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THE CHURCHFITTERS FOLK UNLIMITED



<< The most musically inventive band that I have seen in decades >>
Dave Pegg, Fairport Convention

A concert by a folk band - like no other!
Newcastle Community Centre Saturday 13 October 7.30pm
Tickets £10, schoolchildren free
Bar and light refreshments available
Tickets from Church Committee, or phone Pat on 660169
Proceeds in aid of Clunton Church
Please come and support this fundraising event

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TOP SECRET!

SHH.....Don't tell anyone!

Clunbury Village Hall are hosting a talk by local novelist **Manda Scott**

Friday 2 November 7.30pm

£2.50 entry including light refreshments

Everyone welcome

Manda Scott will explore the nature of insurrection behind the line in WW2, and how the SOE, known as "The Ministry for Ungentlemanly Conduct" carried out Churchill's order to set Europe ablaze. Signed copies of her novel 'A Treachery of Spies' will be available to buy afterwards



Coffee Morning

In aid of the Queen Elizabeth Hospital Heart and Lung Transplant Fund.

At Clunbury Village Hall

13 October 10.00am

Raffle tickets are currently being sold at £1.00 each and will be available to buy at the coffee morning where the draw will take place.

Prizes include a holiday for 4 in Devon, days at the races, a Joules Voucher and many more. Laura Richards.



tree

hands

Sign Language Course



river



Course starting Thursday 4th
October

Time: 7pm - 8pm

Location: Clunbury Village Hall

Duration: 6 weeks

Cost: £30

Dates: 4/10, 11/10, 18/10, 25/10,
8/11 and 15/11

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www.facebook.com/sign2communicate
www.facebook.com/groups/HANDBSL

Please send your contributions
by the 20th of each month

Who do Ewe Think They Are?

Two visitors and their lambs joined our ewes at some point this summer, we presume through Purslow Wood. A yearling and a two-year-old, they both have slaughter tags no 303539. They also both have Suffolk x lambs, both ewes are mule type. We have checked all the obvious places they could have come from, with no success. If they are yours and you would like them back please contact us on 01588 660304.

If no one claims them we will put them in a sale and donate the proceeds to Macmillan Cancer Support.

Jonathan and Carol Griffiths, Cwm Bydd Farm.

School Harvest Festival and Coffee Morning

Clunbury School would like to warmly welcome everyone to their Harvest festival service in St Swithin's church at 9.30am on Friday 19 October. This will be followed by a coffee morning in the village hall in aid of Macmillan Cancer Support from 10.30am-12noon. Donations of cakes would be very much appreciated and we would love to see as many people there as possible.

Pot Hole Line Reminder

Any road problems such as flooding, pot holes, etc can be reported to Shropshire Council as follows:

Phone 0345 678 9000, choose option 4, then option 2.

APPLE JUICING DAY

Saturday 27 October
in Clunton Village Hall
from 10am to 4pm
Book a slot with Anne -
660309

Light refreshments
available

'Crabs' in the Clun?

In the last issue we printed a report on White-clawed Crayfish in Clunton Brook, which concluded by asking whether any readers had recollections of finding them in our streams and rivers in the past. We wondered subsequently whether they might be mentioned in An Idler on the Shropshire Borders. This book by Ida Gandy (1885-1977), has been mentioned in The Parish Post on a number of occasions, but for the sake of new readers we should explain that in 1930 Ida moved to Clunbury with her doctor husband Tom and their three children; they stayed for 15 years. It was not until 1970 however, that at the age of 85 she published An Idler, her memoir of those days. It is full of fascinating local detail including the following account, in which 'the Brook' is obviously the River Clun:

"Summer was hey-day for the village children. They adored the Brook...One evening during that first summer I found six children crouched round a small fire cooking something in an old tin. 'What?' I asked. 'Crabs' answered the eldest, a girl named Olive, one of a family of ten who lived beside the Brook. I peered into the tin and saw a number of small Crayfish. 'You won't over-eat yourselves', I said. 'There's always a nice bit in the tails', they told me. 'We get our crabs out of holes in the bank and under stones, you have to look out 'cos they nip your fingers and your toes'. What other fish did they catch? 'Bull-heads, short and fat with big heads, and Davey loachers [Stone Loach], long thin fish with whiskers, they'll nip you too if you gives 'em a chance' answered the children." We should add that because of the significant decline in the White-clawed Crayfish a licence is now needed to catch and handle them, and eating them is out of the question!

