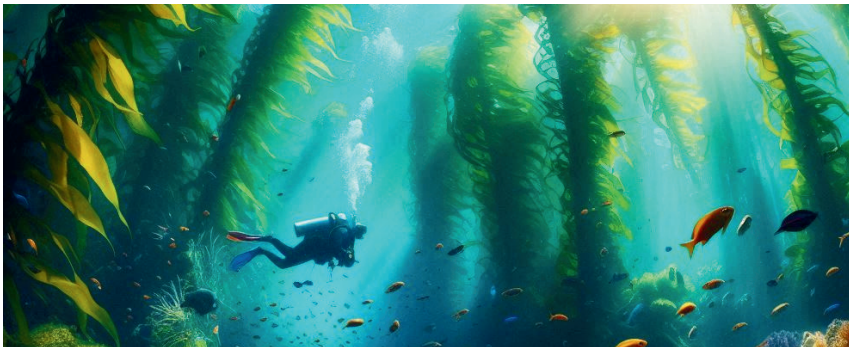
Sign up for *The Kernowman* on the 31st May, where 400 people will swim, bike and run Marazion's very own inaugural triathlon. The event will start and finish from the Folly Field from 8am on the Saturday morning.

There are four distances - for beginners a Super Sprint (400m swim - 10k bike - 2.5k run) all the way up to a Middle Distance (1900m swim - 90km bike - 21.1km run) for the more hardened triathlete.

The new event forms part of a seven event series of Cornish triathlons and is expected to bring in hundreds of supporters and so-called 'sherpas' into Marazion to boost trade and bring an exciting vibe to the town.

Weather permitting, the swim will be in front of the Mount while the ride will head inland towards Leedstown and back before the runners hit the tarmac to Penzance. The roads won't close so please be careful of runners and riders and cheer some hardy souls on.

# SEAWEED FESTIVAL HITS OUR SHORES



Dive into a world of all things seaweed with fun and fascinating activities at the Cornish Seaweed Festival 20th and 21st September in Marazion. Although this is subject to date changes so keep an eye on their website.

Natural England, in partnership with the Cornwall Wildlife Trust, the Mounts Bay Marine Group and the Linnean Society of London, will host a two-day Cornish Seaweed Festival in our town.

There will be a sea-full of activities at five venues across Marazion: All Saints Hall, Town Hall, Quaker Meeting House, Marazion Church Hall, and the Folly Field.

The festival will offer something for everyone: outdoor adventures like rockpooling and foraging, hands-on science, captivating talks and workshops, seaweed art and products from local vendors, and a four-course seaweed meal. Most events are free but some will be limited in space.

# MARAZION’S SHARE OF COUNCIL TAX TO RISE BY 4.04%

Marazion Town Council’s part of your Council Tax bill will rise by 4.04% - or 41p per month on a Band D household.

Your bill is made up of three parts. The largest part is from Cornwall Council and helps pay for caring for the elderly, protecting vulnerable children, filling potholes, picking up the bins, and running leisure centres and libraries. The police get a much smaller slice to help tackle crime in Devon and Cornwall, while based on a Band D house, Marazion Town Council will ask you for £127.08 this year.

This gives the Town Council around £160,000 to spend on Marazion including improving, buying or repairing the play areas, toilets, speed radar signs, cemetery, bus shelters, benches, allotments, memorial garden, Maypole Gardens, Book Boxes and much more.

If you ever want to see what your hard earned money gets spent on in Marazion please do pop into the Town Hall and the Town Clerk or a councillor will happily go through that with you.

# GORSEDH KERNOW TO HIT THE STREETS OF MARAZION



On Saturday the 6th September hundreds of blue robed bards will descend on Marazion to celebrate the history, culture, rituals and all things Cornish as they band together to create Gorsedh Kernow.

The Gorsedh will take place right across the town and will include the initiation of new bards, awards for organisations and people who have contributed to preserving Cornish culture, cultural performances including Cornish music, dance and poetry and symbolic rituals to reflect Cornish traditions. It will culminate in a colourful parade of the hundreds of bards to Folly Field who have come to our town to celebrate all things Celtic Cornish.

