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WEST PENWITH BRIDLEWAYS ASSOCIATION

AFFILIATED TO THE BRITISH HORSE SOCIETY



Horse Around E-Bulletin 3

May 2018

Hello Everyone

The last time you heard from us via E-Bulletin was May 2017. Yes! We have no real excuse. However it does not mean that our work has stopped and we have not been idle. We give you some news in this bulletin. Debbie Smith has been a stalwart by feeding out information on Facebook and we thank her for continuing to do so assisted by Beverly. For this lack of communication we think it unfair to ask for renewal subscriptions at this time.

In recognition of the support that members have continued to give us, our committee has decided to give a bonus year's membership to all members who were paid up to 31 March 2018 or beyond, as of 31 December 2017.

Thus we will not be asking for renewal subscriptions this year from existing members.

We give a big welcome and thank you to all new and returning members who have recently subscribed and their membership runs through to 2019 or beyond.

We have decided not to re-affiliate to the BHS this year as it has gone up astronomically to £100 to cover rising insurance costs. It would wipe out a large portion of our yearly income as membership rates have remained at £5 for many years now (£6 family). As we are not running the intensive horse hike programme that we have done in the past we feel it is a cost we cannot justify.

We have already let you know that the AGM is being held this coming Wednesday .at the Yacht Inn as usual. We do hope you can come (more details below).

We do have a new Horse Hike programme, and our WPBA website has been updated with the programme and up to date news and links.

We do hope to see you at the AGM

Margaret

2018 AGM

Wednesday 16th May at the Yacht Inn, Penzance, (opposite Jubilee Pool) 7:30pm prompt

This year we have not organised a formal speaker but we want to hear from you and your concerns about where you ride and the bridleway network and answer any questions you may have. Linda Holloway Senior Enforcement Officer, Cornwall Council will be there to hear your concerns and tell you the work the Council is doing in opening up blocked paths. We also plan to tell you more about the Penwith Landscape Project and we expect it to achieve. It is just starting its first year of its five year term.. We will also update you on Project 2026 Cornwall.

All are welcome

HORSE HIKE PROGRAMME

20 May	St Hilary	Please contact Debbie
24 June	Chapel	Please contact Beverly
	Carn Brea	07530 242524
8 July	St Hilary	Please contact Debbie

News in Brief

Update: Old Lane Bowling Green Farm/Bosleake, Carn Brea. Redruth.
Cornwall Council have taken successful enforcement action to clear obstructions on this unrecorded old lane and it is now being used by horses again.

Update: *Bridleway at Trezelah*`
After the successful opening of this bridleway it is understood that there are still ongoing problems which Cornwall Council are dealing with.

Byway at Penrose by Loe Bar washed away.

The coastal byway connecting to Porthleven via the new Penrose bridleways collapsed into the sea earlier this year The National Trust sought our advice on the best replacement route that they plan to build.

The proposal now is to build a new connecting bridleway to link to the bridleway to Porthleven the path will follow field boundaries and provide a much better route than the previous cliff edge route (now collapsed).

Project 2026 Cornwall UPDATE

	Chapel	07842 113544
22 July	Carn	Please contact Beverly
	Brea	07530 242524

Please do let the organiser know well in advance if you are potentially interested in a particular ride.

Rides may be rescheduled depending upon demand and other factors.

We strongly advise that you have your own third party insurance when riding on horse hikes or hacking out generally (Gold member of the BHS provides you with full cover.)

WE WOULD LIKE OTHER MEMBERS TO VOLUNTEER TO RUN RIDES. We will give you full help and advice.

Generally we do try and make the rides suitable for all. However if you have particular concerns about you or your horse's fitness and ability to speak to the organiser before hand.

Rides generally are between 7 and 10 miles but do check with the organiser

Where possible rides are tailored to those who attend

Riders and their horses coming on horse hikes are expected to have a basic level of competence and be happy to ride out in company.

Email: wpba@btinternet.com

New Permissive Bridleway on

This Project is progressing really well working closely with the Ramblers. A critical move forward in West Cornwall is that the Ramblers have submitted a Modification Order Application on the Old Road running along the south of Chapel Carn Brea down to Newshop, This application is based on documentary evidence.

In the whole of Cornwall a total of nearly 2000 paths have been added to the web map, There is a lot of work to do! Anyone can help via the project web site:

http://www.bhsaccess.org.uk/dobbin/Project2026.php?id=southwest/2026Cornwall

Come to the AGM to learn more!

