

# The Parish Post

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## Purslow Show

From top left: Dawn Parsonage with Nettle an African spotted eagle owl; admiring the poultry; folk singer Mediterranean Knees; Eirlys Ellams gets a surprise on The Parish Post stand; Rev. Simon in full clerical regalia; archery training by the Bowmen of Caradoc; part of the massive children's entry in the Show Tent; Treasure Trove Puppets; leaping home in the dog scurry.

Please send your contributions by the 20th of each month

## Sunshine and Sunny Smiles at Purslow Show

The setting for Purslow Show with Clunbury Hill as its backdrop is second to none, especially when the sun is shining, as it did this Bank Holiday Monday. There was plenty to see and do, with music all afternoon from the Bishop's Castle band, Anything Goes and folk artist Mediterranean Knees, adding to the holiday atmosphere.

The Twenty-Fifth Anniversary Hill Run attracted a good entry as always. Adrian Pickles, who won the very first race (and the next two) returned to compete again,



this time in the veteran class, finishing in 27 mins 55 secs minutes. He is pictured (on the left) with this year's winner Jack (Pip) Blackburn and Jim Whitehead. The prizes were presented by Mrs Barbara Hutchinson, whose late husband Peter originally suggested the idea of a hill run being part of the show.

In the Show Tent there was a magnificent display of entries in the Children's section, much of it originating from Clunbury School. There were fewer entries in the Garden Produce section than in previous years, (perhaps growing conditions have been a bit tricky this year?), also the local 'big hitters of vegetable showing' were notable by their absence. All other classes were well supported, with some particularly imaginative pieces of work on show in the Handicraft section. The Flower section

was extremely colourful, the Cakes and Store cupboard produce looked mouth-wateringly tempting and in the Photography class, 'A digitally manipulated photo presented with the original', showed what amazing effects can be achieved with the aid of a computer.

Out on the field, as well as competing in the usual dog show, owners had the opportunity to introduce their dogs to a 'Scurry' in which the dogs went against the clock over four jumps to pick up, retrieve and return. Some dogs seemed a bit puzzled by it all but most appeared to enjoy the event!

To mark this being the 70<sup>th</sup> Show, there was a display of old photos and newspaper cuttings of past shows in the tea tent, which brought back memories for a lot of people. Thanks must go to the very many people involved in organising the show (most unrecognised behind the scenes) without whom the show could not go on.

*Sue Hill*

### Show Tent Cup Winners

Dr Hamar Cookery Cup - Wendy Heighway; WI Store Cupboard Cup - Richard Bott; Dr Hamar Vegetable Cup - Richard Webb; Mrs JFC Woosnam Flower Cup - Dorothy Morris; Dr Hamar Handicraft Cup - Carol Bowen; Margery Price Rose Bowl for Flower Arranging - Sally Tudor; Ted Lewis Cup for Roses - Dorothy Morris; Monica Reynolds Cup for Cake Making - Ellen Beanstall; Sheila Train Perpetual Children's Cup - Lucinda Palmer; Ken Davies Perpetual Challenge Trophy - Gordon Bailey.

### Hill Run Winners

First Senior Man - Jack (Pip) Blackburn (Bristol), 22 mins 32 secs; First Senior Lady - Emma Morris (Croft Ambrey), 29.32; First Junior Male - Aidan Yapp (Ludlow) 27.43; First Junior Female - Shana Stewardson (Bridgnorth), 31.32; First Male Veteran - Will Levett, 22.59; First Female Veteran - Jill Evans (Shrewsbury), 33.06.

## Ride and Stride 2017

The annual fundraising event for the Shropshire Historic Churches Trust and our churches takes place on Saturday 9 September. The idea is to cycle, walk or ride (on a horse, in a car, or on a motorbike) and visit as many churches as you can during the day. Most churches will be open and many provide a drink and biscuit even if no-one is there to welcome you.



If you would like to take part and think you can raise a bit of sponsorship, shared between the Trust and your church, please pick up a form in church - or contact Pat for more information.

Pat: 01588 660169

or [patmharding@aol.com](mailto:patmharding@aol.com)

Come and join in and enjoy the day  
*Pat Harding*

## Operation Christmas Child—Shoe Box Appeal

Join the world's largest children's Christmas project. Can you fill a shoebox with toys, stationery, hat and gloves, toothbrush, etc? Leaflets available in churches. Your box will need to be ready by first week in November. More details next month or from Pat: 01588 660169.



