

Rabbi Laura Janner-Klausner comes to Cornwall

Pat Lipert

Members of Kehillat Kernow and many guests came to celebrate a special Bat Mitzvah service led by the senior rabbi to the Movement for



Special service-Members of Kehillat Kernow and relatives and guests of Julian and Liz Berg enjoying the service led by Rabbi Laura Janner-Klausner with Liz Berg during her Bat Mitzvah service on Shabbat Terumah.

Reform Judaism, Rabbi Laura Janner-Klausner in February. Encouraged by one of our Sh'liach Tsibbur members, Liz Berg, Rabbi Laura conducted the Shabbat Terumah service which featured Liz Berg as she not only celebrated

her special birthday but also had a much belated Bat Mitzvah. Her Torah leynung was both moving and superbly executed much to the delight and pride of all in the congregation.

For those who were privileged to attend the service, to watch, to pray and to learn from these two very talented women, it was one of the very special Shabbats we have celebrated. The service was a mixture of song, commentary, erudition, laughter, tears (of joy), and complete celebration: exactly what Shabbat should be.

Rabbi Janner-Klausner, the first Senior Rabbi to the MRJ, is a familiar figure to

most people as she represents the voice of progressive Judaism to not only British Jews but the wider world as well and is a regular broadcaster on many television, radio and news media slots, discussing topics which are integral to Jews living in the modern world. Her erudition, commanding speaking skills, ability as a teacher, inclusiveness and egalitarian and feminist stance make her a commanding presence in any forum, particularly when social affairs, the state of Israel, justice and interfaith relations are on the agenda. In short, she is a first-rate

communicator whose direct approach leaves no one in doubt about how her voice is needed in an increasingly fragmented and sometimes atavistic world.

Needless to say, then, our service was not only a celebration for our Bat Mitzvah lady, but also a celebration of women, of equality, of the special sense of kehilla which happens when Jews meet for Shabbat to give thanks for our lives.

Following the service a special Kiddush and luncheon was provided by Liz and her family. Vice Chair, Adam Feldman, presented Rabbi Laura with our Cornish Kiddush Cup as a way of thanking her for her visit and service. Much of the legwork for providing the venue was through the hard work of Rachel and Murray Brown who set up the Blackwater site to accommodate all the extra numbers attending the service. Thank you for creating such a special atmosphere.

In the evening a song, music and Bat Mitzvah/Birthday party took place in the north of Cornwall. Members and friends of Liz and Julian's family attended both events, some having to fly in from various parts of the world. Rabbi Laura has promised to return to us again. All we have to do is book a date.



Raising the Torah-The traditional Chag Baha to begin the reading of Parsha Terumah with our Bat Mizvah lady, Liz Berg who leyned the portion along with the support of Rabbi Laura Janner-Klausner.

Pesach at Trellisick

The first night of Seder for members of the community and guests is Friday the 22nd of April at 6:30pm at Trellisick Gardens Barn Restaurant in Feock near Truro. All tickets purchases and monies should have already been forwarded to Anne Hearle (Turnstone

Cottage, 3 Vivian Terrace, Mousehole, TR19 6QZ), who organises the event. Anne can be telephoned for further information at 01736-731686. Seder night is the community's most important event in the year so be sure to mark the date in your calendar.

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Chairman's remarks

Harvey Kurzfield

At our last committee meeting Bonnie Rockley decided to stand down as Vice Chair of the Kehillat Kernow Council. She has held that position since Kehillat Kernow came into existence. Recently however, her health has been poor but also on a happier note, she has become a grandmother to lots of children, thirteen at last count, and at home, she seems to be surrounded by any number of youngsters who need booba's tender care. During her time as Vice Chair, Bonnie managed to arrange with different councils for three burial sites which are for Jewish burials only; she also has represented our Jewish community on the Standing Advisory Council for Religious Education (SACRE), for a number of years, has represented our community at many MRJ meetings in London, raised monies for several charities, and hosted and sponsored many community festival events. Her Purim Parties are legendary.

