



Onen hag oll

The Cornish Association of Victoria Inc. Ballarat Branch

A.C.N. A0008 264A

February 2026 Newsletter

Chairperson

Keith Lanyon
34 Glazebrook St
Ballarat 3350
0411 512 160

kmlanyon@hotmail.com

Admin. Secretary

Wendy Benoit
3 Pistol Club Road
Mt Rowan 3352
0403 166 887

wendy.benoit45@outlook.com

Treasurer

Jim Hocking
PO Box 4010
Alfredton 3350
03 5334 3322

jim@go2000.com.au

Newsletter Editor

Robyn Coates
28 Town Hall Ave
Preston Vic 3072
03 9478 6135

robyncoates@hotmail.com



Saturday 7th February 2026 -

Tour of the Ballarat Old Cemetery - if you have a relative buried in the Old Cemetery and would like to share details of their life, please let Wendy Benoit know as soon as possible.

We may also look at some historical graves with a Cornish connection.

We will meet at the rotunda at 2.00 pm.

Sunday 1st March 2026 - St Piran's Day -

Church Service at Skipton St UC and lunch at the Bistro at Bray's Raceway

Saturday 27th March will be the April Meeting due to Easter being the first weekend in April.

This meeting will be presented by members and will detail some servicemen with a Cornish connection.

Belated Congratulations

Congratulations to Val and Norm D'Angri who celebrated their 65th wedding anniversary on 29th October 2025.

They were married at Wesley Methodist Church in Ballarat.

Val and Norm have shifted to Seymour, to a Residential care facility, to be closer to their daughter Gail and her family.

VALE - Lorice Anne Jenkin

17.7.1945 – 13.1.2026

Lorice was a valued member of the Ballarat Cornish group joining the Association in June 1990 and was a life member.



She was the assistant secretary from June 2012 and became secretary in June 2015, after Lenice Stuchbery retired, holding that position until 2024 when she retired following her stroke.

Lorice was born in Maryborough where her father John Welham Jenkin (Jack) was a teacher.

He had married Eleanor Annie Henry (Nellie) in 1932. She was a tailoress.

Lorice had three sisters, Joy, Bette and Lavinia (known as Gaye).

Lorice lived most of her life in Queen Street, Ballarat East until she moved to Mercy Place Residential Care.

For most of her primary schooling, she attended Queen Street State School and for her secondary education, Ballarat East High School, before studying at Ballarat Teachers' College for her Trained Infant Teachers' Certificate.

She taught for a short time in Melbourne and then in Redan and her final teaching appointment was at Alfredton Primary School where she was the longest serving teacher.

Lorice was a regular attendee at the Salvation Army

Normally meetings are held on the even months at Skipton Street Uniting Church Hall, cnr Darling and Skipton Streets, Ballarat.
Meetings begin at 2.00 pm and are followed by a shared high tea.



Corps in Main Road., although her father had been a local Methodist preacher.

She loved a chat about politics, current affairs and world happenings and was very proud of her garden - particularly her begonias.

Her main Cornish ancestry was from Jenkin in Madron and Crago in Liskeard.

Lorice will be sadly missed by our Cornish group.



Visit to St Erth Gardens in Blackwood - 19th November 2025

Eighteen Cornish Association members and six members from Darebin North West Uniting Church enjoyed the visit to St Erth Gardens, the plant nursery and also their wonderful cafe.

It was a very pleasant day weatherwise and the gardens were beautifully cared for.

A couple of disadvantages were that there were quite a few steps without handrails and the gate, which would have enabled better access for many, was locked.

The Garden of St Erth was created by Tommy and Penny Garnett in the late 1960s.

Tommy was a passionate and knowledgeable plantsman, naturalist and educator, as well as one of Australia's most stimulating and provocative garden writers, penning his weekly column, 'From the Country', in the Age newspaper for many years.