Cornwall Council Modification Order Processing

We are pleased to report that the Secretary of State (SoS) is now taking a hard line with councils who do not process **Definitive Map Modification Order** (DMMO) Applications in a meaningful timescale. If applicants are not satisfied with their order not being processed in a timely manner they may ask the SoS to direct the Council to determine the Order. Cornwall Council have now received getting on for a dozen Directions from the SoS instructing them to determine the applications within 12 months! This is putting pressure on the Council. a recent direction has instructed the Council to determine the application for Bridleways over Tregonning Hill within 12 months. Breague and Germoe Association applied to the SoS for Direction following advice from ourselves.

PAROW and the Penwith Landscape Project

As we reported, PAROW was unsuccessful in obtaining continued funding. Also the Penwith Landcape

the Lizard Peninsula

Our member Aiison Lugg on the Lizard, who is now also British Horse Society Access and Bridleways Officer for the Lizard, has concluded successful discussions with the Goonhilly Earth Station and Natural England to create a permissive bridleway along the perimeter of the Station which will link Goonhilly Downs from Cury and Trevassack to provide a safe link to the downs on the opposite side of the busy St. Kevern road across from the Earth Station. PAROW has provided a bridleway gate for the new path.

It is hoped that the new path will be opened by early July.

Path Clearance

Last year we have spent a small amount from our reserves in paying for Devils Lane, St Just and Burnt House Lane, nr Brane to be cleared, They had become very overgrown. Over the previous few years these unrecorded old lanes have been kept clear by PAROW. We expect that the Penwith Landscape Project will be able to clear them in future years. Path clearance where no other options are available is a good use of our limited resources.

Major Highways Schemes

A30 Dualling Chiverton to Carland Cross

Formal Consultation is now in progress on this scheme. We are please to report that several new crossing point suitable for horses (and other vulnerable uses are being provided. There is a remaining issue to be resolved of crossing where the current Chiverton Roundabout is. A new junction is being built 600 metres to the east.

A30 to St Austell Link

The link from the A30 to St Austell is now at advanced planning stage. The route from Victoria

Project has been unable to directly fund

Project has been unable to directly fund PAROW for it's project access work.
Please see

http://www.cornwallwildlifetrust.org.uk/living-landscapes/penwith-landscape-partnership for more details of the Project and the Partnership.

Adrian is a member of the Partnership Board and is helping steer the access part of the project.

The Partnership has now appointed a new Paths Officer, Matt Richardson and a Practical Tasks Officer Richie Smith, it is expected that these officers will continue with the work that PAROW has previously under taken and more.

PAROW CIC will soon cease to exist and we are planning to transfer the PAROW equipment over to the Partnership subject to CIC Regulator approval.

Chris Fry who was our PAROW Paths Officer, since its inception in 2004, has recently taken on the post of a Ranger for the National Trust working out of Botallock NT HQ.

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Bridleway 81 St Hilary (Gwallon)

You will remember that this bridleway was opened up a few years ago on a new route by Cornwall Council. Since then the non-existent definitive route has still not been legally diverted onto the new route. This is because the Council discovered an old mine shaft on the new route (at the garden end we believe). The Council is still in the process of agreeing a further diversion with the landowner to avoid the shaft. Once the bridleway has been legally diverted the council will sort out other issues on the path.

To Lighten Your Day!

Why did the horse go behind the

passes between Goss Moor and Roche and down to Stenalees. The new road will result in the current route through Bugle and Stenalees being downgraded for local traffic only. This is good news for riders. Also a new multi-user trail is planned alongside the new road.

- tree? To change his jockeys!
- Which duo were famous for stealing horses? Bonnie and Clydesdale!
- Did you hear about the man who ate nothing but oats every day? He fell in love with the Grand National winner!

Please do visit our WPBA website which is now updated:

http://www.bhsaccesscornwall.org.uk/westpenwithbridleways

To join WBPA

http://www.bhsaccesscornwall.org.uk/westpenwithbridleways/JoinOnline.htm

For more news

http://www.bhsaccesscornwall.org.uk and

http://www.bhsaccesscornwall.org.uk/YNallnews.php

Project 2026 Cornwall

http://www.bhsaccess.org.uk/dobbin/Project2026.php?id=southwest/2026Cornwall







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