

# The Colan Companion

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## Your County Councillor John Fitter writes...

Greetings Dear Readers of the Colan Companion.

Trust you all had a happy and peaceful Christmas and a happy new year to one and all.

As I write this, still early December, I am aware that events will have moved on before you have the opportunity to read it. However, I will update you as things stand as at the current time regarding the Green Ridge Lodge application. Regretfully as I suspect you are aware the application was approved at the Strategic Planning Committee by five votes in favour and 4 against. I would like to personally thank all those people who wrote in emails and letters objecting to the application and a very large thank you to the speakers from the Parish who spoke against the application at Committee.

Since the approval, the Officer of the Deputy Prime Minister has instructed Cornwall Council not to proceed with the Planning Approval until her department has had the opportunity to review the paperwork dealing with the application. Let's hope her department puts more value on the open landscape, the ecology, and the damaging effect that this application will have on the historic setting of Colan Church along with the additional traffic problems, then it would seem our own planners do.

The airport saga rolls on into the new year, once again the report on the proposed deal with a partner to operate on the Airport Estate has been delayed, it was due to be discussed at a meeting of the E.G.D scrutiny meeting on December 10<sup>th</sup> but the item has been withdrawn from the agenda, and still the bill mounts up, so far the Council have paid the company, C.B.R.E, to find this partner £1.3 million and meantime the subsidy shows

no signs of going down around £4.3 million expected for year ending march 31<sup>st</sup> 2025.

As from April 1<sup>st</sup> second homes here in Cornwall will have to pay a double Council Tax, early projections expect this will raise about £23 million in the first year, the projections for the second and third year shows a drop in the revenue received, the expectations being that some homes will be sold and become a person's main place of residence, This has been the trend in Wales which already has this second home surcharge in place.

Other updates, the historic road stone that was broken on North Road is being repaired by Cormac and will hopefully replaced very soon. The consultation for the double yellow lines on the section of West Road that leads out to the 30mph sign will take place in, hopefully, the first part of 2025. Once this has been completed and the Traffic Regulation order is in place, we can get the grass verges repaired where they have over the years been damaged by off road parking. The NSR is still now on time to open in the first half of 2025, various traffic calming measures re speed limits are being discussed along with the directional signage, hopefully at least in the short term it will remove some traffic from the Quintrell Downs roundabout, and it will be interesting to see the vehicle count to try and understand how much traffic has used this new route.

Stay safe and enjoy the evening now starting to draw out roll on spring and then summer is a coming.

Best regards John

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**COLAN CWIK CWIZ #25**

A bit different this issue, twelve questions reflecting back on the year 2024, month by month.

*Compiled by Albatros*

**JANUARY** - Lily Gladstone wins Best Actress at the Golden Globe Awards, for which film?

**FEBRUARY** - What was the name of the 'Hairy Biker' who sadly passed away on the 28<sup>th</sup> of this month?

**MARCH** - The British government announces it will ban any foreign what?

**APRIL** - How many people ran in the London Marathon on 21<sup>st</sup>?

- a. 32,000
- b. 53,000
- c. 46,000

**MAY** - Which two teams played in the women's FA Cup Final at Wembley?

**JUNE** - Who headlined the last night at the Glastonbury Festival?

**JULY** - What National Day was inaugurated on the 19<sup>th</sup> of this month?

**AUGUST** - Friday 16<sup>th</sup> was the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of which event in Cornwall?

**SEPTEMBER** - What did the crew of SpaceX's Polaris achieve as a first?

**OCTOBER** - What products did Sainsbury's cease to sell in its 2,300 stores across the United Kingdom?

**NOVEMBER** - Which former Deputy Prime Minister passed away in this month?

**DECEMBER** - 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Libby Lane to become what?

- a. Firth woman to swim the English Channel both ways
- b. First woman to Captain a Cunard cruise ship
- c. First woman to be ordained a Bishop

Answers on page 9

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Devon and Cornwall Alert is a two way community messaging system operated by Devon and Cornwall Police. The system helps us to connect with our communities, it tells people what is happening in their area and allows them to respond directly with any information.

The system is designed to allow people who register to choose the type of information they would like to receive concerning crime and anti-social behaviour, witness appeals, crime prevention, community events and local good news.

Subscribers will not be notified about every crime or incident that happens in their community. Our aim is to send relevant information where we believe to do so will reduce the opportunity for crime and anti-social behaviour or will help Devon and Cornwall Police solve a crime.

Go to the DEVON and CORNWALL police website, scroll down to WATCH SCHEMES and INITIATIVES, then click on DEVON and CORNWALL ALERT, click on DEVON and CORNWALL ALERT link. Scroll down to the sign up section.

Road policing is very much at the forefront this time of year, the 'NO EXCUSE TEAM'

The 'No Excuse' Road Safety Campaign was launched in an attempt to reduce the numbers killed & seriously injured on roads throughout the Alliance. The focus of the team is the 'fatal five':

1. Impaired driving through Drink and Drugs
2. Not wearing a seatbelt
3. Excessive Speed
4. Driver Distraction including mobile phone use
5. Careless and Inconsiderate driving

Devon & Cornwall have three teams operating from Exeter, Teignmouth and Bodmin. The teams operate out of each hub but are deployed across Devon and Cornwall area. The team offer a range of Roads Policing skills such as TPAC, Pursuit Tactics Advisors and Prohibition Officers. The team operate in both marked and unmarked Roads Policing vehicles.