In 1996, The Diggers Foundation took on the Garden, enhancing the vision of the Garnetts to showcase this fine example of a cool climate garden.

The Diggers Foundation Vision - to inspire a love of gardening in Australia, for the joy and fulfilment of connecting to the natural world and each other through gardening

(from a sign at the Gardens)

The original sandstone cottage. still standing, at St Erth, was built by Matthew Rogers, a Cornish stonemason.

He and his wife arrived in Victoria aboard the Ship *Geelong* on 11th August 1854.

Michael and Mary Ann were married at Phillack in 1852 and both were living at Bodriggy. Michael was baptized at St Erth and Mary at Phillack.

After a short time mining at Clunes, they settled at Blackwood. Matthew did very well from his gold ventures and was a generous benefactor to the area.



**Christmas Luncheon -
Saturday 6th December**

Eighteen people gathered at The Grand and enjoyed a delicious Christmas meal with lots of chatter.



Wendy Benoit challenged us all with a multiple choice quiz about Cornwall and there was much discussion as we mulled over the answers.

Cornwall is located in which region of the UK?
A. Northeast. B. West Midlands. C. Southwest

Which two colours can be found on the Cornish Flag?
A. Red and white. B. Green and yellow. C. White and black.

Which of these is the highest point in Cornwall?
A. Brown Willy B. St Thomas Hill. C. Lizard Point.

What is Cornish Yarg?
A. Pie. B. Cheese. C. Sausage.

What is the name for Cornwall in Cornish?
A. Corness. B. Kernow C. Kernose.

Which of the following Universities is located in Cornwall?
A. University of Nottingham. B. University of Exeter. C. Lancaster University.

Which Cornish speciality consists of fish heads in ingredients?
A. Ocean pie. B. Hevva Cake C. Stargazy Pie.

Which of the following facts are true about Cornwall?
A. It has the longest coastline among the UK Counties. B. It has the highest peak in the UK. C. It is the least populous county.

The economy of Cornwall depends heavily on which industry?
A. Mining. B. Tourism C. Fishing.

Which of these is the largest tourist attraction?
A. Looe Island. B. The Eden project. C. Land's End Precinct.

In which month is the Porthleven Food Festival held?
A. January. B. April. C. July.

Which of the following fairytales takes place in Cornwall?
Hansel and Gretel. B. Wizard of Oz. C. Jack the Giant Killer.

What do people celebrate on the Helston Flora Day-8th May?
A. Victory of Britons v Romans. B. End of Winter. C. Beginning of Spring. D. Harvesting season.

Which is the longest River in Cornwall?
A. Tamar. B. Fowey. C. Fal.

From the following who was born in Cornwall?
A. Mick Fleetwood. B. Julie Andrews. C. Stephen Hawking.

According to folklore which kind of animal is the Beast of Bodmin Moor?
A. A big cat. B. A giant Lion. C. a gigantic fish.

Giving pepper is a Cornish Tradition in which kind of event?
A. Graduation. B. Birthday. C. Wedding.

Which cars were designed by a Cornish man?
A. Morris mini. B. Jaguar. C. Austin Healey.

From which harbour do the best crabs in Cornwall come from?
A. Newlyn. B. Porthleven. C. Port Isaac.

The Lost Gardens of Heligan were developed in what century.
1600s. B. 1700s. C. 1800s.

Answers

- C South west
- C White and Black
- A Brown Willy
- B Cheese
- B Kernow
- B University of Exeter
- C Stargazy pie
- A Longest coastline
- B Tourism
- B Eden Project
- B April
- C Jack the Giant killer
- C Beginning of spring
- A Tamar
- A Mick Fleetwood
- A A big cat
- C Wedding
- C Austin Healey
- A Newlyn
- C 1800s

Richard Olver and Emma Shorten

Richard Olver was baptized on 10th December 1837 at St Columb Major, Cornwall, England. St Columb Major is approximately seven miles (eleven km) southwest of Wadebridge and six miles (ten km) east of Newquay. The town is named after Columba of Cornwall, also known as Columb, a 6th-century saint. The designation Major distinguishes the town from St Columb Minor, a village to the west, which now forms part of Newquay.