The first Gorsedh Kernow was held at Boscawen Un in County Penwith in 1928. To become a bard and dress in the blue robes you need to pass the first of four proficiency in the Cornish language exams or be selected ‘for services to the Celtic spirit of Cornwall’. For more information on what will be happening in Marazion in September or to find out more about the history and beliefs of the bards or how to be a member go to [www.gorsedhkernow.org.uk](http://www.gorsedhkernow.org.uk).



# 2025 AT MOUNTS BAY SAILING CLUB

Mount's Bay Sailing Club, located on the water's edge in Marazion, is home to thrilling sailing activities and a vibrant clubhouse. Just 150m west, the dinghy pen houses 100 boats during the season.

Since the 1950s, MBSC has been a hub for dinghy racing, producing successful sailors and hosting prestigious events, including a 1995 World Championship with a royal visit.

Club racing begins Sunday, April 6th, with races on Tuesdays and Fridays through to

August. Open Events in May and September, a National Championship in September, and an Annual Regatta in July bringing visiting sailors.

Beyond racing, MBSC introduces Marazion School's Year 6 students to sailing each summer. Sailing builds resilience, confidence, and skills beyond competition. No experience or wealth is needed—just a willingness to get wet and have fun. Learn more at [www.mbsc.org.uk](http://www.mbsc.org.uk).



**Year 6 students get to learn all about sailing every Tuesday of the summer term. What a fantastic thing for any child to enjoy and get into!**

## AMAZEPOLES! MARAZION MODERN MINI MINACK MAKEOVER COMPLETE FOR START OF SPRING

Maypole Gardens, the space next to The Godolphin, has been completely revamped and is now looking for musicians, dancers, storytellers.

With an official opening likely set for Saturday 3rd May all systems are go for a fantastic summer of events in the Gardens.

The brilliant Cornish Heritage Builders worked tirelessly through the bleak mid-winter to get the space up and running before we all come out of hibernation.

And now, having spent £160,000 on transforming the decrepit space into a fabulous new mini-Minack, the Town Council is working to get as many groups as possible to entertain local people and tourists.

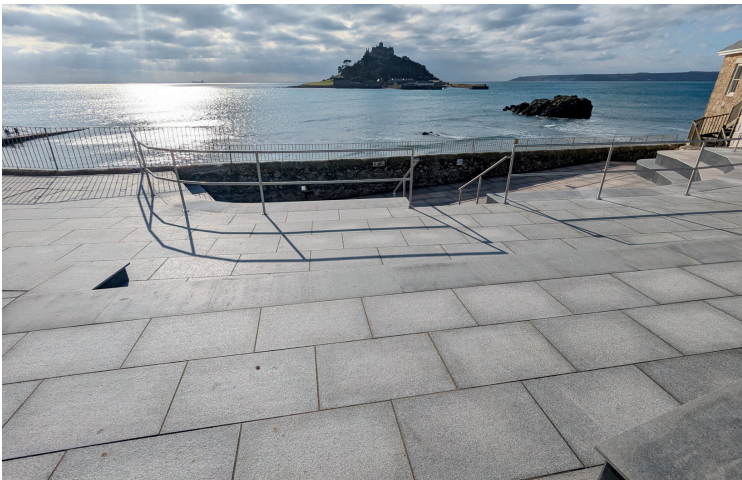
The £140,000 grant part-funded by the UK Government through the UK Shared Prosperity Fund, £20,000 set aside by the Town Council, £10,000 provided by St Aubyn's Estate and £2,500 from Marazion Chamber of Commerce was given so that the space became a hub for performances to wow crowds and bring Marazion people together.

Currently, there will be no-charge for anyone or any organisation to put on an event. If you want to book a time and date to use then contact Tracey at the e-mail below.