They can be tasked for pre-planned events or operations by contacting the Sgt at each hub with the requirement, as the team are not managed by RMU.

**The dedicated team act as a deterrent to prolific road harm offenders. They could be anywhere at any time.**

- Fatal Five
- Careless driving
- Drink and drug driving
- Not wearing a seatbelt
- Using a mobile phone
- Speeding

PSCO Paul Price  
Police Community Support Officer  
Newquay Police Station



January	February
4 <sup>th</sup> George Ferris	1 <sup>st</sup> Corin Dummett
5 <sup>th</sup> Peter Halsey	1 <sup>st</sup> Storm Der West-
6 <sup>th</sup> Julie Tamblyn	huyzen
7 <sup>th</sup> Kath Waters	1 <sup>st</sup> Nate Scales
7 <sup>th</sup> Tamsin Williams	4 <sup>th</sup> Matilda Green
12 <sup>th</sup> Rosemary Bray	6 <sup>th</sup> Elizabeth Golden
13 <sup>th</sup> Lauren Greaves	10 <sup>th</sup> Greg Clarke
13 <sup>th</sup> Danielle White	12 <sup>th</sup> Ben House
19 <sup>th</sup> Diana Smith	13 <sup>th</sup> Tommy Johnson
20 <sup>th</sup> Jill Walkey	18 <sup>th</sup> Charles Paull
20 <sup>th</sup> James Chapman	20 <sup>th</sup> Sue Sutton
22 <sup>nd</sup> Stuart Beale	24 <sup>th</sup> Jed Jenkins
22 <sup>nd</sup> Sarah Hilton	24 <sup>th</sup> Jayne Ferris
24 <sup>th</sup> Kim Sullivan	
24 <sup>th</sup> Emma Scales	
25 <sup>th</sup> Amy Richardson	
25 <sup>th</sup> Ruby O'Gara	
26 <sup>th</sup> Kirra Raw	
27 <sup>th</sup> Jan Powell	
28 <sup>th</sup> Mike Trebilcock	
28 <sup>th</sup> Ruby Tucker	
29 <sup>th</sup> Adina Looker	
30 <sup>th</sup> Cory Wood	

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Firstly, thank you to everyone who came to the last of our events in 2024. It was our Christmas Table Top Sale. The weather was really nasty but hope everyone enjoyed the afternoon. A big thank you to all who attended over the year too. Wishing you all had a great Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Good news, we have donated £100 to the Air Ambulance for the new helicopter 'Heli 2' which comes in January. Our name will be on the bottom, same as Heli 1.

We will start our events for the new year with Bingo on Saturday 08<sup>th</sup> February. This will be in the village hall from 2 until 4. By then we hope to have our own website to advertise future events.

Thank you to Matt and the staff at the Quintrell Infer our Christmas Lunch; our team, the knit club and the arts and craft club (27 in total) and it was enjoyed by all.

Our charities for 2024 were the following; Air Ambulance, Mount Edgcombe Hospice, Quintrell Downs Village Hall and the Colan Companion. Amounts donated will be in the next issue. 2025 will have the addition of Mountain Rescue Dogs.

The results of our meat draw will also be in the next issue as this went to press before the draw was made.

If anyone has any unwanted gifts please donate to our group, we are very grateful and all donations will go to our charities.

This year we have also donated knitted blankets, cushions and hats to Penberthy Care Home in Newquay and also baby hats to Treliske Hospital for the Premature Babies Unit. All knitted by the knit club who meet Tuesdays at the village hall 2-4 along with the arts and crafts group. Come and join us for a lovely afternoon.

I would like to say how thankful I am for the teams help during a difficult yearend of course to our mascot Daisy the pug, who came to our last table top sale wearing a t-shirt! If anyone would like to join us please let Carol know on 01637 873028. Also for booking tables for fetes.

Last but not least, a big thank you to Mike who looks after us all and Bob too!

Happy New Year to everyone!

Carol and the Team

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We hope everybody had a lovely Christmas. Hello 2025, and goodbye 2024, but what a year, we welcomed three piglets, we thought we were expecting more, so we called the vet, and between us we were all left scratching our heads. Pepper managed to step on her piglets curly tail which is now straight, so we have named her Twiglet. All the pigs and piglets are enjoying being inside there shed in the dry and warm. Dexter is having a rest after all of his hard work.

A bit of interesting history, the Royal Cornwall Agricultural Show was held in Quintrell Downs in 1951. It was held in three fields where there is now homes built most recently.

Roll on winter.

Sue Mark and piggies.



**COLAN CWIK CWIZ ANSWERS**

**JANUARY**

‘Killers of the Flower Moon’

**FEBRUARY**

Dave Myers

**MARCH**

State ownership of UK newspapers

**APRIL**

b. 53,000 the largest number in its history

**MAY**

Tottenham Hotspur (0) vs. Manchester United (4)

**JUNE**

US singer SZA

**JULY**

National Play Day

**AUGUST**

The Boscastle floods

**SEPTEMBER**

They took the first commercial spacewalk

**OCTOBER**

Sainsbury’s ceased to sell fireworks

**NOVEMBER**

John Prescott (Deputy to Labour PM Tony Blair)

**DECEMBER**

c. She became the first female Bishop in the Church of England, taking office at Stockport

Albatross would like to take this opportunity to wish all ‘Cwizzers’ a very happy and prosperous New Year!

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Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> February

## Valentines

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