

# The Parish Post

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## Return of the Pumpkin Tea

Monday 7 October 3.30pm  
Clunbury Village Hall

Clunbury School gardeners are joining forces with the church and village hall to host a tea party to celebrate their magnificent crop of pumpkins. The children will be selling - pumpkins, pumpkin products and school garden produce. There will be games and a raffle. Profits donated to the Air Ambulance.

Free entry, donations for tea and cake. For more details contact Eirllys Ellams 660625.



## Friends of Clunbury School Fundraiser

Thursday 3 October  
at Meole Brace School,  
Shrewsbury SY3 9DW

### Joules Seconds

Imperfect catalogue returns and samples  
Advance tickets £5 6pm  
On the door tickets £10 (cash only) 7pm  
Contact 07929 389 924  
No children allowed in the sale room

### Aldi Kits for Schools

These will provide free sports equipment for the school. Please collect any stickers with spends over £30 and send to Clunbury School.

## Soups

&

## Puddings

Kempton  
Village Hall



Sunday 13 October

12.30 to 3pm

### Raffle

Adults: £5

School-age children: £2

In aid of the Village Hall funds

## Clunbury Village Hall

Are hosting an illustrated talk  
by

'Family doctor turned historian'  
Dr Richard Harding

Friday 11 October at 6.30pm

Richard's talk will reveal an interesting  
insight into  
the children of the Clun Valley  
1930-50 and their part in the start of  
the NHS

£2.50 inc light refreshments

Contact:  
Barbara 660629  
or Alister 661180



Please send your contributions  
by the 20th of each month

## Lighting Up at St Swithin's

With darker evenings ahead it was just the right time for the new light on the side door at St Swithin's to be installed. With the help of a generous grant from Aston on Clun Community Shop a new automatic light will make the steps into the church safer and a new delay timer at the main door will mean we can leave the church on a well-lit path. Thank you to Anthony Lloyd for the installation work.

*Christina Whitehead*

## CLUNBURY HARVEST SERVICES



Friday 18 October  
St Swithin's Church

9.15am

Clunbury School Harvest Service followed by a coffee morning in school, in aid of Macmillan Cancer Support

7.00pm

Harvest Thanksgiving Service followed by Harvest Supper in the Village Hall 8pm

Tickets £8 ( children free)  
Licensed bar

## 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.

## Ride and Stride

On a beautiful sunny day our Clunton Team set off and the cyclists



visited 13 churches and covered 47 miles. Well done Ian and Kate. Riding in the car and striding up the church paths is a rather less active way to take part - but worthwhile nevertheless, visiting 9 churches.

Lunch at Clunton church is always welcome and well attended. Clunton church had 23 visitors who enjoyed tea, coffee, cold drinks and biscuits. Thank you to those who have sponsored the team.

**SPONSORSHIP** is still open.

Contact Pat 660169. Thank you.



BEDSTONE & HOPTON CASTLE  
VILLAGE HALL (in Bedstone)

# FISHERMAN'S FRIENDS



FRIDAY 4<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER

7.30 pm / £4.00 01547 530282 / [www.artsalive.co.uk](http://www.artsalive.co.uk)

## SpArC Survey

As you probably know Shropshire Council has announced they are to take back the operation of the SpArC Leisure centre in Bishop's Castle from April next year. They are now working with the SpArC charity to get a better understanding of what users would like to see at the centre. This is being done ideally through an online survey. The survey runs until 31 October and aims to get people's views, good or bad, about the centre and what new sports and leisure services might be delivered there.

Staff at Enterprise House in Bishops Castle have offered to help people to get online to complete the survey but paper copies can be provided. See link below -

<http://www.shropshire.gov.uk/get-involved/bishop-s-castle-leisure-survey-sport-and-arts-in-the-community-sparc-leisure-centre/>

or, alternatively, if you can't be bothered to type all that - <https://tinyurl.com/y5hun3h6>

*Mathew Mead, Place Plan Officer*

### Aston Flicks

#### **Saturday 26 October 7.30**

A Private War 2018 starring Rosamund Pike and Greg Wise. One of the most celebrated war correspondents of our time, Marie Colvin was an utterly fearless and rebellious spirit, driven to the frontline of conflicts across the globe to give voice to the voiceless.

#### **Advance notice**

#### **Saturday 23 November 7.30**

Rocketman starring Taron Egerton and Jamie Bell. A musical fantasy about the fantastical human story of Elton John's breakthrough years.

Tickets £5 Phone 660545 to book.



### Clunbury Craft Group

Needle Felting  
workshop with  
Maxine Smith

Back by popular demand  
at

Clunbury Village Hall  
Wednesday  
9 October

10.00—4.00pm

Tea and Coffee provided

Please bring own lunch

Places are limited - to book  
contact: Lynne 661180



**Clunbury draw for September** Pat Turley: £20; Joey Matveieff: £15; Caroline Holmes: £10; Richard Bott: £5; Ruth Seabury: £5.

