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*Corvedale and District Autumn Show - Laurie Robinson*



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*Our Domestics*

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*What's on in the Dale*

## CRAZY LADY COFFEE & CAKE

Four local nutty women have joined forces to host a weekly coffee morning on

**Thursdays, 10.00am – 12.00noon  
in the Church Room, Diddlebury.**

There will be a small charge for coffee, tea, and cake but laughter and chat are free!

Please come and join us for a bit of a giggle.  
For more information phone Sue on 07874 810 562.

## Corvedale Folk Club

**at The Sun Inn, Corfton  
on Monday 24th October  
at 7.30pm**

and on the 4th Monday of  
each month thereafter

Free entry! Everyone welcome!

For further information contact  
Ian on 01584 841 331



### RSPB Walks 2022

More information on walks can be found  
on the RSPB local group website.

Sunday 16th October - Venus Pool  
Sunday 13th November - Whixall Moss



## CORVEDALE TOTS

For Bumps, Babies, Toddlers & Parents!

**MONDAYS 10AM - 12PM**  
**TERM TIME ONLY**

BABY AREA, TODDLER AREA, BALL PIT, PLANNED ACTIVITY  
AND SELECTION OF RIDE ON TOYS.  
HOT DRINK AND CAKE INCLUDED.



**£2.50 PER FAMILY**



WESTHOPE VILLAGE HALL,  
WESTHOPE,  
CRAVEN ARMS,  
SY7 9JL

## YOUR LOCAL MARKET at Stoke Saint Milborough Village Hall

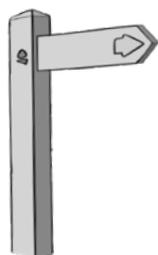


**12th October**  
**12.00 mid-day to 4.30**

Light lunches, ice cream, local produce,  
bakery, repair stall - and more.

### DROP IN!

Got produce to sell? Contact Jane Killick  
(shulgijm@gmail.com)



## CORVEDALE FOOTPATH MAINTENANCE GROUP

Working parties are usually on the 4th Wednesday of the month and the following Friday and Sunday, beginning at 9.30am. Please ring Jenny Vine on 01584 841596 to confirm work location.

Also, if any local walkers in the Corvedale notice any stiles or steps in poor condition, please report back to Jenny. The current planned dates are as follows:

October	Wednesday 26th	Friday 28th	Sunday 30th
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*What's on in the Dale*



## Weekly Whist Drives



Every Monday  
All ages and abilities welcome

Doors open 7pm  
Start 7:30pm

£3 to include half time refreshments

Westhope Village Hall  
SY7 9JL




## Harvest Supper

**Westhope Village Hall  
SY7 9JL**

**OCTOBER 22ND**

**7PM FOR 7:30PM START**

**3 COURSE MEAL WITH ENTERTAINMENT**

**ADULTS £15**

**UNDER 12 YEARS £8**

**To book please message our facebook page or ring 07486 414 742 or 07860 447 397**

## Wild about Westhope GREAT NUT HUNT

Sunday 16th October 10am - 2pm

**Join the Great Nut Hunt**

Dormice eat hazel nuts in their own unique way. Sadly they are an endangered species but we can help improve their habitat if we know where they live.

**Quidditch Racing.**

Learn how to make a Witches/Wizards broom.  
Have a go in the Quidditch racing and Win a Giant Pumpkin

**Woodland Café**

join us around the camp fire and enjoy a hot drink and cake.

This is a free event. All donations will be used to purchase a wildlife camera

**Parking at Westhope College SY7 9JL.**




Please join us for:

## Abdon's Autumn Gathering

**Friday 14th October 2022**

Abdon Village Hall From 6:30pm

\* FREE ENTRY \* Raffle tickets £1

Bring your own food & beverage  
Autumn punch, coffee & tea will be served

*Looking forward to seeing you...*

***Culmington Village Hall Activities & Events - October***

- Every Mon **Coffee Morning**, 10:00am - 11:30am. Everyone welcome.
- Every Mon **Bridge Club**, 12.30pm - 5.00pm. Contact: Peter Whitehead, [pst.whitehead@gmail.com](mailto:pst.whitehead@gmail.com)
- Every Tues AM **Chair Yoga For All Abilities** Contact: Liz Curtis, 07734 358 001, [lizcurtisyoga@gmail.com](mailto:lizcurtisyoga@gmail.com)
- Every Tues PM **Art Class - Painting Plants in Watercolour**, 2.00pm  
New class for beginners and improvers. Contact: Sue Linton, [suelinton@btinternet.com](mailto:suelinton@btinternet.com)
- Every Other Wed **Playgroup**, 10:30am - 11.30am  
5th, 19th Sensory playgroup for babies and toddlers up to 5 years.  
Contact: Cally Marsh, 07854 004 556, [callymarsh09@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:callymarsh09@hotmail.co.uk)
- Tues 11th **RSPB meeting** Contact: Carol Wood, [carolwood772@outlook.com](mailto:carolwood772@outlook.com)
- Sun 16th **Tractor & 4x4 Run**, Assemble at 8:30am for 10:00am start.  
Join us on a beautiful scenic tour of the Corvedale. Start and finish at Seifton Farm, Culmington.  
£10.00 per vehicle. Profits to the Multiple Sclerosis Society and Village Hall renovations.  
Hot food available at start and finish.  
Contact: Pat Caine, 07966 387 815 or Lewis Weaver, 07831 606 079
- Thurs 20th **Return of Lunch Club**, 12:30pm for 13:00pm lunch  
£8.00 for 2 course meal plus £1.00 annual fee at first lunch  
Contact: Gwyn Edwards, 01584 861 666
- Fri 28th **Italian Night**, Bar open 6:00pm. Food served from 6:30pm - 8:30pm  
Enjoy Italian atmosphere and food. Meal and nibbles, £10.00. Please book with meal choice.  
MENU: Spaghetti Bolognese, Tuna Pasta Bake, Spinach & Ricotta Cheese Cannelloni (V)  
Contact: Anne, 01584 861 787, Gwyn 01584 861 666, or Jo 07872 109 936

***Abdon Village Hall Events***

- Coffee and Cake Morning** Saturday 29th October 10.30am to 12.30pm  
Everyone welcome!
- UFO (Un-Finished Objects)** Saturday 8th October 10.30am to 12.30pm  
Craft morning returns after a summer break. Bring along your unfinished projects. Join us and learn a new craft skill or teach your craft skills to someone else. Please supply your own materials. Please make a donation for refreshments.
- Abdon's Autumn Gathering** Friday 14th October From 6.30pm.  
\*FREE ENTRY\* Raffle tickets £1 a strip. **Bring your own food & beverage.**  
Autumn punch, coffee and tea will be served. Looking forward to seeing you...

**ABDON VILLAGE HALL BOOKINGS**

Contact Helen Audin: 01746 712 365 or [abdon.villagehall@gmail.com](mailto:abdon.villagehall@gmail.com)  
Or visit our website for the booking form and details: [www.abdonandheathparish.org.uk](http://www.abdonandheathparish.org.uk)

***Blue Hills Choir Concert - Saturday 15th October***

As a result of their successful concert at Stanton Long, Blue Hills Choir has been asked to give a concert in aid of the Cuan Wildlife Rescue charity in Much Wenlock. The concert will take place on **Saturday 15th October at 3.00pm** in the parish church in Much Wenlock, followed by refreshments. Tickets are at the bargain price of **£5.00** and are available from Deb Bolger at Cuan (07749 428871), Sally Russell (01746 787 419, [sallyangelarusell@gmail.com](mailto:sallyangelarusell@gmail.com)) and will be available on the door.

The programme will include a wide variety of music including Zadok the Priest by Handel and other favourite classical pieces.

Cuan Wildlife is a rescue centre for sick, injured or orphaned wild animals and birds, which aims to nurse them back to health.

*Ros Crouch*

*Westhope Village Hall*



After completing the repairs to our village hall roof, we have now started our busy Autumn programme of events, and have welcomed back the **Corvedale Tots**, every Monday 10am-12noon (term time only). Our **Yoga Group** is now up and running again every Thursday 9.30am-10.30am. **Whist Drives** are every Monday 7.30pm start. Come along and join our friendly band of whist players.

On Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> September we held our first line dancing evening, what a great night we had! We've had some lovely feedback from the evening, and we will be organising another event very soon.

On Friday 30<sup>th</sup> September it is the **Monthly Bingo**, doors open 7.00pm eyes down 7.30pm. There will be two more monthly cash bingos later this year - 28<sup>th</sup> October and 25<sup>th</sup> November. We are holding a **Christmas Prize Bingo** on Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> December, doors open 7.00pm and eyes down 7.30pm. Refreshments and licensed bar. Put the date in your diary.

On Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> October from 7.30pm until late we have the extremely popular **Country & Western** singers Double Focus admission £7.50, refreshments and licensed bar.

Westhope is looking forward to their first **Skittles Match** on October 14<sup>th</sup> at home against Clee St Margaret Village Hall in the league. But we need your support, the bar will be open, so we look forward to seeing many of you as possible. On Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> October there is a friendly

skittles evening with Craven Arms Ladies Group. Anyone who would like to join us for a game of skittles please do come along, everyone welcome. Again, a licensed bar, and refreshments provided by the Ladies Group.

Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> October is our **Harvest Supper**, 3 course meal with entertainment. 7pm for 7.30pm. Tickets: Adults: £15, Under 12's: £8. Booking essential. Licensed Bar. All enquiries Betty 07860 447 397 or Amie 07486 414 742.

A new weekly **Creative and Craft Group** is starting on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2pm - 4pm. Bring along whatever craft you choose; Tina will be there to guide us all. Contact Tina on [tina.mcara@btinternet.com](mailto:tina.mcara@btinternet.com) or 07787 554 996. This is intended to be a sociable afternoon with friendly chat. £8.00 per session. Tea and biscuits included.

And finally, a **Family Christmas Party** on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> December 3.00pm - 6.00pm. £10 per family. To include nibbles, children's drinks, and a visit to Father Christmas with a gift. Games, disco, bar, and fun for all. A warm welcome awaits everyone.

**Westhope Village Hall AGM will be held Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> October at 7.00pm.**

We still have an extensive programme of repairs to undertake so we would appreciate any help and support please if anyone is available to join us, no matter how small.

Betty Manley



**CORVEDALE TOTS**  
Every Monday 10.00am-12noon.  
All enquiries to Amie Watson.



**YOGA with SUE PUGH**  
Every Thursday 9.30 -10.30am.  
Sue is fully qualified and insured. To book a space contact Betty on 07860 447 397



**MONTHLY BINGO**  
Bingo night is **Friday 28th October**.  
Doors open at 7.00pm with eyes down at 7.30pm. Refreshments and licensed bar.



**WESTHOPE CLOVER CLUB**  
The first Thursday of the month.  
All enquiries to Kath, 01584 841 254.



**CREATIVE & CRAFT GROUP**  
Every Monday, 2.00 - 4.00pm.  
Starting October 3<sup>rd</sup>. Bring along whatever craft you choose. Contact Tina: 07787 554 996. £8.00 per session. Tea and biscuits included.



**WHIST DRIVES**  
Every Monday at 7.30pm. All welcome.



**COUNTRY & WESTERN DANCE**  
**Saturday 8th October. 8.00pm – late.**  
The very popular Country and Western singers Double Focus.



**SKITTLES MATCH - Home**  
**Friday 14th October, Vs Clee St Margaret**



**HARVEST SUPPER**  
**Saturday 22nd October.**



**SKITTLES MATCH**  
**Wednesday 19th October,**  
Vs Craven Arms Ladies Group



**COUNTRY & WESTERN DANCE**  
**Saturday 10th December.**  
With Johnny and Howell.



**CHRISTMAS WHIST DRIVE**  
**Monday 12th December**

All enquiries contact Betty on 07860 447 397 or Amie on 07486 414 742.  
Our village hall is available to hire with a licensed bar and catering if required.

*Diddlebury Village Hall*

[www.diddleburyvillagehall.org](http://www.diddleburyvillagehall.org)

Facebook: @diddleburyvillagehall



**FORTHCOMING EVENTS:**




**Elvis 12A.**  
 7.45pm Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> October.  
 Bar opens 7.15pm  
 Tickets £5 Cards accepted  
 Diddlebury Village Hall



**Top Gun-Maverick 12A.**  
 7.45pm Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> November.  
 Bar opens 7.15pm  
 Tickets £5 Cards accepted  
 Diddlebury Village Hall



**Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> October**

Harvest Supper and Ceilidh with the fabulous Hi Jinx Band.  
 Tickets: adults - £10; under 12s - £2; under 2s - free.  
 Doors open at 6.00pm.  
 Meal served at 6.30/6.45pm



**Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> November**

Diddlebury Christmas Fair.  
 Further details to follow

Many thanks to all who contributed to the success of the annual Corvedale and District Autumn Show held at the Hall on September 3<sup>rd</sup>. A splendid afternoon, with the very best of Corvedale produce and talent on display.



**CLASSES AND GROUP MEETINGS**

**Tai Chi**

Classes: Thursdays, 10.00-11.00am  
 Please contact Enid Gill on: 07903 014498/[enidgill21@hotmail.com](mailto:enidgill21@hotmail.com).

**Physiotherapist-Led Modified Pilates**

Classes: Fridays, 9.15-10.15am. Please contact Beverley on: 07967 814412/ [beverleychumber@sky.com](mailto:beverleychumber@sky.com).

**Book Group**

Second Thursday of each month, 7.30pm. Please contact Cath Burley on: [cathburley@hotmail.com](mailto:cathburley@hotmail.com).

**Corvedale Choir**  
 Mondays, 7.30pm

**Blue Hills Choir**  
 Tuesdays, 10.00am

**All dates are subject to further government guidelines which can change at short notice.  
 Please refer to our Facebook and Website pages for news of any changes.**

*What's on in the Dale - Dates for Your Diary - October 2022*

Please note that the deadline for all submissions to the Corvedale News is Monday 17th October.

Every Mon		<b>Corvedale Choir</b>	Diddlebury Village Hall	7.30pm
Every Mon		<b>Coffee Morning</b>	Culmington Village Hall	10.00am-11.30am
Every Mon		<b>Bridge Club</b>	Culmington Village Hall	12.30pm-5.00pm
Every Mon		<b>Craft Group</b>	Westhope Village Hall	2.00pm-4.00pm
Every Mon		<b>Westhope Whist Drive</b>	Westhope Village Hall	7.30pm
Every Tues		<b>Blue Hills Choir</b>	Diddlebury Village Hall	10.00am
Every Tues		<b>Corvedale Artists</b>	Beambridge Club Room	10.00am
Every Tues		<b>Chair Yoga</b>	Culmington Village Hall	
Every Wed		<b>Working at Home Lunch Club</b>	Culmington Village Hall	12.30pm-2.00pm
Every Thur		<b>Crazy Lady Coffee Morning</b>	Diddlebury Church Room	10.00am
Every Thur		<b>Tai Chi</b>	Diddlebury Village Hall	10.00am
Every Fri		<b>Physiotherapist-Led Modified Pilates</b>	Diddlebury Village Hall	9.15am
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4th	Tue	<b>Culmington Parish Council Meeting</b>	Culmington Village Hall	7.30pm
6th	Thu	<b>Munslow Parish Council Meeting</b>	Beambridge Clubroom	7.30pm
6th	Thu	<b>Clover Club</b>	Westhope Village Hall	2.30pm
8th	Sat	<b>Un-Finished Objects Craft Morning</b>	Abdon Village Hall	10.30am
8th	Sat	<b>Country &amp; Western Evening</b>	Westhope Village Hall	8.00pm
8th	Sat	<b>Harvest Supper</b>	Diddlebury Village Hall	6.00pm
8th	Sat	<b>Much Wenlock Male Voice Choir</b>	Bridgnorth United Reformed and Methodist Church	7.30pm
11th	Tue	<b>RSPB Meeting</b>	Culmington Village Hall	7.30pm
12th	Wed	<b>Munslow WI</b>	Beambridge Clubroom	7.30pm
12th	Wed	<b>Local Market</b>	Stoke St Milborough Village Hall	12.00noon
13th	Thu	<b>Corvedale Book Group</b>	Diddlebury Village Hall	7.30pm
13th	Thu	<b>Hayton &amp; District WI</b>	Stanton Lacy Village Hall	7.30pm
13th	Thu	<b>Abdon &amp; Heath Parish Council Meeting</b>	Abdon Village Hall	7.30pm
14th	Fri	<b>Skittles Match</b>	Westhope Village Hall	TBC
14th	Fri	<b>Autumn Gathering</b>	Abdon Village Hall	6.30pm
15th	Sat	<b>Corvedale Garden Group</b>	The Dell House, Malvern Wells	TBC
15th	Sat	<b>Blue Hills Choir Concert</b>	Cuan Wildlife Rescue, Much Wenlock	3.00pm
16th	Sun	<b>Tractor and 4x4 Run</b>	Culmington Village Hall	8.30am
16th	Sun	<b>Great Nut Hunt</b>	Westhope Village Hall	10.00am
19th	Wed	<b>Skittles Match</b>	Westhope Village Hall	TBC
20th	Thu	<b>Lunch Club</b>	Culmington Village Hall	12.30pm
20th	Thu	<b>Flicks in the Sticks - Elvis</b>	Diddlebury Village Hall	7.15pm
20th	Thu	<b>Corvedale Autumn Show AGM</b>	Diddlebury Church Room	7.00pm
22nd	Sat	<b>Harvest Supper</b>	Westhope Village Hall	7.00pm
24th	Mon	<b>Corvedale Folk Club</b>	The Sun Inn, Corfton	7.30pm
26th	Wed	<b>Footpath Maintenance Group</b>	TBC	9.30am
26th	Wed	<b>Diddlebury Parish Council Meeting</b>	Diddlebury Village Hall	7.30pm
28th	Fri	<b>Footpath Maintenance Group</b>	TBC	9.30am
28th	Fri	<b>Bingo Night</b>	Westhope Village Hall	7.30pm
28th	Fri	<b>Italian Night</b>	Culmington Village Hall	6.00pm
29th	Sat	<b>Coffee Morning</b>	Abdon Village Hall	10.30am
30th	Sun	<b>Footpath Maintenance Group</b>	TBC	9.30am

**ACTIVITIES & CLASSES:**

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## Church News



## Letter from the Rectory

October is a month which brings various things. Amongst them, towards the end of the month, is the school half-term - a time at which, when I was growing up, we often went on holiday. For a good number of years, we went to Brixham and stayed in a house directly across the valley from All Saints' Church. From the house we could hear the church bells as, during the day, they played a variety of hymn tunes, two of which have been much in my mind over recent weeks. One was 'Abide with Me,' a hymn often used at funerals, and which reminds us that whilst we may see change (and decay) around us, God is the one who is unchanging. The other tune is less widely known but is sung to the hymn 'Through All the Changing Scenes of Life,' the first verse of which says: 'Through all the changing scenes of life / In trouble and in joy / The praises of my God shall still / My heart and tongue employ.'

