

# Restronguet Creek Society Penpol Creek Tide Mill Project

## Your Choice! Presentation

Some three years ago Restronguet Creek Society restored and partially rebuilt the two pillars either side of the former sluice of the tide mill which had existed in Penpol Creek since 1829. During the course of this work the likely remains of the wheel pit and other structures associated with the mill were noted.

Having taken the advice of Cornwall Archaeological Unit, the Society is now seeking to put together a funding package for the remains to be excavated and recorded by volunteers, with training and supervision provided by Cornwall Archaeological Unit. The total costs, to include four days spent excavating and recording, come to £1,836. Grants totalling £1,470, including £300 from Your Choice!, have been requested, leaving Restronguet Creek Society to pay the balance of £366 from its own resources.

Once funding is secured, the plan is to carry out the excavation during the summer and this will be very much a community project. Volunteers from both the membership of Restronguet Creek Society and other residents of Feock Parish will be recruited and receive training from Cornwall Archaeological Unit.

We shall need people to research any public records of the mill, to record, both photographically and by survey, the remains uncovered, to do the actual digging and to help in the preparation of a report on the project for publication, thus adding to the knowledge of Restronguet Creek's rich industrial heritage. We hope to identify volunteers with an existing interest in these areas, but no prior experience will be needed to take part – the only requirement will be enthusiasm!