Don't forget to
book your Flu jab



Food for Thought

Henry Anderson comes from Aberdeenshire; he owns Marine Catering Services and moved to Twitchen 18 months ago with his wife Ruth. Henry is a chef who consults on big ships bringing their kitchens into shape, training staff to achieve good quality food for ships' officers and crew, on time and on budget.

Henry's inspiration for cooking comes from time he spent with his grandmother as a young boy. His father was a trawl fisherman and Henry used the money he earned from fishing in the holidays to pay for his catering course at Aberdeen College.

He is passionate about food, hates waste and believes in value for money and quality. This is why he is so keen to tell everyone about the Thermomix machine (tried and tested within an inch of its life by Henry himself) and what it can do for you to save time and money.

Being new to the area, Henry and Ruth are keen to meet local people in the community and share his passion for cooking. If anyone is interested in hosting a dinner party for 4-6 people, Henry will come to your home and cook the meal in your kitchen using his machine with your ingredients. No obligation to buy and you will have a very enjoyable evening with friends without the stress!

For more information please contact Henry on 660714 or visit www.marinecatering services.co.uk



Lynne Thompson

Advance Notices

Grand Auction of Promises at The Hundred House, Purslow

16 November

in aid of St Swithin's Church

viewing from 6pm sale starts 7.30pm

Auction items sought now!

Contact Maddie Matveieff 660458

or Carol Griffiths 660304

Aston on Clun Village Hall

National Theatre Live

Thursday 1 November: Alan Bennett's new play *Allelujah!* The Beth, an old fashioned cradle-to-grave hospital serving a town on the edge of the Pennines, is threatened with closure as part of an efficiency drive. A documentary crew, eager to capture its fight for survival, follows the daily struggle to find beds on the Dusty Springfield Geriatric Ward, and the triumphs of the old people's choir.

Doors open 6.30pm Tickets £10 (£6 for under 18s). Call Jeff Else 660893 or David Jones 660493 to reserve seats.

Check the Hall's website

<http://astononclunhall.org/index.html>

for further information.

Beacon of Light

One of over 1000 Beacons of Light across the UK and Dependent Territories will be lit at Cwm Bydd Farm in Clunbury Parish on Sunday, 11 November at 7 o'clock, marking the day when the guns fell silent at the end of the First World War. More details next month. Carol Griffiths 01588 660304.

Clunbury School's Curry and Quiz Night!

Clunbury Village Hall, Saturday 17 November, 6.30pm for a 7pm start. Teams of 4. £10 per person to include curry and a drink. BYOB

Christmas Shoebox Appeal

Operation Christmas Child delivers shoeboxes filled with gifts to over 160 countries around the world. You can make a difference to a child somewhere by filling a box with some simple toys and gifts. Leaflets are in church or from Pat, 660169. Boxes must be ready between 1 and 18 November.



South West Shropshire Gardening Club Show Report

The Annual Garden and Produce Show at Lydbury North Village Hall turned out to be a great day, despite what has been a challenging year for gardeners. The standard was amazing, with over eighty categories, record entries and fabulous floral and vegetable displays. The show was open to the public in the afternoon and proved to be very popular, with many coming to see the displays, picking up tips and asking questions. There was an excellent plant and produce store, where you could snap up a bargain. It raised £280 for the club and local charities. Everything ran extremely smoothly thanks to the tireless efforts of our marvellous show organizer, Angie Salmon and her team. Some thought it our best show yet! Start planning for next year. It's fun!



Prize winners left to right: Vera Robinson, Allison Walter, Mary Cooper, Derek Matthey, Mike Lutman, Marjorie Davies, Clare Greig, Mike Wall, Oriel Rogers-Coleman, Nicki Williams and Judith Shone.

Next Meeting: Exotic Blooms - and how they got to Shropshire

Lydbury North Village Hall Wednesday 24 October at 7.30 pm

This month's talk is by club member, Heather Williams, looking at the exotic plants that, sometimes surprisingly, can be grown in our challenging Shropshire climate. Heather is an extremely experienced and talented plantswoman with a special interest in and wide experience of growing exotic plants. Her talk will look at some of the plants that can be grown in our own gardens and greenhouses and the interesting journey that they took to arrive here. Free to members; visitors welcome £5 including refreshments. Any further queries to the Chairman, Sandy Burton 01588 680454 or please look at our website: www.gardeningshropshire.co.uk

All about Osteoporosis

Shropshire Council and the National Osteoporosis Society event Thursday 11 October 10am - 12.30pm Norbury Village Hall.

