

The End of an Era

Present and past Parish Councillors gathered at the Crown Inn to pay tribute to Harry Collins, age 91, who



recently retired from the Parish Council after serving for 25 years, 19 of them as Chairman. He is pictured with the new Chairman, John Croxton, presenting him, on behalf of his fellow-councillors, with a painting of his farmhouse in Clunton by the well known local artist Noel Shepherdson.

Music Exam Success at Clunbury School



Congratulations to Year 6's Charlotte (with flute) and Jessika (with clarinet), who recently passed their Grade 1 music exams with distinction and merit respectively!

FUN QUIZ

Clunbury
Village
Hall

With a Ploughman's Supper (optional)

Saturday 22 June 7.30pm

Teams of up to six

Quiz £2.50 per person

Supper £2

Tea, coffee & soft drinks available
no bar – BYO

To book a table phone Sue Hill 660355 or
Eirlys Ellams 660625 or email
sueinclunbury@gmail.com

CLAC@CLUN Community Larder and Advice Centre at Clun

Inaugural General Meeting
7 pm Thursday 6 June

Followed by launch at Benefice
United Service

10 am Sunday 30 June

Both meetings at St George's, Clun
All welcome

Please send your contributions by the 20th of each month

From Rider to Responder: Introducing our Community First Responder

Lin Brown and her husband Duncan moved to Clunbury in March 2010, from the East Midlands where Lin, in her own words, had 'done horses' for 40 years, and loved it, but realised one day that 'I can't do another winter'! She sold her successful livery and riding school, and the Browns, along with Lin's dressage horses on which she competed at national level for many years, 'retired' to Clunbury, where they very quickly became part of the community. Lin attributes this to the friendliness of locals as well as the 'cream tea afternoon' in aid of Clunbury School that they held their first summer – 'everyone came to see the new occupants of Pool House Farm!'



Why Clunbury? Introduced to South Shropshire as a child by Malcolm Saville's Lone Pine books, Lin had always dreamed of living here, and visited many times over the years. Now Lin serves on the Parish Post editorial team and helps organize village activities, as well as being Secretary of the Bog Visitor Centre, Stiperstones, where she sells her distinctive craft jewellery and is also an active member of the Malcolm Saville Society.

As if all this wasn't enough to keep her busy, Lin has also recently qualified with the West Midlands Ambulance Service to become a Community First Responder. This means that if you dial 999 in a medical emergency, if Lin is on call, she'll be notified within 30 seconds. Within

minutes she will be en route to your address with the equipment and knowledge necessary to deal with cardiac arrest, breathing difficulties, serious injuries etc. until the paramedics arrive. Those extra minutes of medical care can mean the difference between life and death, so it is very comforting to know she is close by!

Lin is also qualified to teach the British Heart Foundation's Heart Start course, which equips anyone over the age of 10 with emergency life support skills, in only 2 hours of training. If anyone is interested in doing the course, or would like to talk to her about any other issues raised by this article, please contact her on 660578. She would be happy to help in any way she can.

The Community First Response programme is a voluntary service and relies entirely on grants and donations, so if anyone would like to raise funds for this very worthwhile cause it would be much appreciated!

Penny Valentine

Lydbury North Concert

June 14 at 7.30pm in Lydbury North Church: The Bishop's Castle Orchestra and Friends is presenting 'An Evening of English Music' ranging from Purcell to the Beatles and introduced by Richard Beaumont.

Tickets are available in advance from the Powis Arms or on the door. Prices: £6.50. Unwaged and children: £5.00. All proceeds to the children's cancer ward at Shrewsbury Hospital (Powis Arms designated charity for 2013).