Richard's parents were William Olver (1797 -1866) and Eliza Benney (1802–1865) who had married in February 1823 in Truro – Richard was the sixth of eight children –

1824 – Mary Benney; d 1846 in Cornwall

1826 - William; d 1887 Preston Victoria

1828- Eliza; d 1911 Stawell (Cornish is her surname)

1832- John Francis; d 1874 Cornwall

1835 - Elizabeth Ann; d 1897 Hastings, Sussex

1837 – Richard; d 1893 Soldiers Hill

1842 – Jemima Benney Oliver d 1842 Cornwall

1845 - James. d 1911 Hastings in Sussex

In the census of 1841 – Richard is listed as Richard Oliver – his father is a Maltster and in the census of 1851, his father is an inn-keeper and Richard is a farm labourer aged 13 years.

A brother, William Olver (1826) died at Preston in 1887. In the census of 1841 he is a farm labourer for the Trebilcock family and aged 15.

He was married to Mary Jane Lobb in 1849 in Cornwall. She died in 1880. William was a farmer and lived in Regent Street Preston.

Chn of William and Mary Jane were:

Mary Benney 1850 – unsure of death but another Mary born later

William Charles 1854 - 1905

Richard Henry 1856 - 1932

Alfred James 1858 - 1891

James Thomas 1860 died 1917

Arthur Albert John 1863- died aged 4 months

Mary Rhoda 1865 - 1939

Emma Teresa 1871 -1952

His brother Richard and his son William Charles were named as executors of his will.

Interestingly there is an Olver street in Preston (quite close to Regent Street) and years ago there was an Olver dairy in Preston, in Gilbert Road, again quite close to Regent Street.

Perhaps this was where his farm was located. Unfortunately, I cannot find the arrival of the Olvers into Victoria but in early 1866 in Victoria, Richard married Emma Shorten.

I did find evidence of a Richard Olver, born 1837, travelling from Victoria to New Zealand in January 1862 and returning to Victoria in April 1862

Emma Shorten was baptized on 15th February 1846 at Catton Norfolk.

Catton is located two miles (3.2 km) to the north-east of central Norwich.

Her parents William Shorten and Mary Ann Madda, married, after Banns, on 27th October 1842 at Catton.

Mary Ann signed her name and William made his mark.

In the 1851 census, she is living with her parents, William (30), Mary (30) and a sister Sarah aged three and with her grandfather William Maddy (aged 50), her uncle James Maddy (18) and her aunt Ann (14) – all the men are Agricultural Labourers and they are living in Catton in Norfolk and Mary is listed as a dress maker.

The surname varies from Maddy and Madda and Madder.

Emma arrived in Australia aboard the *Isle of Skye*, a 351-ton vessel, which departed from Plymouth on 27th July 1852, and arrived in Geelong, on 12th December 1852 with her parents William and Mary Ann – her father is listed as an Ag Lab – she is aged six. Sarah is not listed on the Ship List.

William and Mary had two other children William Samuel b 1856 in Newtown and Sarah born Newtown in 1859 and died in Geelong aged four months.

William senior died in Ballarat in 1904 aged 84 and Mary Ann died in Ballarat in 1903 aged 83.

William Samuel died in Ballarat in 1916.

The ship *Isle of Skye* carried many immigrants from the Highlands and Islands of Scotland under the Highland, Island Emigration Scheme (HIES) – many of whom were sponsored by wealthy Scottish people or people in Australia who offered them work.