The Town Council is also looking for volunteers to help keep the space looking amazing. More than 20 people attended a first get together but we always need more and it is a great way of meeting like minded proud Marazonians. If you can spare a small amount of time to help then let Tracey know at [townclerk@maraziotowncouncil.gov.uk](mailto:townclerk@maraziotowncouncil.gov.uk) or pop into the town hall on a Monday or Thursday.



**BEFORE AND AFTER:** How the Maypole Gardens looked in October 2024 compared to how it now looks in February 2025. Plants, the infamous dolphin and other historic features still need to be added as Turnpike went to print. But with an official opening set for mid-May the space looks a million times better. The performance area should sit around 150 people to watch bands, storytellers, buskers and other groups that want to use the space.



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# SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE TO TRY AT THE COMMUNITY CENTRE



There is still a vast array of interesting and exciting things going on almost all the time at the Community Centre.

Below is a list of just some of the fabulous, unusual, interesting and quirky activities happening at the top of Gwallon Lane with more coming all the time. Keep your eye on [www.marazioncc.org](http://www.marazioncc.org) for up to date listings.

Surely there must be something you would want to turn your hand to or have a go at and meet like minded souls?

## TINY TOES BALLET

MEETS: Fridays  
Twinkle & Talent Toes (2 – 4 yrs)  
4.15pm  
Twirlers & Spinners (4 – 7 yrs)  
5.00pm  
INFO: [www.tinytoesballet.co.uk](http://www.tinytoesballet.co.uk)  
EMAIL: [tracy@tinytoesballet.co.uk](mailto:tracy@tinytoesballet.co.uk)

## AIKIDO

MEETS: Friday evenings 7pm – 9pm  
LEVEL: All abilities and grades welcome. Beginners are very welcome.  
CONTACT: [www.aikidocornwall.com](http://www.aikidocornwall.com)  
PHONE: 07720 288 172

## JUGOKAN AIKIDO

MEETS: Sunday Mornings 10am – noon  
LEVEL: All abilities welcome  
CONTACT: Steve Hogg  
EMAIL: [steve.hogg@blueyonder.co.uk](mailto:steve.hogg@blueyonder.co.uk)  
PHONE: 07496 984 465

## MONTHLY SATURDAY SOCIAL DANCE WITH YOUR HOSTS

### MICHAEL & SANDRA

MEETS: 2nd or 3rd Saturday of the month (see website for dates),  
8pm – 10:30pm  
LEVEL: Dancers of all levels welcome – Ballroom, Latin and Popular Sequence Dancing  
CONTACT: [sandrafowler69@gmail.com](mailto:sandrafowler69@gmail.com)  
PHONE: Sandra 07753 507 289

## DANCE FITNESS CLASS

MEETS: Tuesdays 9:30-10:30am  
LEVEL: Adults  
CONTACT: Catherine Campbell  
PHONE: 07855 242 735

## TRENCROM DOWSERS

MEETS: Saturday afternoons, monthly through late autumn – early spring  
LEVEL: All levels.  
WEBSITE: [www.trencromdowers.org.uk](http://www.trencromdowers.org.uk)  
EMAIL: Jill Moss – [mossinthewoods@btopenworld.com](mailto:mossinthewoods@btopenworld.com)

## MOUNTS BAY ARCHERY CLUB

MEETS: Saturdays 10am – 12pm and Monday 7 – 9pm  
LEVEL: Beginner – Advanced  
CONTACT: [secretary.mbac@gmail.com](mailto:secretary.mbac@gmail.com)  
PHONE: 07779 635 913

## PENWITH VOICES

MEETS: Mondays 1:15 – 3pm  
LEVEL: No audition and no need to read music  
EMAIL: Kevin Lane  
[kernowvoices@outlook.com](mailto:kernowvoices@outlook.com)  
PHONE: 07754 627 770

## SLIMMING WORLD

MEETS: Thursdays 10am  
CONTACT: Donna Perrin  
EMAIL: [dperrin.sw@gmail.com](mailto:dperrin.sw@gmail.com)  
PHONE: 07507 589 209

