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Welcome from the editor

After a period of change, what with our rector Geoff retiring (featured on pages 28-30) and our constable and deputies being elected/re-elected, we can hopefully now settle down to a nice, relaxed summer.

One constant though, is the TT team who have pulled out all the stops to give us some great articles again for this issue. Diane's explains the origins of Vingtaines and Fred's about past elections, both of which make very interesting reading. I am also grateful to Jersey Dairy who have supplied a fab article about their ice cream and I particularly enjoyed meeting Jane Rueb - a lovely lady who clearly embraces life to the full.

Whilst driving around during late spring one could not help but notice the abundance of wild flowers. The hedgerows were teeming with colour and it is amazing how many different varieties have shown their little faces for us to enjoy. The shrubs have also given us a fine show, magnolias and camelias and then the fabulous rhododendrons have all been in full bloom - what a wonderful sight to behold. Even the trees were bursting with leafage - the beech trees lining the roads by the church have looked spectacular. It makes me think that the Trinity air must be of particular purity and quality for all of these things to grow in such magnitude!

To misquote Dr. Samuel Johnson
"When a person is tired of Trinity, he is tired of life".

Happy reading, **Josie**



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From the **Parish Hall** 

While the cat's away...

Some of you may wonder what the Parish staff have been doing between the departure of one boss and the arrival of another. Well, firstly we have not been without a boss as Philip Le Sueur remained working in the office until the new Connétable was sworn in on 12th June so our work life continued as normal.

In addition to the day-to-day activities in the office the staff have been heavily involved in the elections for Connétable, Senators and Deputies for the Electoral District of Trinity, St John and St Lawrence. This year the elections have taken up a considerable amount of time in the office but we hope that parishioners, as a whole, found the process of voting on 7th June a positive one. We send thanks to the wonderful people who gave up part of their Sunday to assist us on election day. We really could not have done it without you all. The elections came at an already naturally busy time in the office as they coincided with the end of the Parish's financial year and also the assessment stage of the Rates cycle.



Mark and JP have been equally busy preparing all the Parish land for the branchage on 26th June and planting the bedding around the Parish Hall.

Due to Editorial deadlines when you read this little snippet we will have sadly said goodbye to our wonderful boss, Philip, and will be welcoming Connétable? as our new boss. Following that we will each take some annual leave and the mice will play.

We hope you enjoy this edition of the **TRINITY Tattler**.



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TRINITY HONORARY POLICE

For this edition we asked newly promoted Centenier Lee Scotland to be our 'Star'



Centenier Lee Scotland

Why did you join the Honorary Police in Trinity?

I gained a lot of policing experience working with the States of Jersey Police as a Police Officer. I felt that I still had a lot to give from that experience which would benefit the Honorary Police. So, I thought I would give it a try.

Did you get any training?

I have had some refresher courses; I am sure that there will be other courses coming up that will benefit my role within the Honorary Police. A lot of the experience I gained as a States Police officer were transferable, skills wise.

How much of your time does it take up?

With my new role as Centenier, a bit more than before - I would say that it takes up what spare time I have to offer.

Highs & Lows

There are lots of highs and lows in policing in general. I am fortunate that in my short time in the Honorary Police I have not had any lows as yet.

A particular memory?

Nothing is springing to mind; I have only been with Trinity Honorary Police for nearly a year.

What would you say to any parishioners thinking of joining Trinity Honorary Police?

It is a great varied bunch to work with. Everyone brings something unique to the table. We all help each other as a team and are there for our community and police with their consent, after all.

Sharing the Light

As June unfolds, the days stretch out to their fullest length. The Summer Solstice brings with it that familiar sense of light lingering well into the evening; soft skies and stunning sunsets, the smell of freshly cut grass, hedgerows still vibrant (until the branchage anyway!) and the land alive with movement.

The longest day of the year has often been a time of reflection as well as celebration. Solstice means "Sun Still": The term comes from the Latin words sol (sun) and sistere (to stand still). On the solstice, the sun reaches its northernmost position, reaching the Tropic of Cancer and standing still before reversing direction and starting to move south again. The Sun also rises farthest left on the horizon and sets at its rightmost possible spot, which means that light strikes places in your home that are illuminated at no other time.

Light, in the Christian tradition, carries a deep meaning. It speaks of hope, of guidance, and of the presence of God in the world. In the Gospel of John, we are reminded that "the light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it". Those words can feel especially close to home as we stand in the brightness of a June evening.

Yet the solstice also marks a turning point. From this peak of light, the days will gradually begin to shorten again. It is a gentle reminder that life is always in motion, always changing.

In parish life, we experience these rhythms too. Since our last Tattler, we held our first Pet's Blessing Service and have celebrated Easter, Liberation Day



Rev Keith with his dog, Beau, at the Pet's Blessing Service

One of Maureen Richardson's Easter floral tributes



and Trinity Sunday. And we've said goodbye to our Rector and Connétable, and look forward to working with their successors. In the Methodist Church, we say goodbye to our Superintendent, Rev Dawn Saunders, in July as she takes up a new appointment in Huddersfield. We are thankful that Rev Keith Sandow will take up the Superintendency role for a year, in addition to his presbyteral duties.

There are times when things feel busy and vibrant, and others when life slows and grows quieter. Both have their place. The long days of June can be an invitation not only to make the most of the light evenings, but to pause, if only for a moment, and take in what is around us.

There is something deeply reassuring about this turning of the seasons and we are reminded that we are part of something larger, something held together by care and grace. As we give thanks for the long days and the beauty of this season, may we also carry that light with us into our daily lives, sharing it quietly and generously with those around us.



Rev Dawn and Mr Donkey shared the Easter story

Trinity Parish Church

By Helen Hamilton, Licenced Lay Minister

This article is very different from the usual communique, because it is not delivered by the Rector of the Parish, but rather, by a lowly Lay Minister.

We bade a sad, but at the same time joyful farewell to our Rector, Geoff and his wife Fran nearly two months ago. Our joy is contained in our gratitude for their faithful service and in wishing them the best retirement ever.

So, at present we live in a strange era in Trinity that only the Church of England could invent. It is called 'The Interregnum' which describes a time when there is no priest at the helm. A church could be rudderless and about to capsize every time the wind changes but that is not true for us. Because of Geoff's legacy the dedicated Church Wardens, Aynslie and Jo, Nick Cabot, our organist and Choir Director and the wonderful choir and the many unsung volunteers will all help to keep the wheels turning and cogs oiled during this time. We will also have the generous services of Rev'd. Martin Dryden, who has accepted the role of Ministre Desservant, meaning he will represent the Rector when necessary and lead the two Holy Communion Services on the second and fourth Sundays in each month at 8.30 a.m. and 11 a.m. We are very fortunate to have him.

Visiting priests will lead the 8.30 a.m. Communion on the first and third Sundays, Evensong will continue as usual as will Evening Prayer on Tuesdays at 5.30 p.m. - 30 minutes to meditate on the needs of individuals and the Parish right up to the needs of the world - no small order and you are most



Rev. Martin Dryden

welcome to join us. The Lay Ministers will share the other commitments; we are the trio of Angela, Fleur and myself who worked our aging brains to a shivel to win the prize of being licenced to preach at Trinity. We count it a privilege and we thank our congregation for never falling asleep during our sermons.



Lay Ministers: Angela, Helen & Fleur

There is sadness - the understandable feelings of 'loss' and 'missing' as Geoff and Fran retire to their home in Lincolnshire; but if ever a couple deserved a happy retirement, it is they. So there the sadness dissipates and we give thanks to God for their amazing work of over 20 years in Jersey. Geoff as Rector of Trinity, as the Vice Dean, his time at All Saints Church and The Shelter Trust. Fran's for many years of teaching at Helvetia House School and with Trinity Sunday School. We wish them and their daughter Rebecca who marries James next year, many healthy and happy years to come, remembering with them, their beloved son Ben.

As this goes to print, we are expecting that candidates are being interviewed for the position of Rector, in the hope that they can be in post before Christmas. So, even though we struggle with change, we know that change is inevitable, and it should not be viewed negatively. We look forward to the arrival of our new incumbent and believe that they will continue Geoff and Fran's gifts to us - the good relationship with our Civic Parish, the bonds of friendship which spread out into the wider community, the care for those in need, the art of being a Pastor, the spirit of inclusion and being non-judgemental and a dedication to preaching, teaching and practicing the love of God revealed in Christ.

Looking forward with **EYECAN.**

2026 is a historic year for Jersey's only sight loss charity, EYECAN. This June, the charity is celebrating its 140th anniversary.

For nearly a century and a half, the charity, formerly the Jersey Blind Society, have worked closely with all age groups, from infants through to the elderly, enabling islanders living with sight loss and their families to benefit from social events, activities and tailored support.



Client Mark Smith during his white cane training in the 70s

EYECAN believe that sight impairment should not stand in the way of someone achieving their goals and offers tailored support, activities, and social events, to ensure that islanders of all ages are empowered to live more independently with their sight loss.

To mark this monumental milestone, EYECAN is launching The Reconnect Project – an initiative honouring their history and evolution as the Jersey Blind Society while embracing their vibrant future as EYECAN.

EYECAN are inviting local groups to take part in their Reconnect Project, which will utilise aerial drone footage



EYECAN clients at our Thursday social club



Pupils at Trinity School helping with the Reconnect Project

featuring groups of people holding large, branded boards, which will then be flipped over to transition from the original Jersey Blind Society logo to the modern EYECAN identity.

This project was recently launched with thanks to Trinity and St Martin's schools, helping EYECAN to creatively symbolise their journey and showcase the community's role in their story.

The charity is also excited to be planning events for their clients, including a tea party at Trinity Parish Hall in June, where we'll be joined by local performers and clients who attend our social clubs at Westlea. CEO of EYECAN, Mark Coxshall, said: "Our 140-year anniversary really is a milestone to celebrate. As a standalone independent charity, we are very proud of the work and support that we offer. Feedback we receive from clients reflects that we positively influence opportunities for living independently and in addition to offering social environments that they look forward to being a part of. This is an opportunity to make sure our legacy is not forgotten and celebrate all things EYECAN".

Charity Development Manager, Anne Audrain, said: "As a charity, we rebranded to EYECAN 10 years ago, which has been a positive in making our services more inclusive. That name change has meant that we lost some of the identity of The Jersey Blind Society established first in 1886. So, the reconnect project is a way of reconnecting those two organisations as one, to reflect all the history that has gone before and the knowledge and experience that impacts and influences where we are now".



Outside our Westlea Centre with Jean Carter who retired from the Jersey Blind Society 20 years ago, after 15 years with the Jersey Blind Society.



All Island Garden Competition

By Sue Ingram

Ever thought about entering your garden? A regular entrant, Sue Ingram talks us through it...

How do I prepare for the garden competition? The answer is I don't!

Let me explain. I love flowers and I love colour and who doesn't want to enhance their home environment, therefore I garden! I enjoy the process and the outcome. It is a shared garden as I have two small dogs who help or rather enjoy being outside and watching.



My garden is sustainable. I have a framework of various shrubs and small trees, surrounded by herbaceous perennials and spring bulbs. If I did nothing it would still all flower but would be a bit congested. I aim to have something in flower in the garden every month which I pretty much achieve.



I like hardworking plants which grow easily, flower freely, single flowers for the pollinators. Lots of things self-seed and come back every year. I grow some annuals from seed and love growing from cuttings and as the garden is small, I am often giving plants away.

So, having created this wonderland of flowers, in cottage style or chaos planting as it can also be called, along comes the garden competition and I think that it would be a pity not to share it. To that end, I go around and trim the edges, tidy and deadhead and mow the lawn. I spend a couple of hours doing this and it is very good discipline as it makes me take the time to really look at the borders and rescue things that have become overwhelmed.

When the judges visit, I make sure I have written down the questions I want to ask them so I don't forget. No point in having all that expertise visiting your garden and not taking advantage of it!

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Major milestone in Jersey Zoo history as new state-of-the-art gorilla house officially opened

Her Royal Highness the Princess Royal has officially opened a brand new, state-of-the-art gorilla house at Jersey Zoo, transforming the care offered for its four Critically Endangered gorillas. The new house is nine times larger than the previous enclosure and replaces the existing gorilla facility that opened in 1981.