The past month has brought much change: a new prime minister with the changes that will inevitably follow and then the death of Her Late Majesty the Queen and all that has come because of that. In the many tributes that have been paid to the Queen we have been reminded of her constant presence in the background our lives for longer than any of us can remember, whether as princess or as queen. Her funeral service reminded us that for Her Majesty one of the constants in her life was the presence of God - and God's presence can be one of the constants in our lives, too, if we will let him in. The two hymns I mentioned earlier (and many others) remind us that even with God in our lives, we will continue to experience downs

as well as ups. God's love, though, and presence with us, are constant and unchanging and accompany us through all 'the changes and chances of this fleeting world.'

Something else that October brings is an opportunity to celebrate the Harvest, and there will be several opportunities to do so this month. Do join us for this - and remember to bring your pets to church at Diddlebury at the end of the month as we give thanks for another aspect of God's creation.

*Rev'd John Beesley*

## From the Registers



## Baptisms

21st August	Henry Timothy Evans	Westhope
11th September	Mason Michael Lewis	Diddlebury

## Wedding

10th September	Jennifer Lancaster and Colin Porter	Tugford
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## Funerals

20th August	Geoffrey Neden	Diddlebury
2nd September	Patricia Cameron	Diddlebury

## Flowers and Brasses - Diddlebury



## October 2022

2nd	Mrs Jones	16th	Mrs Jones
9th	Harvest Decorations	23rd	Mrs Jones

## PHOTOGRAPHS WANTED

## Get featured on the front cover of the Corvedale News.

Don't forget that we still need photos for the cover page. Send us your photos, from landscapes to local goings-on. We're looking for pictures that capture the essence of living in the Corvedale and surrounding community.

Please send all photos to: [photos@corvedalenews.co.uk](mailto:photos@corvedalenews.co.uk)

## Corvedale News Subscriptions 2023

We are sorry to have to inform you that subscriptions for 2023 will increase to **£8.00 per annum**.

The reason for this is simple: printing costs have increased sharply during the past year and the magazine would not be financially viable at the present level of £7.00.

At the risk of sounding overly pessimistic, nothing is built into this figure for the inflation which we all expect to occur in the coming months. So, we will have to review the position again towards the end of 2023. We regret having to do this but there really is no alternative.

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*The Corvedale News Team*

## *Saving Energy this Winter*

With rapidly rising energy costs all of us are looking at ways to save money this coming winter. Citizens Advice has produced an extremely useful calculator of how much it costs to run various electrical appliances. Here are a few examples of how much it costs to run some common household appliances for one hour at a time.

Appliance	Daily	Weekly	Monthly	Yearly
Light bulb - energy-saving LED (per bulb)	0p	1p	4p	51p
Slow cooker	4p	27p	£1.18	£14.31
Television	4p	29p	£1.26	£15.33
PC or desktop computer	6p	39p	£1.68	£20.44
Microwave	22p	£1.57	£6.72	£81.76
Vacuum cleaner	24p	£1.67	£7.14	£86.87
Iron	39p	£2.74	£11.76	£143.08
Hairdryer	56p	£3.92	£16.80	£204.40
Oven	59p	£4.12	£17.64	£214.62
Washing machine	59p	£4.12	£17.64	£214.62
Tumble dryer	70p	£4.90	£21.00	£255.50
Panel heater or electric fire (not central heating)	70p	£4.90	£21.00	£255.50
Fan heater	70p	£4.90	£21.00	£255.50
Kettle	84p	£5.88	£25.20	£306.60
Immersion heater	84p	£5.88	£25.20	£306.60

As you can see the most expensive items to run in the list above are a kettle and an immersion heater. You can check out your own appliances by following the link below:

[www.citizensadvice.org.uk/consumer/energy/energy-supply/get-help-paying-your-bills/check-how-much-your-electrical-appliances-cost-to-use/](http://www.citizensadvice.org.uk/consumer/energy/energy-supply/get-help-paying-your-bills/check-how-much-your-electrical-appliances-cost-to-use/)

*The Corvedale News Team*

## *Hayton & District WI*



Eileen welcomed us on a memorably sad evening, having just heard the news of the Queen's death; we stood for a minute's silence in remembrance of her long and dedicated life to the nation. The usual business continued with notices of forthcoming events - group meeting on 28th September, group dinner at the Swan, Aston Munslow on 17th November and our own Institute's 75th anniversary on 20th November. Jennette Arnold (church warden of St Peter's) then gave details of some church events including the Harvest Supper on 8th October and the PCC Christmas Market on 10th December.

Eileen then introduced our speaker for the evening, Darren Bale, ably assisted by his partner, Sharon. Whilst simultaneously wielding a very sharp knife and cooking, simmering and air frying his extremely fresh vegetables (green tomatoes from his garden) he gave a quick résumé of his 37 years as a chef. He began work in his home town of Sidmouth, from there he worked in London, Euro Disney Paris and became head chef/manager at several restaurants, including The Elms, Abberley and The Hop

Pole in Bewdley. Recently, he decided to take a step back from his 16-hour days to concentrate on gardening, cooking for private clients and passing on his skills at his own cookery school in Bewdley. Sharon kept her eye on the risotto and Darren did wonderful things with courgettes, cauliflower, the tomatoes, and salad ingredients. The resulting dish was a delicious courgette filled with risotto, a green tomato chutney and red pepper pesto all served with a salad of spinach, pomegranate seeds, cashew nuts and crunchy mixed seeds which we sampled with enthusiasm, having been tempted by the spicy smells all evening. Rose thanked Darren and Sharon for their interesting demonstration and tasty supper - never has a vegetarian dish been so enjoyable.

The next meeting will be on 13th October when Ria Baxter will give a talk on the Alzheimer's Society; the competition will be something beginning with Y. For more information, please ring Phyllis Steventon on 01584 823 436. Visitors and new members are always welcome.

*Barbara Wright*

*Corvedale Book Group****The Salt Path* by Raynor Winn**

*'A tale of triumph, of hope over despair, of love over everything.'* *Sunday Times*

Raynor and Moth Winn had a farm in Wales, which they had spent years renovating, had brought up their two children, and had set up a holiday let business. They were given an opportunity to invest in a business belonging to an old school friend of Moth's, which failed. They spent three years fighting the court case, spent all their savings, but subsequently lost everything. At the same time, Moth was diagnosed with Corticobasal Degeneration (CBD), a slow degeneration of the brain. The illness would be terminal. So, in their fifties, they were doubly devastated. They were not a priority for re-housing and Ray felt that she could not just go out to work, as Moth's life was going to be limited. They would have had to rely on friends to put them up whilst waiting for re-housing, so, in despair, they decided to walk the Southwest coastal path, which gave them something to focus on. They had no fixed address, so were unable to claim benefits, and expected to receive £48 a week in tax credits.

Using Paddy Dillon's guidebook, *'The Southwest Coast Path'*, they set out in early August. They had hoped to start in Poole, to walk clockwise around the coast, as this would have been an easier gradient to 'break them in,' but the book started in Minehead, so they did. Their equipment was the cheapest and lightest that they could afford and that, between them, they were able to carry.

Homelessness was a major issue. When they told people they were homeless, the reaction they experienced from people was of the usual 'stereotype' - they must have brought it on themselves through drink or drugs or they were 'rogues and vagrants' - and people backed away, so they invented a cover story that they had sold their home. We wondered if this was an even more significant issue in the UK, as we all tend to aspire to owning our own homes (and could relate even more sympathetically to Ray and Moth's plight), whereas in other countries this is not necessarily so.

They did not always receive their expected £48, often they only had £32 or even just £20! On these occasions they had to live mostly on noodles. This meant that when people gave them food, e.g. when the girl in the café that had just closed, gave them pasties which she hadn't sold, it meant a great deal. They would ask for hot water in cafes, as this was free, but sometimes did 'blow' money on a pasty (to share), or fish and chips, as the smell was irresistible. They were often hungry and cold, keeping clean was difficult when wild camping, and occasionally they crept into a campsite late at night, used the facilities and left in the early morning. The Southwest, particularly the coast, is geared up for tourists, so food, whilst a priority for the couple, was not cheap.

About 10 days into the walk, at Bideford, Moth ran out of his medication: he experienced withdrawal symptoms and was exhausted. However, his mind became clearer, so although he felt more pain, he began to cope better. Not long after, in a hot spell, they ran out of water and were desperate, all the streams had dried up. They met Grant, a wine merchant, who took them home to camp in his orchard: they showered and were fed and watered. Ray found it difficult to discuss the future, and the loss of Moth, as she dreaded it. She couldn't talk to the children about it. However, it became clear that Moth did. Who was Ray protecting - herself, the children or Moth? By the time they passed through Zennor, Moth was significantly improved and pain free. The extreme physical exercise had helped him, but at this point they didn't know why.