Richard and Emma Olver had four daughters – Minnie (b1867 m Herbert Henry Drew in 1908 d 1935), Louisa Jane (b1869 m Albert Benjamin Charles

Harris in 1891 d 1924),
Mary Helen/Ellen (b1872 m George Buchanan in
1893 d 1942)
Sarah Elizabeth (1874-1875)

Ballarat Courier - October 16th 1893 - Page 4, col 7

OBITUARY - Richard Olver

The sudden death on Saturday evening of Mr Richard Olver, partner in the firm of Messrs Hollway and Sons, wholesale tinsmiths of Armstrong Street north, will be learned with regret.

The deceased gentleman, after leaving business on Saturday afternoon, proceeded to his residence in Macarthur Street, and for a couple of hours he was working in his garden.

Shortly before dusk he became suddenly ill, and he died a few minutes after re-entering his house.

For some considerable time past he has suffered from heart disease, but as he had been in very good health lately, his sudden demise came as a shock to his relatives.

Mr Olver, prior to joining the firm of Hollway and Sons, about eight years ago, was manager for Messrs Permewan, Wright, and Co., carriers, and was connected with that firm for upwards of twenty years.

Deceased was fifty-six years of age, and leaves a widow and grown-up family; Mr George Buchanan, sharebroker, being one of his sons-in-law.

He was also treasurer of the Golden Point Wesleyan Church, and a member of the Old Colonists' Association.

At the Golden Point Church yesterday reference was made to his death, and the Dead March in "Saul" was played at the conclusion of each service by the organist, Miss Whitford.

Ballarat Courier - October 17th 1893 - Page 4 FUNERAL OF THE LATE MR R. OLVER

The remains of the late Mr R. Olver, of Macarthur Street, whose sudden death was chronicled in these columns yesterday, were interred in the Old Cemetery yesterday.

The deceased was accorded a "Cornish funeral," the coffin being conveyed on a bier to the grave.

The coffin was borne to the grave in three relays by the employees of Messrs Permewan, Wright, and Co., namely, Messrs A. Begg, W. Allen, John Crossley, J. Mathews, John Oxley, and McPherson; then by the employees of Messrs Hollway and Sons: Messrs Booth, Pascoe, Hartly, Arthur, Evans, and Kerr;

then by members of the Golden Point Wesleyan Church, namely, Messrs A. Stevens, R. McGregor, Phillips, Hammer, Hughes, Dunstan.

The choirs from the Neil Street and Golden Point churches sang appropriate hymns to the cemetery and also at the grave.

The following gentlemen acted as pallbearers: Messrs J. Stevenson, G. Tutton, J. Westwood, M. Caddy, S. Lukies, and M. Wasley.

The Rev. J. J. Brown officiated at the house and grave, assisted by the Rev. J. A. Marsland. Mr M. Caddy, P.G., read the service of the M.U.I.O.O.F. The members of the M.U.I.O.O.F. preceded the procession, followed by the Old Colonists; then the choir of the Golden Point Wesleyan Church.

The bier on which the coffin was borne was covered with flowers.

The funeral was very largely attended.

Mr C. Morris was the undertaker.

Ballarat Courier - October 23rd 1893 - Page 1 OBITUARY

At the Golden Point Wesleyan Church yesterday morning an in-memoriam service, on the late Mr Richard Olver, was conducted by the Rev. J. J. Brown.

The church was filled by a sympathizing congregation.

The rev. gentleman, in the course of a very impressive sermon, referred in terms of eulogy to the earnestness, the consistency, and the uprightness of the life of the brother whose death they all so deeply deplored.

His conscientious discharge of any duty devolving upon him was an example which all might study with advantage to themselves and the community generally; and he urged his hearers to show a practical recognition of the example by imitating the qualities they had so much appreciated in the deceased's long and faithful career among them.

The church was draped in black, and decorated with wreaths.

The church choir, for the anthem, sang, "Unveil thy bosom, faithful tomb," from the Dead March; and during the offertory, Pope's "Vital spark;" and, at the conclusion of the service, Dr Stainer's well-known anthem, "What are these, arrayed in white robes;" the pieces being very effectively rendered.