Her Royal Highness has been Patron of Durrell Wildlife Trust for more than 50 years. The Princess unveiled the new enclosure at Jersey Zoo, headquarters of the Trust, during a private visit on Thursday 30 April. This opening came ahead of the public opening of the house, which was on a phased basis from Tuesday 5 May.



Jersey Zoo has been home to western lowland gorillas since November 1959, the same year that the zoo opened. The first gorilla, N'Pongo, arrived on 22 November and was two years old. She was the first mammal in the animal records at the zoo, labelled M1. Gerald

Durrell, the zoo's founder, even wrote about N'Pongo in his short story 'Gorilla and the Guest Room'.

Inside the house there are two large indoor viewing spaces, eight dens, dedicated training and weighing areas, and systems to control the temperature and humidity. The space has been designed to encourage the gorillas' natural behaviour, with deep bark chip flooring for foraging, climbing structures up to five metres high, and ropes and platforms for movement and play. The zoo's keepers can also observe the troop from dedicated research balconies, which is supported by a full CCTV system.

The development of this house was supported in part by public fundraising, including the much loved 2019 Go Wild Gorillas trail, which raised more than £1.1 million, alongside generous donations from the Government of Jersey Fiscal Fund as well as individuals, businesses and trusts.



ACORN Pollinators, ready!

Every time you buy a plant from Acorn's nursery, you are supporting work and training for Islanders who have a disability or long-term health condition.

In the spring the nursery took on an extra five people to help with the busiest season of the year. One of them was Sylvie, who had to stop work after suffering back problems. 'The routine of getting up and coming to Acorn really helps mentally,' she said. 'I had been fearful of going back to work. Acorn is such a unique place, but I feel like I have found my people. They are so kind and caring and I feel so well supported.'



Sylvie: 'Acorn boosts your soul'

This summer the Acorn plant nursery has a greater



Acorn Nursery Deputy Manager Matt Caboz

range of herbaceous perennials, particularly plants that pollinators love to gorge on, including Gaura, Scabiosa and Echinacea. There is also a more extensive range of evergreen and deciduous shrubs, such as Hydrangea and Buddleja, and an increase in exotic plants and succulents.

A wider range of specimen plants will be available during July and August, perfect for creating an instant impact in any gaps that need filling. Deputy manager Matt Caboz said: 'We had an outstanding season last year and sold out of every group of plants. Customer feedback is always very positive. Without the help of our clients, there is absolutely no way we would be able to provide the quality plants that are lovingly produced at Acorn.' Sylvie added: 'When you're not working, it is easy to isolate yourself, almost to protect yourself. Coming to Acorn has done me the world of good. It boosts your soul.'

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Trinity School Celebrates World Book Day

The children at Trinity school enjoyed another World book day, dressing up as their favourite book characters, famous people and authors. They brought in and shared their favourite books, fiction and non-fiction, with their friends. This is always a great opportunity to get together with children from other classes.



Year 6 and Reception 'book buddy' most weeks and both choose books to share. Year 6 choose books that they think the younger children will enjoy. The older children read to the younger ones and the younger read or retell their favourite stories and then they talk about the story, the characters and the pictures. Some of the Reception children know their favourite books off by heart. The children form great friendships in these sessions too.

as well and helps in everyday life for reading instructions, signs, menus, information labels and filling out forms.

These days our busy curriculum, doesn't always allow for 'story time' as often as we'd like, so events like World book day enable us to pause and spend time immersing ourselves in our favourite books.



We are always thinking of new ways to encourage reading and a love of books. In the playground, we now have a story shed so children can share books at lunch time. We have a beautiful library, but the Reading



World Book Day is a real celebration of books, encouraging reading and a love of books. It is always lovely to see the diverse range of books that the children choose - from traditional tales to information books to biographies that have become very popular from the Little people, Big dreams series. This year the staff recorded themselves reading a popular children's story and edited the videos with filters for the children to guess 'The masked reader'. The children found this a lot of fun although it took a lot of concentration to guess who was reading each story.

The Trinity Comms group feel that reading is important to give us a better imagination, to learn lots of new vocabulary which we can use for our writing, for the enjoyment of the stories and information, for calm time and bonding family time. Discussing books in school helps us to be good communicators



Trinity PTA



UPDATE

We've had a wonderful spring term of fundraising within the school community.

In March we had our school movie night where children enjoyed popcorn and sweets whilst watching a film with their friends. To end the term, we had a 'Guess the number of Easter eggs in a jar' competition and 'Break the Rules' day where children could break rules such as wearing uniform, having tidy hair or eating a healthy lunch!

Over May half term we'll host a jolly jar competition where children brought in jars decorated and filled with treats.

As I write this article, we are currently in full planning mode for our annual summer fete. This year it will take place on Saturday 27th June 12-3pm. We have plans to make this event bigger and better than ever with a new venue so please keep a look out for further details which we will share as soon as we can. We hope this will be a community event for all to enjoy!

Finally, I want to say a huge thank you to our Treasurer, Nicki who is stepping down at the end of term as her children move onto secondary school. Nicki has done a phenomenal amount for our PTA over the years and we will miss her dedication and fabulous accounting!!



ambassadors felt it wasn't being used enough and the children weren't getting to read all the lovely books that we have in there. So, they came up with the idea to take the books to the children. The ambassadors have selected books for each class to make up a class box. They then take the box around to the classes at the start of the day so the children can change their books, and the books get refreshed often - our own school mobile library!

Esme Year 1: I like fairies and the book Fairy spells. I like that they do magic using their shells and necklaces. There are good and bad fairies. They help turtles and the sea serpents to lay their eggs.

Arcadia Year 3: I am the Christmas pig because I love pigs. My favourite character is Dur Pig or D.P. the main character. The book is interesting and exciting when his half-sister throws him out of the car and then the Christmas pig comes alive, and they go to the Land of the lost to find DP.

Alice Year 3: I am dressed as a butterfly from the information book 'Animals'. I love the book because you learn facts and it has drawings and pictures and on each page there is a new animal.

Ella Year 6: I am dressed as Cherry from the book 'The giant's necklace' by Michael Morpurgo. I like World book day because we get to celebrate our ability to read and get a say in what we read. I love Cherry because she is a very determined 11 year old and is very kind.

Alexandra Year 5: I am Grey from the Diary of the Wimpy kid Hot mess. I love how he keeps on getting stuck in food and eats the food while he is stuck in it!

Zoe Year 5: I am Lucy from 'The secret lake' and this is a really good book because in the book Lucy has to time travel to help her best friend from dying from a fever.

Evie Year 5: I am a dancer like Simone Biles. I like how she keeps trying and never gives up on her dreams and is so good and dancing and gymnastics. The book is from the Little People, Big dreams.

From Grass to Glass

Jersey Dairy is a farmer owned cooperative comprising of 11 dairy farms located in the picturesque parish of Trinity. Tracing its heritage back to 1763, Jersey Dairy has long been associated with quality, thanks to the island's finest pure-bred Jersey cows producing our world class Jersey milk.

This exceptional milk has been at the heart of island life for generations. Farms in Jersey have nearly always included cows, but it was in the 18th and 19th centuries, as people moved away from the land, that specialisation took place and a dairy industry developed to provide milk for all Islanders and create an internationally renowned breed of dairy cattle.

Today, Jersey Dairy continues that tradition, producing fresh Jersey milk and a wide range of high-quality dairy products at its factory in Trinity. Its location places it at the centre of Jersey's rural landscape, surrounded by farms, fields, and Jersey cows that make its products so distinctive.

Trinity Manor Farm

As Jersey Dairy is a farmer-owned co-operative, its farmers play an important role in every aspect of the milk's journey, from "grass to glass". Trinity Manor Farm, located, fittingly for this parish feature, in Trinity, is the largest dairy farm on the island and has over 400 pedigree Jersey milking cows, producing around 3 million litres annually for Jersey Dairy.

Trinity Manor Farm have invested heavily in the well-being of their herd, and they have an extensive grazing pattern as the land circles numerous farm buildings. Their cows have the occasional back scratch before resting on their layered mattresses and taking in the cool breeze that runs through their sheds.

Each morning, milk is collected from Trinity Manor Farm and the island's other dairy farms by Jersey Dairy's tanker and



Jersey cows at Trinity Manor Farm

transported back to the factory in Trinity. In total, the Dairy receives around 42,500 litres of Jersey milk each day, of which approximately 8,000 litres comes from Trinity Manor Farm. The milk is then processed and packed on site into fresh milk, long-life milk, butter, yogurt, cream, and, of course, Jersey's famous ice cream!

Jersey Ice Cream

The journey into ice cream began in 2001, with the introduction of Jersey Dairy's much-loved soft scoop ice cream.

A significant milestone followed in 2010, when the Dairy relocated from the Five Oaks site in St Saviour to the factory today in Trinity. This move marked a sizeable £12 million investment, allowing the business to grow, expand its capabilities, and increase production. Among the many products created, Jersey Dairy soft scoop ice cream quickly became a favourite, now enjoyed by islanders in six delicious flavours. When the sun is shining, few treats compare to the simple pleasure of a scoop of Jersey Dairy ice cream.



Jersey soft ice cream

How it's made

Jersey milk is collected daily from our farms. Once it enters the factory, the milk, alongside cream and concentrated skim

milk is warmed up and precisely mixed with sugars and stabilisers, to meet each individual recipe. This mixture is then heated up again for pasteurisation, before being rapidly cooled to just 5°C. All of this occurs at an incredible 36 litres per minute! Careful monitoring at every stage ensures consistency, safety, and quality in every batch produced.



Milk tanker at Trinity Manor Farm



Blast freezer tunnel



Dina & Lucy packing Jersey ice cream



Hand filling Jersey ice cream



Lucy with mint choc chip



All the ice cream flavours

The mix is stored and aged to help bring together the delicious combination of flavours. Air is also added as the ice cream is frozen down to -5 °c.

For the recipes that need it, any additions like chocolate chunks or strawberries are added at this stage and then hand packed by staff into tubs, weighed, and placed onto a conveyor belt, which includes a metal detector for safety purposes. When all this is done, the tubs enter a blast freezer tunnel for 24 hours, which brings the temperature down to below -18 °c, making the refreshing treat taste its best! It then enters the main freezer which is set to -28 °c. This careful process gives the soft scoop ice cream a shelf life of two years, while preserving its smooth texture, flavour, and quality. It is then distributed to shops, supermarkets, cafés, kiosks, ice cream vans, restaurants and hotels across the island, ready for everyone to enjoy.

Packed boxes ready for freezer



Jersey Dairy ice cream flavours

Each flavour has been created to showcase the natural quality of Jersey milk, with recipes carefully refined to deliver incredible taste.

Vanilla - Made with fragrant Madagascan vanilla, this timeless classic remains a firm favourite for all ages.

Chocolate - Rich cocoa is blended with luxurious Jersey cream to create a smooth, indulgent chocolate experience.

Strawberry - Bursting with the sweetness of juicy strawberries, this flavour is perfect for warm, sunny days.

Mint Choc Chip - Cool, refreshing mint is paired generously with chocolate chunks for a perfectly balanced treat.

Toffee Honey Crunch - Sweet, sticky toffee meets crunchy honeycomb pieces for a satisfyingly rich and textured flavour.

Coconut & Pineapple - Coconut and tangy pineapple swirls come together to deliver a refreshing, tropical delight.

Luxury Soft Mix Ice Cream

Alongside producing soft scoop ice cream for the local market, Jersey Dairy is becoming increasingly well known around the world for its luxury soft mix ice cream, often known as a "99". Jersey Dairy's soft mix ice cream can be enjoyed from Brighton Pier all the way up to Edinburgh Castle. An impressive 35 million Jersey soft-serve ice creams are sold across Britain each year!

But where can you enjoy a Jersey ice cream (scoop or soft serve) in Trinity? Find out here...

