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0808 278 7894

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(Monday - Friday, 10.00am - 4.00pm)  
01742 280 019

**FREE Citizens Advice Consumer  
Helpline:** 0808 223 1133

**FREE Universal Credit: Help to claim:**  
0800 144 8 444

**On the web**  
[www.citizensadvice.org.uk](http://www.citizensadvice.org.uk)

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01588 672 192

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- Your local **parish councillors**
  - [ShropshireLarder.org.uk](http://ShropshireLarder.org.uk)
- **Shropshire Council** on 0345 6478 9028 or at [www.shropshire.gov.uk/coronavirus](http://www.shropshire.gov.uk/coronavirus)
- **Corvedale Helping Hands** - email [corvedalehelpinghands@gmail.com](mailto:corvedalehelpinghands@gmail.com)

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St Michael's Rectory  
Munslow  
SY7 9EU  
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### Catholic Church

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St Peter's RC Church  
Henley Road, Ludlow  
SY8 1QZ  
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### Methodist Chapel

Craven Arms: for service  
times and ministers, please  
contact the Shropshire  
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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 26th September  
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



**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

## Corvedale Festival

*International in Scope – Local in Feel*

Patron ~ David Matthews

Music Art Literature



16<sup>th</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup> September 2022

Tickets available from:

Festival Office 07745 825700  
or

Ludlow Assembly Rooms Box Office

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

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## 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:

September                      Wednesday 21st                      Friday 23rd                      Sunday 25th

*What's on in the Dale*

BODENHAMS  
 ECLECTICA  
 EXPENSIVE MISTAKES  
 PROMESSE



**CATWALK  
 COLLECTIVE**



winter  
 fashion  
 show

**FRIDAY 30TH SEPTEMBER 2022, 7PM**

**ST LAURENCE'S CHURCH,  
 LUDLOW**

**TICKETS: £15** Includes drink on arrival & canapés  
All proceeds to St Laurence's

Fashion show, music, raffle & more

**YOUR LOCAL MARKET**

at

**Stoke Saint Milborough Village Hall**



**Wednesdays 13th July, 10th August,  
 14th September, 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 & District Autumn Show**



The complete schedule for this year's show is  
 now available to download at:

<http://www.diddleburyparish.co.uk/corvedale-and-district-autumn-show>

You will find us under the 'Community'  
 tab in the banner at the top of the Parish  
 Council's home page.

It is hoped that, Covid-19 infection rates  
 permitting, it will be possible for the  
 Corvedale & District Autumn Show to  
 return on:

**Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> September  
 2022**

*What's on in the Dale*



**Corvedale CE Primary School & Nursery**  
Diddlebury, Craven Arms, Shropshire. SY7 9DH

Tel: 01584 841630 or 01584 841598  
email: [admin@corvedaleprimary.co.uk](mailto:admin@corvedaleprimary.co.uk)

**WE HAVE PLACES AVAILABLE IN OUR NURSERY FOR SEPTEMBER 2022**



Corvedale CE Primary School is a small village voluntary aided primary school situated in Diddlebury. A wonderful area of rural Shropshire, yet only 8 miles from Ludlow. Our Nursery is located within the main building based in spacious, well-equipped rooms.

A unique place for children to start on their learning adventure in a nurturing environment.  
**For more information contact us.**  
01584 841 630  
[admin@corvedaleprimary.co.uk](mailto:admin@corvedaleprimary.co.uk)  
[www.corvedaleprimary.co.uk](http://www.corvedaleprimary.co.uk)

**BEAMBRIDGE CLUB ROOM NEEDS YOU**



Beambridge Club Room Committee desperately needs new members. Help to keep the Club Room open by becoming a member of the committee. Contact the Parish Clerk on 07817607355 or [munslowpc@gmail.com](mailto:munslowpc@gmail.com)



**Seedpips Community Larder**

*Seedpips* is our very own gardening project based at Corvedale School.

The Children's vegetable garden, complete with polytunnel and raised beds, provides tasty fresh produce now available to the whole community.

Our produce stand is just outside the village hall.

Please support us by providing a donation for fruit, flowers, vegetables, jams, local eggs, or whatever we are able to offer on any given day.

Some produce is provided free by our supporters: please feel free to add your own contribution !