Land's End was a watershed, as they weren't sure how far they would get around the path and up to then felt they had a choice. They decided to continue as they had 'nothing to lose' and it gave them a sense of being in control and a kind of freedom. By the time they reached The Lizard, Ray felt that she had changed. She no longer felt 'clenched' with anxiety and anger at the loss of the past but had come to a kind of acceptance. The path was the reality and she no longer thought about the future. Losing Moth was even harder to accept as he had improved so much. She was in denial, but by October the season had changed, and Moth was affected by the cold. At Polruan, they left the path and spent some months renovating a friend's barn and working, so that the following July, when they returned to the path, they had a little money saved, and were able to get better equipment. This time, they did begin at Poole, as they now knew Paddy Dillon well enough to read him backwards. Moth's condition had returned, but again, two weeks into walking, he was much better and pain free.

Plymouth was also a bit of a watershed, as they were only days from Polruan. But they got stuck overnight in Plymouth as ferries weren't running and were caught up in the hierarchy of the city's homeless where they experienced real fear. Despite having little themselves, if they met someone else with nothing, Moth gave of what they had: for example, before leaving Plymouth he bought as many half price pasties as he could and gave them to homeless people on the street.

The other thing which stretched plausibility was the number of times on the first section of the walk to St Ives when Moth was mistaken for Simon Armitage. Ray and Moth hadn't heard of him - living on a remote farm in Wales and busy working. However, it appears that that same summer, Simon Armitage was walking the Southwest coastal path with no money, doing poetry readings, and relying on people to feed him as he went.

Not everyone in the group felt the same sense of despair that

## Corvedale Book Group *Continued...*

Ray describes, but most did, 'feeling every hunger pang and blister,' the despairing self-pity when there was only £10 in the bank one week, but overall, the book was much enjoyed. Ray Winn is an engaging writer and describes the hardships of the walk, the people they met, and the issues raised, the moments of hope and even occasional joy in

trivial things. This made for an interesting discussion among the group. Ray Winn has written a second book, *The Wild Silence*, which describes what happened next and how she came to write *The Salt Path*.

Jenny Vine

## Caring for God's Acre

### Summer out and Autumn in

I started scything again last month. The Churchyard Task Team has been working hard in Munslow, Bishop's Castle, Preston Gubbals, Claverley, and Stanton Lacy. Aston Abbots is a new addition to the list of our destinations. It is a very sociable thing to do, and we are lucky in Shropshire to have such a group working in our ancient burial grounds, and within 'Caring for God's Acre.' This is a national organisation, based in Craven Arms, which looks after, protects, and nurtures these unique environments.

While some of the team have been on holiday this summer, others have been beavering away. But Autumn is here and now the work starts with a vengeance. Our churchyards need scything. The air is filled with the sound of the blades swishing through the long grass. Whetstones scrape against blunt blades giving them new life instantly. Rakes are wielded as cut grass piles up, compost heaps grow bigger, builders' bags are filled and shifted. Tea break is enhanced



*Elephant Hawkmoth*

by a delicious lemon drizzle cake provided by the best baker in the village (well, we think she is!). We also welcome local people who come to say hello.

But there are breaks in the churchyard not dependent on tea. One of the team will suddenly shout 'Look at this!' and we all stumble over to him. He has reached the ivy bush, in flower again and buzzing

with bees, alive with sound and movement. But, better still, there's a butterfly, a Speckled Wood, maybe the last we will see this year. Then someone will say 'Look up!' and we watch the buzzard mewling as he tosses and turns against the blue-grey sky. In the west of the county, a red kite, or two, or three, might wheel into view. Then it's back to the rake and scythe until lunchtime.

If we can picnic outside, we do. Autumn can be a very colourful month. We have picked blackberries to take home with the apples people drop off at the Church for us. We discuss the merits of apple cake and whether apple and blackberry, or just blackberry, is the superior jam. Sometimes we discuss the day's news items and even occasionally we try politics! We do like to check how the berries are going for species other than us humans. This is a wonderful year for yew berries, which, while poisonous to us, are a feast for the song thrushes, mistle thrushes, fieldfares and redwings which arrive from colder climes. The squirrels, usually grey, are burying nuts, and if you keep your eyes open at dusk you may be rewarded with sightings of bats looking for insects.

It's a busy time for scythers and wildlife alike but we hope that by caring for our churchyards ecologically we will be rewarded with more wildlife of all sorts.

Come and see us in Burrington on 4th October, Clunbury 5th, Knowbury 11th, Montford 13th, Culmington 18th, Stoke St Milborough 19th, Ford 20th - and then it is half term!

*Anni Holden Calver, Churchyard Team Member  
and trustee of Caring for God's Acre*

## Corvedale residents volunteer at The Commonwealth Games

Wyndhan Williams and Ruth Leach both volunteered at the Birmingham Commonwealth Games this summer.

Wyndhan was in the International Federation Service Team, based at Edgbaston cricket ground. This involved assisting the officials, referees, scorers, and anti-corruption managers.

Ruth joined the Athlete Services Team, and was based at the Smithfield site, where the 3X3 Basketball and Beach Volleyball were hosted. Ruth worked with the beach volleyball athletes.



*Ruth Leach*

*Corvedale Past and Present***Ugh... that is positively medieval!**

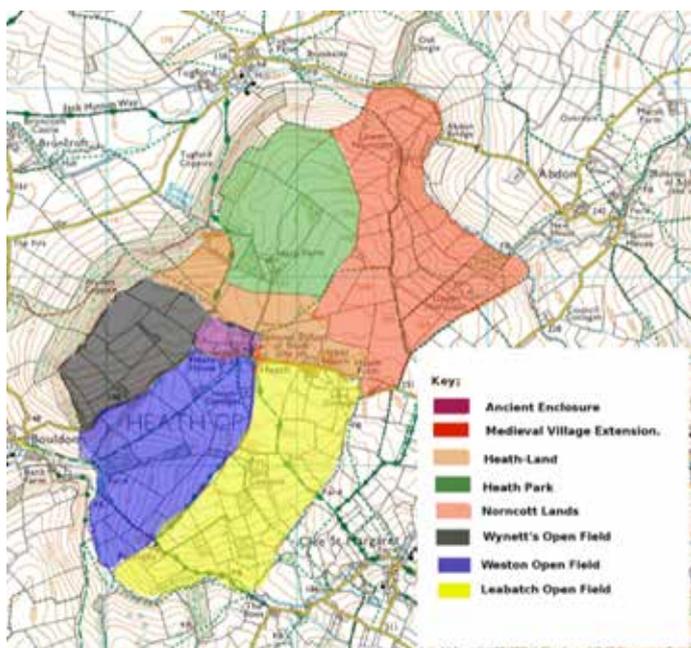
The word is sometimes used as almost a term of abuse, and behind it is the notion that medieval times (between the end of the Roman Empire and the European Renaissance), were bleak, brutally chaotic, arbitrary, and constantly violent, where mud-smearing, swine-driving peasants watched in awe as haughty knights swept by.

Strangely enough, anyone who walks into a fine medieval cathedral or church is highly likely to be transported to a state of high admiration for the consummate skill, imagination, and extraordinary organisation that these times could afford.

This doesn't make sense. How can we reconcile these two different views?

I will try to display one thought that might be relevant to a world we find ourselves in today. I have studied one medieval village which today is only a small collection of houses and a quite remarkable church - The Heath. Many of you will know the place very well. This village was, I believe, extensive in medieval times, covering between 15 and 16 acres. Not only did the village last for at least 200 years and have a fine substantial chapel, but it had three large open communal fields.

In trying to understand the place, the inhabitants, and how they might have lived, I considered those three substantial fields, named Wynett's, Leabatch and Weston. Their outlines are clearly to be seen even on a modern map, and 423 acres is the total area.



*An attempted reconstruction of medieval Heath  
- 3 open fields lie to S.W. of map. (North to top)*

I think that we can safely assume that few, if any, peasants kept productivity records in the Middle Ages, and it is highly unlikely that any would have survived. So, the

assumptions below about productivity have been deduced from the people who did keep records - the monks. They kept highly detailed records about activity on their demesne, the portion of the open fields that they retained for their own use. One such was the Benedictine Abbey of Ramsey. By the 13th century their demesne land was being worked largely by tenants who owed service to their lord. The amount of labour put to a particular acreage and the amount of cereal and legumes produced per acre, can be deduced (here I simplify greatly!).

We can estimate by such records the amount of labour needed to make an acre come to harvest. It has been calculated that on average in England 32% of land was demesne leaving 68% available for the villagers. If an average of 10 days per acre per year is taken for the arable land available at Heath to the tenants, 2,876 working days are implied. (68% of 423 x 10). If this were all done by full time farmers doing 300 days of work per year it would imply nearly 9.5 'full time equivalents'. There are many reasons why this may be inaccurate, but at least we are in good company here, as the best research and estimations available for the total population for the whole of England in late 13th century varies between 2.5 to 6 million; some old range!

Going back again to the Ramsey figures, it seems likely that the yearly productivity per worker may have been around 250 bushels of wheat, so for 9.5 'equivalents' this might have been around 2,375 bushels, which under modern conditions would yield about 100,000lb of whole grain flour, or perhaps or about 75,000 medium loaves. Medieval conditions were no doubt less favorable but if we arbitrarily reduce this to 50,000 loaves, this would be at least 100 loaves per week per family, in other words a potential massive excess over subsistence, though of course some of the grain would be needed for reseeding and feeding to overwintering stock, and some of the land would have been rested at any one time.