It might be mentioned, the deceased's connection with the Golden Point church, in various offices, extended over a period of eighteen years.

**Ballarat Star - Page 4 - 23rd October 1893
IN MEMORIAM.**

There was a large congregation at the Golden Point Wesleyan Church yesterday morning, when the Rev. J. J. Brown conducted an In Memoriam service on the late Mr Richard Olver.

The preacher chose for his text the words contained in I Corinthians xv. 55 - "Oh death, where is thy sting? Oh, grave, where is thy victory?"

He made many touching references to the useful life, and glorious and peaceful death of Mr Olver, who, he said, was born in Cornwall on the 24th November, 1837, and so was 56 years of age when he died.

At the age of 16 he left home for Australia, and after arrival here experienced many trials and hardships, all of which he successfully overcame.

For 25 years he was the faithful and most trusted servant of the firm of Permewan, Wright and Co.

He had also for a number of years served well in the company of Hollway and Co.

His kindness and integrity won for him the respect and esteem of all with whom he came in contact, and the bereaved ones could have the sacred memory and his trust in and devotion to the Redeemer.

**Ballarat Courier - Saturday 17 March 1894,
page 1**

**THE LATE MR R. OLVER'S WILL.
HIS BEQUESTS TO THE CHARITIES.**

The will of the late Richard Olver, of Soldiers' Hill, Ballarat, tinsmith, has been filed in the probate office. The testator died on the 14th October, 1893, and his will was made on the 27th June, 1881.

He appoints as his executors and executrix John Blyth, of Humffray street, Ballarat, schoolmaster, Robert McGregor, of Eureka street, Ballarat East, commission agent, and Emma Olver, of Soldiers' Hill, Ballarat, widow.

The testator bequeaths to his widow all the interest accruing from his estate during her life, and also the house then occupied by him, with household furniture and effects.

After the decease of the wife, he advises that his estate be sold for cash, and the proceeds divided as follows;

Viz;— £2000, to be placed at interest at the discretion of the executors, and the interest to be paid to his daughter Minnie monthly, so long as she remains single.

Should she marry, the executors can continue to pay her the interest or withhold it, as they think best. At her death, should she have married and left a family, he advises that £1000 of the £2000 be equally divided between such family, and the other £1000 equally divided between the other daughters.

Should she die leaving no family, then the £2000 is to be equally divided between the other daughters.

One thousand pounds each is left to the testator's two other daughters, Louisa Jane and Mary Ellen; and £150 to the trust fund of the Wesleyan Church property, Golden Point, Ballarat, to be paid as soon after the wife's death as the executors can make it convenient.

One hundred pounds is left to each of the executors, and the testator concludes with a bequest of the remainder to local charities in the following terms: - "All the rest and residue of my estate after the above is satisfied I give and bequeath to the local charities of Ballarat, in equal shares, to be paid as soon after my wife's death as my executors can make it convenient."

The real estate is valued at £1200, and the personality at £8000; total £9200.

The Argus - 2nd April 1919 - Page 1

OLVER.— On the 1st April, at her daughter's residence (Mrs. G. Buchanan), "Dumbarton," corner Wheatland Street and Tooronga road, Malvern, Emma Olver, relict of the late Richard Olver, aged 74 years (late of Ballarat).

OLVER.- On the 1st April, at the residence of her daughter (Mrs. G. Buchanan), Emma, relict of Richard Olver, aged 74 years.

**Ballarat Star - 4th April 1919, -Page 1
OBITUARY.**

Olver.—The funeral of the late Mrs Emma, Olver relict of the late Richard Olver took place yesterday, and was largely attended.

The deceased and her late husband were very prominent workers in connection with the Golden Point Methodist Church, and it was a great loss to that church when Mr Olver died and Mrs Olver removed from Ballarat.

Her remains were removed from the residence of her daughter. Mrs George Buchanan, of Malvern, and entrained, for Ballarat; being interred in the family grave in the Old Cemetery.