Although she is no longer Vice Chair, she has agreed to remain a committee member. I would like to record my appreciation for all the work she has done on behalf of Kehillat Kernow.

Several years before our community was formed, I also was a SACRE representative and it was in that capacity that I was introduced to the last R.E. Advisor for Cornwall, David Hampshire. I was delighted to meet this Jewish gentleman and his family as back then (around 1996), I was not aware of many Jewish people living in Cornwall. Being a roving advisor, David was able to go round the county visiting different schools and in doing so, he discovered many more Jewish families whom I did not know even existed. Through his endeavours, the first small meeting of Kehillat Kernow took place in 1999.

David was our first service leader and I was certainly inspired by those early services enjoying his stories and his songs. It was David who gradually introduced me into helping him with the services and one year he said, "Would you like to do the Kol Nidre this year Lad?" Without thinking, I said yes and have been performing that service ever since. Like many councils elsewhere, Cornwall County Council has had to cut its budgets and many advisors were made redundant. For the last few years, David has been the only advisor still employed by the council. Unfortunately, David himself was made redundant and I was saddened to hear that he will be moving to Yeovil quite soon.

On behalf of the community I would like to wish him all the very best and to thank him for all the good things that he has helped our community achieve. Shalom.



Executive changes at this year's AGM

Pat Lipert

This year's annual general meeting for Kehillat Kernow held at Chairman Harvey Kurzfield's house in November was attended not only by committee members this year but also by seven others to hear the news for the year. Colin Joseph and his wife, Miriam, of the Joint Jewish Burial Society were also on hand to give a talk about the possibility of our Kehilla joining the scheme.

Adam Feldman, a long-standing committee member, has been named the new Vice Chairman of KK. He replaces Bonnie Rockley who has held the position for the past 15 years. Bonnie, who has been an integral and valuable member of KK since its inception in 1999, will continue on in her role as a committee member and London liaison at the MRS meetings and SACRE. Other members of the committee remain the same and have been duly re-elected. Colin Joseph travelled from London with his wife, Miriam, to attend the meeting and give a report about how the JBBS scheme might be applicable to members of our shul. While we have designated areas for Jewish burials in the Cornwall area, we do not have a burial scheme for members. A minimum of 10 members is needed in order to become eligible. At present, according to Jeremy Jacobson who is organising a means of getting this advantageous scheme for the community, only five members of KK have expressed an interest. It is possible for KK to join with another small Jewish community in order that members of both who are interested, can join the JBBS. So far, Jeremy has contacted the Totnes and Exeter communities but has not had any feedback yet.

The JBBS serves Masorti, Reform, Liberal, Independent synagogues in England and an arrangement with the Western Cemetery (Orthodox), and provides a way for individuals

to save for funeral expenses and to insure against the high costs that funerals entail. The scheme covers a variety of circumstances, exists solely for the benefit of its members at no cost to the individual Jewish communities and is highly flexible. The specific mechanics of the scheme and details have been sent to every member of Kehillat Kernow. If there are any other members interested who didn't respond to Jeremy's emails the first go round, you may contact Jeremy, to get more information.



Attentive audience-Members of Kehillat Kernow learning the finer points for burial procedures from the JBBS representative, Mr. Colin Joseph. From left to right are: Liz Berg, Rachel Brown, Leslie Lipert, Mrs. Colin Joseph, Jeremy Jacobson, Anne Hearle, Estelle Moses, Bonnie Rockley and Colin Joseph. Also in attendance (not pictured), were David Hearle, Anthony Fagin and Dudley Margo.

The JBBS, as treasurer Leslie Lipert noted, has been very generous with providing grants for the sites at Penzance Jewish Cemetery and for the Ponsharden (Falmouth) Jewish Cemetery to continue with their restoration work. In other AGM business, Leslie Lipert reported that the KK accounts are now produced in SORP format and we now have Unrestricted Funds in excess of £60,000.

Librarian, Patricia Lipert, reported that we now have 1,147 items in the Arnold and Leatrice Levene Library and are now subscribing to Jewish Renaissance magazine. All items from the library are easily accessible to anyone in the community by contacting Pat Lipert. A narrative of the services authored by Jeremy Jacobson is not only emailed to all members on a fortnightly basis but this information also is available on the KK website.