I have the feeling that these calculations are starting to sound silly - perhaps they are - (there are reasons of course why they are simplistic), but it is not out of the question that these open fields could conceivably have supported a substantial population. Moreover, some historians have pointed to a rough and ready equality among the medieval peasant families who tended to hold similar amounts of land in the same area - again a simplification.

*Now, at last here is my point;* although the medieval picture is hazy, compare it with the abject poverty, misery, and degradation that our remarkable story tellers (Charles Dickens is a wonderful example), vividly portrayed in our 19th century towns in particular. Which would you go for - 12th century Heath or 19th century Birmingham? I know which I would!

*Corvedale Past and Present Continued...*

To be more controversial; without underestimating the massive physical strains of medieval peasant life, you can imagine they had a much closer relationship with the natural world and - *dare I say it?* - its sacred interconnectedness, than our modern highly industrialised towns and countryside: something we desperately lack these days.

Nervously, *Peter Cornah*

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*Afterword.* Nothing symbolises the change to the industrial than the 'square' loaf, packed efficiently into ovens in our growing towns as opposed to the round loaf of the village home and bakehouse of former times.

**Energy-related scams are on the increase**

Scammers are using the recent increase in the energy price cap to try and take advantage of consumers; Shropshire Council's trading standards team has warned.

The team is raising awareness of energy-related scams amid a rise in the number in recent weeks.

Examples of the type of scams to look out for include the council tax energy rebate, Ofgem energy and E.ON energy.

Ed Potter, Shropshire Council's cabinet member for economic growth, regeneration, and planning, said:

*'It is important to remain vigilant to reduce the chances of falling victim to scammers. Sadly, even the savviest consumer is at risk of being scammed at some point in their lives.'*

*'Scammers are clever, sophisticated and can sound extremely convincing, even pretending to be from the council to lull you into a false sense of security, but be aware of uninvited contact through unsolicited emails, phone calls and doorstep cold callers.'*

*'It is really important that you don't reveal personal information such as banking details and if you are in any doubt, always seek advice and report suspected scams as soon as possible.'*

**REMEMBER, IF IT SOUNDS TOO GOOD TO BE TRUE, THEN IT USUALLY IS.**

Frances Darling, Shropshire Council's head of business and consumer protection, added:

*'Scammers involved in energy related scams will typically claim to be from an energy company or Ofgem with the intention of misleading consumers into revealing personal information such as banking details, which the scammer uses to commit fraud against consumers.'*

*'Finding and bringing scammers to account is very challenging as they often operate from countries outside the UK. The best defence is being aware of the risks and taking steps to thwart their attempts from the outset.'*

**The following are some of the scams we are currently aware of:**

**Council Tax Energy Rebate Scam**

Scammers call households asking for bank details to qualify for the government's energy rebate. The scammers claim to be associated with the council, explain a refund is due and ask for your bank details to pay out the rebate.

Those who fall foul of this scam find that large sums of money have been deducted from their bank accounts shortly after the call. Information regarding the actual energy rebate can be found on Shropshire Council's website.

**Ofgem Energy Scam**

Scammers contact you pretending to be from Ofgem suggesting you switch and then ask you for your bank details. These are energy scams and Ofgem will never sell you energy, ask for personal information or come to your home. Further information can be found on Ofgem's website, including information about how to report a scam.

**E.ON Energy Scam**

Action Fraud, the UK's national reporting centre for fraud and cybercrime, has reported that scammers have sent fake emails, known as 'phishing,' to consumers purporting to be from E.ON.

The email states the recipient is owed an £85 refund due to an overcharge. This email has a link to a genuine looking website but is designed to steal personal details. Further information regarding this scam and the phishing emails can be found on the E. ON website.

**Further Information**

If you think you've been a victim of a scam or know someone else who has, you can contact the Citizens Advice consumer helpline on *0800 144 8848* for advice; there is further information on their website on how and to whom scams should be reported.

*Friends Against Scams* is a National Trading Standards scams team initiative which aims to protect and prevent people from becoming victims of fraud.

**Help is also available from:**

- Ofgem - [www.ofgem.gov.uk](http://www.ofgem.gov.uk)
- WHICH? - [www.which.co.uk](http://www.which.co.uk)
- E.ON Energy UK - [www.eonenergy.com](http://www.eonenergy.com)

## Corvedale Garden Group

### Broadward Hall, Clungunford.

Broadward Hall, Clungunford, is tucked away on a back road between Leintwardine and Beckjay, encircled by the river Clun and with beautiful views of the surrounding hills from the terrace. As a property now within the Historic Houses Association, this grade 2 listed building is described in Pevsner (Pevsner, N, *The buildings of England: Shropshire, 1974*. The earliest date is listed as 30 December 1699 and latest date 1 January 1850). An earlier dwelling is recorded in a deed of the 1650s. In 1672 the Hearth Tax reveals that Broadward Hall had seven hearths, (only then exceeded by Abcott Manor).

However, there was a much earlier settlement here in the Bronze Age, and in the mid-19th century a hoard was discovered when renovating the plumbing, which now resides in the British Museum.

The late 18th century house was altered in the early 19th century, when crenellations were added and a castellated building built to extend to the left of the main house. It now has a Regency Gothic appearance. This extension is now the music room, with a terrace in front where we had our drinks and cake in the autumn sunshine. We were warmly greeted by Anthony Lyle Skyrme, his wife Caro, their daughter and son-in-law who looked after us throughout our visit. We started with a power-point presentation by the fire in the music room, explaining the history of the house and grounds and the developments which had taken place since they had acquired the property.

In the 19th century, formal grounds and shrubberies were attached to the hall and a small park lay to the east. At this point the property was owned by the nefarious Marquis of Biddle Cope who also owned Knill Court, Herefordshire. He wrote to the local press stating he would not be accountable for the debts of his infant children. In the early 20th century, like many substantive properties, the two world wars decimated the workforce, and the gardens went to rack and ruin. The central pond was filled in and the fountain ceased to work. The 'frost gate' has since been discovered under the brambles, hazel and ivy smothering the crumbling walls of the Victorian Walled Garden. (A frost gate in the bottom corner of walled gardens allowed freezing air to escape rather than damage precious plants).

The Walled Garden is now in the process of being restored. The walls are being rebuilt, and the broken remains of the Thomas Messenger glass house\* have been carefully removed for reasons of safety and cost. The Victorian pump house has been restored with a grant from DEFRA. and there

is a new Robinson's Greenhouse and replacement paving, and a pergola are beginning to give shape to the garden again. The gardener's cottage has also been restored and reroofed and now looks out onto a recently planted orchard, where Anthony wistfully talked of planting plums.

\*As an aside, Thomas Messenger was the foremost designer of glasshouses in Victorian and Edwardian England. Messengers was a firm of horticultural builders, heating engineers and iron founders based in Loughborough. Messenger designs typically had half brick walls supporting white painted, hardwood, glazed frameworks. Hot water pipes controlled the temperatures and forged iron ratchet window controls regulated air flow. (There is a restored Messenger Greenhouse at Holkham Hall in Norfolk).

The restored, reroofed potting shed and bothy remain, with an upper floor for a boy to sleep in to keep an eye on the heating. Notes were found in the potting shed with the names of the gardeners. They have discovered plant labels, e.g., for Jefferson's plums, and behind a brick in the wall a Players tobacco tin, like those issued at Victoria Station as service personnel returned from the war.

The area in front of the music room is lawned and edged with borders near the house, and shrubs create a protective barrier. Behind the house giant sequoia trees line an early 19th century archery walk. Taller, more established trees edge the lawn to the right, and ducking through undergrowth we came to the walled garden. Here diagonal path laid under a pergola leads to the potting shed and new greenhouse. Some paths follow the lines of the walls, and much is currently laid to lawn for ease of management. New perennial beds are emerging and attracting many butterflies and a rare hawk moth. There are many unusual and important plants here including a collection of phormium and one of the rare fuchsia Mount Stewart. There are specific clearly labelled beds for the recently acquired National Collection of *Hemerocallis* which had been held at Waterperry Gardens in Oxfordshire until last year. The sixty-five clearly labelled taxa, including the Banbury series, were bred between 1958-1978 by R.H. Coe, L.W. Brummitt and H. J. Randall. It would be worth a visit earlier next summer to see them in bloom.

Our **15th October** visit will take us to **The Dell House, Malvern Wells**, where two acres of woodland garden surround an 1820's rectory. There are outstanding views, sculptures, a garden railway, and historic garden buildings. Please contact me if you would like to join us.

*Cath Burley, cathburley@hotmail.com*

## Westhope Clover Club

Due to Covid-19, once again, our Anniversary Luncheon meeting had to be cancelled. Our next meeting is on Thursday 6th October at 2.30pm, at Westhope Village

Hall, when Hi-Jinks Ceilidh Band will be entertaining us with a musical afternoon. We are looking forward to seeing you all

*Kath Woodhouse*

## Munslow WI



At this month's meeting we were joined by Diddlebury and Westhope WI. Numbers were low due to many being on holiday. The meeting began with a minute's silence in memory of the Queen.

President Loraine reminded us of our group dinner which is to be held at The Swan Inn on Thursday 17th November, at 6.30pm. Meanwhile we are looking forward to joining with Diddlebury and Westhope WI again next month for a skittles evening, and we have a group meeting later this month.