Jersey Ice Cream in Trinity

- Acorn
- Jersey Zoo
- Mad Mary's Bouley Bay Beach Café
- Mimosa Café, Rozel
- The Hungry Man
- Trinity Arms

Shops

- Coop, Trinity
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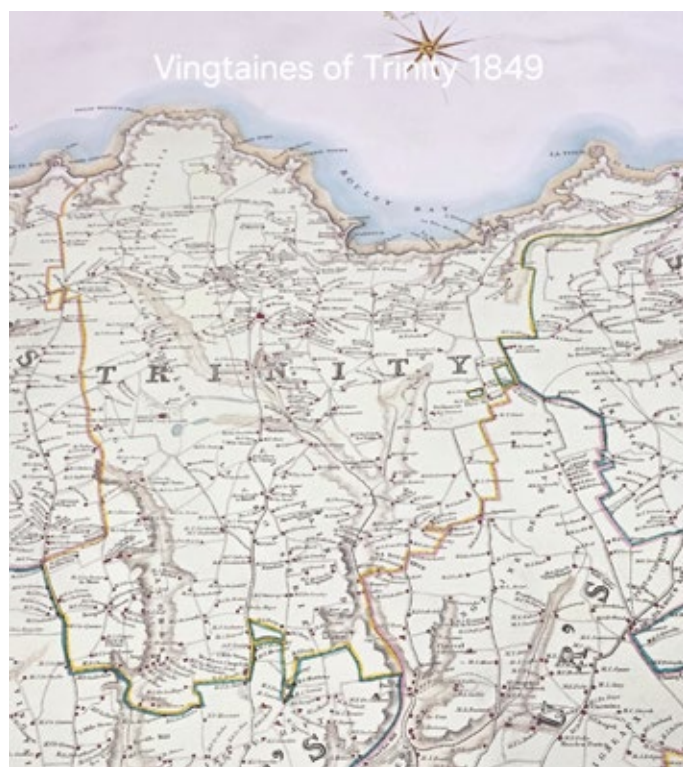
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Vingtaines!

As we all know, Jersey is divided into 12 parishes but were you aware that each Parish is divided into Vingtaines?

The word vingtaine is derived from the French word for “twenty”, likely referring to an ancient grouping of twenty households responsible for local order and tax collection, rooted in Norman law. Today, this numerical definition is no longer applicable, but vingtaines continue to serve as vital units for local governance and electoral districting. They are a foundational element of Jersey’s unique administrative, historical and cultural structure. We know that Jersey is a self-governing British Crown Dependency, but its roots are deeply entrenched in the feudal system of the Duchy of Normandy. The vingtaines being the most local and tangible link to Jersey’s past, helping to maintain the island’s fiercely independent character.



Within each parish the Connétable and Chef de Police work closely together, with the Connétable being the Head of the Parish and responsible for the administration of the Parish and the Chef de Police responsible for the elected members of the parish’s Honorary Police. Parishioners play a very important role at Parish Assemblies, electing Honorary Officers, including Vingteniers, Constable’s Officers and Roads Inspectors for particular vingtaines. Their duties include maintaining community safety, enforcing local regulations and ensuring that the by-roads are in good repair. They are formerly sworn in at The Royal Court for their vingtaine. Vingteniers also have the duty of ensuring that all parishioners, with land bordering



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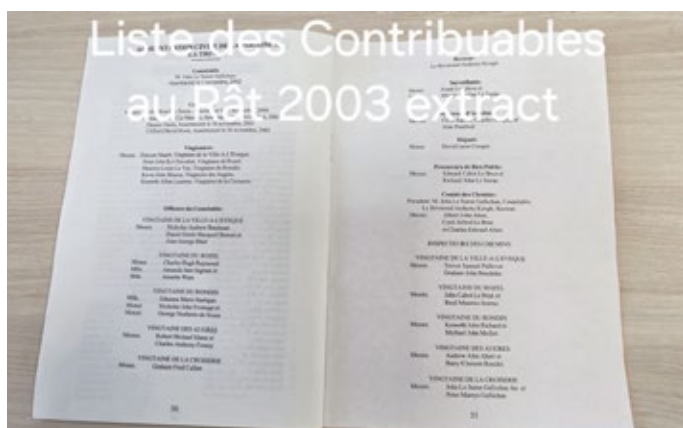
public roads and footpaths, are complying with the Branchage Law. They personally deliver any fines or warnings if someone in their vingtaine is in breach of this law. Jersey’s Honorary Police system is a unique, unpaid and prestigious service, remaining a vital part of the Island’s civic structure.

In total there are 56 Vingtaine subdivisions in Jersey, albeit in the Parish of St. Ouen they are termed Cueilletes. The Parish of Trinity is subdivided into 5 administrative vingtaines - La Vingtaine de la Ville-à-l'Évêque, La Vingtaine de Rozel, La Vingtaine du Rondin, La Vingtaine des Augrès and La Vingtaine de la Croiserie.

Unfortunately, information about vingtaines is ill-documented, so I have called in the resources of Jersey Heritage, Jersey Archive, Société Jersiaise and Jersey Library, who are thanked very much for their help and information.

La Vingtaine de la Ville-à-l'Évêque occupies the northern and western sections of the parish and contains Les Platons, the highest point in Jersey - standing at 136 meters (446 feet) above sea level. This vingtaine’s name translates to “the Bishop’s Town”, reflecting ancient feudal links, likely to the Bishop of Coutances in Normandy. (As an aside, depending on where you research, you might also see reference to the Bishop of Avranches. In the 1800s, the Diocese of Avranches was united with the Diocese of Coutances, meaning one bishop now oversees both historic territories. The bishop’s seat (cathedral) is in Coutances.) Landmarks in this vingtaine include La Hougue des Platons (a prehistoric archeological site), prehistoric La Belle Hougue Caves as well as Trinity Manor which is central to Trinity’s feudal history. Ville à l'Évêque Cottage on Rue de la Monnaie is an 18th-century asset but is not a listed building.

La Vingtaine de Rozel, located in the northeastern corner of the parish includes a portion of Rozel Bay and shares a boundary with St. Martin. Rozel is one of the few place names in Jersey that describes two identically named bordering districts. When you walk along the beach at Rozel Bay, from the slipway to the barracks, you leave the Parish of Trinity



and enter the Parish of St. Martin. This area is rich in military and prehistoric history in that it contains Le C  tel de Rozel (an ancient Iron Age promontory fort featuring earthwork defenses which once protected prehistoric inhabitants), Rozel Fort (Nez du Guet) to the north of the harbour (a 17th century look-out and 18th/19th century Anglo-Jersey military structure built to guard the north coast, which was converted into a private residence in the 1920s), Les C  teaux a significant medieval earthwork (also known as Le Ch  stel S  dement) and L'  tacquerel Fort (a mid-19th century fortification). Di  lament Manor is also sited in this vingtaine. Jersey Zoo at Les Augr  s Manor, a historical 19th-century manor house with medieval origins depicted on the rear of the Jersey   5 note, is in this vingtaine - not in La Vingtaine des Augr  s, as one might expect. The name Rozel has Norman roots, often interpreted as "little rose" (from Rosel); but topographically it is used for someone living near reeds or rushes.

La Vingtaine du Rondin is situated in the central-northern area of the parish. Notable landmarks include Bouley Bay (with its winding hill making it famous for the Bouley Bay Hill Climbs), Fort Leicester and La Falaise (with its dramatic cliffside paths and natural beauty - which I very much enjoy walking on a regular basis) as well as La Pierre de la F  telle (west of Vicard Bay). Trinity School, Trinity Church and the AA Call Box

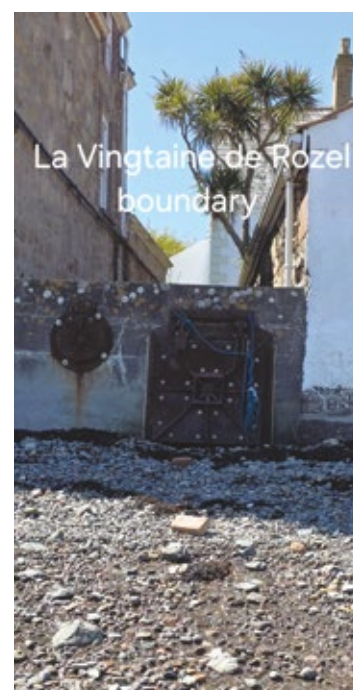
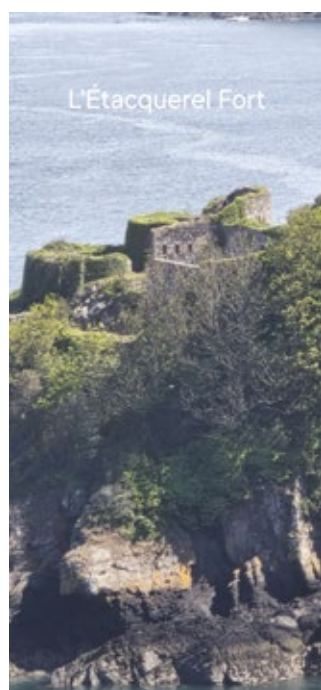
are all sited in this vingtaine, along with Jardin d'Olivet and Rockmount de Moustiers Gardens. Research shows that the name Rondin refers to a roundabout; a circus where roads meet and there is room for a horse and cart to turn around; a flat hollow among hills with dwellings grouped around it. In the "old" language a rond'in was a measure for grain.

La Vingtaine des Augr  s is in the southern part of the parish. Historical census records from the 19th century show the area was a hub for traditional Jersey apple cider production and dairy farming. A less well-known fact is that this vingtaine was divided into two districts, East and West - for each 2 Road Officers were sworn in. In the 18th century, they were called the Great Augr  s and the Little Augr  s. The name "Augr  s" is linked to the Fief d'Augr  s, a feudal landholding that was once one of the most prominent in Jersey.

La Vingtaine de la Croiserie also in the southern part of Trinity, borders both the parishes of St. Helier and St. Saviour. This vingtaine's holdings of note include La Croiserie Farm which is believed to originate from the 15th century and was refronted in the 17th century; as well as Le Moulin de Ponterrin, which is an historic former watermill, documented since the 17th century and linked to the Seigneurial Fief of the same name. This vingtaine holds a substantial percentage of Trinity's agricultural land. The name "Croiserie" likely relates to the French word crois  e (crossing) or croix (cross), possibly referring to an ancient crossroads or a historical cross marker. In the "old" language, croiserte meant the act of crossing oneself, crusade. Or could the word come from a crossing, a building composed of two buildings placed at right angles and forming a crossing? Unfortunately, there is no authentic historical documentation on the specific origin of this vingtaine's name.

So, whilst Trinity is the third largest parish by area, yet the third smallest by population, our five vingtaines are all quite unique with their own historical tale or two.

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6th Jersey Scout Group

The 6th Jersey Scout Group has had a lively and rewarding term, with each section making the most of new experiences, outdoor learning and community opportunities.

Squirrels

Our Squirrels have been busy building confidence through a mix of practical and fun activities.

They've explored navigation skills, had a go at basic emergency aid, and enjoyed campfire songs and storytelling. A bug hunt got them out into nature, followed by a beach evening full of energy and smiles. We finished the term with a brilliant party at the Merton.

Beavers

Beavers have embraced the outdoors with nature walks at Riley Field and hands-on gardening. They've also enjoyed a trip to Valley Adventure, with plenty of excitement building for their upcoming overnight stay at Gilwell.

Cubs

Cubs have had a packed programme, from cooking sausages over the fire to using our new Kelly kettles. Wide games, pioneering, first aid and athletics have kept them busy, all leading up to a fun-filled colour run on the beach.

Scouts

Scouts have been developing skills through air rifle shooting at the St Aubin tunnels and planning their expedition. We were pleased to welcome Philip Le Sueur to talk about life in politics, alongside a visit from the Samaritans, focusing on mental wellbeing. The term ended with a mini crazy golf course and a beach colour run.

Group News

We also proudly celebrated St George's Day with an amazing parade through town, finishing at Howard Davis Park—a fantastic moment for all involved.

We're incredibly grateful to Skipton International for their generous donation towards new outdoor equipment. We're also proud to recognise our volunteers: Claire Jepson (Silver Acorn), Janice Patterson (25 Years' Service), Nich Church (Commendation for Good Service) and Linda Gallichan (Commendation for Good Service).