In the past year a number of events took place. Among them were: a visit to the community in February by R. Laura Janner-Klauser rabbinical head of the MRJ, several B'nei Mitzvahs, a picnic in Looe, a visit to the Penzance Jewish Cemetery, Holocaust services throughout the county, Israeli dancing in Totnes, brick making to raise monies for Dor Kemyon, attendance at the Shrei Chagig, Rosh Chodesh meetings, cemetery restoration projects and festival observances and communal celebrations (High Holy Days, Pesach).



Answering questions-Listening to JBBS policies and procedures from Colin Joseph are from left to right: Bonnie Rockley, Pat Lipert and Harvey Kurzfield.

Celebration for the new moon of Sh'vat



Rosh Chodesh Ladies' night-Kehillat Kernow members enjoyed the fine lecture by Liz Berg, member of the Chevrah Kadisha, about what happens previous to burial. From left to right are: Nicola Willis, Rachel Brown, Estelle Moses, Liz Berg, Mai Jacobson, Anne Hearle and Tiny Daly.

Pat Lipert

The ladies of Kehillat Kernow observed, dined together and studied to bring in the month of Sh'vat on the 11th January, Rosh Chodesh, at Estelle Moses' house in Truro. Traditionally a special time for women, the gathering was a unique opportunity for us to learn about the rituals of purification and procedures involved in Jewish burials from Liz Berg, a member of the Chevra Kadisha.

The highest mitzvah a person can perform is to prepare the body and prepare the deceased person for burial when they have died. The holiness of the ritual procedures and the training involved for those who asked to carry out this final sacred duty is a remarkable act of devotion and respect for the person who has died.

Because this was a Ladies' night, Liz explained the procedures as it applied to women. Bringing her 'kittel' box which contained all the wrappings (dressings) for the body after ritual washing, intermittent prayers and purification

(tahara), Liz took all of us present through the entire process.

The key to the whole procedure is respect for the deceased, and for the woman it is her final mikvah, sanctity and purification before the actual burial in the cemetery takes place. One of the things Liz also emphasized was the need for our Community to have a set of instructions established for local funeral directors, nursing homes, and hospitals, so that Jewish members of our community can have a proper, halachically sound, burial for their final rite of passage. A plan to have a meeting with the male members of our community is anticipated and then a group of KK members need to sit down and come up with an instruction sheet to give to those who might be burying one of us in the future.

Not only was the study session informative, it gave all of us present an opportunity to ask the countless questions and to share common end of life experiences we have had. Like all meetings where woman gather together (and am sure it would be very similar with the men),

such a session brings all of our extended family even closer together.

We share a commonality with all Jews who are involved with Jewish life and with their community; we are born, grow, live and die together as we go through the various Jewish cycles of life.

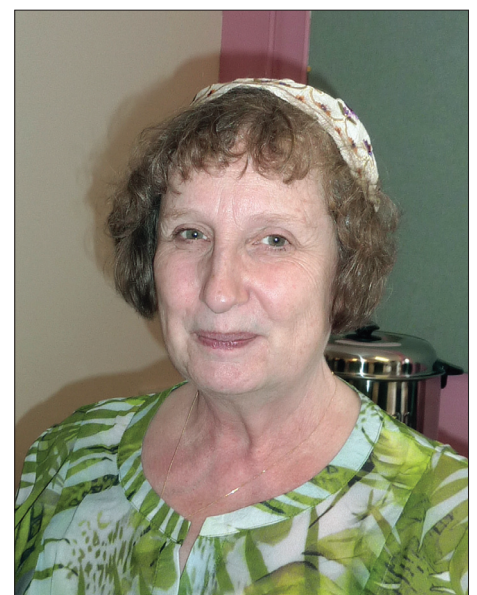
Prior to the study session, we all feasted on a glorious array of wonderful food prepared by each member who attended the session. Estelle Moses who hosted the event, made sure we all got off to a warm and welcoming start with delicious mulled wine. It was one of those perfect evenings which ended too quickly. Many thanks to Liz and Estelle for all their hard work in arranging this very special Rosh Chodesh.

