

Mines to the South West of Kit Hill

Several small mines are spaced out South West of Kit Hill towards Callington New Bridge.



Callington skyline early last century

East Wheal Florence

On either side of Florence Road, at the top of Skitta Hill, are the remains of East Wheal Florence. The triangle of ground now Compton Park, originally housed the mine engine and stack, which accounts for the third stack on the skyline. The mine changed its name during the 19th Century from May Florence and Tonkin; in 1875 Florence Consols, and finally in 1881 Callington Consols. At that time the company had taken over Princess of Wales Mine and the small mine of Lady Ashburton or 'Cuckoo' Mine, situated below the 'South West Water's' Reservoir further along Florence Road. the term 'Cuckoo' is said to infer that the mine was only workable in the

summer months, when the workings were not water logged. the mine adventurers lived in the constant hope that the mines they were investing in would, at the next try, prove a growing concern.

Hence the continued revival of small mines with a new input of capital and machinery, followed by a new name.

In 1858, the May Florence Mine produced a little lead and silver ore. By 1864, there were 2 shafts, 'Verran', and 'Sam Saw'. William Verran of Callington was the mine captain. The first was on the higher side of the road with engine house and stack. The second was at the top of Florence Hill, and power was brought across under the road by means of flat rods. There is an adit driven into the hill, which drains the workings at the 90 foot level. Here the workings appear to have been chiefly for copper ore. The only mine building left is the copper crush house, now converted to a tearoom. The Mining Journal

records the construction of the crusher in 1872, by which time there were three shafts, the third 'Tonkin', being situated at the end of the old cow shed on Claremont Farm. It is probable that there was a tunnel joining this shaft with the 'Verran' shaft, as there was a collapse of earth, making a large hole in the field between the 2 in the 1980's.

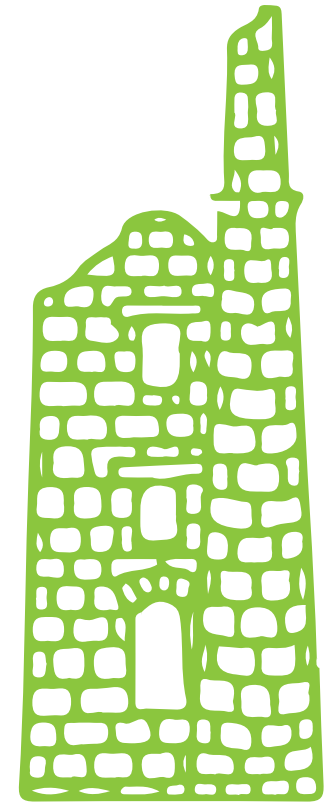
Accident at Wheal Florence & Tonkin

An account in the Cornish Times on August 17th 1871 reports:

"Thomas Pomroy, 45 year, father of 8 children, and his son 18 years, were killed, 'when the boiler burst', blowing off the roof, and doing other damage. As the family, the youngest only a few months old, were left destitute..."

The account continues with an appeal for financial help for the family. Sadly, reports of this nature were not all that uncommon in the last century.

THE ENGINE HOUSE



AT COMPTON PARK

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Compton Park
Florence Road, Callington
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BREAKFASTS

Breakfast served all day includes toast

THE SKITTA £5.25

Bacon, Butchers Sausage, Egg, Beans & Tomato

THE LODGE £6.50

2 Bacon, 2 Butchers Sausages, 2 Eggs, 2 Hash Browns, Mushrooms, Beans & Tomato

THE STACK £7.75

2 Bacon, 2 Butchers Sausages, 2 Eggs, 2 Hash Browns, Black Pudding, Fried Bread, Mushrooms, Beans & Tomato

THE STONKIN TONKIN £8.95

2 Bacon, 2 Butchers Sausages, 2 Eggs, 2 Hash Browns, Beef Steak, Black Pudding, Fried Bread, Mushrooms, Beans & Tomato

THE BOB Vegetarian £5.25

Veggie Burger, Veggie Sausage, Egg, Beans & Tomato

THE VERRAN Vegetarian £6.75

Veggie Burger, 2 Veggie Sausages, 2 Eggs, 2 Hash Browns, Mushrooms, Beans & Tomato