We are always looking for new volunteers. If you would like to get involved, please contact GLV6TH@SCOUTS.ORG.JE



COMMON MYTHS ABOUT DIABETES

MYTH

DIABETES IS CAUSED BY EATING TOO MUCH SUGAR



FACT

TYPE 1 DIABETES IS AN AUTOIMMUNE CONDITION (NOT CAUSED BY DIET).

TYPE 2 DIABETES IS INFLUENCED BY MULTIPLE FACTORS LIKE GENETICS AND LIFESTYLE.

MYTH

ONLY OVERWEIGHT PEOPLE GET DIABETES



FACT

PEOPLE OF ALL BODY TYPES CAN DEVELOP BOTH TYPE 1 AND TYPE 2 DIABETES.



MYTH

TYPE 1 DIABETES IS THE 'MILD' KIND.



FACT

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Trinity

Household recycling collection 2026

This guide explains how to use the Trinity household recycling collection. A collection planner is included so you know when your recycling will be collected.

Every home in Trinity receives a recycling collection, in addition to the existing rubbish and glass collections. Recycling collections will be on the same day as your glass collection.

Glass and Recycling Collections 2026

For the month of June	Glass & Recycling	Thu 25/06/2026	Fri 26/06/2026
For the month of July	Glass & Recycling	Thu 23/07/2026	Fri 24/07/2026
For the month of August	Glass & Recycling	Thu 27/08/2026	Fri 28/08/2026
For the month of September	Glass & Recycling	Thu 24/09/2026	Fri 25/09/2026
For the month of October	Glass & Recycling	Thu 22/10/2026	Fri 23/10/2026
For the month of November	Glass & Recycling	Thu 26/11/2026	Fri 27/11/2026
For the month of December	Glass & Recycling	Wed 23/12/2026	Thu 24/12/2026

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RECYCLING IN JERSEY MYTHBUSTERS

MYTH



All recycling collected in Jersey just gets burned in the Energy Recovery Facility.



FACT!



Items sent for recycling through Parish and Government of Jersey collections are **not incinerated**. Only contaminated materials are diverted for energy recovery.

MYTH



Recycling and general refuse are collected by the same truck, and get mixed together.



FACT!



Some collections rounds **use the same type of vehicle**, but the loads are **kept separate** to ensure proper recycling.

MYTH



You don't need to rinse out food containers or bottles before recycling.



FACT!



Dirty items can contaminate the whole collection, making them **unrecyclable**. Always rinse before recycling!

MYTH



You should leave metal lids on jars and bottles.



FACT!



Metal lids and tops **should be removed** and placed with your household metal recycling.

MYTH



Glass can go in general waste or energy recovery.



FACT!

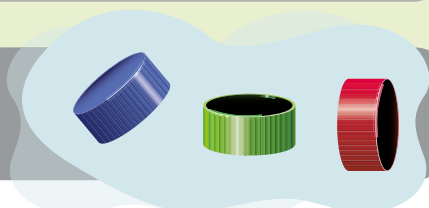


Glass can **damage the Energy Recovery Facility**, leading to costly repairs. It **must** be recycled properly.

MYTH



Plastic bottle tops can't be recycled.



FACT!



Plastic bottle tops **can** be recycled, so don't throw them away!





Andy Howell elected as the new Connétable for Trinity

First contested election in almost 30 years.



Retired dentist Andy Howell, who has served as a St John, St Lawrence and Trinity district Deputy for the past four years, beat Steve de Louche, receiving 853 votes to his 342.

Dear Parishioners

Thank you for all your support throughout the Election campaign.



I am honoured and delighted to have been elected as Trinity's new Connétable and I look forward to serving our wonderful Parish and working with everyone to make Trinity the best Parish to live in.



I would like to pay tribute to Steve de Louche and his lovely family for all the hard work and commitment they put into standing for election.

Thank you once again, to everyone who voted, and to all those who organised, assisted and volunteered throughout the election process. Trinity had a superb team and were extremely well-organized.



My further thanks go to our outgoing Connétable, Philip le Sueur, who has served Trinity incredibly well for the last 12 years. He will be an immensely hard act to follow. He and his wife, Angela, have devoted themselves to Parish life and I am sure you now join me in wishing them well and a very happy and fulfilling retirement.



Please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Sending you every good wish

Andy

New district Deputy

The parish also has a new district Deputy. Businessman and charity leader Phil Romeril (2,871 votes) finished second behind poll topper Hilary Jeune (3,020). Outgoing Sustainable Economic Development Minister Kirsten Morel was third with 2,252 votes, while Channel 103 presenter Peter McLinton failed to win a seat with 1,451.



Elsewhere in the Island

There will be four other new faces among the Constables. Steve Pallett makes a return after unseating Mike Jackson in St Brelade, Tina Palmer beat former Chief Minister John Le Fondré in St Lawrence and David Curtis ousted Kevin Lewis in St Saviour. Inna Gardiner replaces the retiring Simon Crowcroft in St Helier.



Helen Miles topped the Senatorial poll with 15,859 votes. She has been a leading backbencher for the past four years, chairing the Corporate Services Scrutiny Panel and spearheading a review of the relationship between central government and the parishes. Four of the nine Senatorial seats went to women, including first-time States Member Serena Kersten Guthrie, former England netball captain, who finished fifth.



It was a disastrous night for Reform Jersey, whose longstanding leader, Sam Mézec, lost his seat. Former Education Minister Rob Ward failed in his bid to become St Helier Constable, while Raluca Kovacs lost her Deputy seat in St Saviour.



Our Island survey – addressing the big questions

What's your vision for Jersey, and can politicians deliver it? What's important? Which aspects of our unique institutions and culture should we hold onto? How important is the parish system? Are you optimistic about the future? Are you happy?

We're asking readers to answer a few questions to provide a snapshot of Jersey today. It'll take no more than around five minutes.

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Thank you and we look forward to sharing the results with you in future editions.



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Our Retiring Rector



Corn Riots



Plough Sunday January 2011



Celebrating the Queen's Jubilee in the Rectory Garden 2012



Black Butter making at Le Carrefour 2011



Playing golf on a windy day in Iona on one of our many pilgrimages



Being a shepherd and looking after his flock - again on Iona



Geoff, Fran, Rebecca & Ben in 2016



With the choir taken on Easter day this year (Photo courtesy of Andre le Gresley)



Liberation Day celebration 2025



Grass roots



Beach baptism in Bouley Bay 2011



Tending the Sheep



Caught at last!



At Rozel Bay

Farewell... and yet not

On April 19th, an estimated 290 people gathered in Trinity Church to give a final thanks for Geoff's ministry among us.

The service was the familiar one of Holy Communion, but on this occasion, it was borne along on a swelling tide of devotional singing guided and amplified by Nick's inspiring playing of the organ, encouraged by the choir's leadership, the skirl of the bagpipes and the lilting voice of Sharon Campbell.

Following the church service a reception was held at the Parish Hall. What looked like a huge football crowd surged up La Rue du Presbytère and filled the hall with conversation



and conviviality. Speeches from Phillip Le Sueur, both churchwardens and the Lieutenant Governor followed, together with presentations of gifts to both Geoff and Fran. These included amongst other things two Ian Rolls' artworks: one from the church - a print of Rozel Harbour, and one from the Parish - original commission of The Hungry Man.

It is reasonable to hope that, in due course, gazing at these representations of the Island will stir in Fran and Geoff a nostalgic decision to embark on a sentimental journey to visit us. So 'Farewell. . . yet not'.



Feed the Birds!

Here at Trinity Manor, we are always considering ways to encourage pollinators into the gardens. This year, we have decided to 'grow' food for the birds, in particular the Goldfinches. We have spotted several pairs here in the gardens. Apparently one of the Goldfinches favourites are the seeds from *Dipsacus fullonum* (Teasel), which is a biennial wildflower, flowering the following year after planting.

In February this year we sowed *Dipsacus* into seed trays, and kept them in a cold greenhouse, with excellent results: a 100% germination rate!!

The seedlings were pricked out into 9 cm pots, and placed in cold frames, to be hardened off before planting out into 'The Wildflower Meadow' and 'The Bosque' as part of our naturalistic planting scheme.



Leave it for the butterflies and bees!!



Digitalis purpurea (Foxglove)

however this also has been given a chance in our efforts to create more harmonious naturalistic planting.



Centranthus ruber (Valerian)

Jane Fraser

Head Gardener at Trinity Manor.



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Meet Le Trinn'taise

Grounded in Trinity

Jane Rueb

Jane was born into a Jersey farming family which can trace its roots back in the island to the 1600s and has a long history of honorary service in the Island. The only daughter of Michael and Nancy Vautier she has lived in Trinity all her life, most of it at the family farm, Ville Machon. Her grandfather bought the farm in 1952 and in the early years it was a mixed dairy/arable farm. The herd was sold in 1967 and her father and uncle became well known for their innovative methods of growing potatoes – big figures in the farming community. Jane had a strict but lovely upbringing in a multi-generational environment, being treated equally with her brother and two boy cousins and having to pull her weight around the farm.

Educated at Mont Cantel and then Jersey College for Girls, Jane left school after taking her 'A' levels and went to work at the Income Tax office. In those days A level results were printed in the Jersey Evening Post and the Comptroller at the time, Geoff Hamon came personally to congratulate her on her results – a sign of a good leader and something to aspire to, she remembers thinking even then. She has worked in both the public and private sectors. As a civil servant Jane worked in several different areas but



Jane as a young girl with her parents & brother

found the 12 and a half years working as Personal Assistant to the Bailiff the most interesting and rewarding. Spanning the tenure of four Bailiffs she was implemental in organising all sorts of events from Liberation Day celebrations to state visits. On one memorable occasion she was part of a team that organised the Festival of Light to commemorate the start of WW1 where 1,300 attended a memorial in the Royal Square.

Jane's working life has now turned full circle and returning to her roots, currently works as Executive Secretary for the Jersey Farmers Union, in an office at RJA & HS overlooking fields and surrounded by like-minded people.

From the age of 15 she was an active member of the Jersey Young Farmers Club (JYFC) which is where she met her husband, Erik. He comes from the Netherlands and only intended to spend 18 months in Jersey before going to New Zealand but fate had other plans for him. Jane and Erik were married in Trinity Church in 1986 and he still works in farming, as an agricultural engineer. Their wedding photos have scaffolding in the background as that was the year the remedial work on the steeple was being undertaken.

One of the many friendships cemented during Jane's time at JYFC was with Louise Agnès and whilst they were chatting one



Great Gran's birthday



JYFC in 1985

day recently, they realised this year would have been its 80th Anniversary. To mark the occasion a reunion is planned for 4th July 2026 and tickets are available if you wish to attend the event. Recognising the fact that some past members, being of a certain age, are not quite up to dancing the night away any more, an afternoon tea party is also planned. On the back of these anniversary celebrations, it is hoped to revive the JYFC. The club 'fizzled' out because there were not enough young farmers in Jersey but, partly due to extra Government funding, the tables are turning and young families have hope for the future in farming on the island.



Battle 2015

Jane and Erik have been involved with the Battle of Flowers for forty years and have spent many fun summers building floats and enjoying the creativity and camaraderie that goes with it. In 2001 they started helping with the Trinity floats and as a way to raise funds to build them, those involved decided that it would be a great idea to

stage a pantomime in the Parish Hall. The Trinity panto soon had a dedicated following as it was 'low budget lunacy' with lots of local jokes and fun performances from parishioners. Like her father Jane enjoys making people laugh and her role as Ratatouille, the hapless sidekick of the baddie Queen Rat, is still remembered by many.

Another parish activity that both Erik and Jane enjoy being involved with is the Trinity Twinning Association. It was set up just over 20 years ago and Jane has taken over as Secretary of the Association for the second time. Lifelong friendships have been made with compatriots in Agon Coutainville and they always have great fun when they get together.

One of the more recent 'feathers' in Jane's cap is being elected President of the Lions Club of Jersey in July last year. It is the first time in the history of the club that a lady has been



Erik & Jane's wedding

President, something that Jane is rightly proud of. She would recommend anyone wanting to meet new people and help others to join the Lions Club. She joined in February 2016 and thoroughly enjoys being part of such a worthwhile charity.