## MARAZION INDOOR BOWLS CLUB

MEETS: Tuesdays 1:45 – 4pm  
Thursdays 6:45 – 9pm  
LEVEL: All abilities, all abilities – all welcome  
CONTACT: Christine White  
[chrisnwill1127@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:chrisnwill1127@yahoo.co.uk) PHONE: 07493036706

## BYRNE BLACK BELT ACADEMY

MEETS: Thursday Evenings  
LEVEL: Little Ninjas (3-6 yo) 5.30pm  
Karate Kids (7-13 yo) 6.15pm  
CONTACT: [www.bbba.co.uk](http://www.bbba.co.uk)

## BEGINNERS PILATES

MEETS: Wednesdays 9:30am  
LEVEL: Beginners  
CONTACT: [elliexercise@hotmail.com](mailto:elliexercise@hotmail.com)  
PHONE: Elli – 07971 053 851

## FOREVER STRONG

MEETS: Thursdays 9:30am  
LEVEL: Beginners Strength Training  
CONTACT: [elliexercise@hotmail.com](mailto:elliexercise@hotmail.com)  
PHONE: Elli – 07971 053 851

## MARAZION BADMINTON CLUB

MEETS: Tuesday 7.30 – 9.30pm  
Sunday evening 7.30 – 9.30pm  
LEVEL: All abilities welcome  
CONTACT: [janevans123@btinternet.com](mailto:janevans123@btinternet.com)  
PHONE: Jan 07878 823 092

## PENZANCE AND DISTRICT CANINE SOCIETY

MEETS: Wednesdays 7pm  
LEVEL: Beginner to Champion  
CONTACT: Mr N Roberts – 762517

## CELTIC BEADERS

MEETS: 1st Sat of the month, 10am – 4pm  
LEVEL: Beginner – Intermediate  
CONTACT: [p-bettsxx@hotmail.com](mailto:p-bettsxx@hotmail.com)  
PHONE: Patsy 07990 618 603

## MARAZION MODEL BUILDERS

MEETS: Tuesdays 7-10pm  
LEVEL: Modellers of all skill levels are welcome.  
CONTACT: [marazionmodellers@gmail.com](mailto:marazionmodellers@gmail.com)



# MARAZION DEFIBRILLATORS NOW HAVE BLEED KITS

The seven defibs dotted around town now also contain ‘bleed kits’ - specialised trauma kits designed to provide bystanders with the products they need to stop life-threatening bleeding until paramedics arrive, potentially saving lives.

Marazion Town Council has worked with the school, health services, local businesses and Paul Williams from The Ronnie Richards Memorial Charity in order to deliver a plan for the town that meets the recommended defibrillator guidelines. **We are the first town in the UK to meet national defib standards by having one machine within 400 metres of every resident.**

All of the town’s defibrillators are listed on ‘The Circuit’ – the National Defibrillator Network, which connects defibrillators to NHS ambulance services across the UK, so that in those crucial moments after a cardiac arrest, they can be accessed quickly to help save lives. For further information visit [www.thecircuit.co.uk](http://www.thecircuit.co.uk). With the Beach Box Cafe in the Estate Car Park set for demolition in the coming weeks, that defib will be moving elsewhere.

## Location of Defibrillators in Marazion

1. The Beach Box Cafe  
Folly Field Main Car Park  
*amicably.edit.colonies*

2. The Kings Arms  
The Square Marazion  
*nibbles.pegs.meanest*

3. Marazion Methodist Church  
Fore Street, Marazion  
*dusted.merely.overheat*

4. Marazion School  
School Lane  
*convinces.lads.darker*

5. Marazion Community Centre  
Gwallon Lane  
*label.live.vintages*

6. Trevenner Stores  
Trevenner Lane  
*plunger.bulletins.proven*

7. Wheal Rodney Holiday Park  
Gwallon Lane  
*bookmark.dispose.described*
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- An easy to use **FREE APP** to identify precise locations. Every 3m square has been given a unique what3words address combination of three words.
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- Watch a great, short animation from the British Heart Foundation that explains what a defibrillator is and how to use one, just scan the QR code (right) with your smartphone camera.
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# TOWN COUNCIL AND TRADERS SEEK WHEREABOUTS OF SERIAL SHOPLIFTERS



**WANTED: Do you recognise this thief and mugger?**

Marazion Town Council and local traders are seeking the whereabouts of the serial shoplifter Steven Seagull and his sidekick Howard.