An overview of osteoporosis, risk factors, diagnosis, supplements and treatments. Lifestyle, diet and exercise advice. How to stay safe. Information on support from the NOS. Book online via Eventbrite: <https://shropshire-osteoporosis-information-event-tickets.eventbrite.com> or contact Katie Hall on: 07545 788 872

Clunton 100 Club

Subscriptions are due now for the 2018/2019 100 Club year. £12 per number. New members are welcome. Please contact Pat on 660169.

Clunbury 100 Club

September draw: Barbara Freeman £20; Clive Seabury £15; Richard Bott £10; Mary Price £5; Lesley Holland £5.

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Parish Council Meeting 27 September Report

Six councillors present plus four members of the public. Apologies received from Lucy Lewis.

Matters Arising from the Minutes of meeting held on 19 July:

Footpaths: The meeting opened with an update from Catherine Lishman, our Footpath Warden, on the footbridge at Chapel House Clunbury. It has been made safe but local residents were not happy with the work and requested a more appropriate repair. This would cost £300 to £350 and SC has offered to pay £300. The Parish Council would be required to pay anything over this. The PC agreed that money could be made available through the Sports and Leisure Fund. A kissing gate has been installed at the end of Twitchen Road and a number of stiles have been replaced or repaired.

Oddfellows banner: still looking to find suitable location for this.

Broadband connection: work ongoing no update this time.

Planning: No new planning applications. Concerns raised about road access to Kempton Barn conversions, particularly access from the lane to the B4385. PC to approach SC Highways Department regarding this matter.

Future Fit: 25 people attended a meeting held in Clunbury to outline the options for A&E at Shrewsbury and Telford. Questionnaire responses in Shropshire have been one of the highest in the country and will be analysed by an independent company, results should be available next February.

Sylvia Jones reported from a meeting she attended about the night time closure of Telford A&E and the effects of this decision on people in Shropshire and the strain on other hospitals and services in the West Midlands. There are concerns that the winter pressure plan could be compromised. An extra 30 beds have been made available to cope with winter pressure but questions have been raised

about how they will be staffed when one of the reasons for the proposed closure of A&E is staff shortages.

Maternity services are under scrutiny from CQC. Boarding patients (patients on trollies in corridors) has stopped but this is causing extra pressure on the rest of the hospital. The Ambulance Service are also under increasing pressure and as yet no agreement has been made for how they will cope with increasing travel distances resulting from the Telford night time closure.

Roads: Kempton, concerns raised about speed and safety on the B4385. PC to contact Highways Department and request meeting.

Potholes: A rare sighting of a pothole repair machine had been made in Clunton.

Correspondence: All households should now have received enquiry forms for electoral roll data.

AOB: Cllr Harding asked on behalf of the Church Committee if they might consider supporting the purchase of an aluminium soldier to commemorate 100 years since WW1. The cost is £750 and this money goes to charity. Following a discussion it was felt that it would be difficult to agree on where to site the soldier and who would be responsible for maintaining it.

PC received a letter from Airband who would be willing to attend community meetings to explain their offering for superfast Broadband in rural areas.

Next meeting: Kempton Village Hall, 22 November, 8pm. *Lynne Thompson & Sue Hill*

Footpath Volunteers Required

Catherine Lishman, our volunteer Footpath Warden is working with SC to maintain the footpaths in our parish. She needs more volunteers to help repair and install stiles and clear paths. If you could spare a little time, even just occasionally, please contact Catherine at catherinelishman@hotmail.com