Jewish musical concerts in July

The "Duo NIHZ," a Dutch Guitar and recorder duo, will be putting on four concerts in Cornwall as part of their Jewish Music Theatre which tours throughout the world. Bobby Rootveld and his wife, Sanna van Elst, are one of the best known duos in Europe in their field.

Venues are: 27 July, 7:30pm at Newlyn, The

Centre (Tickets £8, under 16s Free, call 01872-276502); 28th July, 7:30pm at St Anthony in Meneage Church (Tickets £8, under 16s £6-on door only); 29 July, 7:30pm, Veryan Church (Tickets £10, under 16s £5, call 01872-501618); 30 July, 7:30pm at the Helston Museum (Tickets £10, under 16s £5, call 01326-564027).



Double blessing-Liz Berg on her Bat Mitzvah day, 4 Adar, 13 February, before leyning her portion of Terumah. It was also the occasion of her 60th birthday.

HAPPY PESACH 5776!

Sir Martin Gilbert (1936-2015)

Keith Peace

On 24th November 2015 I had the privilege with Mandy to attend a Memorial Evening to Sir Martin at the Western Marble Arch Synagogue and to represent both the Cornwall Jewish Community and the Friends of the Penzance Jewish Cemetery at the occasion. I had once met Sir Martin in Oxford in the 1970s, but only in passing. Over the years I read a number of his books. These eight volumes sit on my study shelves as I write this, comprising only a fraction of the eighty-eight he published during his lifetime. He was, indisputably, the most prolific historian of the twentieth century, completing six immense volumes on the life of Churchill, with twelve further volumes of documents and numerous other books on the great statesman. (For the Churchill biographies alone he read through some fifteen tons of documentary material). His historical works and atlases on the First and Second World War and the history of Israel and the Holocaust have come to represent an immense historical corpus and an indispensable contribution to the history of our times. I did not realise in the 1970s what an enormous impression my very modest collection of eight books would make on my subsequent outlook and thinking.

I did not meet Sir Martin again. However, in 1998 I wrote to him with a request, which for perfectly good reasons, and with great courtesy, he declined. It was to my great surprise that in 2013 I received a letter from Lady Esther Gilbert, informing me that because of his illness Sir Martin was "no longer at his desk," but that, in the course of dealing with his correspondence, she had come across my original letter.



Creative workplace-Sir Martin Gilbert at his study desk where he spent much of his time compiling a myriad of histories.

Before he became too ill to work, Sir Martin had embarked upon a History of the Jews in Britain, and it seems that he may have intended to contact me about some aspect of the history of the Jews of Cornwall. Sadly, that contact was not to be, but the book may still be completed and published. In November 2014, I had the pleasure of meeting Lady Gilbert in London and I was able to inscribe Sir Martin's personal copy of *The Jews of Cornwall - A History*. This,

however, was not Sir Martin's only connection with Cornwall.

Sir Martin Gilbert's grandparents came to England as refugees from Czarist Russia, and he was born in London. In 1939, at the age of three, he left London with his parents, Miriam and Peter, and they lived briefly in Cornwall, but it is not known where or with whom. In 1940, without his parents, Martin was evacuated to Canada, with an aunt and her three children. He lived with a foster family in Toronto until 1944, when he travelled by train (alone) to New York, and from there returned by sea to England. (He was to remain an inveterate and enthusiastic traveller all his life).