The coffin-bearers were Messrs A. Buchanan, P. Shorten, H. Shorten, D. Humphreys and Lieut. Blencarn, and the following supported the pall: The Hon R. McGregor, M.L.A., Messrs J. Blyth, L. Popjoy, J. Glasson. F. Ware, W. T. Humphreys, W. J. Hoare: T. Hollway. T. Moran. R. Buchanan. S. McIver, T. Dunstan. A. Stevens. O. Tregurtha, W. J. Dun stan. C. Harris, F. Ellingsen, L. Evans, G. Briant. A. B. Pearce, and K Hoskings.

The Rev T. H. Indian officiated at the grave, and the funeral arrangements were in charge of Mr George Ludbrook.

Thanks to Chrissy Stancliffe for the newspaper articles



Weather Watching

Linda Batchelor

From The Bartlett Blog which is written and produced by the volunteers who staff The Bartlett Maritime Research Centre and Library of National Maritime Museum Cornwall.

On January 10th 1815, *The Western Luminary* newspaper reported that, 'Captain William Broad, agent and surveyor to Lloyds at Falmouth has published a diary of winds and weather'. In the previous century the Reverend William Borlase, rector of Ludgvan in West Cornwall, a Fellow of the Royal Society, had published papers with the Society from the 1750s to the 1770s which had included a number on the Cornish weather. Other collectors of weather information in Cornwall during the 1700s were Mr Gregor of Trewarthenick near Tregony and Mr James of Redruth. During the 19th century, Lovell Squire kept daily records between 1835 and 1856 from his house in Falmouth which recorded in tabulated form maximum temperatures, wind direction, quantity of rainfall and barometer heights.

It is not surprising that in Cornwall, there was an early interest in aspects of weather and the burgeoning of meteorological science due to the importance of shipping, fishing, trading and mining. At the time, Falmouth was one of the foremost ports in England and the home, since 1688, of the Falmouth Packet Service with its major mail and shipping routes to the Mediterranean, to North and South America and the Caribbean, all reliant on waves and weather.

Although Falmouth was geographically isolated and had not come into being as a town until early in the

1600s, it soon became a cosmopolitan port town, thriving both practically and intellectually which continued throughout ensuing years.

A major development in the town, in the nineteenth century, was the founding in 1833 of a society 'to promote the useful fine arts, to encourage industry, and to elicit ingenuity of a community distinguished for its mechanical skill'.

This was later the Royal Cornwall Polytechnic Society, the RCPS.

The idea was inspired by two teenaged sisters, aged seventeen and thirteen, Anna Maria and Caroline Fox. They were members of the Quaker Fox family who were prominent in Falmouth.

The family were intellectually curious and embraced and encouraged artistic and scientific developments. The family firm was the Shipping agents of G C Fox & Co.

They were also joint owners of Perran Foundry and were involved in mining, railways and other areas of Cornish industry.

Robert Were Fox, the father of Anna Maria and Caroline, as well as being a senior member of the firm, was a Fellow of the Royal Society.

He was a natural philosopher, a geologist and an inventor, most notably of the Fox's Dipping Needle used for magnetic observations.

The family frequently entertained some of the interesting visitors to Falmouth including Captain Fitzroy of the *Beagle* who dined with them when his ship arrived in Falmouth in 1836.

In his Journal, Barclay Fox, Robert's son and brother to Anna Maria and Caroline, described the Captain as having 'just returned from a five years' voyage of discovery about the Southern regions', where he had been accompanied by the young Charles Darwin.

During the visit, Fitzroy discussed his voyage and his interest and observations on meteorology with the family.

He was fascinated to learn about Robert's invention of the Dipping Needle and Barclay noted that next day '*Capt.f. (sic) breakfasted here and reports he was not able to sleep from the philosophical excitement of last evening. He and father were engaged in comparing observations with their respective instruments in the field all morning*'.

