

Auction of promises



HUNDRED HOUSE

PURSLOW

FRIDAY 16 NOVEMBER

In aid of St Swithin's Church, Clunbury

Auctioneer Mr Les Thomas from McCartneys

Viewing from 6.00pm

Bidding starts 7.30pm

Come and join in the fun. Enjoy a drink and bar snacks while you Bid!

Late Entries welcome

Contact :Caroline Bason 07703 198994

Carole Griffiths 01588 660304

Jack Fest Great Success!

£1,655 was presented to the Air Ambulance.

Next year's Jack Fest will take place on the 29 June 2019.

From the left - Maddy Green, Stella Mellings, Jack Huffer and Maria Jones from Air Ambulance

What do these four people have in common?

They have all been winners of their kidney or lifetime to transform

Find out more at www.organdonation.nhs.uk

Yes I don't
ORGAN DONATION

Heart and Lung Transplant Fund Raiser

The coffee morning went well; the winner for the 1st prize holiday for 4 at South Reed Farm in Devon, actually bought the ticket that morning and unfortunately left 15mins before the draw! So far £1,073.50! has been raised with more donations to come. Thanks to everyone who bought the tickets, attended the coffee morning, donated money, cakes, and of course the brilliant raffle prizes!!!. A special thank you to my twin daughters, Christina and Freya Richards, for their help at the coffee morning. I'd like to make the coffee morning an annual event. I will also be trying to organise a dinner dance sometime next year, for the same charity.

Laura Richards

Pictured Jan Locket NHS Organ Donation

The next edition of The Parish Post will cover December and January. If you have an event during that period you want us to publicise, please send the details by 20 November.

A Beetle Bonanza?

Are you hosting huddles of ladybirds? They appear out of nowhere, are undemanding and innocuous, or so it seems, and everyone loves a ladybird, don't they? Hence the collective term 'a loveliness of ladybirds'. Apparently, there are 52 British species of ladybird, but we are now home to a new one, the Harlequin.

First spotted in a pub garden in Essex in 2004, it has since spread throughout the country. A native of Asia, it was used for aphid control in Europe and America, and, familiar and predictable story, some escaped and proliferated. And now we find that they don't just eat aphids but other ladybirds too, they poo a sticky black substance, smear surfaces with 'reflex blood' that seeps from their joints and can give you a nasty nip – though these are all phenomena that I have read about rather than experienced. How to identify them? Difficult, because they can be orange with lots of black spots, black with just two orange spots, and a range of variations on these basic types, but if you have little clusters in quiet corners, it is probably them. Should we call them 'a horror of harlequins'?



Another recent arrival in Kempton has been the Lesser Mealworm beetle. Up to 6mm in length these little black beetles started appearing, usually on the floor, in June, and have occurred in varying numbers since then. This mystery species was identified for us by Caroline Uff of the National Trust. Apparently, they occur world-wide and may found in bird and mammal nests and roosts, grain and food stores and poultry housing. They are attracted to light and this may have brought them to our houses. The larvae may be used to feed pet reptiles and have indeed been sold as food for humans too. Any takers?



Actual size

Tom Wall

Clunbury Craft Group



Peg Loom demonstration by
Sue Mullin

and an opportunity to have a go yourself,
try something new! Everyone welcome

Wednesday 22 November

Clunbury Village Hall

10.30am—12.00

£6 includes refreshments

Contact Lynne Thompson 01588 661180

SUPPER
at 7pm

FILM at 8

LICENSED
BAR

TICKETS
£12

ITALIAN NIGHT
24 NOVEMBER 2018
BEDSTONE VILLAGE HALL

Call Margie or Gill on 01547 530282/530101
In aid of Village Hall Funds

Reminders

Top Secret!

Clunbury Village Hall

Talk by local novelist Manda Scott

Friday 2 November 7.30pm

£2.50 entry inc light refreshments

Everyone welcome

Clunbury School's

Curry and Quiz Night

Sat 17 Nov at 6.30 for 7pm start

Clunbury Village Hall

Teams of 4

£10 pp inc curry and a drink

Christmas Shoebox Appeal

Please have your boxes ready

for **7 November**

Contact : Pat Harding 660169

BATTLE'S

OVER



A NATION'S TRIBUTE

11TH NOVEMBER 2018

100 YEARS OF REMEMBRANCE

Beacon of Light at Cwm Bydd Farm

First field on the right beyond Clunton Coppice coming uphill from Clunton. Parking at the bottom of the field, but you are welcome to drop people off at the top, limited seating, field opens at **6.30pm**, formal lighting at **6.50pm**. All welcome, sensible footwear essential. Contact Carol Griffiths 01588 660304

Advance Notices

Music by Candlelight for the Nativity

by The Bach Players

Sunday 9 December

St Swithin's Church, Clunbury

Tickets £12.50

Contact Pat 01588 660169

or Christina 01588 660424

Parish Post AGM

Monday 17 December, 7.30pm

Clunton Village Hall

Mince Pies and Mulled Wine

All are welcome to join us

Bishop's Castle Railway Society Weighbridge Regeneration Project

Grand Christmas Draw



Tickets available from

Bishop's Castle Town Hall

Open Mon-Sat, 10am to 4pm

1st prize: £100

Plus many other exciting prizes

Draw to take place at the Farmers'
Market in the Town Hall on

15 December at mid-day

SWSGC

The Invaders



A Talk by John Scrace

Wednesday 28 November, 7.30 pm

Lydbury North Village Hall

This month's talk is by plant pathologist, John Scrace. He will be looking at the more recent arrivals that pose a threat to the health of our gardens.