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The family lived in Wales until the War ended, when they returned to London. In 1955, Martin began his National Service Training, first in Bodmin, and then in Scotland. He studied at Magdalen College, Oxford, where he was tutored by A.J.P Taylor. Taylor admonished his student with three criteria: (1) Do not waste time with maps - this is not a serious intellectual endeavour, (2) There is nothing new to be learned about Churchill, and (3) Unpublished documents can reveal nothing new about modern history. Thankfully, Martin Gilbert chose to ignore all three of these injunctions. He later became an Honorary Fellow of Merton College, Oxford. At the Memorial Evening itself, there were various tributes... *Continued on page 5* ♦



Holiday time-Sir Martin Gilbert as a young boy with his mother, Miriam, possibly at a site in Cornwall in 1939 where the family stayed from time to time. (Both pictures courtesy and copyright of Lady Gilbert)

Continued from page 5... paid to Sir Martin. The Rt Hon. Gordon Brown (a close personal friend), revealed the extent of his invaluable advice to a number of Prime Ministers, and that, had he lived, he would have been granted a seat in the Lords. Rabbi Lord Jonathan Sacks spoke of how, in his studies of the Holocaust, Martin Gilbert had given a voice to the voiceless. Professor Sir Richard Evans, who had studied with Sir Martin, spoke of his inspiring and unorthodox methods of teaching, referring his students to examine original documentary sources rather than published works. Randolph Churchill, Sir Winston's great grandson, spoke warmly of his enormous energy and enthusiasm in completing the volumes of the Churchill biography, and of the affection and respect towards him within the Churchill Family. Sir Martin retained a great love of Cornwall, and with Lady Gilbert, made many visits to the County. They often stayed at Coverack, exploring the Lizard Peninsula, and also visited the Falmouth Jewish Cemetery. At Coverack Martin transcribed a headstone in the Church graveyard of a young boy who had been killed in a bombing raid. He was, Lady Esther recalled, especially moved by this headstone because the boy could so easily have been him. I am grateful to Lady Gilbert for her assistance in providing me with information, for approving this text and for her permission to include the photographs which accompany this article. It is a modest but sincere personal tribute to a very great man whose life and work have greatly enriched not only my own, but the lives of so many others. Visit the Martin Gilbert website: martingilbert.com.

Weekend with the Jacobs

Pat Lipert

David and Hannah Jacobs visited the community to lead services on Shabbat P'Kudei March 12th and to re-sanctify the Penzance Jewish Cemetery on 13 March. Both events, well attended by members of Kehillat Kernow, were very special and nostalgic events. Though David officially retired from his directorship of small communities with the MRJ last year, he still works as a consultant for the movement.

The service on Saturday was filled with remembrances of things past and present and the connections we all have with each other and Jewish life as well as erudite insights into the parsha.

Continuing the theme on Sunday, a very special and unique service was created by David to commemorate and re-sanctify the recently restored Penzance Jewish Cemetery. Details and pictures of this can be found on our picture page. A luncheon for the community followed at the Lipert house.

Fourth annual book swap a huge success



Nosh preparation-Jacqueline Kurzfield who hosted and prepared all the cakes and drinks at the Book Swap in her kitchen with Rachel Brown. Over £600 was raised for this annual charity event for the Edgcomb Hospice.

Pat Lipert

If you haven't ever attended one of the fabulous annual Book Swaps at Harvey and Jacqueline's house held in January, you have been missing something very special. This event is held every year in honour of one of our dearest members, Kate Fagin (Z'l), the late wife of Anthony Fagin, whose last weeks were spent at the Edgcombe Hospice. The book fair and coffee and cakes galore afternoon, raised monies to help this worthwhile charitable organisation. Jacqueline Kurzfield whose expertise in making all kinds of delectable and mouth-watering treats, literally 'cooks for England' every year to make this Book Swap a success. People from

within the community and in the greater community all contribute their books and their monetary generosity to come together for a good cause. The Kurzfields, the hosts, ensure that everyone who comes is well looked after, has a chance to pick up some wonderful books, exchange literary views and general camaraderie.

Any books left behind are then dutifully collected by Harvey and Jacqueline and taken to hospitals and residential care institutions to add to their libraries. Not only is this a labour of love by the Kurzfields, but also a wonderful way of remembering Kate and performing an on-going mitzvah in aid of a precious community resource.



So much choice-KK members, Jeremy Jacobson and Tiny Daly have lots of books from which to choose at the Book Fair which raised monies in honour of the memory of Kate Fagin.