This visit brought together some of those who were developing an early interest in the science of meteorology and who were to be important in its subsequent development.

The Polytechnic Society collected weather data from early in its history as did the Royal Institution of Cornwall.

Other institutions and individuals throughout the country followed suit and interest in meteorology grew steadily.

In April 1850, the British, later the Royal Meteorological Society was founded as 'a society the objects of which should be the advancement and extension of meteorological science by determining the laws of climate and meteorological phenomena in general'.

(to continue reading more, click on the link below - hover your mouse and hold the control button until the hand appears - then click.

<https://nmmc.co.uk/2022/07/weather-watching/>)



Penzance Lloyds Bank closing in Cornwall January 21

Lloyds Banking Group revealed the closure as part of further cuts announced in September last year.

Despite a petition being set up by locals, and the fight taken to London, the doors of Penzance's historic Market House will be closing at the end Wednesday, January 21 as planned.

Andrew George, MP for West Cornwall, who has been leading the fight against the branch closure, praised the dedicated staff there, saying the failure lay with CEO of Lloyds.

Campaigners are now calling on Lloyds customers to switch banks and "treat the bank just as it is treating the town of Penzance" by turning their backs on them.

The Penzance-based Lloyds campaign group has collected thousands of supporters for its petition, and hundreds of letters from customers warning Lloyds Bank they would take their custom elsewhere.

The campaigners said: "It is better to have fought and lost, than to have never fought at all."

<https://www.falmouthpacket.co.uk/news/25784680.penzance-lloyds-bank-closing-cornwall-january-21/>

Falmouth Finds Aussie-inspired brunch spot in Cornwall Zest

When Tony and his wife Sally closed their restaurant in Reading after 20 years, following the pressures of the COVID pandemic, they knew it was time for a change. They didn't just want a new job, they wanted a new life. So, they headed to Cornwall in search of somewhere beautiful and welcoming.

It was during months of getting to know eateries in Falmouth, that Tony met Mike, the owner of The Lookout on Arwenack Street.

The two struck up conversations, fuelled by a shared love of food and before long, Mike floated the idea of selling up. He was ready to move on to a new challenge, and Tony was ready for a new chapter.

With Sally's support, Tony took over the business in June 2024, reopening it under the new name Zest.

The pair wasted no time putting their stamp on it, redecorating the café, refreshing the kitchen and introducing a new menu inspired by the café culture of Australia and New Zealand.

Today, Zest is best known for its Aussie-style brunch, with smashed avocado, eggs your way, French toast and generous plates designed for lingering over coffee.

Over the summer, the couple also transformed the garden, adding an outdoor kitchen and bar to make the most of warm summer evenings.

<https://www.falmouthpacket.co.uk/news/25776269.falmouth-finds-aussie-inspired-brunch-spot-cornwall-zest/>

The party that 'changed the political dynamic'

A political party, celebrating its 75th anniversary, said it was optimistic its vision for an assembly for Cornwall could become a reality in future.

Mebyon Kernow, which translates as Sons of Cornwall in Cornish, has marked the anniversary of its establishment on 6 January 1951.

It said its campaign for greater powers, protection, and recognition for Cornwall would continue - with the ultimate aim of securing parity with Wales and Scotland.

The party currently holds three seats on Cornwall Council and has previously contested general and European elections - without securing national representation.

Councillor Dick Cole, leader of *Mebyon Kernow* (MK) for the last 28 years, said he was proud of their persistence over the past seven decades.

The party was formed at the Oates Temperance Hotel in Redruth during a meeting of 13 people - including the parents of MK's current deputy leader, councillor Loveday Jenkin.

She insisted that, despite not enjoying political control, it had been successful on some of the issues first championed.

Both were optimistic about their fight for an assembly for Cornwall - and pointed to the current political narrative of the government looking to devolve power.

<https://www.bbc.com/news/articles/cp3z13qyx12o>