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Clunbury School Round House

The completion of the Round House project has culminated in an exciting Iron Age workshop day, which was run for us by Janie Mitchell. The children participated in making costumes of the period, grinding wheat to make flour & making & cooking bread on an open fire. A real Iron Age Experience.

We are extremely lucky to live in an area that has such a wealth of natural beauty right on our door step & we feel it is important for our children to understand the significance of the hills around us & why people chose to settle here. Key Stage 2 children study Celtic life as part of their History curriculum & have in the past made their own Round Houses as part of Forest School lessons. To have an actual replica on the school grounds is going to be a huge asset to enhance their learning & give them a real insight into what life may have been like.

The workshop day proved to us how useful the Round House shelter is going to be to enhance the learning environment of our children.

We are a Forest School & although we have a willow shelter on the field, the addition of the Round House will enable us to accommodate more children on the field particularly during the winter & inclement weather.

As a Forest School leader I understand the benefits of working outside to engage

the children with their environment, to help them to develop an appreciation of their surroundings & to provide a more active curriculum.

While the Round House was being built we were fortunate to be able to watch the project taking shape. The children visited the site at various stages to take photographs & to interview Mr Walden, the thatcher. It was fascinating for the children to be able to watch the structure taking shape & to be able to watch the craftsman at work.



Sustainability issues are high on the agenda & the building of the Round House will help answer some questions relating to this. The children were able to find out about the raw materials used in the construction, where they were sourced & what may have been used in the Iron Age period. Great interest was generated in the art of thatching & it was a privilege to be able to watch such a

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craftsman at work particularly as it is a dying art.

As part of our project we were lucky to have a visit from Cath Landles, Community Officer Shropshire Hills AONB who took an assembly to tell the children about our beautiful area.

We discussed other possible work we could do in partnership with her & she left us leaflets to give out to everyone. The children were inspired by the presentation she showed them & we hope to continue this partnership next term.

*From the Clunbury School Round House Project
Report by Pat Greenaway*

Clunton Garage Sale

We had a fine bright day for the sale & the garage was packed with all manner of items from toys, games & puzzles to household items, bric a brac & pottery

Customers were arriving before 10am & the morning was busy with sales, teas & coffee & splendid cakes. Some of Ruth Buckley's delightful paintings were on show & several were sold.

All proceeds went to St Mary's Church & over £550 was raised. Thank you to all who brought things to sell, made cakes & helped in any way.

Pat Harding

Clunbury Village Hall Event

Friday 12 November at 7.15pm

Curry & Quiz Night

Everyone welcome for this excellent night of entertainment in aid of Clunbury School.

Teams should be between 4 & 6.

Enjoy a delicious home made curry whilst pitting you wits against your friends!

Cost: £2.50 for the quiz or £6.50 if you want a curry as well.

Please bring your own drink.

For more information ring Philip Wright on 660446

Tales of an Arctic Adventurer

The audience in Clunbury Village Hall was transported to the Arctic when Sue Riches recounted her experiences as part of an all-woman relay team which reached the North Pole in 1997. At the age of 50, & only a few months after a mastectomy as a result of breast cancer, she, with her daughter Victoria, was amongst 200 women who answered an advert seeking "Adventurers for the first attempt by an all woman team to walk to the North Pole". After rugged trials (SAS style) they were both selected to be in one of the five relay teams, made up of four volunteers & two women guides, who would attempt the walk to the Pole.

Sue's matter of fact description of the journey, including a time when she fell through the ice into the sea, does not do justice to their achievement. Despite walking for up to 10 hours a day over rough ice (pulling a 150lb sledge), in temperatures that could go down to -55C, they were getting only a little closer to the Pole as the ice was drifting in the opposite direction on ocean currents! As part of the 3rd leg of the relay Sue & Victoria knew they were never going to reach the Pole, but they both still harbour ambitions to do so & I wouldn't be at all surprised to hear that one day they get there.

This very enjoyable event raised £215 in aid of St Swithin's Church.