**Clunton - subscriptions are now due for September 2019 to August 2020. £12 for each number. Contact Pat 660169.**



## 'Diluted' A Gardener and their Relationship to Water

**A Talk by Darren Lerigo**

**Wednesday 23 October**

**7.30 pm**

**Lydbury North Village Hall**

**D**arren Lerigo writes and lectures on all aspects of eco- friendly gardening. He also runs a garden design company, Modern Mint, specialising in making and maintaining topiary.

Modern Mint was set up in 2014 after Darren moved from Hampshire to Essex. He was immediately struck by the difference in climate; bright sunlight, drying winds and a very low rainfall. Such challenges concentrated his mind and this talk reflects his experiences of having to deal with the impact of very different weather conditions on his garden and business. Darren explores how we can conserve water, and change not just how we grow, but what we grow.

Our climate in the Marches may come as quite a shock to Darren! Nevertheless, climate change affects Shropshire as much as any other English county, and we all need to use water as efficiently as possible. Making the most of this most valuable resource is an interesting and relevant subject for our times. Free to members of South West Shropshire Gardening Club; visitors are welcome at £5 per person including refreshments.

Further queries to our Chairman, Sandy Burton 01588 680454 or please look at our website: [www.gardeningshropshire.co.uk](http://www.gardeningshropshire.co.uk)

## Garden and Produce Show

**S**outh West Shropshire Gardening Club has been organising shows for the last 31 years and they certainly know how to put on a great event. This year's show was held on Saturday 31 August, at Lydbury North Village Hall, and what a great day it turned out to be!

Talk to any gardener and you will find out that every year is a challenging year and this year was no exception! Looking around the room at the quality of all the wonderful exhibits you would have never guessed it. The standard was amazing. There were fabulous floral displays, fruit and vegetables, as well as prize-winning photography, bakes, home-made produce and handicrafts.



The show was open to the public in the afternoon and a sharp shower of rain at lunch time failed to put off the visitors, with many coming to see the display, picking up tips and asking questions. There was an excellent plant and produce store, where many were able to snap up a bargain. It raised over £200 for the club and local charities. Of course, there were delicious home-baked cakes and all was washed down with a nice cup of tea.

The show ran smoothly from beginning to end, all thanks to our fantastic and tireless show organizer Angie Salmon and her trusty team. A great day was had by all!

Start planning for next year. It's fun!

## Parish Council Report 12/09/19

**Present:** Eight councillors and thirteen members of the public.

### **Matters arising from the previous meeting:**

*Clunton Bridge:* the council will send a surveyor to assess the damage.

*Clunton burial ground:* Cllrs Jones and Davies to meet hedge cutting contractors.

*Website Access Statement:* Cllr Hill reported that this is complete.

**Correspondence:** *Climate Emergency:* a letter signed by a number of parishioners called on the Parish Council to adopt a proposal to declare a Climate Emergency. Members of the public present urged the council to encourage dialogue with other local councils, village halls, church groups and any local people who could offer their skills to help implement climate friendly policies. After a full and lively discussion there was a unanimous vote to declare a Climate Emergency. It was also agreed to set up a sub-group, consisting of some councillors and interested members of the public and councillors agreed that future decisions should, where possible, be made to take account of environmental conditions.

**Planning:** *White Cottage, Clunbury* – proposal for private sewage treatment plant – no objections.

*Church House, Clunbury* – proposal for solar panels to the rear – no objections.

*New house at Kempton* – concern was raised about the dangerous junction with the B4385 in the light of increased traffic from development in this area. A wider splay would alleviate this problem.

*Agricultural barn Clunton* – Cllr N Morgan raised the question of the proximity to Clunton Coppice, particularly given the earlier commitment of the council to give consideration to environmental issues. The chairman suggested a site meeting would be helpful.

**Roads:** *Clunton street lights* – Cllr N Morgan had obtained quotes for replacing the current bulbs with LEDs that would be set to come on at dusk and go off at mid-night. Cllr Harding said there might be a problem with the electricity supply – the current contract expires soon and the new rate quoted was 350% more. She agreed to try to get cheaper quotes but also agreed to investigate whether in Clun, along the same B road as that in Clunton, Shropshire Council may pay the electricity bill.

*Radar speed signs:* the possibility of sharing

signs, (rented from Bucknell PC), with Cluntonford was discussed. Once posts had been erected volunteers would be needed to charge the units and to move them from post to post as required. It was agreed to ask Highways for their opinion concerning the siting of these signs.

*Twitchen speed limit* – Cllr Bailey reported that Highways said the 40mph buffer zones should be instated during this financial year.

*Clunton Coppice by-way:* Cllr N Morgan reported this was being regularly used by motor-bikes. It was agreed that its status should be investigated to see if this use can be stopped.

**Correspondence:** *Telephone boxes:* BT have put closure notices in the boxes but the time-scale for anyone to apply to adopt one seems to be longer than stated.