**Proceeds go 100% to the project**

Contact [jo\\_seedpips@outlook.com](mailto:jo_seedpips@outlook.com) for further information

*Culmington Village Hall Activities & Events - September*

- 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 **Chair Yoga For All Abilities** Contact: Liz Curtis, 07734 358 001, [lizcurtisyoga@gmail.com](mailto:lizcurtisyoga@gmail.com)
- Sat 10th **Can-Do-Crafts**, 10:00am to 12:30pm Ragamouse (Weighted Doorstop) Contact: Rosemary Jones, 01584 861 823 or 07837 609 229
- Tues 13th **RSPB meeting** Contact: Carol Wood, [carolwood772@outlook.com](mailto:carolwood772@outlook.com)
- Fri 23rd **Promises Auction**  
Come and bid for great items/promises. In aid of hall renovations.  
Bar from 5:30pm, pork or beef baps (£4) from 5:30pm to 7:45pm (please order in advance).  
Contact: Jo Mear, 07872 109 936 / *Jeff Williams*, 01584 861 849
- Fri 30th **Village Hall Social Evening**  
Come along for a chat and drink with friends and meet new people.

**RSPB Walks 2022**



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

- Sunday 11th September - Mortimer Forest
- Saturday 8th October - Powkesmore (Brown Cleef)
- Sunday 16th October - Venus Pool
- Sunday 13th November - Whixall Moss

**The Quire**

The Quire gives performances at concerts, church services and workshops. The concerts combine the music sung from the west galleries of parish churches, together with some historical and anecdotal material from 1720 to 1850, and they are costumed to show what might have been worn in 1820 when John Moore of Wellington was born.

The Quire will be performing in **St John the Baptist Church, Stokesay, Craven Arms** on **Saturday 24th September** from 2.00pm to 4.00pm.

Tickets £8.00 to include refreshments (children free). Tickets on the door or from Mrs P Broad 01588 672 554.

Proceeds to be divided between the Church funds and The Ukraine Appeal.



**Edge Chamber Choir Concert - Sunday 18th September, 3.00pm, Diddlebury Church**

Edge is delighted to have been asked to be part of the inaugural Corvedale Festival. We have planned a concert full of the most amazingly beautiful music for you, but as this music is not well known I thought I would write a few words about it.



Two of the works in the programme are written for choir and soprano saxophone, the highest member of the saxophone family - it makes the most haunting and stunningly beautiful sound. It will be played by Alison Dodd who is a local saxophonist and music teacher. The works are **Nunc Dimittis** by Christian Forshaw, Professor of Saxophone at the Guildhall, and **Son of God Mass** by James

Whitbourn. The music for the mass was originally written as background music for a BBC 2 documentary series, 'Son of God', which chronicled the life of Jesus using scientific and contemporary historical evidence, which some of you may remember watching. James Whitbourn later added the words of the mass to it, and I took part in its premiere in Sevenoaks, Kent, quite a long time ago! I loved it then and I love it now and I am sure you will too.

Alongside these pieces, there will be a variety of short pieces including Eric Whitacre's **Sleep** and the first performance of **Pied Beauty** by Paul Henley, founder with his wife Ruth of the Corvedale Festival, plus three gorgeous pieces by women composers.

The concert will be about an hour long followed by afternoon tea - a perfect Sunday afternoon!

*Ros Crouch*

*Diddlebury Village Hall*

www.diddleburyvillagehall.org

Facebook: @diddleburyvillagehall



## FORTHCOMING EVENTS:



September

October / November

**Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> September**Corvedale and District  
Autumn Show.**Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> September**Zakuski – A presentation and reading  
of Russian literature at 7.30pm.  
*NB: This event is being held to promote  
respect and gratitude for the many Russian  
and Soviet artists who denounce oppressive  
regimes, including their own, sometimes at  
considerable personal cost. At the  
conclusion of the presentation there will be a  
collection for the people of Ukraine.***Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> September**Afternoon tea in the Hall  
following the Edge Chamber  
Choir concert in St Peter's at  
3.00pm.**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.**Monday 19<sup>th</sup> September**'Made in the Marches' with  
poet and presenter Jean Atkin  
(including poems by pupils of  
Corvedale School). 7.00pm.**Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> November**

Diddlebury Christmas Fair.