Sue Hill

Death Toll Mounts in Little Brampton!



Lin Brown & Annie Sutton are holding two Special Christmas Murder Mystery Parties "The Night Before Christmas" set in a snowbound country house on Christmas Eve 1948 (but actually held in Annie's Tea Rooms on the 3rd & 16th of December 2010). Contact Lin on 660578 or Annie on 660141 for details.



Advertising pays (and it's free)!

As a result of an advert in The Parish Post we now have a new Tree Warden. Lizzie Potter, of Kempton, saw Ann Shepherdson's advert & agreed to replace her. Lizzie will be writing about her new role in a future Parish Post but in the meantime she would be pleased to hear from anyone who would like to volunteer assistance. Lizzie is also the contact for the

Shropshire Community Tree Scheme

This Council scheme enables parish tree wardens, schools, environmental & community groups, Parish Councils, farmers & landowners to apply for native trees & shrubs free of charge. You can contact Lizzie on 660418

Clunton Scrumpers

It was bright & breezy as Clunton Scrumpers held their annual apple pressing day at Clunton Village Hall. The apples are pulped & then pressed to extract the juice which is then either poured into glass bottles before being pasteurised or into waxed cartons ready for freezing. The Scrumpers provide bottles if you don't have your own. It's amazing how much delicious juice comes out of a bucket of apples. Soup, bread, tea & cakes were on sale so you could relax with some food & watch the Scrumpers hard at work on your apples & it's all done at cost price. If your apples went to waste this year make a date with Clunton Scrumpers next October.



Harry Collins helps to load the press

Veronica Thackeray speaks at Bookworms

Lydbury North Village Hall

Wednesday 10 November, 7.30pm

£3.00, including tea or coffee

Booking essential phone Richard Beaumont 680302

Veronica Thackeray, who is now in her 90's & lives at Hopton Castle, wrote "A Wanderer in Wales & the Borderland" some years ago & is writing a book about her wartime experiences with the Special Operations Executive. She is a charismatic talker who enthralled her audience on her last visit.

Bookworms is not a reading group; it's an informal group for book lovers that meets on the second Wednesday of the month in the cosy green room of Lydbury North Village Hall.

A guest talks about their particular interest & describes briefly two or three of their favourite books. The evening finishes with a general discussion of who's been reading what & the swapping, selling or lending of books.

Guests have included Nick Howell on pop-up books, Peter Holliday on Kilvert's Diary, Jane Freeman of the Mary Webb Society, Bryan Podmore linking poems & paintings & at our last meeting Helen Wilkinson of P & P tours talked about literary locations including Pride & Prejudice.

Richard Beaumont

Parish Post AGM Reminder

Pease join us for **free cheese**

& wine at the First Annual

General Meeting of the

Clunbury Parish Newsletter

Association in Clunton Village

Hall

on Monday 1 November, at

7.30pm. Everyone welcome.

This is your chance to meet &

chat with the team behind

The Parish Post.



Please let us have your favourite Christmas recipes for our next edition

Parish Council Meeting notes

Held on 30 September in Clunbury Village Hall. Seven Parish Councillors & one member of the public were present. Apologies were received from Harry Collins (Chairman), Sandra Morgan & Shropshire Councillor Nigel Hartin. Vice Chairman John Croxton chaired the meeting.

Purslow War Memorial

Over £2,000 had been raised through the recent coffee morning. This would cover the cost of immediate repairs & pay for biannual cleaning for some time to come.

Parish Plan progress

Kempton now has a new notice board & the board at Twitchen is being given a softer backing that will accept drawing pins. The benches at Twitchen & Kempton have been repaired. A more detailed review of progress against the Parish Plan will take place at the next meeting when it is hoped that Fiona Hoskins who chaired the Parish Plan Steering Group will be present.

Charitable donation

It was agreed to donate £25 to the Citizens Advice Bureau.

The next meeting will be on Thursday 25 November at 8.00pm in Kempton Village Hall.