Our speaker for the evening was Mr Alex Logan who gave us an interesting account on Caring for God's Acre. Caring for God's Acre works nationally to support groups and individuals to investigate, care for and enjoy churchyards and burial grounds of which there are 20,000 in England and Wales. They are valued by many who are especially

interested in local history whilst offering refuge for our wildlife. If you feel when visiting a burial ground or churchyard that it's looking untidy with long grass etc it's because it's being managed in a way that allows rare plants, insects, and animals to thrive. It will be cut and tidied at the appropriate time. Alex told us some interesting facts e.g., that bats can live for up to forty years, slugs for up to 6 years and bees 4-6 weeks.

Loraine thanked Alex for an informative talk and colourful slides. A supper of scones and cakes was provided by the committee and a raffle helped to boost funds.

We meet on the 2nd Wednesday of each month, for more information call me on 01584 841 251.

Jenny Rose

## Future Ready Homes



People across Shropshire are seriously worried about their rising energy bills. The war in Ukraine highlights how dependent we are on imports of fossil fuels - and we know we need to be cut our use of fossil fuels dramatically because of climate change. Little wonder that many of us are looking to improve the energy efficiency of our homes - but where should we go for help?

Based in Shrewsbury, the charity Marches Energy Agency (MEA) runs the Keep Shropshire Warm advice line. MEA has recently won crucial funding for its work in improving energy efficiency in the home.

Tony Baker, Project Manager at MEA, said 'An energy crisis is looming - if it's not upon us already. At MEA we're passionately committed to helping people enjoy healthy, comfortable homes where they can afford their energy

bills. The key to this is to reduce our energy demand by improving the fabric of our homes - which reduces our carbon footprint at the same time. We're delighted to have won this funding at this critical time.'

MEA is looking for householders to join in its Future Ready Homes project. The project offers support of various kinds such as webinars and educational events, and a limited number of fully funded home energy surveys. Surveys analyse your home and your energy usage, and feed into a report proposing what measures could be taken, and the likely costs and benefits.

'We need people who will really engage with the project' continued Tony. 'People who see the benefits of upgrading their homes to be more energy efficient. Our main focus is, of course, on the most vulnerable, but all of us need to get on board with retrofit. Improving all our homes as we work towards Net Zero is a huge challenge, but an exciting one.'

Applications for the project can be made through: [www.mea.org.uk/our-work/future-ready-homes/](http://www.mea.org.uk/our-work/future-ready-homes/)

## Much Wenlock Male Voice Choir

As I write, our first concert of the season is about to take place at The Festival of the Imagination in the Ironbridge Gorge. The event is a celebration of the UNESCO World Heritage Site, which plays host to a wide programme of events including our concert alongside the award winning Jackfield Brass Band. We're particularly looking forward to our joint piece as a finale - a rendering of the popular Welsh hymn tune, Cwm Rhondda, Bread of Heaven, with band accompaniment, excellent!

On **Saturday 8th October at 7.30pm**, you will have the chance to hear us sing at Bridgnorth United Reformed and Methodist Church on Cartway. Tickets are priced at £12 to include light refreshments and are available from choir

members or by ringing the number below.

The choir will be on its travels at the end of the month. We have been invited to sing in north Devon with Barnstaple Ladies Choir, a well-established vocal group who have a wide repertoire of all types of music, rather like us really! It's so good to return to this type of event after the challenges of the last couple of years, as traditionally weekends away such as this, form a large part of the life of the choir. This will be our first opportunity for such a trip since the spring of 2019. The visit will also be the first chance for the choir to show off their new uniform jackets with a more up to date look, as we like to keep to the forefront of fashion!!

Dick Langford, 01952 728 758

*The 63rd Corvedale & District Autumn Show*

Saturday 3rd September 2022

After a Covid-19 enforced absence of two years, the rain held off and more than 150 people attended the Corvedale & District Autumn Show, held at Diddlebury Village Hall.

More than fifty local people contributed over two hundred different entries in the various categories of the show, with entries ranging across cookery, handicrafts, flowers, and garden produce. Even though 2022 had been one of the longest, hottest, and driest summers on record, the flower section was particularly strong as were all the children's sections.

In a new partnership, a team from the Supporters of Corvedale School (SOCS) led by Mel Banks provided afternoon teas and homemade cakes and in so doing raised

£200 for school funds. Thanks, and congratulations go to the team concerned for their willingness to undertake this task and for all their hard work.

Congratulations also go to John Glasson, the President of Corvedale Show, who after many years of trying finally won the Vegetable & Fruit Cup after an exceedingly difficult year for all vegetable growers.

Thanks to everyone for making this year's show an enormous success. We look forward to seeing you all in September 2023, for the 64th show.

*Laurie Robinson*

Competition		Winner(s)
<i>Vegetables &amp; Fruit Section</i>	<b>The Vegetable &amp; Fruit Cup</b>	John Glasson
<i>Flower Section</i>	<b>The Flower Cup</b>	Nicky Fuller
<i>Countryside Section</i>	<b>The Eddie Morris Challenge Cup</b>	Margaret Deakin
<i>Preserves Section</i>	<b>The Corvedale Shield</b>	Rebecca Harbard Swaithe
<i>Homemade Beverages Section</i>	<b>The Sun Inn Trophy</b>	Jane Cockburn Rebecca Harbard Swaithe
<i>Cookery Section</i>	<b>The Cyril Haydon Challenge Cup</b>	Jane Cockburn
<i>Flowercraft</i>	<b>The Lancaster Novice Trophy</b>	Jo Williams
<i>Flowercraft Section</i>	<b>Broncroft Rose Bowl</b>	Liz Jones Jo Williams
<i>Most Outstanding Entry</i>	<b>WI Cup</b>	Claire Wardman
<i>Handicraft Section</i>	<b>The Handicraft Cup</b>	Barbara Archer Rebecca Harbard Swaithe
<b>The Children's Cup – Under 8 years</b>		Vinny Wardman Dylan Young
<b>The Children's Cup – Under 12</b>		Hugh Williams Alfie Maskell Archie Brisbane
<b>The Children's Cup – Under 16</b>		Archie Young Megan Davies Harvey Davies
<b>Marvellous Mannequins</b>		The Richards Family
<b>Spud in a Bucket</b>		1st George Rowbotham 2nd Isabel Shaw 3rd John Morris

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**Corvedale & District Autumn Show AGM**  
Thursday 20th October 2022 at 7.00pm  
The Church Room, Diddlebury

*The Corvedale Kitchen***Potato Fritters** - Jean Drakes

This is a general guidance rather than a detailed recipe!

**Ingredients**

Potatoes (or left over mashed potato)

Onions

Leeks

Knob of butter

Plain flour

Grated cheddar cheese

1-2 eggs

Salt & Pepper

Little sunflower oil

**Method**

1. Boil the potatoes, onions, and leeks together with a little salt.
2. When cooked mash with a knob or two of butter and leave to go cold.
3. Depending on amount of mash, mix in one or two eggs with a good tablespoon of plain flour and season to taste.
4. You can add some grated cheddar at this stage, for extra flavour.
5. If the mixture is too wet to hold together add a little more flour.
6. Form into patties and fry on both sides in a little oil.

*Poetry Corner* A poem for October.**Empty Nests**

The Swallows have gone, they had to go  
 Before the winter winds and snow.  
 I heard them only yesterday,  
 Chattering away as if to say  
 ‘Come on you youngsters, get your things  
 Smarten up and flex your wings  
 Although the weather’s still warm here  
 It’ll get cold just mark my words!  
 Tomorrow we’ll set off for sunnier climes,  
 No arguing you’ll be just fine!  
 Africa is where we’re bound  
 So as we leave don’t make a sound’.

And they didn’t, they just up and went!  
 No thank you for the time they’d spent.  
 We had watched them every day,  
 Over the pond they liked to play  
 Swooping and diving at such speed  
 It’s a wonder they had time to breed!  
 But yes, they’ve gone, leaving empty nests  
 Leaving us to clean up their mess!

*Jenny Rose*

*West Mercia Police*

West Mercia Police has recently relaunched its Local Policing Community Charter, outlining their ongoing commitment to improving local policing delivery.

Following consultation with local communities, the Local Policing Charter was originally launched in March 2021, and covers six key areas for improved service delivery: visibility & accessibility, responding to communities, prevention, vulnerability, relationships, and partnerships.

The charter also sets out how West Mercia Police work with partners and the public, to listen, understand and respond to community issues. It will focus on persistent problems and concerns to find long-term and sustainable solutions; prioritising the most vulnerable victims, problem locations and repeat offenders with the aim of preventing crime.