## CLASSES AND GROUP MEETINGS

**Tai Chi**

Classes: Thursdays, 10.00-11.00am

Please contact Enid Gill on: 07903 014498/[enidgil21@hotmail.com](mailto:enidgil21@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.

*Westhope Village Hall*



Our roof is finally finished and now we have the arduous task of cleaning the hall inside and out ready for a local family's christening tea on Sunday 21st August.

We have a busy programme of events planned for the Autumn to replenish our bank account, starting on 1st September with our **Yoga Group** back at the village hall from 9.30am-10.30am every Thursday. **Tots and Toddlers** will resume every Monday (term time) from Monday 5th September 10.00am-12.00noon. Don't forget our **Line Dancing Evening** on Saturday 17th September at 7.00pm, beginners and all abilities are welcome, this is sure to be a fun evening. We have our usual licensed bar and refreshments. Admission £6.00.

We are all looking forward to joining the local village halls skittles league in October, our first match is at home on **Friday 14th October** with Cleve St Margaret. Licensed bar and refreshments will be available. Anyone interested in joining our team, please contact Betty on 07860 447 397.

With the darker nights fast approaching, and our newly repaired and insulated roof, with no leaks, we are sure our village hall will be much warmer, so please come along and enjoy some of our events planned for the Autumn. Everyone welcome.

*Betty Manley*



**CORVEDALE TOTS**

*Every Monday 10.00am-12noon.*

**The tots and toddlers will resume after the summer break in September.**

*All enquiries to Amie Watson.*



**LINE DANCING EVENING**

**Saturday 17th September.**

With an experienced caller and tutor.

If there is sufficient interest we will hold line dancing evenings on a regular basis. Please come along and support us. Admission £6.00. Licensed bar and refreshments.



**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



**COUNTRY & WESTERN DANCE**

**Saturday 8th October. 8.00pm – late.**

The very popular Country and Western singers Double Focus.



**MONTHLY BINGO**

The next bingo night is **Friday 30th September**. Doors open at 7.00pm with eyes down at 7.30pm. The bar will be stocked and there is always great fun to be had.



**SKITTLES MATCH - Home**

**Friday 14th October**



**WHIST DRIVES**

Whist drives are held weekly on a Monday night, all welcome. Start time 7:30pm.



**HARVEST SUPPER**

**Saturday 22nd October.**



**COUNTRY & WESTERN DANCE**

**Saturday 10th December.**

With Johnny and Howell.



**WESTHOPE CLOVER CLUB**

The first Thursday of the month. All enquiries to Kath Woodhouse 01584 841 254.



**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.

*Abdon Village Hall Events*

**Coffee and Cake Morning**                      Saturday 24th September                      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.

**Autumn Supper**                      Friday 14th October                      7.30pm.

**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)

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

Please note that the deadline for all submissions to the Corvedale News is Monday 19th September.