Editorial

In January, Jewish newspapers in Israel, the U.S., Britain and internet publications have all headlined their issues with stories about the increasing numbers of Jews living in the Diaspora who are now making aliyah to Israel. In the past year over 30,000 new immigrants arrived in Israel. The youngest to make aliyah was a five-month-old baby (from the U.S.A.); the oldest, Melba Landa, (from the Ukraine), was 97.

The Jewish Agency, which works with Jews in the Diaspora and with the government of Israel, reported that 9,880 Western European Jews have immigrated to Israel in 2015. Emigration from France is up ten percent with 7,900 French Jews leaving their country, not surprisingly considering the rise of anti-Semitism and terrorist attacks in Paris.

British aliyah has increased by 25 percent. Most of these people are educated, young, with transferable skills, mostly orthodox according to R. Daniel Roselar of Alei Tzion in Hendon as reported in the Jewish Chronicle.

In France which has a Jewish population of 500,000 Jews representing less than one percent of the French population, Jews experienced more than 50 percent of reported racist attacks. Only last week, Jews in France were asked to not wear their kippot by Zvi Ammar, head of the Israelite Consistory of Marseille 'until better days.' Some experts have said Jews in Western Europe have not felt this threatened since World War II. Natan Sharansky, chairman of the Jewish Agency, has been quoted as saying, "That a record number of European Jews feel that Europe is no longer their home should alarm European leaders and serve as a wake-up call for all who are concerned about the future of Europe."

The countries from which Jews are leaving suffer an irreparable loss of vital human resources and the State of Israel enjoys a very precious gain with such an influx of talented olim.

Israel offers many obvious incentives for Jewish olim: cultural, religious, historic, social and linguistic affinities. In addition, educational, medical, vocational, economic facilities and opportunities are myriad. Nefesh B'Nefesh which promotes aliyah, sums it up for many in these uncertain times: "For some it is a religious imperative, for others it is a sense of Jewish identity and a feeling of belonging, and for some it is the ultimate expression of practical Zionism."

Mezzuzot and Kiddush Cups

Kehillat Kernow Kiddush Cups -
£60, Siddurim - £16 and Mezzuzot
- £25/£50 (without or with scroll)

View the website for more details

The Exodus

Jeremy Jacobson

Every year we tell the story of the Exodus. In fact, we tell it twice, once in shul when we read the weekly portions from Shemot, the book of names, and once when we sit down at the seder table and read from the Haggadah.

The book's title, Shemot, is significant. It is the first word in the first parsha. It also is a word which gives humanity to an enslaved people, for slaves, like the prisoners of tyrannical regimes, often don't have names. They are reduced by their owners or captors to objects. The root of the word Shemot is pivotal, since it also is where Shema comes from, the most important word of our most important prayer. It is a word which resonates throughout the Torah and Tanach as for instance, when the young Samuel (Shmuel or "God has Heard"), is told by the high priest, Eli, to answer God's call by saying, "Speak HaShem, your servant is listening."

On the face of it, the Exodus is a story of joyful liberation and the seder a time of shared exuberance as we celebrate the discovery of freedom. At the same time, we are called on to remember the anguish of slavery through the salty and bitter tastes we experience. We remember the suffering of the Egyptians when we spill a little wine from our cups of rejoicing at the mention of each plague. The Exodus is so central to our story that it is easy to see it as a momentous event which

changed everything. It did by serving as a beginning to a long, often painful process. We did not become free the day we walked out of Egypt, nor even when we crossed the Red Sea, leaving our pursuers helpless behind us. As is often said, it was easier to take the Israelites out of Egypt than to take Egypt out

of the Israelites. We entered the desert, our hearts and minds still enslaved, fearful, like children in a scary plague. At the first sign of hardship, we slid backwards, complaining about the food, the water, the threatening people around us. When Moses left us alone, we were lost and

sought security in a graven image. Yet we also began slowly to change. We gave freely to build the Tabernacle and the Ark of the Covenant. Despite our early faithlessness, we accepted the Covenant when Moses came

down from the mountain the second time. Finally, we were ready to cross the Jordan to the promised land. No, finally, we were ready to hear Moses say, "Do not despise the Egyptian, because you were a stranger in his land." Once we are able to see our former oppressors as the people who also welcomed us, who honoured Joseph and Jacob, whose princess brought up the son of a Hebrew slave,

despite her father's command to kill baby boys, once we were able to see people as complex mixtures of many qualities rather than as cardboard bad guys, then we were able to be free.