Jane is very much a people person - she clearly relishes the company of others, having fun and enjoying being with people of all walks of life. She also gives a lot back - organising events (there's nothing she likes better than a spreadsheet!), sitting on committees and is not afraid of taking the lead. Her zest for life and positive outlook is a real tonic. Although Jane is the youngest 'Meet La T' so far, she is a well-known and respected part of Trinity life and certainly deserves the 'honour'. Incidentally Jane was part of the original Tattler team and her father the first Meet le T 11 years ago.

How long have you lived in the Parish?

All my life, though I did live in Vingtaine du Rondin for 15 years before returning to Vingtaine de Rozel.

What is the best thing about living in Trinity?

The caring community and the beautiful countryside and coastline.

What's been the best/worst day of your life so far?

Wedding to Erik in October 1986 at Trinity Church.

What is your favourite Parish memory?

Watching my dad make people laugh when he was on stage in the WI concerts when we were kids. Then appearing on stage myself at JYFC concerts in the Clubhouse at Rue de Bechet and also in Trinity Panto at the Parish Hall.



This year's Swimathon

What's the biggest change you've seen in the Island over the years?

The reduction in the number of farms. When I was a child, there were 8 farms along our hill. Now there is only 1 left. The number of cattle farms has halved every decade since the 1970s.

Who stands out as a memorable parish personality (past or present) and why?

Ruth Smith MBE. I first met her when we went to live at Hautevue in 1987 and she was one of our neighbours. She has worked tirelessly in her field of education, dyslexia awareness, and has now set up a school in Kenya.

Where's your favourite spot in the Parish?

Apart from our home at the farm, we love to walk the cliff path from L'Etacquerel Fort towards Rozel. We often sit on the bench below La Tourelle, looking across at Bouley Bay and the coast of Normandy, listening to the sea and the wildlife and re-charging.

Which Islander (past or present) would you like to chat to over dinner?

Betty Bois, who sadly passed away in 1999. She went to work for the Bailiff and Attorney General in July 1940 as a secretary as she spoke German, having studied in Germany in the mid-1930s. She accompanied the Crown Officers as translator during their dealings with the German commanding officers and worked on translations for the Crown Officers, including typing the surrender document in 1945. She had also worked for the author of the Jersey herd book and a firm of potato merchants. Wouldn't it be fun to swap stories with her about our respective working lives which run in parallel to some extent? And we have a family connection as her granddaughter is married to my nephew.

If you could change one thing on the Island, what would that be?

Stop the anglicization of the island. We are a unique jurisdiction with a great Norman heritage and that should be celebrated and preserved. As Jersey was on the winning side in 1066, the UK should NEVER be referred to as "the mainland".

Can you describe our Parish in 3 words?

Best of Jersey

Trinity Youth Club

The last few months have been busy for our young people - some of the highlights were:

Jersey Youth Service conference - 7 of our young volunteer team spent many hours creating and refining workshops on what good youth work looks like which they then delivered to over 80 professionals at our annual conference.



Seniors Stay awake fundraiser - Our senior members did an amazing job raising £480 to go towards a sark trip in August.



St Aubin's Fort residential - Young people enjoyed a UV safari, Stargazing, Abseiling and Water Sports.



Easter Jump Jersey - Trips, flips and fun!

We are currently running 3 nights a week, catering for all age groups and new members are always welcome:

Tuesdays	7 - 9pm	Seniors - Year 9+
Thursdays	6:30 - 8:30pm	Juniors - Years 5&6
Fridays	7 - 9pm	Inters - Years 7&8

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Education by Stimulation

On a glorious springtime Saturday, the Jersey Trees for Life team – including a bumble bee, a ladybird, an owl and a squirrel – was in St Saviour's Woodland for the first of its two annual children's events, April Adventure.

Along with its autumnal equivalent, this event has proved extremely popular in recent years as parents seek ways to encourage their youngsters to engage directly with nature – something that's become imperative in an age of technological oversaturation and a rapidly warming planet.

If nature engagement was the aim, it was certainly fulfilled. Around 140 children attended the two 90-minute sessions, each offering a host of nature-themed activities including sapling repotting, coaster art, a tree quiz and the obligatory scavenger hunt, complete with sweet incentives. All for a fiver too.



It was wonderful to see families playing together in the woodland. It was also safe to conclude that dads enjoy building dens as much as their kids do.

Although sometimes overlooked in the maelstrom of activity, education is a core part of the charity's raison d'être. As today's children will supersede us, it's vital to ensure they're engaged with nature, understanding the symbiotic relationship we share and its fundamental importance to our existence.

Jersey Trees for Life thanks everyone who contributed to the event's success, from those who bought tickets to all the volunteers that made it happen. Thanks also go to the Parish of St Saviour for providing facilities and Honorary Police. These events really are a fantastic way to bring community together.



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Jersey Farmers Markets

at Le Tacheron Farm, Trinity

Something Jersey's been missing is here and it's worth the trip to Trinity.

Jersey Farmers Markets runs every other Saturday at Le Tacheron Farm from 10am to 2pm through to the end of September, with the next market on **Saturday, 11 July**.

Browse fresh fruit and vegetables, locally caught seafood, cut flowers, honey, free-range eggs, meat, pastries, and freshly baked bread. Stay for the coffee and hot food made by a different chef from whatever's seasonal and available on the day. There's live music, farm animals to meet, loads of parking and no particular reason to rush home. Children will love it too. The farm's rare breed animals, from pygmy goats and baby lambs to donkeys and working horses, have a way of stopping people in their tracks.

The setting is no coincidence. Le Tacheron, whose name means 'team' in Jèrriais, is one of Jersey's most distinctive working farms. Growing a range of cereals including spelt, barley, rye, and oats, milling its own flour on site, and baking its own bread, it's a place that takes field-to-fork seriously. Around it, a



rotating cast of bakers, farmers, fishers, butchers and artisan producers sets up every other Saturday, alongside the Huddle Van, a mobile education hub hosting talks and workshops on food, health and growing. "We want to inspire and encourage others to see themselves as an important part of agriculture and this community," says Charles Le Maistre. That spirit of open invitation is exactly what this market is built on.



Behind the market is a simple principle: local producers deserve a direct route to their community, where they keep their profits and build their businesses with genuine support behind them. This is about making Jersey's incredible producers more visible, and rebuilding food resilience on the island in a way that lasts beyond a single season.

Those living in St Martin's, Maufant, or Victoria Village are encouraged to walk or cycle. As a thank you, anyone arriving on foot or by bike will receive a free Jersey Wonder.

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Three in One Club

Around 35 consistently attend each month and recently we have been really pleased to welcome some new members to our lovely club for parishioners aged 65 years upwards. Is it the varied diary of events or the wonderful refreshments usually served that is tempting people in? We don't mind which, we just love that people join us!

With the longer days and better weather ahead of us we look forward to having some trips out and about. In June we will be heading to Hamptonne thanks to a grant from the Connect Me Government scheme. July will see PC Jo Carter coming to talk with us and in August we will take our annual trip out for an ice cream. Whilst September is yet to be confirmed in October, we will be welcoming Anna Bradstock with some wonderful insights to the Chelsea Flower Show amongst other gardening titbits.



Jersey Therapy Dogs

Jersey Therapy Dogs who joined us in February proved very popular and Monty, Olive & Perla brought many a smile to our members. March gave us the opportunity to hear more about the amazing work carried out by Jersey Overseas Aid from Connétable Philip Le Sueur, who is himself heavily involved. In April we welcomed back the wonderful Carol & Jackie from Laugh, Move and Groove for a lively seated exercise class and at the time of writing we are just planning our Liberation themed afternoon tea and good 'ole singsong.



Laugh, Move & Groove

Our committee remain dedicated - we just need members new and old to continue attending and enjoying the fruits of our labour!

Trinity Parish Library

Did you know that we have our own lending library, free and available to all?

Nestled on a wall on the side of a bungalow at Maison Cabot just by the 20 minute parking bay, anyone can browse the books available and take which ever one takes their fancy.

Fran & Marguerite have been running the library ever since lock down and are grateful to the many parishioners who have donated books over the years meaning the shelves are well stocked with all types of books both fiction and non-fiction. Fran & Marguerite ask that you keep the donations flowing - especially if you have Thrillers or Murders as they are the most popular. Donations can be dropped to Marguerite at No 6 Maison Cabot or left at the Parish Hall for her attention.



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PARISH PHOTO Gallery



Coming in from the cold



Philip receiving the 2025 award for best scenic lane - Rue de l'Epine



June Vibert with her WI Communications Award



What a line up!



Trinity Pensioners at the Ambassador Hotel lunch



Mary Dunford won the Embroiders Guild Trophy for creative work of her own design Eisteddfod festival of creative arts.



Trinity Pensioners at the Ambassador Hotel lunch

Liberation Day Celebrations at the Three in One Club and at the Parish Hall supper





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The work of the Jersey Care Commission is expanding. **Chief Inspector Becky Sherrington** answers key questions about what these changes mean for Islanders

EXPANSION OF REGULATED CARE SERVICES IN JERSEY

What is changing in the regulation of care services in Jersey, and what does this expansion mean?

Following changes to the Regulation of Care (Jersey) Law 2014, our remit has expanded to include the regulation of hospital services, ambulance services and Government-provided mental health services. Certain laser clinics will also be inspected under the updated Law.

This means these services will be subject to independent regulation against a Single Assessment Framework, a set of clearly defined standards that outline how care services should be provided. The changes reflect a commitment to ensuring Islanders receive health and social care services that are safe, effective, caring, responsive and well led.

What's the purpose of independent regulation, and how does it help improve care?

Independent regulation helps provide Islanders with assurance about the quality, safety and effectiveness of health and social care services, while supporting continual improvement in care quality. We help achieve this by setting clear, evidence-based standards and assessing services fairly, proportionately and transparently through inspections and ongoing oversight.

What services are included in the expanded regulation, and what is not?

The expanded Regulation of Care (Jersey) Law 2014 includes the independent regulation of hospital services, ambulance services, Government provided mental health services and certain laser clinics.

Ambulance services provided by charitable organisations, including St John Ambulance Jersey and Normandy Rescue, also fall within the updated Law. Private mental health services are not included. Decisions about which services are regulated are made through the legislative process and voted on by the States Assembly. The Commission's role is to apply the Law as enacted.

What happens next, and when will inspections begin?

Following the amendments to the Regulation of Care (Jersey) Law in November 2025, the Law was enacted on 6 April 2026. Newly regulated services now have until 6 October 2026 to register with us.

We're preparing to carry out our first onsite inspection with a blend of local and external inspectors in 2027.

How will hospital services be inspected?

Hospital services won't be inspected all at once. Because of the size and complexity of the hospital, inspections will be introduced in a phased, proportionate way, focusing on defined service areas or "blocks" over time, including medicine, surgery, outpatients, women and children's services and mental health. This approach will also help protect patient safety and minimise disruption to patients, staff and day-to-day clinical activity.



Becky Sherrington Jersey Care Commission Chief Inspector

Who carries out inspections? Will specialist expertise be used?

Inspections are carried out by our experienced team of Regulation Officers, who have a wide range of professional experience from across health and social care, including frontline care, clinical, leadership and management roles. To inspect the hospital, ambulance and mental health services, specialist knowledge will also be required, so inspections will also be supported by external senior clinical advisers and subject matter experts, including specialists from other regulators such as the Care Quality Commission (CQC), professional bodies including the Royal College of Psychiatrists and other relevant organisations.

What happens during an inspection?

During an inspection, a range of evidence is gathered from different sources. The voice of service users and their families or carers is an important part of how we continually improve services, alongside the views of staff, leaders, on-site observations and the review of records and systems.

At the end of the inspection, initial feedback is shared with service leaders before an inspection report is produced setting out findings, including both good practice and areas for improvement. All inspection reports are published on the Jersey Care Commission website.

What happens after an inspection?

After each inspection, we publish an inspection report on our website. We don't use ratings or judgement scores. Instead, reports provide clear, evidence-based findings that support transparency, accountability and continual improvement. The reports identify what is going well and areas of good practice as well as areas for improvement. Reports clearly set out, if required, the actions needed and timescales for improvement, with progress monitored through ongoing oversight.