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>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
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1st Thur	<b>Westhope Clover Club</b>	Westhope Village Hall	1.00pm
3rd Sat	<b>Corvedale &amp; District Autumn Show</b>	Diddlebury Village Hall	2.00pm
6th Tue	<b>Culmington Parish Council Meeting</b>	Culmington Village Hall	7.00pm
8th Thur	<b>Craft Group</b>	Diddlebury Church Room	2.00pm
8th Thur	<b>Corvedale Book Group</b>	Diddlebury Village Hall	7.30pm
8th Thur	<b>Hayton &amp; District WI</b>	Stanton Lacy Village Hall	7.30pm
10th Sat	<b>Can do Crafts - Ragamouse Doorstop</b>	Culmington Village Hall	10.00am
11th Sun	<b>RSPB Walk</b>	Mortimer Forest	TBC
13th Tue	<b>Caring for God's Acre</b>	Munslow Churchyard	10.00am
13th Tue	<b>RSPB Meeting</b>	Culmington Village Hall	7.30pm
14th Wed	<b>Local Market</b>	Stoke St Milborough Village Hall	12.00noon
14th Wed	<b>Diddlebury &amp; Westhope WI and Munslow WI</b>	Beambridge Club Room	7.30pm
16th Fri	<b>Corvedale Festival</b>		
17th Sat	<b>Corvedale Festival</b>		
17th Sat	<b>Line Dancing</b>	Westhope Village Hall	7.00pm
18th Sun	<b>Corvedale Festival</b>		
18th Sun	<b>Edge Chamber Choir</b>	St Peter's, Diddlebury	3.00pm
18th Sun	<b>Afternoon Tea</b>	Diddlebury Village Hall	TBC
19th Mon	<b>Corvedale Festival</b>		
19th Mon	<b>Corvedale News Copy Deadline</b>		
19th Mon	<b>Made in Marches</b>	Diddlebury Village Hall	7.00pm
20th Tue	<b>Corvedale Festival</b>		
20th Tue	<b>Munslow Village Hall AGM</b>	Beambridge Club Room	7.30pm
21st Wed	<b>Corvedale Festival</b>		
21st Wed	<b>Footpath Maintenance Group</b>	TBC	9.30am
21st Wed	<b>Zakuski - Russian Literature</b>	Diddlebury Village Hall	7.30pm
22nd Thur	<b>Corvedale Festival</b>		
22nd Thur	<b>Flicks in the Sticks Operation Mince meat</b>	Diddlebury Village Hall	7.15pm
23rd Fri	<b>Corvedale Festival</b>		
23rd Fri	<b>Footpath Maintenance Group</b>	TBC	9.30am
23rd Fri	<b>Promises Auction</b>	Culmington Village Hall	5.30pm
24th Sat	<b>Corvedale Festival</b>		
24th Sat	<b>Coffee &amp; Cake Morning</b>	Abdon Village Hall	10.30am
24th Sat	<b>The Quire</b>	St John the Baptist Church, Craven Arms	2.00pm
25th Sun	<b>Footpath Maintenance Group</b>	TBC	9.30am
26th Mon	<b>Corvedale Folk Club</b>	The Sun Inn, Corfton	7.30pm
28th Wed	<b>Diddlebury &amp; Westhope WI Group Meeting</b>	Culmington Village Hall	7.30pm
28th Wed	<b>Diddlebury Parish Council Meeting</b>	Westhope Village Hall	7.30pm
30th Fri	<b>Winter Fashion Show</b>	St Laurence's, Ludlow	7.00pm
30th Fri	<b>Village Hall Social Evening</b>	Culmington Village Hall	7.30pm
30th Fri	<b>Westhope Bingo Night</b>	Westhope Village Hall	7.00pm

*Church News*



**Letter from the Rectory**

This September sees the inaugural Corvedale Festival taking place, with nine days of events which include poetry and literature, art and music, with many of the concerts taking place in the churches of the Corvedale Group. Most of the concerts involve several musicians playing (or singing) together in such a way that the whole they create is so much greater than the sum of its parts. You could take a piece of music played by a quartet and listen to each part being played separately, one after the other. However, no matter how accomplished the musicians it would not be anything like as enjoyable an experience as it would be when they play the parts together, mixing and blending to create something that no single one of the parts could create alone.

Thinking about this I am of course aware that we can find other similar examples. I'm writing this at the end of the spell of hot weather in mid-August and over the past few days I have been able to see the fields around this part of the Corvedale being harvested. In each case this is being done by several people working together with different pieces of equipment, so that between them the job is completed quickly and efficiently: and before it started to rain!

There are, of course, other benefits in coming together, even in activities which are essentially things we do alone. We might benefit from the social aspects of meeting up; we might be able to improve our skills by learning from others; and in times of need we may be able to give or to receive support from others in the group.

As I think about the life of the churches I am reminded that as Christian communities coming together we too can experience something that is greater than the sum of its parts, not least by sharing in the skills of those who contribute in so many ways to the life of their church and to our worship of God. Part of our role, too, is to support each other in times of need. Unlike some groups, however,

we are here not only for those who see themselves as church members but for the whole community. Anyone who lives in the parish can have their baptism, wedding or funeral in the church even if they have never been in it before, and anyone is welcome to join us when we gather on Sundays or at other times. As with many things, the hardest bit is perhaps the first step, but everything has to start somewhere - you are welcome to join us whenever you'd like!

*Rev'd John Beesley*

**St Peter's, Diddlebury**

Just a reminder that the **Craft Group** meets in the **Church Room** on the **second Thursday** of the month at **2.00pm** and will resume after the summer break on **Thursday 8th September**. All are welcome.