*Footpaths:* Catherine Lishman (Footpaths Officer) has reported that volunteers from the Shrewsbury P3 group have put in three stiles and a kissing gate and repaired a stile on land at the top of Gunridge. There are two stiles and some woodland clearing still to do and more volunteers would be very welcome. Contact Catherine 660231.

**AOB:** *Clunton:* Cllr Harding said that neither BT nor the Environment Agency would do anything about the tree resting on a BT cable over the river and that the land the tree is on is unregistered so there is no known owner. It was agreed that the Parish Council should get a quote from a tree surgeon for cutting it down.

*Police and Crime Commission:* Cllr Hill had been in touch with the police who are prepared to send someone to give a presentation on the 'We Don't Buy Crime' initiative. (Subsequently arranged for the presentation to be at the next PC meeting.)

**Next meeting:** Thursday November 14, Clunbury VH, 8pm.

Sue Hill

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## Events Diary for October 2019

Mondays 10.00am	Table Tennis every Mon <b>not</b> the last one of the month £1	Aston on Clun Village Hall
Mondays 11.15am	Parent&Toddler Group - in term time. Just turn up	Clunbury Village Hall
Tuesdays 9.15-10.45am	Yoga Sessions every Tuesday—Beginners Welcome	Clunbury Village Hall
Wednesdays 2.00pm	Clungunford Bows 07951 292496	Clungunford Bowling Club
Thursdays 2-4.00pm	Table Tennis £3.00 per session 660847/07970-577614	Clungunford Parish Hall
Thur 3	6.30pm Clunbury School Joules sale at Meole Brace School	Shrewsbury
Thur 3	7.00pm Screening—Wise Children —630321/638038	SpArC
Fri 4	7.30-10pm Bishop's Castle Railway Society 638998	Methodist Hall BC
Fri 4	7.30pm Flicks— Fisherman's Friends 01574 530282	Bedstone Village Hall
Sun 6	11.15am Morning Prayer	St Swithin's Clunbury
Mon 7	3.30pm Return of The Pumpkin Tea	Clunbury Village Hall
Tue 8	Mobile Library: Clunbury Bridge 10.10-10.30am, Clunton 10.40-11.00am, Obley 12.45-12.55pm	
Wed 9	10.00am Needle felting workshop with Maxine Smith 661180	Clunbury Village Hall
Wed 9	8.00pm BC Film Society—Happy as Lazzaro -The Three Tuns 01694 328261	Bishop Castle
Thur 10	10-11.30am Clunbury Café	Clunbury Village Hall
Thur 10	11.00am NT Live—Hey Diddle Diddle –630321/638038	SpArC
Fri 11	6.00pm Flicks—Toy Story 4 630321/638038	SpArC
Fri 11	6.30pm Talk by Richard Harding 660629/661180	Clunbury Village Hall
Sun 13	9.45am CWHC	St Swithin's Clunbury
Sun 13	12.30-3.00pm Soups and Puddings	Kempton Village Hall
Sun 13	2.00pm Royal Opera House –Don Giovanni 630321/638038	SpArC
Thur 17	7.00pm NT Live—Mid Summer Night's Dream 630321/638038	SpArC
Thur 17	7.00pm NT Live—Mid Summer Night's Dream 660493/660893	Aston on Clun Village Hall
Fri 18	9.15am School Harvest service followed by Coffee Morning	St Swithin's Clunbury
Fri 18	7.00pm Harvest Thanksgiving Followed by Harvest Supper in VH	St Swithin's Clunbury
Sat 19	10-1.00pm Aston on Clun Craft & Collectables 660492/660292	Aston on Clun Village Hall
Sun 20	6.30pm United BCP Evensong	St Mary's, Clunton
Tue 22	2.00pm Flicks– This Beautiful Fantastic 630321/638038	SpArC
Wed 23	10-1.00pm Clunbury Craft Group 661180	Clunbury Village Hall
Wed 23	7.30pm SWSGC—Diluted 680454	Lydbury North Village Hall
Wed 23	8.00pm BC Film Society –The Man Who Shot Liberty Valance 01694 328261	Bishops Castle
Thur 24	7.30pm Royal Opera House - Don Pasquale 630321/638038	SpArC
Fri 25	10 –1.00pm Clunbury Craft Group—sewing machine workshop 661180	Clunbury Village Hall
Fri 25	8.00pm Flicks– Rocketman 660159	Clungunford Parish Hall
Sat 26	7.30 pm Flicks - A Private War 660545	Aston on Clun Village Hall
Sun 27	11.15am United CWHC	St Swithin's Clunbury

### Advance notices

**Friday 15 November** in Clunton Village Hall:

"Local memories from a GP and an OAP" with a 2 course hot supper.

All in aid of St Mary's Church, Clunton. Tickets £10.

**Wednesday 6 November:** Fun Quiz—Bedstone and Hopton Castle Village Hall Refreshments provided. Bring own beer/wine. Teams of 4. Come as a team or come and join one. £2.50 per person.