*Pat Harding*

## Harvest Festival

at St Swithin's

Friday 6 October, 7pm

followed by supper in  
the Village Hall

*Tickets on the door £6*



## SUMMER BBQ



### CLUNTON VILLAGE HALL

Sunday 3 September

From 2 pm, Food served at 3 pm

*Cooked on the BBQ by the Chairman  
Salads and vegetarian option, plus puddings*

Raffle

Licensed bar

Tickets £10 (includes glass of Pimms)

Under 16: £5, Under 5: free

Tickets available from  
Committee Members or phone

01588 660652 or 660169

## YOGA

**Wednesday evenings 6.30 - 8pm  
starting 13 September  
at Clunbury Village Hall**

In the Viniyoga tradition

Beginners welcome

*Working with breath and mindful  
movement, Viniyoga means 'special  
yoga for the individual'*

To book or find out more contact

Alice Perceval 01547 560100

[www.theyogapractice.org.uk](http://www.theyogapractice.org.uk)

[aliceperceval1@btinternet.com](mailto:aliceperceval1@btinternet.com)

£56 for 7 classes or £10 per class

## Bishop's Castle Railway Society

at the Methodist Hall, Station Street,  
Bishop's Castle, 7.30pm

**1 September**

Britain on Film: Railways - Archive film  
from The Independent Cinema Office

**6 October**

Steam on the Cambrian - Richard Icke

Members free, visitors £2.00

Refreshments available

Further details: contact John Rimmer

01588 638998



## Have your Say!

**T**ell us what you think about health and social care services, and Healthwatch Shropshire will share them with the people who have the power to make change happen.

We will make sure your voice is heard by representing families on local health care issues so that services meet the needs of the community. Our reports are available on our website and at all local libraries.

Healthwatch Shropshire also provides the Independent Health Complaints Advocacy Service (IHCAS) for Shropshire residents and people using NHS services in Shropshire. If you want to raise a concern, or make a formal complaint about NHS treatment, we can give you the information you need and support you to have your voice heard.

NHS and social care providers, the commissioners and the Care Quality Commission are now actively seeking out information from us about how you are experiencing care in Shropshire.

Contact details:

Tel: 01743 237884

Email: [enquiries@healthwatchshropshire.co.uk](mailto:enquiries@healthwatchshropshire.co.uk)

Online: [www.healthwatchshropshire.co.uk](http://www.healthwatchshropshire.co.uk)

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## Flu Immunisation

If you are aged 65 or over, pregnant, or suffer from chronic respiratory disease (including asthma), chronic heart disease, chronic renal disease, diabetes or have a weak immune system, then you may be more at risk from flu.

### Flu Immunisation Days in the area

#### Craven Arms:

**Saturday 30 September From 9am**

Call 672309 to book your appointment

#### Clun:

**Wed 20 Sept & Wed 18 Oct**

**From 9am to 5.30pm**

Call 640573 to book your appointment



## Vintage Tea

**Kempton Village Hall**

**Sunday 1 October**

**3pm onwards**

Sandwiches, cakes,  
tea, coffee, squash

Raffle

Entrance: adults: £5  
children: £1



*In aid of Village Hall funds*



## Collection Boxes Raise £168 for SpArC

**T**hyme café, in Bishop's Castle, is displaying the work of local artist, Sue Percy, throughout the summer. Josie, the café's owner, donates the commission to the Save the SpArC fund. *"We are very grateful to the Thyme café, the 3 Tuns, the Happy Bap, The Sun at Clun, the Chai Shop and Harvest Wholefoods for having SpArC collection boxes on their premises"* says Kate Evans, SpArC fundraiser. *"We would love to hear from any shop and business who might be interested in hosting a SpArC collection box."*

Contact: [savethesparc@gmail.com](mailto:savethesparc@gmail.com)

For more information about the Save the SpArC campaign or to make a donation visit [www.savethesparc.com](http://www.savethesparc.com)



**“Growing and Storing Vegetables”**

a talk by Keith Ferguson

**Wednesday 27 September**

**Lydbury North Village Hall**

**K**eith, a professional botanist, worked at the Royal Botanic Gardens at Kew and retired as the Deputy Keeper of the Herbarium and Head of the Pollen Unit. He and his wife created a new garden at Longhope, Gloucester.

If you are wondering where you went wrong this Summer, or what to do with your successful glut, then come and learn from the expert!

The talk is free to members; visitors are also welcome at £5 per person including refreshments. Any further queries to Sandy Burton 01588 680454 or Carol Clarke 01588 660753 or on our website:

[www.gardeningshropshire.co.uk](http://www.gardeningshropshire.co.uk)

**No News—Good News**

**C**onnecting Shropshire have recently announced the next phase of broadband provision, and those of us with sharp eyes (and the internet!) may have noticed that Clunbury and Twitchen remain on the maps as carrying "blue dot" status.

Please be assured that this does not mean what it might appear to mean! We have seen further correspondence between Shropshire Connect and Philip Dunne confirming the plans we've outlined in the last edition (ie Fibre To The Premises), sometime in the first half of next year. This is in addition to correspondence with Open Reach and BT and, of course, with Connecting Shropshire themselves.

No fake news folks! Any questions do please get in touch with me or Nigel Holland.

*Matthew Trustman (Mtrustman@btinternet.com)*

**100 Club August Winners**

Sarah Watkins: £20; Caroline Holmes: £15; Maddy Matveieff: £10; Brian Marsh: £5; Karen Williams £3.

**Clungunford Village Hall**

**Live theatre 20 October, 7.30pm**

**"Forget me not"**

The Alzheimer's whodunnit- written and Performed by Rob Gee.

