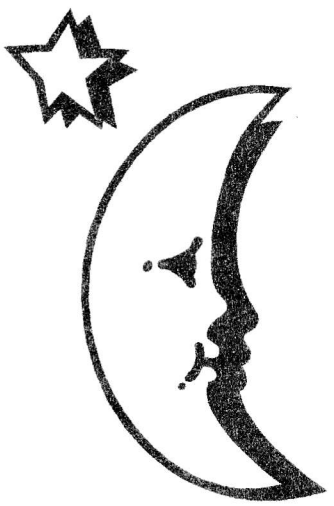


St Hilary 2000

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Happy New Year
Happy New Century
Happy New Millennium

A very special Christmas and New Year. The very best wishes to all villagers, their families and friends from all the *St Hilary 2000* committee. We wish you all the best of health and every happiness in the new year.

Many villagers will be meeting together on New Year's Eve at the *Bush Inn* to celebrate the old millennium out and the new millennium in. If you will not be joining this particular festivity but are in the village around midnight please call in to the *Bush Inn* where you will receive a warm welcome.

At midnight, a band of bell ringers, which will we hope be comprised primarily or totally of villagers will ring in the New Year. It is hoped the sound will be emotive and a reminder of, not only the new bell which the current villagers have made available, but also the fact that over most of the last millennium generations of residents have played their part in developing and maintaining the facilities we enjoy today.

St Hilary A history of the place and its people

Hilary Thomas's book is now completed. The final proof has been read and we are now just awaiting the ISBN number due next week and the complete book will be printed. Once it has been returned from the binders, it is to be case bound, it should be with us in the latter half of February.

A provisional date of March 4th has been suggested for the official publication of the book. The village hall will be the venue and invitations will be extended to Tony Lewis, who kindly wrote the forward, the Chairman of the Vale of Glamorgan Council, the Chairman of Cardiff City Council, John Smith our Member of Parliament.

Tony Lewis is the Chairman of the Welsh Tourist Board and formerly captain of Glamorgan County Cricket Club and England. Enough copies of the book will be presented to the Chairmen of the Councils to enable every primary school in their areas to have a copy to aid them with the core curriculum studies. Many villages will already know that St Hilary is cited as the example of the most unspoilt rural village in the area, which is why we are invaded each year by school children.

More about the arrangements in the next edition. Incidentally, the cover price of the book will be £12 but villagers will be able to secure their copy at a concessionary price.

**Christmas
Takeaway Quiz**

By popular demand it is **be** back!
Again just £1 a sheet.

Out now... see any member of the committee for your copy and hours of brain teasing entertainment.