David Hill

£70 Council Subsidy for New

Drivers

Pass Plus Extra is available to any new driver who lives in the Shropshire Council area. The Council is offering £70 towards Pass Plus Extra. The new driver attends a two hour workshop & then can complete six hours on-road training including motorway experience for a cost of only £60. Students can attend workshops in Shrewsbury or Telford. For more details or to book a place contact Eileen Taylor, Road Safety Officer, Shropshire Council tel: 01743 254962.

Harvest supper

Harvest Thanksgiving started in the morning with the church full of the school children & parents, when the children added to the already beautifully decorated church with their gifts of fruit, vegetables & other food (all of which was later taken to two homes for old people in the area).

For the evening service Barney had chosen some lovely readings & harvest hymns, & there were offerings including earth, water, oil & wine. Over sixty people attended, & most, including various children, went on afterwards to a Ploughman's Supper & very enjoyable evening at the Village Hall.

£219.40 was raised from the supper which was sent to the USPG, an Anglican organisation which has projects all over the world supporting church work, education, healthcare & social justice.

Christina Whitehead

Acts of Remembrance & Rededication

After the Remembrance Service in Clunbury Church at 10.50 a.m. on Sunday 14 November there will be the customary Act of Remembrance at the Purslow War Memorial at 12.30 p.m. The Act of Remembrance will begin with the Rededication of the restored War Memorial. A buffet lunch will be available afterwards at reasonable cost in the Hundred House.

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The Parish Post - Local Events Diary for November 2010

Date	Time	Event	Location
Mon 1st	7.30pm	Parish Post Newsletter free cheese & wine (& AGM) all parishioners very welcome	Clunton Village Hall
Tue 2nd	7.30pm	Flicks - The Hide	Lydbury North Village Hall
Wed 3rd	9.20am	Mobile Library 9.20 to 9.50am at Clunton 10.00 to 10.45am at Clunbury	Crown Inn, Clunton The bridge, Clunbury
Wed 3rd	2.30pm	Craven Arms WI	Methodist Hall, Craven Arms
Wed 3rd	8.00pm	Bishop's Castle Film Society - Look at Me	Three Tuns, Bishop's Castle
Fri 5th	9.00pm	Live Music - Kent Duchaine	White Horse, Clun
Sat 6th	7.00pm	Kempton bonfire	Kempton Farm
Sun 7th	6.30pm	Evensong	St Swithin's, Clunbury
Mon 8th	12.15pm	Mobile Library 12.15pm to 12.25pm	Obley
Mon 8th	7.00 - 9.00pm	Free help with using computers at Aston on Clun Broadplace	Kangaroo Inn, Aston on Clun
Tue 9th	9.00 - 11.30am	Christmas card sale and coffee morning - cards, gifts, advent calendars, cakes, raffle and more - all welcome	Clunbury Village Hall
Wed 10th	7.30pm	Bookworms - Veronica Thackery, booking essential	Lydbury North Village Hall
Sat 13th	10.30am - 3.00pm	Christmas Art & Craft Fair- entry free - refreshments	Aston on Clun Village Hall
Sat 13th	7.30pm	Flicks - The Ghost	Chapel Lawn Village Hall
Sun 14th	10.50am	Service of Remembrance	St Swithin's, Clunbury
Sun 14th	12.30pm	Act of Remembrance at Purslow War Memorial followed by a buffet lunch at the Hundred House	Purslow
Wed 17th	9.20am	Mobile Library 9.20 to 9.50am at Clunton 10.00 to 10.45am at Clunbury	Crown Inn, Clunton The bridge, Clunbury
Wed 17th	7.00pm	Murder Mystery Party - The Champagne Murders - booking essential	Old Wheelwrights Tearooms, Little Brampton 660141/660578
Wed 17th	7.30pm	Shropshire Wildlife Trust meeting	Hi Town Community Room, Clun
Wed 17th	8.00pm	Bishop's Castle Film Society - Frozen River	Three Tuns, Bishop's Castle
Wed 17th	9.15pm	Live folk music	Crown Inn, Clunton
Fri 19th	10.00am - 12.00noon	Christmas coffee morning with sale of items made by 'Stitchers' group	Pilgrim Centre, Craven Arms
Fri 19th	7.30pm	Tattie Jam in Concert (Scottish music)	Bedstone & Hopton Castle Village Hall
Fri 19th	7.30pm	Auction of promises in aid of Church	Chapel Lawn Village Hall
Fri 19th	8.00pm	Flicks - London River	Clungunford Parish Hall
Fri 19th	9.00pm	Live music - String Thing	White Horse, Clun
Sat 20th	7.30pm	Flicks - Up In The Air	Aston on Clun Village Hall
Sat 20th	7.30pm	Flicks - The Disappearance of Alice Creed	Clun Memorial Hall
Sun 21st	11.00am	Holy Communion	St Mary's, Clunton
Sun 21st	6.30pm	Evensong	St Swithin's, Clunbury
Mon 22nd	12.15pm	Mobile Library 12.15pm to 12.25pm	Obley