5th Anniversary at The Crown Inn, Clunton



Della and Andy invite you to
a free celebration Hog Roast
on Thursday 6th June
from 6.30pm



Thanks to all our loyal customers for their support

Clunbury Café in the Village Hall

Fortnightly on Thursdays
10.00 – 11.30am

6th June – Plant Bring & Buy

20th June – Bring & Buy, books,
china, plants etc

4th July – First Birthday Celebration

Fair Trade Coffee or Tea & home
made cake £1

Cappuccino & cake £1.50

Free re-fills

Free Internet access and Wi-Fi

and one that is “Just for Fun”. If you would like a schedule, contact show organiser Sandy 680454, or show assistant organisers Carol 660753 or Allison 620055.

Is There Anybody Out There?

If the inhabitants of Clunton and beyond (Cwm, Obley etc) have noticed a lack of coverage of features or events in their area, it's not unwillingness on the part of the Parish Post team to include them. Rather we are receiving little input as there is no one from that part of the parish involved with Parish Post production. At the moment our team consists of three people from Clunbury, three from Kempton and one from Twitchen. Given that over one hundred copies of the Parish Post are delivered to Clunton & the outlying areas surely there must be someone who would be willing to join us? Contact details below. *Sue Hill*

SW Shropshire Gardening Club

The Club now holds its regular meetings in Clun Memorial Hall, but on June 26 there will be an evening out to Anden Garden near Leominster, followed by a pub supper. Everyone is welcome. More details from Pauline on 660120.

On Saturday 31 August the Club will hold its Annual Garden Show in the Clun Memorial Hall. This is open to members and non members and classes cover flowers & foliage, floral art, photography, handicraft, vegetables, fruit, cookery, preserves, produce, children's classes

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A Crimewave in Clunbury!

After the 'Murder at the Cudham Riding Club Mystery Party', at Clunbury Village Hall, the following report was received from the 'Investigating Officer' -

I was called to Clunbury village recently to investigate a suspicious death and no sooner had I arrived, than another death occurred! Further to this, I realised I'd got a serious crimewave on my hands, that was deeply shocking in such a quiet and apparently innocent village! Drunk and disorderlies, money laundering, blackmail, drug dealing, affairs, gambling - you name it, it's going on there!



Crime solved so now it's time to celebrate for D.C.I. Dawdley (aka Caroline Jones) and P.C. Shipley (aka Steven Cornes)

My colleague, P.C. Shipley, and I struggled to sort it all out but fortunately, we were helped by a modern-day Miss Marple in the form of Barbara Hutchinson, who was the only person able to uncover the identity of the murderer!

About the only good word I say for the lot of 'em, is they put on an excellent supper! Well, I'm off back 'ome to Snailbeach; it's a far more civilised place!

D.C.I. Dawdley

Correspondence by email

Dear friends, we want to thank the kind people of Kempton for the privilege of using the village hall for our monthly singing of hymns. These are open meetings and free of charge. All are welcome, Sunday, 2nd of June, 2013 Songs of praise in four-part harmony Kempton Village Hall, 7:00 pm.
Arland Eberly 661171

Advance Notice

St Swithin's Church, Clunbury
West Gallery Quire (Choir)
VITAL SPARK

will be helping us to celebrate our Patronal Festival at Evensong on July 14th. Come and join us for some rousing music. Refreshments will be served.

Craven Arms Medical Practice

Loneliness can lead to a crisis. Have you got a couple of hours each week you could spare to support someone in our community?

We are looking for people in and around the Craven Arms area who may be able to use a little of their spare time each week to help a frail or vulnerable person to maintain their links within our community.

Interested? Then please contact:
Susan Mellor Palmer, 674374
or email

cravenarms.practicemanager@nhs.net
or come to a meeting at Lambeth
Close Community Room
Thursday 27 June, 7.30pm

SpArC at Bishop's Castle Community College

From May 17 the Box Office telephone number will change to 630321 and there will be a separate box office desk to book tickets at SpArC.

Clunbury 100 Club May Draw winners

£20 – Camilla Holland, £15 – John Beazley, £10 – Julia Brereton, £5 – Lynn Morris, £3 – David Hill

Parish Assembly and Parish Council Meeting Notes

16 May, 2013 Kempton Village Hall

Present: 8 councillors, Nigel Hartin and 4 members of the public. **Apologies:** Cllr Croxton.