For more information visit carecommission.je



What Was *but* What If... PART 4

Compiled by Peter Tabb

Extracted from We Shall Eat Grass

A compendium of myths, mysteries and minutiae of the only German Occupation of British Soil.

On Monday 7 May, prime minister Winston Churchill announced on the BBC radio the unconditional surrender of all German forces and ended his announcement with

the words "...and our dear Channel Islands are also to be freed today." This last was greeted with cheers and applause in the Royal Square since Bailiff Alexander Coutanche, tipped off about Churchill's broadcast had arranged for loudspeakers to be set up around the square. At the fringe of the cheering crowd stood several German soldiers, ignoring what, in any other circumstance, would have been a crowd that needed dispersing.

We all know that in fact it was almost two more days before the German forces formally surrendered but what if...

When the Royal Navy destroyers HMS *Bulldog* and *Beagle* arrived off Guernsey at 14.00 hrs (Double British Summer Time) on 8 May with a party under the joint command of Rear-Admiral G.C. Stuart DSO DSC and Brigadier A.E. Snow OBE and expecting an unconditional German surrender, *Kapitänleutnant* Armin Zimmermann, representing the Channel Islands commander-in-chief *Vizeadmiral zur See* Friedrich Hüffmeier (conveyed to the rendezvous by a battered and rusting minesweeper and who gave the Nazi salute when boarding *Bulldog*), advised that he was empowered only to discuss terms for an armistice that would commence at 00.01 hrs the following day, not sign any unconditional surrender. What's more, the proximity of the two British warships was a 'provocative act' and they would be fired upon if they did not go away.

Zimmerman was detained for an hour while Admiral Stuart and Brigadier Snow contacted GOC Southern Command in Plymouth for instructions and after Zimmerman had disembarked, *Bulldog's* captain, a grizzled commander who'd spent much of the war escorting trans-Atlantic convoys, exclaimed, 'To hell with that. These beggars have surrendered...' and with both the Admiral and Brigadier compliant, ordered his vessel and *Beagle* to heave to.



HMS Beagle British Destroyer

At 16.45 precisely, a 12 inch shell screamed over *Bulldog* and splashed into the sea 50 yards ahead of the destroyer. Thirty seconds later a similar eruption took place 50 yards astern.

'The mad beggars!' the captain shouted. 'Sound "Action Stations"'. His First Lieutenant pressed the large red button, commenting drily, 'They're bracketing us...' as similar eruptions took place ahead and astern of *Beagle*. 'They's got a four gun 12-inch battery inland and they're radar guided...' He recalled the notes he had browsed before sailing. The notes gave precise details of the ordinance in place on both islands compiled by RAF reconnaissance and that the Mirus 12-inch battery was manned by officers and men of the *Kriegsmarine*. 'Any single shot can sink us...'

'Guns!' The Gunnery Officer was fastening his helmet. 'Prepare to open fire...' He leaned over the speaking tube to the wheelhouse below. "Ring Full ahead and start zigzagging. Flags, call *Beagle* and tell him to hop it..."

"Fire on what, sir?" The First Lieutenant questioned. 'The battery is inland. We have no idea where it is nor even what's actually facing us on the coast since these are all protected by bunkers...' He pointed to the coast where bunkers and towers were evident. He didn't add quite what the effect of their 4.7-inch guns would be and in the coastal area there would be civilians. Wryly he thought of Nelson's instruction that ships should never take on land-based batteries.

"Belay that order," the captain snapped. As ever his First Lieutenant, a "Wavy Navy" officer who had been a lawyer before the war, was right. What the hell could they fire upon?

Bulldog surged ahead, heading out to sea with *Beagle* in her wake as eruptions occurred just where they had been hove to just moments before.



Adm Huffmeier being escorted from his Guernsey headquarters to HMS Faulkener

'Their guns have a range of more than 20 miles...' the First Lieutenant commented to the Gunnery Officer who was literally twitching his thumbs..

'Good God...'

'Let's hope so. We might be meeting Him soon...'

Another 12-inch shell exploded in the destroyer's wake, shaking the entire vessel. *Bulldog* leaned into a sharp turn as the slim vessel zigzagged. *Beagle* was heading away from her consort, also zigzagging wildly, opening the gap between them. Suddenly *Beagle's* bridge structure dissolved in a fiery blast, so violent that it rolled the ship onto her beam ends.

'Good God, *Beagle's* bought it!' as another 12-inch shell landed on the stricken destroyer literally blowing the vessel apart. For a moment or two the bow and stern remained above the surface before sinking in a welter of smoke, oil fuel and loose deck fittings.

Despite the risk, the captain ordered *Bulldog* to circle the widening circle of fuel and wreckage. 'She's gone with everyone in her...' the Gunnery Officer muttered as *Bulldog* heeled into a tight turn. 'Keep an eye out for survivors,' the captain barked into the Tannoy. 'And let's hope those beggars don't go for the double!'

But there were no survivors. *Beagle*, *Bulldog's* sister B-Class destroyer and regular companion on convoys, had been destroyed by a single very accurate salvo.

'Resume zigzagging. Let's get out of here. Those beggars will pay for this.'

Bulldog headed out to sea eventually heaving to near the western end of the Minquiers reef where the Roches-

Douvres lighthouse had stood until being destroyed by the Germans in 1944.

'What do we do now, sir?' the Gunnery Officer asked. 'We stand down, that's what and await instructions.'

They had remained hove to for almost half an hour when a Telegraphist appeared with a message from the GOC Southern Command advising that the new German Führer, *Grossadmiral-zur-See* Karl Doenitz had given the order to all the German forces to surrender and they were all complying, including the CinC of the German forces in the Channel Islands.

The Captain rang down to the wheelhouse. 'Set a course to take us back to Guernsey.' He turned to the officers on the bridge. 'I'd like to see the madman who opened fire on us and sank *Beagle* brought aboard in bloody chains...'

Once again the foregoing is a work of fiction although Bulldog and Beagle did retire out of range when so suggested by Kapitänleutnant Zimmerman. It did not happen but could it have done.

What Was... but What if...

Myths, mysteries and minutiae of the only German occupation of parts of Great Britain - plus what might have happened had sometimes things had been just a little different.

Thus a very unusual look at the German Occupation of the Channel Islands written and compiled by Peter Tabb

"We Shall Eat Grass" will be published later this year.

Election Fever

The nomination period for Constables has now closed pursuant to the Elections (Jersey) Law 2002 and when this edition of the Tattler is published we should probably know which of the two candidates who have put their names forward will be our new Constable.

I don't know about you dear reader, but I sense election fever is in the air. This is the first election for Constable that the parish has experienced for 24 years, since Roselle Godeaux opposed John Le Sueur Gallichan in October 2002.

Trinity doesn't often feel the need for elections for Constable. Our outgoing Constable has enjoyed three terms since 2014 without being opposed, and prior to the election in 2002 when John Le Sueur Gallichan defeated Roselle Godeaux, the

and subsequently held office for almost 20 years unopposed thereafter. That election appears to have been somewhat muted judging from the report in The Evening Post: "Voting proceeded steadily throughout the afternoon, but there was little or no excitement, thanks to the excellent way in which the election was conducted."

The origin of the office of Connétable in Jersey is lost in the mists of time. The first mention in the records of the Island is in 1462, and bears little resemblance to that title in France denoting a high military official. The Appendix to the Submission of the States to the Royal Commission on the Constitution in 1970 prepared by F de Lisle Bois, former Deputy Bailiff, states that it is safe to assume that the need for leadership, policing, administration and representation within the parishes brought the offices of Constable and Centenier into being and it may be that recourse was had to convenient titles already in use in France and England with which the Island was closely associated.



Good humour at the hustings

previous six Constables, Roy Cabot, Brian Richardson, Len Picot, Charles Ahier, John Richardson and Edgar Mourant were all elected and re-elected unopposed.

I'm sure that our Constables who were elected unopposed should have preferred to have won an election, but clearly parishioners have been content with their representation.

One has to go back a further 60 years to December 1945 to another contested election for Constable when John Ernest Cabot of Roche d'Or succeeded in defeating Francis Thomas Le Marquand,

Henry VII's Charter of 1495 enacted that the Constable of each parish was to be freely elected by the senior parishioners, without any recommendation of the Captain (the Governor) or the Jurats – though this was not always observed. In 1621 it was ordered that after three years in office a Connétable had to apply to the Court for a new election, and in 1669 the Connétables were ordered to attend the Royal Court once a month to report on any complaints in their parish. They were also in charge of the arms and ammunition belonging to the Militia. Cannons were kept in the parish church, and in case of an alarm the Connétable had to keep candles ready in the church



Trinity folk well represented in the crowd awaiting results in Bath Street (Photo courtesy of JEP)



John Ernest Cabot (Connètable 1945-1961) (Photo courtesy of JEP)

be lit for the Militiamen of the parish to muster there with their food and blankets, and if the alarm lasted more than a day, he had to assist in feeding them whilst on duty.

The solemn oath set out in the Code of 1771 to be sworn or affirmed to by a Constable before the Royal Court upon taking office reflects the historic role. In addition to presenting before Court for punishment those who commit crimes or fail to keep His Majesty's peace, including those responsible for sedition, disorderly or wanton behaviour in taverns must not be tolerated. (The new Licensing Law is intended to preserve and enhance the Parish's supervisory role.) The oath confirms the customary right of search of premises suspected of being places of criminal activity.

The Constable must conserve and procure as far as possible the rights belonging to the Parish and, by the advice and counsel of the Principals and Officers of the Parish, maintain the public good, and monthly to receive advice from the Centeniers of all things necessary concerning the Parish. Finally, to carry out the directions of the Lieutenant Governor [a reference to assisting the Militia], the Bailiff, and Justices in accordance with their duties and to assist the States;...." *and all this, you promise to carry out your loyal duty, on your conscience*".

As well as voting for a new Constable, the new Election Law now enables Trinity parishioners to vote for 9 new Senators (representing the whole Island) and, as before, 3 Deputies (who will represent No.3 District which includes St John and St Lawrence), or none of the above. There are 4 candidates declared for Deputy in our District, and we could have more than our proportionate share of Senators resident in the Parish.

In the past, leading up to, and especially on election day, loudspeaker vans would suddenly appear (from where one wonders) and make their presence and allegiances felt. At parish halls, accordion bands played atop horse vans gaily dressed with the colours of their candidate. I hope rosettes will still be in evidence, but I suspect that people these days are too reticent to wear them. Crowds gathered outside the offices of The Evening Post to hear the results of the Senatorial elections, and it was possible to telephone the paper's office to obtain the latest results.

Hustings are always well supported, and no doubt it will be necessary to come early to get a seat. Trinity normally has a good voting turnout and there is every reason for one again on Sunday 7 June.

Fred



Francis Thomas Le Marquand (Photo courtesy of Eileen Simmons)

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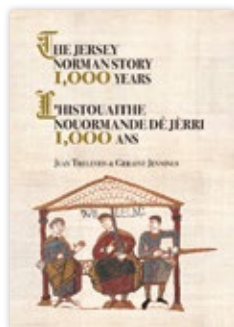
When the Normandy Region made the decision to celebrate 1,000 years of Norman heritage for the Millennium of the birth of William the Conqueror, Jersey just had to be involved as our loyalty to the Dukes of Normandy stretched from 933 to 1259, continued with the Kings of England and elements of that strong Norman heritage have continued to the present day.

A new publication; The Jersey Norman Story 1,000 years/ L'Histouaithe Nouormande dé Jèrri 1,000 ans by local historian Jean Treleven and Geraint Jennings gives the background to our Norman links along with evidence of Norman heritage that is retained in the island today.

It is bilingual, in both Jèrriais and English, a testament to the strong link with Jersey's Norman past represented by the Island's Norman language. It gives students and others the opportunity to discover some of the rich heritage contained within that language as well as discover the Norman story.

Available from:

- The Maison de la Normandie et de la Manche
- The Société Jersiaise bookshop
- The Museum Bookshop
- The Harbour Gallery.



NEW

A History of Shooting in Jersey

Price £10 / By David Dorgan

This is the story of the sport of shooting in Jersey.

Jersey's shooting origins began with the need to defend the island and the creation of the Jersey Militia in 1337. The Militia were involved from bows to rifle shooting.