A touching, funny and sensitive one-man show - a murder mystery set in a dementia ward

Please visit Rob at :

<https://www.robgee.co.uk/>

Admission:£10

Call 01588 660152 to book

**Blue Hills Schools Federation**

**S**t Mary's, Bucknell CE Primary, Newcastle CE Primary and Clunbury CE Primary Schools are very pleased to announce that from 1 September 2017 they will officially form The Blue Hills Federation. The three schools have already been working very closely together and have already seen the benefits of close collaboration. As we formally enter the federation, this strong working partnership will be further strengthened to ensure the best education for the children in our care and each school's place in the heart of the community.

*Miss Anna Cook, Head St Mary's CE Primary School, Bucknell and Executive Head Clunbury CE Primary School; Mrs Ruth Gittins, Acting Head Newcastle CE Primary School.*

**Notes from Clunbury Village Hall**

**W**e now have four chairs with arms which we hope will be of help to visitors with mobility problems.



A letter has been received from Hope House Hospice thanking the village for sending a donation of £560 raised at the open gardens event held in June.

*Eirlys Ellams*

**Twitchen Noticeboard**

A big 'Thank you' to Arthur Cassford for repairing the noticeboard following storm damage. Lovely job. Mary Jones

### Events Diary for September 2017

Fri 1	7.30pm	BC Railway Society: Britain on Film: Railways-638998	BC Methodist Hall
Sat 2	2-4.30	SWSGC Show	Lydbury North Village Hall
Sun 3	11.15am	Morning Prayer	St Swithin's, Clunbury
Sun 3	From 2pm	Summer BBQ	Clunton Village Hall
Sun 3	12-2pm	Annual Sunday Buffet Lunch - 01547 530282	Bedstone VH
Sun 3	6pm	Songs of Praise in four-part harmony. Tel 661171 for info.	Kempton Village Hall
Tue 5		Start of Autumn Term - Clunbury School	
Tue 5	2pm	Flicks - Swallows & Amazons (2016) - 630321/630038	SpArC
Tue 5	7.30pm	Flicks - LaLa Land - 680302	Lydbury North Village Hall
Tue 5	7.30pm	Charity Prize Quiz - 01547 540286	The Sun, Leintwardine
Wed 6		Quiz - proceeds to Midlands Air Ambulance	Kangaroo Inn, Aston on Clun
Sat 9	All day	Ride & Stride-660169	
Sat 9	7pm	Live - Last Night of the Proms - 660493	Aston on Clun Village Hall
Sat 9	7.30pm	Flicks - LaLa Land - 640254	Clun Memorial Hall
Sun 10	11.15am	BCP Holy Communion	St Swithin's, Clunbury
Mon 11	9-11.30am	Parent&Toddler Group-every Mon in term time. Just turn up	Clunbury Village Hall
Mon 11	7pm	Prize Bingo-01547 540286	Leintwardine Community Centre
Tue 12		Mobile Library: Clunbury Bridge 10.10-10.30am, Clunton 10.40-11.00am, Obley 12.45-12.55pm	
Wed 13	8pm	Bishop's Castle Film Society - Paterson	Three Tuns, Bishop's Castle
Thu 14	10-11.30am	Clunbury Café	Clunbury Village Hall
Sat 16	10am-1pm	Craft & Collectables Market	Aston on Clun Village Hall
Sat 16		BC Colour Run-638352	
Sat 16		The Sultana Brothers-680454	Lydbury North Village Hall
Sun 17	6.30pm	United Evening Prayer	St Mary's, Clunton
Wed 20	7.15pm	Royal Opera House - The Magic Flute - 630321/630038	SpArC
Thu 21	8pm	Clunbury Parish Council Meeting	Clunbury Village Hall
Fri 22	7.30pm	Flicks - The Graduate - 680302	Lydbury North Village Hall
Fri 22	8pm	Flicks - LaLa Land - 660159	Parish Hall, Clungunford
Sat 23	7.30pm	Flicks - Lion - 660545	Aston on Clun Village Hall
Sat 23	7.30pm	Flicks - A United Kingdom - 640254	Clun Memorial Hall
Sun 24	11.15am	Morning Worship & Baptism	St Swithin's, Clunbury
Tue 26		Mobile Library: Clunbury Bridge 10.10-10.30am, Clunton 10.40-11.00am, Obley 12.45-12.55pm	
Wed 27	7.30pm	SWS Gardening Club-Growing & Storing Vegetables	Lydbury North Village Hall
Wed 27	8pm	Bishop's Castle Film Society - The Sense of an Ending	Three Tuns, Bishop's Castle
Thu 28	10-11.30am	Clunbury Café	Clunbury Village Hall
Fri 29	7pm	Harvest Festival	St Mary's, Clunton
Sat 30	From 9am	Flu Immunisation Day - 672309 for appointment	Craven Arms Surgery
<b>October</b>			
Sun 1	From 3pm	Vintage Afternoon Tea	Kempton Village Hall

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### Last Night of the Proms

**Live, on the big screen**

Aston on Clun Village Hall

**Saturday 9 September**

Entry: £2.00

Wine, beer, soft drinks & snacks on sale  
Doors open at 7.00 pm. Call 01588 660493 for more information