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Local Events Diary for November 2010 continued

Date	Time	Event	Location
Wed 24th	8.30pm	Live folk music	Kangaroo Inn, Aston on Clun
Thur 25th	8.00pm	Clunbury Parish Council meeting	Kempton Village Hall
Thur 25th	9.00pm	Live folk music	Sun Inn, Clun
Fri 26th	9.00pm	Live music - Locked & Loaded	White Horse, Clun
Sat 27th	8.00pm	Baker's Fabulous Boys	Lydbury North Village Hall
Sat 27th	8.30pm	Magic - Rob Chapman	White Horse, Clun
Sun 28th	10.30am	Group Service of Holy Communion	St Swithin's, Clunbury

Local Events Diary for early December 2010

Date	Time	Event	Location
Wed 1st	9.20am	Mobile Library 9.20 to 9.50am at Clunton 10.00 to 10.45am at Clunbury	Crown Inn, Clunton The bridge, Clunbury
Wed 1st	10.30am - 12.00noon	Clunton coffee morning - Christmas theme bring & buy, raffle etc. for Church funds	The Crown Inn, Clunton
Wed 1st	2.30pm	Craven Arms WI	Methodist Hall, Craven Arms
Wed 1st	8.00pm	BC Film Society - The Last Station	Three Tuns, Bishop's Castle
Fri 3rd	7.00pm	Murder Mystery Party - "The Night Before Christmas" - booking essential	Old Wheelwrights Tearooms, Little Brampton 660141/660578
Fri 3rd	9.00pm	Live music - Electric Blues Reaction	White Horse, Clun

Regular Walks

Day	Start time	Group	Start from
Every Wednesday	9.30am	Clunbury Walking Group	Crown Inn car park, Clunton
Every Wednesday	10.00am	Clun Ramblers walk	Clun Mem. Hall car park
Every Wednesday	10.00am	Clun Peramblers walk	Clun Mem. Hall car park
1st and 3rd Wed in month	10.00am	Clun Amblers walk	Clun Mem. Hall car park

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 ★ **Don't Forget Kempton Bonfire** ★
 ★ **Saturday 6 November Kempton Farm - Start 7.00, fireworks at 7.30.** ★
 ★ **Refreshments available. Contact Richard Bright on 660250** ★
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GETTING READY FOR CHRISTMAS

<p>In Clunton Coffee morning At The Crown Inn Wednesday 1 December 10.30am to 12 noon, coffee & biscuits Christmas theme Bring & Buy + raffle All in aid of St Mary's Church</p>	<p>In Clunbury Christmas Card Sale & Coffee Morning At the Village Hall Tuesday 9 November 9.00 - 11.30am Cards, gifts, advent calendars, cakes, raffle & more! All welcome</p>	<p>In Aston on Clun Christmas Art & Craft Fair At the Village Hall Saturday 13 November 10.30am—3pm Lunches & refreshments Free entry</p>
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