The book begins with the Militia Years from 1337 to 1860. In 1861 and civilian shooting begins. The ranges are covered, together with over ninety names of shooting clubs and associations. The Occupation stopped shooting in 1940.

The next section is devoted to clubs from all areas of shooting from 1945 up to 2026 covering their history, locations and ranges.

Jersey-made guns and gun makers together with some recent gun retailers and an outline of the Firearms Laws from 1879 to the present showing the low number of crimes and offences committed, together with some of the strictest firearms regulations anywhere in the world. The Island's unique honorary system of licensing when compared with the UK, is almost world beating in its effectiveness.



Captain Bryan 1877

There is a listing of Jersey Government Gold and Silver Medal winners from 1863 to 1913 with placing names.

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- The Société Jersiaise
- The book shop in the Central Market

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Rînmes Rêjouis

Price £9.99 / By Robyn Conway

This Autumn, we are excited to be publishing a brand new Jèrriais children's nursery rhyme book entitled Rînmes Rêjouis.

Following the success of the Jèrriais translations of Lé Gruffalo, D'vinnâle dé Marmouset (Monkey Puzzle), La Maison Crêpie et Squouîzie (A Squash and a Squeeze) and La Carpéleuse Hardi Affanmée (The Very Hungry Caterpillar), this beautifully illustrated original book is designed to encourage parents and carers to explore Jersey's native language with younger children.



The book launch event will take place as part of the Jersey Festival of Words.

Date: Sunday 20th September
Time: 10am-12pm
Where: Jersey Zoo
Age: Suitable for 0-6 year olds

Please join members of the Jèrriais Teaching Service for themed art and craft activities, facepainting and group singing of nursery rhymes in English and Jèrriais. These activities are free of charge, but normal Zoo admission fees apply. A free copy of the book will be gifted to every family attending.

If you would like to pre-order a copy of the book for £9.99, please contact **Robyn Conway** at r.conway@jeron.je.

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JERSEY Battle of Flowers

BACK ON THE AVENUE

It's free. Bring your own chairs, relax and settle down for the day and night parades!*

After a year away, we are delighted to return to Victoria Avenue - place where we feel the Battle of Flowers truly belongs. Following the tremendous success of the scaled down parade through Town in 2025, and after listening carefully to public feedback, we have made a number of important changes for this year's event — not least the decision to keep both the Day and Night Parades completely free.

By returning the event to Victoria Avenue and extending the arena from Rue de Galet to Lower Park, we can safely and comfortably accommodate even larger crowds, while also providing float builders with the space needed to create the large-scale, imaginative exhibits for which the Battle of Flowers is renowned.

The Day Parade will travel from west to east, while the Night Parade will travel in the opposite direction, from east to west. The events will be single-pass parades along the southern carriageway of Victoria Avenue.

This format offers spectators a fantastic opportunity to enjoy an immersive Battle of Flowers experience along the entire route, from Lower Park to Rue de Galet.

Visitors are encouraged to bring their own chairs and settle in along either side of the parade route to enjoy the 29 spectacular floats, marching bands, and entertainers up close with pre-parade performances and live music all completely free of charge along with a wide range of food and drink outlets.

The Night Parade, taking place the following evening, will feature all floats fully illuminated, accompanied once again by bands and entertainers, this time travelling westward from the Lower Park.

Beginning at 8:45pm, spectators can look forward to a spectacular display of lights and entertainment, culminating in a breathtaking finale, details to be confirmed.



*Subject to the Bailiff's Permission



Day Parade Fri 14th Aug

Arena opens at 13:00, with pre-parade entertainment, food and drink available on the laybys between Lower Park and Rue de Galet.

Parade starts at 15:00, single pass from Rue de Galet to Lower Park, where floats will park up for viewing.

Arena closes at 18:00

Moonlight Parade Sat 15th Aug

Arena opens at 18:30, again with pre-parade entertainment, food and drink.

At sunset (**approx. 21:20**), the parade starts from Lower Park, all floats illuminated, and travels to Rue de Galet.

This will be followed by a finale shortly after 22:00 – details yet to be confirmed.

Arena closes at 23:00.



A message from the Battle Organisers

We are committed to making the Battle of Flowers a free community event from now on and to make sure it is accessible to all.

We are very grateful for the grant funding we have already received.

However, trying to find the final £40,000 in the current financial climate has proven more than a little challenging, so in order to be able to put on the show that Islanders have come to expect, we are asking for your support.

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A QUIET INVASION!

(And it's not just from Asian Hornets)

We are under attack! Not from our neighbours, but from a quieter, more insidious invasive threat: non native plants, animals, and even pathogens such as viruses and fungi.

These invasions often go unnoticed at first, yet their effects can be far reaching—damaging our environment, disrupting our economy, and even affecting public health and our society. When a non native species spreads and causes harm, it is classified as an invasive non native species (INNS).

The pathways by which these species arrive are varied, but human activity is a key factor. Through global trade and travel, we have become highly effective at moving organisms around the world. Sometimes introductions are deliberate, such as ornamental plants or exotic pets. More often, however, they are accidental, with species hitchhiking as stowaways on freight, as a contaminant on imported goods or even escaping from captivity.

In Jersey, responsibility for protecting the island from INNS lies with the Biosecurity Team within Natural Environment, often working closely with other departments, including Regulation, the States Vets, and Customs and Excise, as well as with landowners, volunteer groups, the public, and neighbouring jurisdictions. This work is ongoing, dynamic, and collaborative, focused on identifying threats and managing those that pose the greatest risks—both now and in the future.

Some examples of INNS that are under active management in Jersey are the Asian or yellow legged hornet (*Vespa velutina*), Japanese knotweed (*Reynoutria japonica*), purple dew plant (*Disphyma crassifolium*), sour fig (*Carpobrotus edulis*), and the pine processionary moth (*Thaumetopoea pityocampa*). Others, not yet established but considered likely threats, include the coypu (*Myocastor coypus*), the Asian tiger mosquito (*Aedes albopictus*), and the rose ringed parakeet (*Psittacula krameri*), amongst many others.

With so many species that could pose a threat there has been a structured process of risk assessment. This began with compiling lists of INNS already present and those likely to arrive in the future. Given the similarities between the islands' environments and shared risks, collaboration with colleagues in the Bailiwick of Guernsey has been both practical and valuable, contributing to the concept of a "Biosecure Bailiwick."



Asian Hornet (photo: Alastair Christie)

Each of the species were assessed based on factors such as its potential rate of spread, ecological and economic impact, and the pathways by which it might be introduced. For high risk species, the next step was to determine whether management is feasible and where it is, strategies are developed, ranging from eradication to long term control, often in partnership with relevant stakeholders. For species not yet present, there are contingency plans focus on prevention, early detection, monitoring, and rapid response.



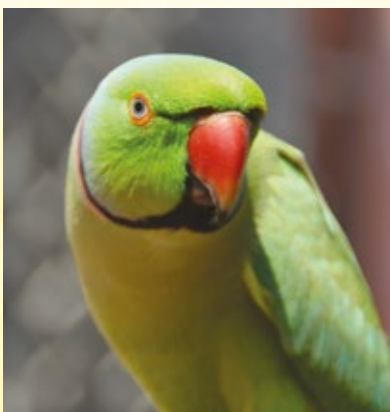
Sour fig (photo: Alastair Christie)

The public plays a vital role in this effort. You can help by responsibly managing non native plants and animals, such as disposing of garden waste correctly or ensuring unwanted pets are not released into the wild. Staying alert and reporting suspicious sightings is equally important. If you notice a species of concern, you can contact the Biosecurity Team at invasives@gov.je providing a photograph and location details.

By working together, Jersey can reduce the risks posed by invasive non native species and help protect the island's unique natural environment.

By Alastair Christie BSc

(Senior Scientific Officer – Invasive Species, Asian Hornet & Japanese Knotweed Coordinator)



Ring-necked Parakeet (photo: Carole Devillers)



Asian Tiger mosquito (photo: Alastair Christie)

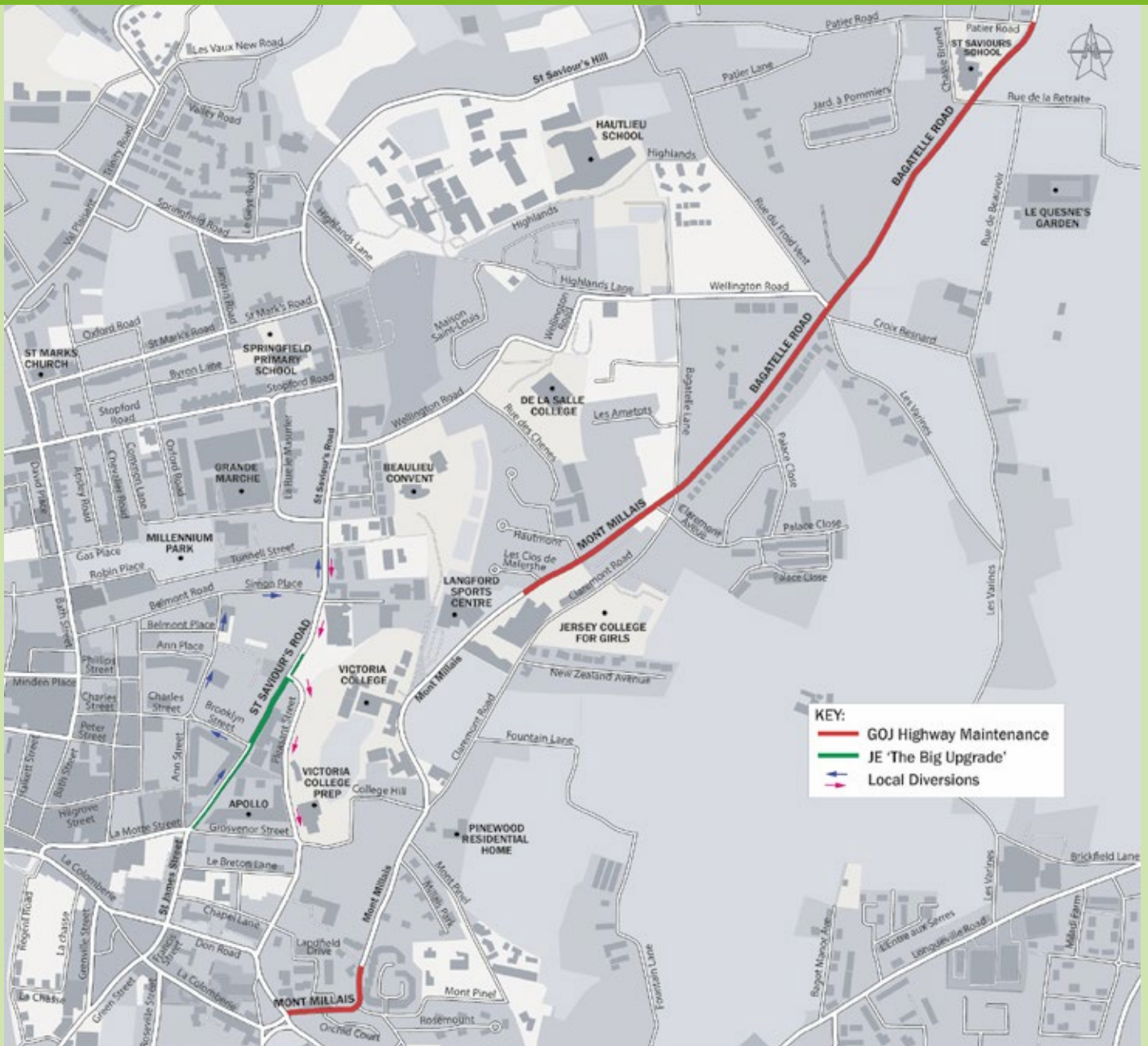


Coypu (photo: Non-Native Species Secretariat)



Mont Millais, Bagatelle & St Saviour's Road Planned Work

School Summer Holidays - 20 July to 04 September 2026



Further information

Infrastructure and Environment (I&E) will be carrying out highway maintenance work on Bagatelle Road and Mont Millais as part of its ongoing highway maintenance programme. The work will be coordinated with Jersey Electricity's 'The Big Upgrade' on St Saviour's Road, enabling shared traffic management and helping to reduce overall disruption.