West Mercia Police is seeking your support with delivery of the Local Policing Community Charter through collaborative working. Community stakeholders are

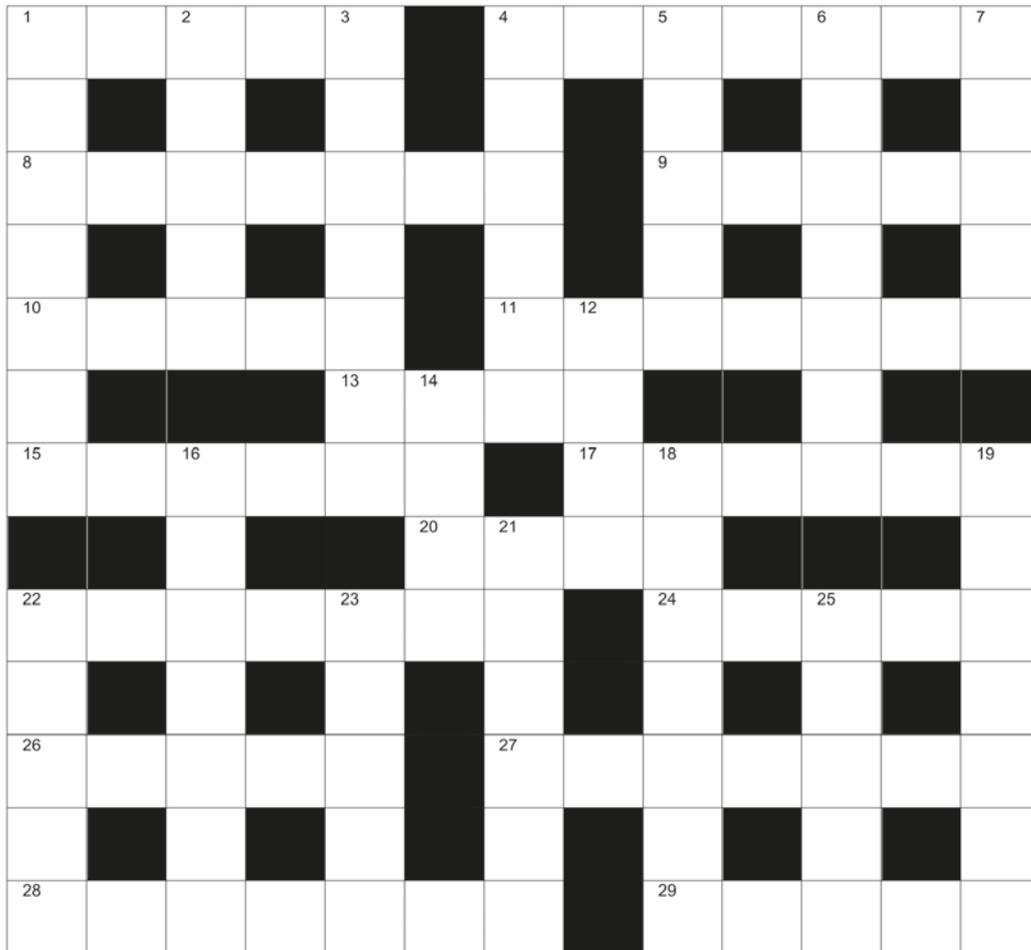
encouraged to read the Charter and consider where you can help with delivery of the objectives.

An important part of the Charter centres on communities’ accessibility to services and information they need. ‘Neighbourhood Matters’ (a new, online web-based tool) allows officers and staff across all disciplines and teams from West Mercia Police to send and receive messages to the public via email, text, and voice message. It is a vital tool for the force, helping them to strengthen relationships with local communities and fulfil the policing promises set out in the Charter.

Nearly 20,000 people have signed up via the dedicated website [www.neighbourhoodmatters.co.uk](http://www.neighbourhoodmatters.co.uk). This means they can target specific geographical areas and user groups, sending out alerts about incidents and crime trends as well as issuing crime prevention advice.



October Crossword - by Artemonas



**ACROSS**

- 1) Mosque entertains head of state (5)
- 4) Two cats love tuning to musical piece (7)
- 8) In game I was I found, I think (7)
- 9) Heard directors were fed up (5)
- 10) To date ethnic clothing shows only part of gear (5)
- 11) Time to walk like a duck? Rubbish (7)
- 13) See a different way to make it simpler (4)
- 15) Frogman has time to deflect (6)
- 17) Is all lost from Emerald Isle or could we save it? (6)
- 20) Unlock in the golf or tennis season (4)
- 22) Man about to take in work to support temporary accommodation (3,4)
- 24) Boiled where the river joined the sea (5)
- 26) Messenger looked at from a different angle (5)
- 27) A sum I'll exchange for flowers (7)
- 28) Makes fun of, but desired change (7)
- 29) Stay a round for the sauce (5)

**DOWN**

- 1) Ted followed old writer mostly and made padded covers (7)
- 2) Delete rubbish first with ease (5)
- 3) Not one of two in there maybe (7)
- 4) Messages from Robin? (6)
- 5) Old boy in car crash takes yoga position (5)
- 6) Shorten river crossing? (7)
- 7) Walk in the sea topless to confuse (5)
- 12) For many was in the past (4)
- 14) Placed on a circus tent (4)
- 16) Confused over gay traveller (7)
- 18) Covers - and puts sheep to bed? (7)
- 19) Reserve untidy abode following fashion (7)
- 21) Ed laps two on a bike (6)
- 22) Fine a thousand pounds (5)
- 23) Helped to get things moving (5)
- 25) Doctor to turn to lieutenant and drop down (5)

**ANSWERS TO SEPTEMBER'S CROSSWORD:**

- ACROSS:** 1) Airs; 3) Bar codes; 8) Quaffed; 10) Taper; 11) Interrogate; 13) Ensure; 15) Adhere; 17) Comes to pass; 20) Photo; 21) Austria; 22) Elements; 23) Type
- DOWN:** 1) Acquired; 2) React; 4) Audios; 5) Cats and dogs; 6) Deplete; 7) Spry; 9) Far from home; 12) Persuade; 14) Sucrose; 16) Aslant; 18) Array; 19) Apse

*Parish Councils***MUNSLow PARISH COUNCIL****Draft minutes of a meeting held on Thursday 1st September 2022 at Beambridge Club Room**

**Present:** Cllrs Barbara Archer (Chair), Nigel Dobson, David Marston and Graham Williams.

**In Attendance:** Councillor Cecilia Motley (Shropshire Council) and H Coonick (Clerk/RFO).

**Apologies for Absence:** Cllrs Antonia Bury, Edward Povey, Chris Meeson and Val Fotheringham.

**Declarations of Interest:** None.

**Presentation by "Restoring Shropshire's Verges Project":** This was deferred until the meeting in November.

**Public Forum:** No members of the public were present.

**Minutes** of the meeting held on 7th July 2022 were approved.

**Matters Arising from those minutes that are not covered on the agenda:** None.

**Urgent Items for discussion at the discretion of the Chair:** none.

**Planning Matters: 22/03704/TCA:** Tree felling at Old Willow House, Aston Munslow: It was unanimously agreed to support the application.

**Land South Of Bowgate Farm, Rowe Lane:** An alleged breach of Planning Control had been reported to the Clerk who advised reporting to Shropshire Council Planning Enforcement Team.

**Reports:**

*The Chair* had nothing to report that was not already on the agenda.

**Shropshire Council** - Cllr Motley reported that the highways recent programme of works was being reviewed to look at how to improve communications about road closures and diversions. Shropshire Council has made another bid to the Levelling Up Fund for improved public transport services. The outcome will be known in October. There are changes to the Health Services in Shropshire with the introduction of an Integrated Care System and there are plans for a Health Hub in Shrewsbury. Shropshire Council is setting up 'Warm Spaces' in community centres to help people cope with the increased costs of heating their homes. Cllr Marston reported to Cllr Motley that the road closures had been disorganised and caused major problems for local residents and businesses and drains were not being properly jetted or repaired.

**Beambridge Village Hall** - Cllr Dobson reported that two members of the committee are resigning in September, but he hoped there would be at least one new person joining the committee. There are concerns about

the cost of heating the hall over the Winter with the increase in the cost of electricity. The old meter has been removed and the committee will decide how to recoup the cost of electricity.

**Correspondence:** A letter had been received from Easthope, Shipton and Stanton Long Parish Council regarding the Joint Highways Meeting. This was noted.

**Update on the Defibrillators:** Millichope has been asked to turn around the telephone box outside The Crown at Munslow where the new defibrillator will be sited. As the site of a further defibrillator has not been identified the application to the Henry Angell-James Memorial Trust cannot be made yet.

**Finance:** The Accounts, Bank Reconciliation and Budget were considered and approved. As of 14th July 2022 the bank account held £17,950.78.

**Payments:** Insurance, including cover for the War Memorial £371.73 fixed for 3 years; VAT refund return (VAS) £804.11; God's Acre £30, Clerk's Salary £586.56 for July - Sept and Travel Expenses for April - July £34.20. D Lewis (Environmental Maintenance) Inv. 199 £148.75, The Defibrillator has not yet been ordered. All were authorised. CiLCA training for the Clerk £165.

CiLCA forms part of the criteria for the council to exercise the General Power of Competence which gives councils the power to do anything an individual can do provided it is not prohibited by other legislation. This was approved unanimously.

**Options for External Auditor:** The Council resolved to remain in the central procurement regime managed by SAAA.

**Highways:** A full refund of £4,824.65 had been received from TWM Traffic Control for the faulty sign at Aston Munslow. The VAT claim of £804.11 will be returned to HMRC.

**Vehicle Activated Signs:** Deferred to the next meeting.

**Update on the Joint Parishes Highways Proposals:** An email from Nick Newton (Shropshire Council) stated that a report was almost complete, and he would discuss proposals with each Parish Council involved.

**Update on the Environmental Maintenance Contractor:** The Clerk reported that Mr Dave Lewis had been contracted to carry out the work across the Parish and has already started work. He has Public Liability Insurance.