Events Diary for October 2018

Mon 1	9-11.30am	Parent&Toddler Group-every Mon in term time. Just turn up	Clunbury Village Hall
Mon 1	7.30pm	Table Tennis every Mon not the last one of the month £1	Aston on Clun Village Hall
Tue 2	7.30pm	Flicks—The Post—680302	Lydbury North Village Hall
Wed 3		Quiz—proceeds to Midlands Air Ambulance	Kangaroo Inn, Aston on Clun
Thu 4,11,18,25	7-8pm	Sign Language Course	Clunbury Village Hall
Thu 4	7.15pm	Shakespeare's Globe Live: A Winter's Tale-630321/630038	SpArC
Fri 5	10-11.30am/6.30-8pm	Abbeyfield House Bishop's Castle Open Day-630000	
Fri 5	7.30pm	BC Railway Railways Before the Rocket-638998	BC Methodist Hall
Sun 7	11.15am	Morning Prayer	St Swithin's, Clunbury
Tue 9		Mobile Library: Clunbury Bridge 10.10-10.30am, Clunton 10.40-11.00am,	Obley 12.45-12.55pm
Tue 9	2pm	Flicks—An American in Paris—630321/630038	SpArC
Tue 9	7.15pm	Live Screening: The Importance of Being Earnest-660493/893	Aston on Clun Village Hall
Wed 10	8pm	Bishop's Castle Film Society—Hotel Salvation	Three Tuns, Bishop's Castle
Thu 11	10-11.30am	Clunbury Café	Clunbury Village Hall
Thu 11	7pm	Good Neighbours Scheme AGM	Clun Methodist Church Rooms
Fri 12	8pm	Flicks—Eddie—660159/660781	Clungunford Hall
Fri 12	7.30pm	Bon Debarras:En Panne de Silence-630321/630038	SpArC
Sat 13	10am	Coffee Morning for Heart & Lung Transplant Fund	Clunbury Village Hall
Sat 13	7.30pm	The Churchfitters in aid of Clunton Church-660169	Newcastle Community Centre
Sun 14	11.15am	BCP Holy Communion	St Swithin's, Clunbury
Wed 17		Tim's Travels—Rebus, Long Shadows—640506	Malvern Theatre
Wed 17	7.30pm	Fun Quiz	Bedstone Village Hall
Thu 18	10am-12.30pm	All about Osteoporosis	The Village Hall, Norbury
Fri 19	9.30am	Clunbury School Harvest Festival	St Swithin's, Clunbury
Fri 19	10.30-noon	Coffee Morning in aid of Macmillan Cancer Support	Clunbury Village Hall
Fri 19	7pm	Harvest Festival	St Mary's Clunton
Sat 20	10am-1pm	Craft & Collectables Market	Aston on Clun Village Hall
Sun 21	2pm	Royal Ballet: Mayerling-630321/630038	SpArC
Sun 21	6.30pm	United Evensong	St Mary's Clunton
Tue 23		Mobile Library: Clunbury Bridge 10.10-10.30am, Clunton 10.40-11.00am,	Obley 12.45-12.55pm
Wed 24	10am-1pm	Clunbury Craft Group	Clunbury Village Hall
Wed 24	7.30pm	SWS Gardening Club-Exotic Blooms & How They Got to Shropshire/AGM	Lydbury North Village Hall
Wed 24	8pm	Bishop's Castle Film Society—Loveless	Three Tuns, Bishop's Castle
Thu 25	10-11.30am	Clunbury Café	Clunbury Village Hall
Thu 25	6.30pm	Flicks—War Horse—630321/630038	SpArC
Fri 26	7.30pm	Flicks—The Shape of Water—01547-530282	Bedstone Village Hall
Sat 27	10am-2pm	Churchyard tidying	St Swithin's, Clunbury
Sat 27	10am-4pm	Clunton Scumpers Juicing Day-660309	Clunton Village Hall
Sat 27	10am-2pm	Grand Pre Christmas Craft Fair-640401	St. George's, Clun
Sat 27	7.30pm	Flicks—The Guernsey Literary & Potato Peel Pie Society—660545	Aston on Clun Village Hall
Sun 28	11.15am	United CW Holy Communion	St Swithin's, Clunbury
Sun 28	5pm	Royal Opera House Live: Die Walkure (Wagner)630321/630038	SpArC
29 Oct—2 Nov		Clunbury School Half Term Holiday	

Local Transport Plan for Shropshire

The LTP is the key platform through which Shropshire Council can strategically plan for all aspects of transport and highways in Shropshire. The information we gather from an online survey will help us to understand current and future transport challenges and priorities, what we are doing right and what can be improved.

Please complete your survey response by Wednesday 31 October 2018.

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/Shropshire-LTP4-survey>

If you require a copy of this survey to complete in writing contact Nikki Cheek at Shropshire Council.

Good Neighbours Scheme AGM

Thursday 11 October 7pm
Clun Methodist Church
Rooms
Invited speaker Dr Edwin
Green, The Meadows
Surgery

The Parish Post thanks the
Aston on Clun Community
Shop for its generous grant