To minimise the impact on residents and road users, works are scheduled during the school summer holidays.

Stay up to date on access arrangements and working times by visiting gov.je/roadworks or scanning the **QR code** provided.



Thank you for your patience while these essential works take place. We apologise for any inconvenience caused.

The Corn Riots took place in September 1769, and it was fitting that guest speaker Montfort Tadier spoke about the civil unrest leading to The Trinity Rebellion in the place where it all started.

Tom Gruchy, a church warden and parish official at the time, led protestors to the Royal Square demanding better social and living conditions as the political system was corrupt. They interrupted the Assise d'Heritage taking charge of the proceedings. A code of laws for the island followed leading to the separation of powers and a fairer society - a crucial event in the Island's history.

Another of our guest speakers was Stuart Nicolle who joined the Archive team twenty-five years ago. He told us how he enjoys the ongoing challenge of delving into the physical and digital records, discovering fascinating stories that haven't been heard before with the earliest find being a Charter dated 1378. He even had photos of our bygone W.I. concerts.



Archived W.I. concerts

At our A.G.M. Jean Cadin, who served as our popular Secretary for the last ten years gave her last report which she described as very personal. We are pleased that although Jean no longer lives in Trinity, we are not saying goodbye as she remains one of our valued members. Sharon Gisler set up a table showing her unique ideas for Easter table decorations. She also challenged us with a word search competition relating to Easter with some of her decorations given as prizes.



Jean Cadin

Brenda Vautier, who always has her phone ready to take photos of members enjoying themselves at our meetings, meals or weekly walks, with the help of Sharon put together a slide show of our activities and all members were spotted at least once in the photos which were set to soft background music. Members were so attentive that not a word could be heard apart from Brenda's commentary.

Trinity Bowls Club

Club members have been involved in various competitions in addition to the normal friendly matches.

Throughout the last few months several competitions have been running and in April we held an afternoon tea at the clubroom when the annual prizegiving took place. We were pleased to welcome John and Doreen Gallichan to the event and John presented the trophies to the various winners. The cubs and scouts of St Mary & Trinty enjoyed several evening sessions of learning how to play bowls and did extremely well.

Later in the month the club held its AGM. Treasurer, Christine Gallichan and Secretary, Norman Cabot presented their reports and answered questions from members.

Elections for 2026/2027 were also held and the following members were elected:-

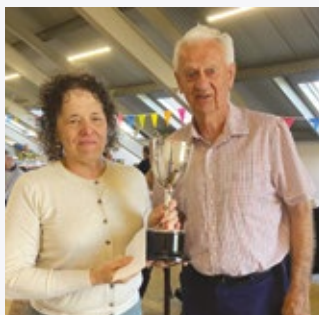
Chair	Alan Otterwell
Secretary	Norman Cabot
Treasurer	Christine Gallichan

Committee members - Fiona Archibald, Maureen Bisson, Gordon Cobden, Sylvia Le Cocq and Dennis Pallot

The club is pleased to welcome new members so if anyone would like to try their hand at bowling please contact **Norman Cabot** on 01534 861413 or **Alan Otterwell** on 07797 766969.



Andrew Pallot, Barry Le Brun & John Luce winners of the Triples competition (Frank Harris Trophy)



Carol Bisson Ladies Singles Champion (Denis & Roselle Pallot Trophy)



Andrew Pallot Men's singles Champion (Le Brun Family Trophy)

Battle of Flowers Association

Work is progressing on the construction of the floats that the Northern Parishes - Trinity, St. John and St Martin, will be entering in this year's Battle of Flowers parades on August 14th and 15th.

Both parades will be along the seaside lane of Victoria Avenue travelling from near Rue de Galet to West Park for the day event and in the opposite direction for the night parade. Similarly to last year when there was a route through town, spectators will be able to get close-up to floats and performers and admission will be free.

The senior float, designed by Charlotte Buxton, has a 1920's Gatsby party theme while the junior float is based on the latest Lilo and Stitch film portraying a tropical beach and surf scene with the children in Hawaiian costumes.



Work takes place at the shed in the quarry near the top of Bouley Bay Hill. This will include papier-mâché work, harestailing and painting, so keep a look out for information and shed open times on the Northern Parishes' and the Trinity parishioners Facebook pages.



Help will be needed most when the flowers arrive the week before Battle, as they will have to be put into buckets of water, and also during Battle week, taking the heads off the flowers and putting glue on them, ready to stick on to the floats. Everyone is welcome to come and help. There is a fun atmosphere, a chance to chat with friends and refreshments and cake will be available.

Anyone who would like to help and would like to be put on the mailing list is asked to contact **Collette Bisson** on 07797720615 or email collette@bisson.je

Trinity Petanque

At our recent A.G.M. it was decided that an additional weekly practice would be provided on Thursday mornings as most of our inter parish matches are on a Friday afternoon depending on an agreed date with our opponents.

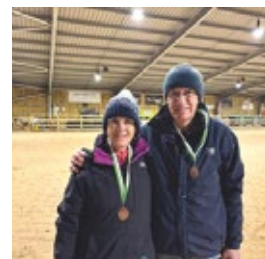
Friday morning practices remain and members can now practice once or twice a week if they choose. We did have to cancel one of our practices earlier this year though when, after heavy rain, the terrain looked more like a swimming pool. Chris Bray remains as Captain for another year.



Trinity petanque annual lunch

Our annual lunch was again held at the Dolphin Hotel where we can always rely on an excellent meal. Our guests, Philip and Angela Le Sueur may well be attending next year as players, as Philip is due to retire as Constable of the Parish at the end of his term in June. A couple of weeks after our club meal it was the Parish League lunch at the Ambassador Hotel with members from all twelve parish teams attending. We have been well fed this Winter!

Two of our members, Fred and Maggie Jeanne, in only their second year of competition, played at their first indoor match where they had an excellent result. It was held at Home Farm in St. Mary, the only building in Jersey where petanque players can play under cover. The competition is solely an annual event and the only chance to practice is immediately prior to the event. Out of approximately fifty entries, to their great surprise, and exhausted as after a full day playing, Fred and Maggie emerged bronze medal winners.



Maggie & Fred Jeanne

From Past to Present:

The History of Healthcare at Overdale

Works at the Overdale site are progressing in preparation for construction of the new Acute Hospital. Following the demolition of the former and disused healthcare buildings, activity has focused on Development Works to get the site ready for the Main Construction Works, including site clearance, installation and – in the coming weeks – a ‘hospital-shaped hole’ will begin to emerge as the reduced level dig gets underway. While the new Acute Hospital will mark the next chapter for Overdale, the site itself has played a vital role in delivering healthcare to Islanders for generations.



1830s–1860s:

Isolation and early public health

Overdale and Westmount's association with healthcare can be tracked back to the 1832 cholera epidemic. Westmount was the chosen location to isolate patients due to its geographical isolation from St. Helier. Temporary tents, and later, wooden buildings were used during cholera outbreaks in 1832, 1848 and 1867, establishing the area's early association with infectious disease control. The construction of Westmount Road in the 1860s improved access, and the area began to take on a more established role within the Island's public health arrangements.



1880s–1890s:

Fever huts and convalescence

During outbreaks of smallpox in the late 1880s, Westmount continued to be used for isolation and treatment. Wooden huts were erected to house patients, and historical records show Overdale being used as a convalescent home by the end of the century. In 1893, the States of Jersey purchased the Overdale land and relocated the isolation huts, formalising the site for healthcare purposes.



1900s–1930s:

A permanent hospital

By the early 20th century, Overdale was known as the Westmount Fever Hospital, treating conditions such as scarlet fever and tuberculosis. Existing buildings eventually proved unsuitable, and in 1931 the States of Jersey approved funding for a purpose built Isolation Hospital. The new hospital opened in 1934, designed with modern hygienic principles and largely devoted to tuberculosis care, reflecting the public health priorities of the time.



1940s–1960s:

War, tuberculosis and expansion

During the Occupation, Overdale played a significant role in managing infectious diseases under challenging conditions. Tuberculosis treatment remained a primary function well into the post war years. In the 1960s, Overdale continued to operate as a facility for infectious diseases, with further expansion during the decade. A new unit for older adults opened in 1968, doubling patient accommodation and increasing overall capacity to nearly 130 patients.



1970s–2000s:

Overdale expansion

From the 1970s onwards, buildings such as administration offices, wards and support facilities were added. The site also became home to services such as the central hospital laundry, child development services, and mental health support for older people.

Philanthropy played a role too; the William Knott Centre was donated by William and Jacqueline Knott and opened in 1984, along with the Poplars Centre, providing important community healthcare services during this period.

Facilities continued to be added into the early 2000s, including the Westmount Assessment and Rehabilitation Centre, which was opened by the Duchess of Gloucester.

Although these facilities served Islanders well for many years and were still often perceived as relatively modern, they had ultimately reached the end of their operational lifespan or would have required significant reconfiguration. All the healthcare services that were housed at Overdale have found new, modern and fit-for-purpose homes at the Enid Quenault Health and Wellbeing Centre and at Samarès Ward at St. Ewold's.



The next chapter:

Overdale Acute Hospital

For nearly two centuries, the Overdale site has adapted to meet Jersey's changing healthcare needs. Today, the site is being carefully prepared, including ground and environmental surveys to ensure that there are no residual impacts from the historic use of the site. These works will form part of the build for the next phase in Overdale's long healthcare history - the new Acute Hospital - the immediate priority for the New Healthcare Facilities Programme.

The Acute Hospital will mark the next chapter in this story, providing care for the Island's sickest patients and for those requiring an overnight stay. It will include an Emergency Department, five operating theatres, inpatient and critical care beds, and a dedicated Women's and Children's Centre.



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JERSEY LIBRARY UPDATE

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Read to the Beat with Jersey Library's Summer Reading Challenge

This summer, Jersey Library is inviting children across the Island to take part in the Summer Reading Challenge, with this year's lively theme *Read to the Beat*.

The Summer Reading Challenge is a free, annual initiative that runs throughout the school holidays, encouraging primary school children to enjoy reading for pleasure over the break. The 2026 theme celebrates the connection between stories, music and rhythm, adding a fun, creative twist to the challenge.

Children can sign up from Saturday 27th June at Jersey Library, Communicare Library or on the Mobile Library. Every kind of reading counts especially those inspired by music, sound and performance, including picture books, audiobooks, ebooks, graphic novels and music scores. Incentives are given along the way including a swim pass from Aquasplash and on completion of the 6th book, children are presented with a medal and a certificate.

Children under four are encouraged to join the mini challenge, sharing stories with others and getting stickers and a certificate upon completion.

During the holidays, Jersey Library will host activities and events linked to the challenge, including best-selling author Gareth P Jones, Martyn Cast from Jenca Music School, Jo Logue from Jo's Painted Pebbles and other craft activities.

The Summer Reading Challenge not only supports literacy but also promotes wellbeing, confidence and creativity. However your child enjoys reading – quietly or with plenty of rhythm – this summer is the perfect time to Read to the Beat.



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John Ogilby's Aesop's Fables: An exhibition at Jersey Library

Step into the world of *Aesop's Fables* as they were imagined in the seventeenth century.

Featuring illustrations from books in Jersey Library's special collections, the exhibition reveals how these familiar animal tales were used to explore moral and social questions during a time of political uncertainty and change.

Although *Aesop's Fables* originated in Ancient Greece, their ongoing appeal for writers and artists lies in their adaptability. By using animals to reflect human behaviour,

the stories address timeless themes such as power, ambition, deception and wisdom. In seventeenth century England, this indirect approach to storytelling made the fable a particularly powerful art form. At a time when speaking openly about politics and those in power could be risky, animals could safely act out moral dilemmas, allowing readers to interpret the message for themselves.

The exhibition also explores how illustrations shaped the interpretation of these stories. Full-page illustrations set the fables in detailed landscapes, reflecting a new fascination with the natural world. Far from being merely decorative, these illustrations were intended to help guide readers' make the right moral choices.

The exhibition is on display in the Jersey Library Second Floor Gallery until the end of September.





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