We've all heard the scare stories about new alien invaders: ash dieback, sudden oak death, box tree moth, Asian long horn beetles, Spanish slugs, xylella damaging the olive groves in Italy... the list goes on!

With the growing volume of plants being imported into the UK and climate change allowing more pests to become established here, this is going to be an ongoing story.

This is a timely talk from an expert in the field, to put all this information into perspective. Which of the above do we need to be concerned about? What should we keep a look out for? And what, if anything, can we do about it?

This talk is free to members of South West Shropshire Gardening Club; visitors welcome at £5 per person including refreshments. Any further queries to Sandy Burton 01588 680454 or on our website:

www.gardeningshropshire.co.uk

Sarah Metcalf



Clunbury 100 Club October Draw

Mark Wadsworth £20; Hazel Grimes £15; Sandra Morgan £10; Catherine Lishman £5; Ann Brown £5.

Clunton 100 Club September Draw

1st Ian Davies; 2nd Tony Malpas; 3rd Pam Bay.

October Draw 1st Gill Deakins; 2nd Di Casey; 3rd Andy Peers.

Faster Fibre Broadband Now Available in Parts of Clunton

Visit our website:

[http://connectingshropshire.co.uk/
when-and-where/](http://connectingshropshire.co.uk/when-and-where/)

to check which exchange area and cabinet serves your premises and the availability of fibre broadband.

Because Openreach have installed Fibre to the Premises (FTTP) in this area, those premises within reach of the network should be able to order broadband packages with download speeds of up to 300mbps. However, not all Internet Service Providers (ISPs) currently offer the service, so parishioners might not be informed by their ISP that it is available and may need to consider changing providers.

Openreach maintains a list of ISPs that supply FTTP (Ultrafast) to both business and home consumers, please see:

[https://
www.homeandbusiness.openreach.co.uk/
fibre-broadband/ultrafast-broadband/
ultrafast-fibre-buy-it-now.](https://www.homeandbusiness.openreach.co.uk/fibre-broadband/ultrafast-broadband/ultrafast-fibre-buy-it-now)

More information about the installation process is available on our website, see:

[http://connectingshropshire.co.uk/fibre-
to-the-premises-ftp-installation/.](http://connectingshropshire.co.uk/fibre-to-the-premises-ftp-installation/)

Please note that broadband speeds won't increase automatically.

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healthwatch
Shropshire

Shropshire Maternity Mental Health Provision - one of the worst in the country

The Maternal Mental Health Alliance has published data that shows that the level of specialist support given to Shropshire women and their families is 'extremely basic' and 'falls short of national standards'. Healthwatch Shropshire would like to know what support people feel is needed to ensure their whole family is supported with mental health challenges during or after pregnancy.

Child Mental Health - is it in crisis in Shropshire?

BC Panorama reported that 'Britain is in the grip of a child mental health crisis and getting help is a postcode lottery'.

Healthwatch Shropshire would like to know about the experiences of Shropshire children, parents, carers and the professionals who support them. Are our children getting the help they need when they need it? If you have used the services, what do you think? Are there gaps in the provision? These are the questions Healthwatch Shropshire is asking.

Contact: Healthwatch Shropshire on 01743 237884

Email: enquiries@healthwatchshropshire.co.uk

or online at www.healthwatchshropshire.co.uk.

Extended GP Appointments

Local GP practices are working together to offer patients more access to appointments, in the early evenings and weekends, from Monday 1 October. They will work together in a network of 'hubs' to provide this service. The 'hubs' will take turns to provide the Extended Access appointments to patients. This means patients could be offered an appointment at their own surgery or at a nearby practice in the local area. Patients will be advised about appointment location at time of booking, enabling them to make an informed choice about where and when they access care. The pre-bookable appointments will be available -

- **Weekday evenings (Monday to Friday)** 6.30pm - 8pm (at a local area hub)
 - **Saturdays** 8am - 1pm (at a local area hub)
 - **Sundays and Bank Holidays** 8.30am - 12.30pm (at a site in central Shrewsbury)
- To book an appointment contact your practice during normal opening hours.

St Swithin's Day Challenge

Thank you to everyone who pledged money for the rainy days after St Swithin's day. Surprisingly it did rain on a lot of days, though generally not much, and we managed to raise £94.00.