**Date of Next Meeting: Thursday 6th October 2022 at 7.30pm at Beambridge Village Hall.**

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**ABDON AND HEATH PARISH COUNCIL**

**Date of next meeting: Thursday 13th October 2022.**

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**DIDDLEBURY PARISH COUNCIL**

**Date of next meeting: Wednesday 26th October 7.30pm at Diddlebury Village Hall**

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*Parish Councils Continued...***CULMINGTON PARISH COUNCIL****Draft Minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting of Culmington Parish Council on 23rd August 2022 at 7.30pm.**

**In Attendance:** Councillors Mr I Steele (Chair), Mr A Pike (Vice Chair), Mrs C Byng, Mrs M Holland, Ms J Mear and Mr J Turley. H Coonick (Clerk/RFO)

**Apologies for Absence:** Cllrs Mr I Alderson, Ms J Watts and Cllr C Motley (Shropshire Council).

**Declarations of Interest relating to this meeting:** None

**Public Involvement Session:** A member of the public asked the Clerk to raise the issue of danger signs and verge cutting on the roads approaching Vernolds Common if more holiday makers would be visiting the area as a result of the planning application in item 4.

**Planning Application:** Reference: 22/03305/FUL Claypits, 27 Vernolds Common, SY7 9LP Proposal: Conversion of workshop first floor and extension to provide self-contained annex accommodation ancillary to main dwelling. Council resolved to support this application with two comments: a) limit exterior lighting b) improve road signage and verge cutting arrangements on roads surrounding the property.

**Payments:** D Lewis (Environmental Maintenance) Invoices 171 & 183 £119.00, H Coonick (Clerk, reimbursement for stationary) £14.23. Council resolved to authorise these payments. Prop Cllr Byng, 2nd Cllr Turley.

**Draft Minutes of the ordinary meeting held on Tuesday 6th September 2022**

**Present:** Councillors Mr I Steele (Chair), Mr A Pike (Vice Chair), Mr I Alderson, Mrs C Byng, Mrs M Holland, Ms J Mear, Mr J Turley; Cllr C Motley (Shropshire Council), Heather Coonick (Clerk/RFO) and 12 members of the public.

**Apologies** were received from Mr M Seabrook (accepted).

**Declarations of Interest relating to this meeting:** None.

**Mr Jack Nuttall** of Asquith Developments, owner of the plot of land opposite the Village Hall, discussed with members of the public and Councillors what they would like to see the plot used for. There was some discussion on the effect that building on the site would have on flooding in the area. Mr Nuttall did agree to do some maintenance on the hedges and trees on the plot.

**Public Involvement Session:** Members of the public had no further questions beyond questioning Mr Nuttall.

**Minutes** of the Meeting held on Tuesday 5th July 2022 and the Extraordinary Meeting on the 23rd August 2022 were approved as correct.

**Matters Arising:** None.

**Planning:** Update on Committee Meeting for Application 22/00106/**OUT:** Outline application for the erection of one dwelling to include means of access to the North of Seifton Lane. Cllr Motley updated the meeting on the progress of this application. It was refused at committee and the applicant has the opportunity to appeal.

**Community Governance and Boundary Review:** Consideration of potential changes to Parish Boundaries at Sparchford, Vernold's Common, The Pheasantry and Seifton. A joint letter from Culmington and Diddlebury Parish Council to residents of Seifton Batch was discussed and amended to include that this would not affect ecclesiastical boundaries and the precept goes towards funding items such as Vehicle Activated Cameras and SmartWater. The Clerk will send out an updated copy to Councillors for comment.

**Meeting with Mr John Bellis, Shropshire Council's Flood Risk Manager:** the Clerk had emailed Mr Bellis to request a meeting but had not had a response. Further contact will be made by the Clerk.

**Reports from Members:**

**Shropshire Council** - Cllr Motley reported that Shropshire Council will find setting next year's budget very difficult due to inflation. The Shropshire Integrated Care System (which brings together hospitals, community and mental health trusts, GPs and other primary care services with local authorities and other care providers across the whole area) is progressing.

**Village Hall** - Cllr Mear reported that a planning application had been submitted for a single storey extension to create a new storeroom. The Clerk is in the process of applying to the Land Registry for a change of address for the Parish Council. The Village Hall is considering installing wifi. The Flower Show was a success, and a Promises Auction and

Tractor Run are planned.

**Flood Action Group** - Cllr Byng presented a report from the last committee meeting.

**Finance:** The Finance Report, Bank Reconciliation and Budget were reviewed and accepted. As of the 26th August 2022 the bank account held £11,382.46.

**Payments Were Authorised To:** D Lewis (Environmental Maintenance) £127.50, Clerk's Salary (July-Sept) £690.95 and Travel Expenses (April-July) £46.35. A Clayton (Desilting) £720. The Village Hall Committee has agreed to pay the fee for the Planning Application from their own funds.

It was decided that the Council would fund CILCA training for the Clerk for £165.

It was decided to opt into the next round of 5-year audit appointments for the External Auditors.

**Correspondence:** 'Thank you's' for donations have been received from Midland Air Ambulance, Westhope Clover Club, Hope House Children's Hospice, West Shropshire Talking Newspaper and the League of Friends of Ludlow Community Hospital.

The three main issues on the Local Policing Community Charter were considered. It was decided that the new issues would be a. Poaching b. Speed of vehicles c. Lorries parked at the Laundry Works.

The Council was copied into correspondence regarding the effect of traffic through the village once work begins on the farm buildings. This was noted by the Council.

A letter from Munslow Parish Council had been received updating attendees at the Joint Highways Meeting last Autumn. A highways report is in its final stages and will be discussed by Shropshire Council's Nick Newton with each of the Parish Councils concerned. Noted.

It was agreed that a further set of records should be deposited at the Archives at Shrewsbury Records Office.

A section of Seifton Brook on Seifton Lane was desilted by the Parish Council in August in an attempt to alleviate flooding. The Flood Action Group is arranging for vegetation to be removed from the brook on Seifton Lane.

Plans for a Vehicle Activated Sign for the Eastern entrance to Culmington Village will be included in the draft budget considerations at the November meeting.

The Clerk has had no contact from either the Police or the Environment agency regarding the Laundry Works.

The transfer to a new website host had been completed, with some pages still needing updating.

**Items For The Next Meeting:** a) Invite the Neighbourhood Policing Team. b) Community Governance and Boundary Review.

**Next meeting:** Tuesday 4th October 2022 at 7.30pm

<b>Animal</b>		<b>Children's Schools &amp; Activities</b>	
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Millwood Poultry	27	Corvedale Primary School	29
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P.G Butcher / H.M Smith	26	R.A.I.T. Electrical	26
AJ Hoskins & Sons Ltd	26	Stephen Morgan	27
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Gary Paris - Plumber & Builder	26	Arboretum Tree Services	23
Dave Stratton - Carpenter, Joiner, Building Maintenance	26	The Humble-Bee Gardeners	22/23
Alan Williams - Painter	26	Miller Tree Services	22
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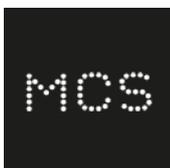
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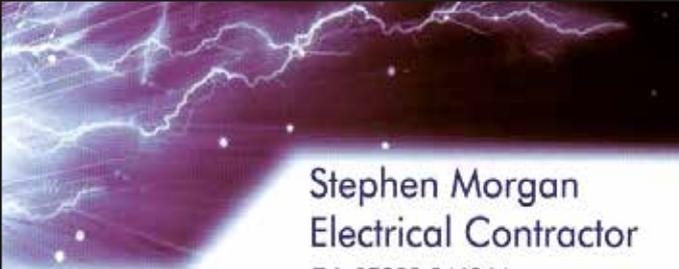
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Diddlebury Parish Flood Action Group	Clive Martyn	841346	happy4clive@gmail.com
Ludlow Minor Injuries Unit (out of hours 111)	Community Hospital	874297	
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Corvedale Garden Group	Cath Burley		cathburley@hotmail.com
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<b><i>Parish Clerks and Websites</i></b>			
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<b>Diddlebury Parish Website:</b>	www.diddleburyparish.co.uk		
<b>Corvedale Google Group:</b>	This is a free service and issues purely local information such as road closures, flood warnings and so on to its members on an occasional basis. It also alerts members to new items appearing on the DPC website. If you would like to join this service, send an email to: <b>Martin Jones - martingcn@gmail.com</b>		

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<b>Beambridge Club Room</b>	Frances Sutton Anne Donnelly	841654	anne7donnelly@gmail.com
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***Women's Institutes***

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## SERVICES FOR OCTOBER 2022

	2nd October Trinity 16	9th October Trinity 17	16th October Trinity 18	23rd October Last Sunday after Trinity	30th October All Saints'
<b>Broadstone</b>					10am Group Service of Holy Communion at Culmington
<b>Culmington</b>	11:15 HC	6pm Harvest Festival Service for Diddlebury & Culmington at Diddlebury		8:30 HC	
<b>Diddlebury</b>	9:45 HC		11:15 HC	11:15 Pets' Service	
<b>Holdgate</b>			Harvest Thanksgiving with Munslow at Holdgate 6.00pm Supper in church 7:30pm Harvest Service		
<b>Munslow</b>	6pm EP	11:15 HC			
<b>Tugford</b>			9:45 HC	6pm Harvest Festival Service for Abdon and Tugford at Tugford	
<b>Abdon</b>		9:45 HC			

**Key:** HC = Holy Communion, EP = Evensong, FC = Family Communion.

**Thursday 13th October at 3pm** - Harvest Service at Westhope