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Shabbat shape up-Rosie Brown caught one of our older members, Leslie Lipert, enjoying a bike ride after the Kiddush in another part of the room when other members were finishing their luncheon.

Jewish film night

Anne Hearle wants to organise a Jewish film night and is looking for a venue with a large enough screen and space to hold this. Member Trudy Gold has lent the KK community nine films on DVD: Sophie Scholl, Pillar of Fire, The Chosen, Auschwitz and the Allies, Zelig, Triumph of the Will, Survivor: Testimony of the Holocaust, Warsaw (5 cities) in Yiddish and The Pawnbroker. If you are interested or can provide a screen or space, please contact Anne at: 01736 731686 or anne@hearle.com.

Join Friends of Penzance Jewish Cemetery

Contact: Penlee House Gallery and Museum or Mandy Pearce (Secretary) at: 3 Albert Terrace, Penzance TR18 2DD or their website: www.penzancejewishcemetery.org.uk

Penzance Jewish Cemetery re-sanctified

A unique religious service for the celebration of life attended by members of Kehillat Kernow and the family of Arnold Levine (the last person to be buried there), was led by MRJ consultant, David Jacobs, at the recently restored Penzance Jewish Cemetery. David thanked all those religious, civic and charitable organisations who worked for many years on this historical Jewish site as

well as acknowledging key people who helped in the restoration, including Godfrey Simmons, the great grandson of Rabbi B. A. Simmons (the rabbi is buried in this cemetery), who for 20 years was the voluntary custodian of the cemetery, along with historian Keith Pearce, who has since been the cemetery's voluntary custodian and leading force in its restoration.



Gathering of the tribe-Members of the community in front of the Bet Tohorah including Hannah Jacobs, far left, and the Arnold Levine family, anticipating the upcoming ceremony



Making connections-David Jacobs recalls the historical references to this best-preserved Georgian Jewish cemetery in England outside London with graves interred there from 1740's. KK member Estelle Moses and KK chairman Harvey Kurzfeld holding the special Falmouth Torah look on.



History lesson-Keith Pearce and David Jacobs discuss the finer points of individual gravestones to members who attended the re-sanctification ceremonies. Photo courtesy of Greg Martin, *The Cornishman*.



Todah rabah-Historian par excellence of Cornish Jews, Keith Pearce, receiving a special KK kiddush cup from David Jacobs, in thanks for all he has done for the Penzance Jewish cemetery. KK members Julie Stone, David Hearle, Jenny Cohen and Harvey Kurzfeld obviously appreciating the moment.



Pride of the tribe-Members of KK council and Friends of Penzance Jewish Cemetery, from left to right, Rachel Brown, Keith Pearce, Leslie Lipert, David Jacobs, Anne Hearle, Jeremy Jacobson, Mandy Pearce, Pat Lipert and Harvey Kurzfeld. Photo courtesy of Greg Martin, *The Cornishman*.



Zachor-Leatrice Levine, widow of Arnold Levine, the last person who was buried in the cemetery, who attended the ceremonies with her two daughters. The Arnold and Leatrice Library began with the books donated in memory of her late husband ('z'l').

Notices and diary

Mazel Tov:

- Bonnie Rockley for all your work as Vice Chair of KK
- Murray Brown on his university acceptances
- Louise Garcia, Carolyn Shapiro, Rosie Brown, Liz Berg, Jacqueline Kurzfield and Vera Collins on their significant birthdays
- Liz Berg on her Bat Mitzvah
- Jacqueline and Harvey Kurzfield on sponsoring the 4th annual Book Swap

Get Well Soon:

- Anthony Fagin
- Vera Collins

Condolences:

- To the family and friends of Brenda Mason who died on 20th February. May her memory be for a blessing.