Our Harvest Thanksgiving

St Swithin's looked lovely, full of autumn colour and with a good congregation for our service of thanksgiving. It was taken by Simon, who began by thanking everyone for the wonderful decorations.

Christina and Amelia Richards kindly gave a helping hand with the collection.

We all enjoyed a supper of cheese and pâté, followed by apple pie, with a bar run by JJ. Most grateful thanks to all those who helped in the church and in the hall.

Christina Whitehead

Events Diary for November 2018			
Thu 1	7pm	NT Live-Allelujah!—660493/660893	Aston on Clun Village Hall
Thu 1	7pm	NT Live-Allelujah!—630321/638038	SpArC
Fri 2	7.30pm	Top Secret - talk by Manda Scott	Clunbury Village Hall
Fri 2	7.30pm	BC Railway Society: Railway & Transport Films	BC Methodist Hall
Sun 4	11.15am	Morning Prayer	St Swithin's, Clunbury
Sun 4	6pm	Benefice Memorial Service	St George's, Clun
Mon 5	9-11.30am	Parent&Toddler Group-every Mon in term time. Just turn up	Clunbury Village Hall
Mon 5	7.30pm	Table Tennis every Mon not the last one of the month £1	Aston on Clun Village Hall
Tue 6	Mobile Library: Clunbury Bridge 10.10-10.30am, Clunton 10.40-11.00am, Obley 12.45-12.55pm		
Tue 6	7.30pm	Flicks—Journey's End—680302	Lydbury North Village Hall
Wed 7		Quiz—proceeds to Midlands Air Ambulance	Kangaroo Inn, Aston on Clun
Wed 7	8pm	Bishop's Castle Film Society—Lacombe, Lucien	Three Tuns, Bishop's Castle
Thu 8	10-11.30am	Clunbury Café	Clunbury Village Hall
Thu 8&15	7-8pm	Sign Language Course	Clunbury Village Hall
Fri 9	7.30pm	Confessions of a Cockney Temple Dancer—630321/638038	SpArC
Fri 9	8pm	Flicks-The Post-660159/660781	Clungunford Parish Hall
Fri 9	7.30pm	'Hobson's Choice' Sea Shanty Singers—01547-530282	Bedstone Village Hall
Sun 11	10.45am	Remembrance Service	St Swithin's, Clunbury
Sun 11	12.30pm	Remembrance Service at Purslow Memorial	
Sun 11	6.30pm -	Beacon of Light	Cwm Bydd Farm
Thu 15	7.30pm	Fluff Productions—Agent of Influence—660493/660893	Aston on Clun Village Hall
Fri 16	7.30pm	Grand Auction of Promises in aid of St. Swithin's Church	100 House, Purslow
Fri 16	7pm	Music from Stage & Screen-Bedstone Music Scholars	St. Mary's, Bedstone
Sat 17	10am-3pm	Craft & Collectables Market-Christmas Market	Aston on Clun Village Hall
Sat 17	6.30pm	Curry & Quiz Night in aid of Clunbury School	Clunbury Village Hall
Sat 17	7.30pm	Jake and the Jesters—Sue Williams 01547 530838	Bedstone
Sun 18	6.30pm	United Evensong	St Mary's, Clunton
Tue 20	Mobile Library: Clunbury Bridge 10.10-10.30am, Clunton 10.40-11.00am, Obley 12.45-12.55pm		
Tue 20		Tim's Travels—Ikea—640506	Wednesbury
Tue 20	2pm	Flicks—Churchill—630321/638038	SpArC
Wed 21	7.30pm	Flicks—Journey's End—640109	Clun Memorial Hall
Wed 21	8pm	Bishop's Castle Film Society—Ghost Stories	Three Tuns, Bishop's Castle
Thu 22	10-11.30am	Clunbury Café	Clunbury Village Hall
Thu 22	7pm	Flicks—Ocean's 8 (TBC)—630321/638038	SpArC
Thu 22	8pm	Parish Council Meeting	Kempton Village Hall
Sat 24	7.30pm	Flicks-The Post—660545	Aston on Clun Village Hall
Sat 24	7pm	Italian Night with the original Italian Job movie-01547-530282	Bedstone Village Hall
Sun 25	11.15am	United CW Holy Communion	St Swithin's, Clunbury
Wed 28	10am-1pm	Clunbury Craft Group	Clunbury Village Hall
Wed 28		Aston on Clun Christmas Trip to Cheltenham-660493/660893	
Wed 28	7.30pm	SWS Gardening Club—The Invaders	Lydbury North Village Hall

A REAL LIVE SHOW!! Aston Village Hall Thursday 15 November, 7.30pm
Agent of Influence - The Secret Life of Pamela More

Seating cabaret style and bar selling wine, soft drinks, nuts and crisps.

Tickets are £10 (£6 for under 18s). Call Jeff Else on 01588 660893 or David Jones on 01588 660493 to reserve a place.