Witnesses and CCTV describe them as being grey and white males, aged around two years old, about 30cm tall and make a loud squawk when approached.

The pair of thieves have been causing havoc for shops in Market Square. They have been spotted on many occasions this year stealing everything from Quavers to chocolate biscuits.

The brazen thieves show no remorse, taunting shopkeepers by

devouring their stolen loot in the middle of Market Square.

Tourists have also been victims to muggings from the pair with pasties and ice creams regularly being swiped.

The pair have also been causing traffic havoc. Residents have wondered if they are members of protest group Just Stop Oil as they regularly have sit down demonstrations in the middle of the road preventing drivers from passing.

If anyone knows where this pair of hoodlums live then we want to hear from you. We must stop crimes like these from paying in Marazion.

## SCHOOL WANTS A VOLUNTEER SPORTS COACH

Marazion School is looking for a passionate and enthusiastic volunteer Sports Coach to lend their expertise to young athletes. Whether you're a seasoned football coach or have a knack for inspiring young minds in other sports, the school would be delighted for your help.

The children would love the opportunity to develop their sporting skills and learn all about teamwork and sportsmanship. Your guidance, coaching football, netball, or any other sport that ignites your passion, would be invaluable to our school community.

By sharing your love for sport, you'll help students improve their athletic abilities, get them fit and keep them fit. If you're interested in making a real difference in the lives of young people in Marazion, please don't hesitate to contact the school office.

## HELP KEEP MZ'S MUSEUM OPEN THIS SUMMER

Marazion Museum is your town museum, full of artefacts from the town's long history, including a unique display on HMS Warspite, which ended her days on Marazion beach.

The museum is run entirely by volunteers and funded by donations. Last year it had its best year ever, but to stay open for 2025 it needs more volunteers as several from last year stepped down.

The museum is very flexible around volunteering hours so even if you only have an hour or two a week, get in touch and have a try. They are a really friendly bunch and many say their museum time is the highlight of their week. No prior knowledge or experience needed, just a love for the town. The museum usually opens to the public from May to October. If you are interested in finding out more then get in touch with Tracey at the Town Hall.

## SIGN UP FOR EPIC GRAVEL OR ROAD BIKE EVENT FROM MARAZION



**The 15th annual Land's End sportive bike ride pedals off at 8am on Saturday 13th September.**

Riders can choose between three different road cycling distances - 46, 72 or 105 miles. Excitingly, two new gravel off the beaten track bike routes have also been added of 46 and 60 miles.

The routes are gorgeous and show off the best of both the Land's End and Lizard Peninsulas. If the weather is good it will be jaw dropping. If bad it will be unforgettable and a seismic challenge. Either way, well worth signing up for. More details are at [www.sportivaevents.co.uk](http://www.sportivaevents.co.uk).



# MOUNTS BAY GIG CLUB SET SIGHTS ON WORLDS DOMINATION



As the club gears up for the 2025 gig racing season, winter training has been in full swing since October, leading to the selection of four Ladies' and four Men's crews for the World Championships in Scilly this May.

Reflecting on last season, the club excelled in local events at Zennor, Pendeen, Helford, and beyond, earning medals at major championships, including third place for the Ladies at Appledore Supervets and both Men's and Ladies' crews at Brixham Vets. The Ladies A crew narrowly missed the final at the County Championships in Newquay by just one second, placing seventh. The club also competed in Mixed, Under 14, and Under 16 Championships.