Election of Officers: Cllr Croxton was appointed Chairman. Cllr Davies agreed to be Vice Chairman for a year. The retiring Chairman, Harry Collins, thanked all for the support he had received during his 19 years in the post.

Parish Assembly: The Annual Accounts were presented, the balance this year being £7,355.58 (less £427 un-presented cheques). Cllr Hill asked if there was a recommended level of reserve. The Clerk enumerated the main expenses for the coming year (insurance, maintenance of the war memorial, street lighting and the burial ground, and purchase of a filing cabinet). It was therefore necessary to keep a reasonable amount of money aside, but if the Parish Council wished it could spend more.

Tom Wall, one of the members of the public present, asked if there was provision on the agenda for contributions from the floor. The Clerk apologised for omitting this, but no questions were invited.

Shropshire Councillor's report: Cllr Hartin reported that in the recent elections no major change had occurred with Conservatives remaining in control. Shropshire Council will need to make a further £80 million worth of savings over the next 4 years.

Schools: changes in funding to small rural schools, like Clunbury, regarding children with special educational needs and schools' access to broadband are likely. Schools may be allowed to opt out of the Council's contract regarding broadband delivery if they feel they can find a cheaper alternative.

Road maintenance: additional funding was required due to the severe weather.

Broadband: £16million had been earmarked to provide superfast broadband

to 93% of the Shropshire population. However the 7% (rural dwellings, without any access to broadband) may not be included in the scheme, as it might be too expensive. There may be other funding available (e.g. through DEFRA).

A Services Delivery company has been set up by the Council to deliver services not only to Shropshire but nationally to try and generate extra revenue. Cllr Hartin assured the Parish Councillors that the directors of this company were members of the Council with appropriate business experience.

The Local Joint Committee is to continue in its role of grant giving body; the level of funding will remain the same this year, but may decrease in the future. Next meeting of the LJC 28 June.

Planning: Jasmine Cottage and Shelves Well cottage: Cllrs Hill and Croxton had visited the sites and seen the plans (which were passed round the councillors); no objection was raised.

Roads: Potholes were reported at Gunridge and road erosion in Gypsy Lane due to damage to the Ridgeway caused by 4x4 vehicles. The drainage engineer will be contacted by the clerk and liaise with Cllr Jones.

Cllr Hill reported a near accident at Clunbury School observed by a resident when someone driving too fast nearly hit a member of the public (this was an adult, but could have been a child). Diverse traffic calming proposals were discussed, the more effective being the more costly. It was decided that the Clerk should contact Glyn Shaw (traffic engineer for the Council), who in collaboration with the Parish Council and the school would be asked to look at the options.

AOB: A councillor from Lydbury North had reported bad flooding of the Kemp at Brockton. Cllr Hoskins and Cllr Jones offered to join a walk along the Kemp to check on any other possible problems of flooding.

Next meeting: Thursday 18 July, Clunton VH, 7.30pm for a site visit to the burial ground.