Diary:

Apr 16 th	M'tzoria (Liz), 8 Nisan, Shabbat Ha-gadol, 10 :30am, TBS
Apr 22 nd	Erev Pesach, Fri., Treilissick Gardens, Communal Seder
Apr 23 rd	Pesach, Sat., No service
Apr 30 th	Acharei Mot (Harvey), 22 Nisan, 10:30am, TBS
May 5 th	Yom Ha-Atzma'ut, Thurs., No service
May 14 th	Emor (Pat), 6 Iyar, 10:30am, TBS

May 26 th	Lag Ba-Omer, Thurs., No service
May 28 th	B'chukkotai (Adam), 20 Iyar, 10:30am, TBS
June 11 th	Naso (Liz), 5 Sivan, 10:30am, TBS
June 12 th	Shavuot, 6 Sivan, Sun., No Service
June 25 th	Sh'lach L'cha (Harvey), 19 Sivan, 10:30am, TBS
July 9 th	Chukkat (Pat), 3 Tammuz, 10:30am, TBS
July 23 rd	Pinchas (Adam), 17th Tammuz, 10:30am, TBS
Aug 6 th	Mas'ei (Liz), 2 Av, 10:30am, TBS
Aug 13 th	Tishah B'av-erev, 9 Av, Sat, No Service
Aug 14 th	Tishah B'Av, 10 Av, Sun., No Service
Aug 20 th	Va-etchannan (Harvey), 16 Av, Shabbat Nachamu, 10:30am, TBS
Sep 3 rd	R'eih (Pat), 30 Av, Blessing for Elul, Machar Chodesh or Shabbat Rosh Chodesh, 10:30am, TBS

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Adam's fudge

Melanie Feldman



This recipe needs a sugar thermometer but it is really worthwhile. There are electronic thermometers available nowadays which are actually a spatula but with a built in electronic gadget so that as you stir, the temperature is displayed in the handle. To impress your

friends, make a double batch!

150ml milk
450g sugar (we use golden caster sugar)
4oz butter
1 can condensed milk

Flavour: 1 tsp vanilla essence/4oz dark chocolate/splash of rum

Line a small square tin or cake tin (around 20cm in diameter), with silicone paper. Use a large non-stick pan. Melt the butter, milk and sugar together; then bring it to a boil, slowly stirring. Stir enough to stop the bottom scorching but avoid fast stirring as it reduces the temperature. Bring it to 118 degrees

centigrade. This takes at least 10 minutes. Then stir in the condensed milk and flavouring off the heat. Now beat it hard with a wooden spoon to cool it down for 10-15 minutes. This keeps the crystal formation even as it cools. You will see the mix thicken. Then dollop it into the pan and smooth the surface with the back of the spoon. Scatter toppings of your choice (chopped nuts are good).

Adam says it is very important to pack it into boxes nicely; presentation is everything!

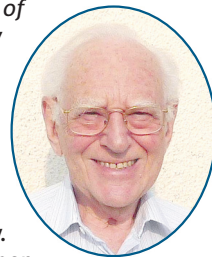


Sweet treat-Yummy fudge to give one a quick energy boost (but only in small quantities), though having just one piece might be very difficult.

Leslie's joke

My father, Joseph Lipert, was a great storyteller and lover of Yiddish humour. The following is one of his jokes which I've given a London locale.

The original came from one of his trips to New York where my family was living during the war and the restaurant was called Barney Greengrass. Morris Cohen was living in London very close to Morgan's kosher restaurant where he used to have lunch every day.



One day he fancied smoked herring. He was dismayed when the waiter put the plate on the table because the herring was looking back at him cross-eyed. He immediately called the waiter over to remove the offending dish and ordered something else.

A few days later he again had an urge to have some smoked herring. When the waiter brought the dish over, again it was cross-eyed. Morris walked out of Morgan's in disgust. The next day he decided to eat at Ruben's, the competition, and thought he'd try a dish of good smoked herring. He was horrified to see a smoked herring looking up at him with crossed eyes.

Before he could get up and leave, he heard the herring say loudly to him, "Vot, Morris, you don't eat by Morgan's anymore?"

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