Nine members, aged 13 to over 60, represented Cornwall at the Junior Internationals and National County Championships in Plymouth, bringing home gold and silver medals. Some of these younger rowers have now joined the adult crews for the upcoming Worlds.

The club eagerly anticipates the new season, especially its own event on Saturday, June 28th, promising thrilling races, food, drinks, and an evening of music and dancing—don't miss it!

## 400 RUNNERS TO TAKE ON MARAZION 10K



Run, jog or walk the Marazion 10k road race that starts and ends at the Community Centre on Sunday 28th September.

The event, brilliantly organised by Hayle Runners, sees hundreds of local people take on the one loop, 131m of climb, race round the back of our town.

The event is part of the Cornish Grand Prix series of 12 events that happen across the Duchy over the year. For more info and to sign up go to the Hayle Runners website. You even get a natty hoody!

## RED RIVER DUNES SET FOR MAKEOVER

The dunes next to Red River are set to get a thorough overhaul and spruce up thanks to the Making Space for Sand project, Mounts Bay Marine Group, St Aubyn's Estate and Cornwall Wildlife Trust.

The last few years have seen the dunes eroded by storms and the sheer number of people walking and playing on them. They have also been taken over by some invasive species of plants.

Over the next few months, teams of fab volunteers will be removing species such as the Japanese Rose from the dunes and then replanting them with native Marram Grass. To help protect and regenerate the dune edges, low level rope fencing will be introduced to help reduce erosion from people standing or sitting on them.

If you would like to get involved and lend a hand then hop over to the events page of the Mounts Bay Marine Group for the next date.





# SPRING AND SUMMER DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



Dig out the diary and pen these dates in so that you can go and watch, get involved or take part.

- 2 April - Deadline to submit papers to become a candidate in the Marazion Town Council elections
- 11 April - Deadline for registering to vote
- 12 April, Gorsedh Kernow Proclamation
- 19 April, 7.30pm - IMS Spring Concert, Community Centre
- 25 April, 11.35am - Mobile Library visits Godolphin Terrace
- 1 May, 7am - 10pm - Marazion Town Council elections
- 3 May, 3pm - Official opening of The Maypole
- 8 May - 80th anniversary of Victory in Europe Day
- 23 May, 11.35am - Mobile Library visits Godolphin Terrace
- 31 May, 8am - Marazion Triathlon
- 7 June, 10am - Kana Kernow Singing Workshop and Concert, Community Centre
- 20 June, 11.35am - Mobile Library visits Godolphin Terrace
- 28 June - Mounts Bay gig regatta, food, music and dance
- 18 July, 11.35am - Mobile Library visits Godolphin Terrace
- 15 August - 80th Anniversary Victory in Japan Day
- 5-6 September - Kernow Gorsedh
- 13 September, 8am - Lands End Sportive bike rides
- 20 - 21 September - Marazion Seaweed Festival
- 28 September - Marazion 10k run and race

# NEW SPEED RADAR SIGNS COMING TOTOWN TO SLOW MOTORISTS DOWN



Following local residents complaining of speeding vehicles through town, new mobile speed radar signs are being fitted in Marazion.

The Town Council will be installing three speed radar signs to nudge people into being aware of how fast they are going and encourage them to slow down. While there is road furniture like humps and chicanes slowing people a bit, it is hoped an extra prod by the signs will also make people kill their speed and not a child.

Like the ones as you go through Rosesudgeon, These highly visible signs display real-time vehicle speeds, encouraging motorists to adhere to the speed limit and drive responsibly.

The signs can be shifted from one spot to another to help remind people of Marazion now being a 20mph zone. They will be popping up on Gwallon Lane, Turnpike Road and West End.

# ONE FROM THE ARCHIVES

Because of the elections on May 1, we can't print your town councillor contact details. For now, if you need us then Tracey at the Town Hall is your point of contact.

In the meantime, here is a favourite picture found in the museum archives chosen by the volunteers. A scene from Upper Fore Street in 1928. Traffic, and people driving on the wrong side of the road, appears to have always been a problem in Marazion.