Gisèle Wall

Events Diary for June and early July 2013 - go to www.theparishpost.org for more details			
Sun 2	6.30pm	Evening Prayer (BCP)	St Swithin's, Clunbury
Sun 2	7.00pm	Songs of praise in four-part harmony	Kempton Village Hall
Mon 3		Clunbury School reopens	
Mon 3	9-11am	Parent and Toddler group - just turn up	Clunbury Village Hall
Tue 4	7.00pm	Opera from Glyndebourne - Ariadne auf Naxos. Contact Jean Jones 660493 or Mary Evans 660545	Aston on Clun Village Hall
Wed 5	9.00pm	Quiz night	Kangaroo Inn, Aston on Clun
Thur 6	10 -11.30am	Clunbury Café and Plant Bring & Buy	Clunbury Village Hall
Thur 6	6.30pm	Free celebration hogroast	Crown Inn, Clunton
Thur 6	7.00pm	CLAC@CLUN - Inaugural General Meeting	St George's Clun
Sat 8	7.30pm	Flicks - Les Miserables	Clun Memorial Hall
Sun 9	11.15am	Morning Prayer (BCP)	St Swithin's, Clunbury
Sun 9	6.30pm	Evening Prayer	St Mary's, Clunton
Mon 10	9-11am	Parent and Toddler group - just turn up	Clunbury Village Hall
Tue 11		Mobile library:-Clunbury Bridge 10.10 - 10.30am, Clunton 10.40 - 11.00am, Obley 12.45 - 12.55pm	
Tue 11	2.30pm	Bible Study. Contact Robert 661008 or Rod 660756	The Old Chapel, Twitchen
Fri 14	7.30pm	Bishop's Castle Orchestra and Friends present 'An Evening of English Music'	Lydbury North Church
Fri 14	9.00pm	Live Music: Tommy Allen Band	White Horse Inn, Clun
Sun 16	11.15am	Holy Communion	St Mary's, Clunton
Sun 16	2 - 6pm	Clungunford Open Gardens	
Sun 16	6.30pm	Evening Prayer (BCP)	St Swithin's, Clunbury
Mon 17	9-11am	Parent and Toddler group - just turn up	Clunbury Village Hall
Wed 19	9.15pm	Live acoustic folk music	Crown Inn, Clunton
Thur 20	10 -11.30am	Clunbury Café	Clunbury Village Hall
Fri 21		Clungunford Festival of Music, Arts and Crafts until 24th	Clungunford
Sat 22	7.30pm	Fun Quiz. Teams of up to six. Phone Sue on 660355 to book	Clunbury Village Hall
Sun 23	11.15am	Holy Communion (CW)	St Swithin's, Clunbury
Sun 23	12.30-2.00pm	Kemp Valley Community Wildlife Group - Dragonflies	Phone 680590 to book
Mon 24	9-11am	Parent and Toddler group - just turn up	Clunbury Village Hall
Tue 25		Mobile library:-Clunbury Bridge 10.10 - 10.30am, Clunton 10.40 - 11.00am, Obley 12.45 - 12.55pm	
Tue 25	2.30pm	Bible Study. Contact Vivien 660760 or Sheila 660302	9 Redwood Dr, Aston on Clun
Wed 26		SW Shropshire Gardening Club evening trip.	Contact Pauline 660120
Sat 29	7.30pm	Flicks - Great Expectations (2012)	Clun Memorial Hall
Sun 30	10.00am	Benefice United Service and launch of CLAC@CLUN	St George's Clun
Thur 4	10 -11.30am	Clunbury Café's first birthday	Clunbury Village Hall
Sat 6	6.30pm start	Celebration Supper. Info. & tickets from Sandra 660158	St.Cuthbert's, Clungunford
Sun 7	7.00pm	Songs of praise in four-part harmony	Kempton Village Hall

Clungunford News

Clungunford Open Gardens - Sunday 16 June from 2 to 6pm. Teas and Parking at Parish Hall. Also Plant and Bric-a-Brac Stalls. Church Open.

The Clungunford Festival of Music, Arts and Crafts

Fri. 21 June - Exhibition in the Church 2 - 6 pm, also Saturday 10am - 12.30pm.

Sat. 22 June - Poetry & Books Discussion, Clungunford House, 10.30am-12.30 pm.
Village Choir Summer Concert, St. Cuthbert's, 7.30 pm.

Sun. 23 June - Service of Dedication, Bishop of Ludlow, St. Cuthbert's, 10.30 am.
Family Entertainment at the Parish Hall, 3.00pm.

Mon. 24 June - Chamber Music Concert, Clungunford House, 7.30 pm.

Advance notice - St. Cuthbert's Holiday Club 5 - 9 August. If you are interested in helping or attending please contact Catherine Lishman, 660231, email catherinelishman@hotmail.com or come to the meeting in St Cuthbert's on Wed. 12 June at 7.30pm (refreshments from 7.00pm).