THE ADIT Gluten Free £5.25

Bacon, Butchers Gluten Free Sausage, Egg, Beans & Tomato

THE WHIM Gluten Free £6.50

2 Bacon, 2 Butchers Gluten Free Sausages, 2 Eggs, 2 Hash Browns, Mushrooms, Beans & Tomato

ON TOAST £4.00

A choice of Beans, Tomatoes or Eggs

EXTRAS

Bacon, Sausage or Black Pudding £1.20

Beans or Tomatoes £0.80

Hash Browns, Fried Bread or Mushrooms £0.90

Portion of Chips £2.30

2 Pieces of Toast with Jam/Marmalade £1.95

Jam or Marmalade £0.50

Butter Portion £0.10

2 Slices of Bread & Butter £1.20

MAIN MEALS

GAMMON £8.95

Served with Chips, Peas, Pineapple & Egg

FRESHLY BATTERED COD £8.95

Served with Chips & Peas

SCAMPI £8.25

Served with Chips & Peas

CHEESE BURGER £8.25

Served with Chips & Side Salad

CHICKEN BURGER £8.25

Served with Chips & Side Salad

HAM £7.95

Served with Egg & Chips

BROCCOLI & CREAM CHEESE BAKE £8.25

Served with Garlic, New Potatoes & Side Salad

CHILLI BEEF | VEGETABLE £7.95

Served with Basmati Rice

LASAGNE BEEF | VEGETABLE £8.95

Served with a choice of Chips / Garlic New Potatoes with Salad Garnish

FILLED BAKED POTATO

Butter £4.50

Sour Cream & Chives £5.25

Cheese & Beans £5.25

Tuna & Sweetcorn Mayonnaise £5.50

Prawn Mayonnaise £5.95

Chilli £5.95

Bacon & Cheese or Mushroom £5.95

FRESHLY MADE SANDWICHES

All served with a Salad Garnish & Homemade Coleslaw

Cheese or Ham £4.25

Bacon £4.25

Tuna & Sweetcorn Mayonnaise £5.25

Prawn Mayonnaise £5.25

BLT £5.25

2 Breakfast Fillings or your choice £4.95

Brie & Cranberry £4.75

Toasties, Baguette or Panini add £0.50

Allergen advice can be obtained by asking a member of the Engine House team. Within our kitchen we may use **celery, eggs, milk, lupin, cereals & gluten** containing products, **crustaceans, molluscs, nuts, peanuts, mustard, sulphites, soya & sesame seeds.** Whilst there is minimal risk of cross contamination, it is impossible to fully guarantee the absence of these allergens in any of our food.

CHILDRENS MENU

HOMEMADE LASAGNE £5.50

Served with Salad & Homemade Coleslaw

HAM £4.50

with Egg & Chips

SAUSAGE OR CHICKEN NUGGETS £4.50

with Chips & Beans or Peas

FISH FINGERS £4.50

with Chips & Beans or Peas

SALADS £8.50

Our salads are freshly made to order and are served with Homemade Coleslaw and Wholemeal Bread.

• Prawn Mayonnaise, • Cheese, • Ham, • Tuna & Sweetcorn & • Mayonnaise.

Don't forget to look at our special board for even more meal choices. Also most of our menu and special board can be made into smaller portions and children's portion at a reduced price. Please ask a member of staff for more information.

DESSERTS & SWEET TREATS

Please see special board for our current selection of Desserts

ICE CREAM £3.50

3 Scoops of your choice:

Chocolate | Strawberry | Vanilla

CAKES £2.20

We always have a good selection of cakes & sweet treats on offer, please ask for selection

TOASTED TEA CAKES £2.20

Fruit Tea Cakes served with Butter

CREAM TEA £5.75

Our cream Tea consists of 2 Plain Scones served with Strawberry Jam, Clotted Cream & a Pot of Tea

SAVOURY CREAM TEA £5.75

2 Cheese Scones with Cream Cheese, Tomato Chutney & a Pot of Tea

ALL OF OUR FOOD IS FRESHLY PREPARED,
DURING BUSY TIMES THE WAIT MAY BE LONGER THAN USUAL

DRINKS

NON-ALCOHOLIC

Canned Drinks £1.40

Ginger Beer £2.10

J2O £2.25

Milkshake £2.55

Fruit Shoot £1.10

Frappes: £3.25

Chocolate | Vanilla | Sticky Toffee

Soda Water £1.50

Tonic Water £1.50

Orange / Apple Juice £1.50

Mineral Water £1.10

Still | Sparkling

Fruit Smoothies: £2.95

Mango | Strawberry | Raspberry | Blackcurrant

Belvoir Presse £2.20

ALCOHOLIC

Doombar | Atlantic | Wolf Rock 500ml £3.90

Brothers Cider 500ml £3.90

Speckled Hen 500ml £3.90

Crabbies 500ml £3.90

Guinness 500ml £3.90

Newcastle Brown £3.90

Stella Cidre £3.90

Carling Half £2.50 Full £3.75

Orchard Cider Half £2.50 Full £3.75

A selection of Spirits also available, please ask.

HOT BEVERAGES

Espresso £1.75

Double Espresso £1.95

Americano Reg £1.75 Large £1.95

Latte Reg £2.25 Large £2.50

Cappuccino Reg £2.25 Large £2.50

Mocha £2.75

Flat White £2.50

Hot Chocolate £2.50

Deluxe Hot Chocolate £3.50

Tea £1.20

Pot of Tea £2.10

Cornish Tea Co Loose Leaf Tea £2.50

Lemon & Ginger | Earl Grey | Green Tea

Green Tea | Moroccan Mint | Fruit Punch | English Breakfast