*Martin Speight*

*From the Registers*



**Weddings**

23rd July	Hannah Gorski & George Newman	Diddlebury
23rd July	Hailey Hobbs & Joshua Hughes	Munslow
4th August	Sophie Carrington & Tom Fellows	Diddlebury

**Funeral**

22nd July	Godfrey Richards	Munslow
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*Flowers and Brasses - Diddlebury*



**September 2022**

4th	Mrs J Woodhouse	18th	Corvedale Festival
11th	Mrs J Woodhouse	25th	Mrs Jones

**Thank You**

I would like to thank everyone who attended Brian Swaithe's funeral on Friday 27th May at St Peter's Church, Diddlebury, followed by refreshments at The Swan. We raised a staggering amount for the Air Ambulance - £1,824. Unbelievable! Thank you once again.

I would especially like to thank people from the area for all the support we have had. We have lived here 44 years - a long time!

*Beccy Harberd Swaithe*

**Corvedale Festival Tickets**

After over a year of planning and preparation the festival is only a few weeks away. The logistics of an event like this are endless and we are tired! However, it will all be worth it if, come September, we have venues full of happy audiences. If you are intending to come, please consider buying your tickets in advance. This will help us enormously in terms of planning catering and paying the considerable upfront bills for things like piano hire, printing, and wine! Of

course, if you turn up on the door, we will still be delighted to see you. This is your festival, supporting your churches and bringing the arts to your doorstep. Please support it!

For tickets contact Ruth Henley at the Festival Office, either by email at *corvedalefestival@gmail.com* or by phone on 07745 825 700. They are also available online and in person from Ludlow Assembly Rooms Box Office.

*Ruth Henley*

*Women's Institute***Diddlebury & Westhope WI**

We had a perfect August evening for our garden meeting at Amanda's house. The evening was so lovely, fourteen of us had a wonderful time wandering around Amanda's gardens and then we had our WI Bake Off competition. The cakes were judged, and a winner declared, who will now have to submit her cake to the Shropshire Federation Bake Off in November! Afterwards, we all sampled the various bakes that were brought along. Thanks to Amanda for hosting us and thank you to everyone who brought cakes along for the bake off. Also, I would like to thank Joy and her team who came second with our entry into the WI competition at Burwarton Show. A lot of effort goes into the entry, and we are incredibly grateful for all their hard work. Great result!

Next month we will be meeting on **Wednesday 14th September** at 7.30pm. We are having a joint meeting with Munslow WI in September, which will be held at Beambridge. In September we will also be hosting our group meeting. This will take place on **Wednesday 28th September** at 7.30pm. We have Pen Turner coming along to give a talk about her life travelling, solo, after giving up an extremely comfortable life in her fifties to travel the world (with her toy penguin)! So, a lot to look forward to in September.

As I have said many times before, there is no commitment to joining the WI, just come along as a guest and give it a try. If you need any further information, just contact me.

*Jane Cockburn,  
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**Hayton & District WI**

As we do not have a meeting in August, our secretary, Amanda, arranged a trip to The Victorian Walled Gardens at Delbury Hall, where Richard Rallings and his wife Jill run Mynd Hardy Plants Nursery. Richard had given an interesting talk entitled 'Five Centuries of Women Gardeners' at our June meeting so we were delighted to hear more about how he and Jill had restored the walled garden and developed the plant nursery. We also had permission to visit the gardens at Delbury Hall. It was a perfect afternoon, and one could imagine taking a turn round the grounds in days gone by, providing one had enough staff to keep it well maintained. We finished with a short talk by Richard on the history of English Walled Gardens. Who knew that

the 'posh' ones always had walls three bricks thick and usually had only three sides enclosed to let the frost out! Jill served delicious homemade cakes and a welcome cup of tea to round off a thoroughly enjoyable afternoon.



*Richard Rallings with WI members at The Victorian Walled Garden, Delbury Hall.*

Our regular meetings will recommence on **Thursday 8th September** at the village hall when Darren Bale will give a vegetarian cookery demonstration and the competition letter is X.

*Barbara Wright*

**Munslow WI**

A change of the arranged venue forced us into the shade of an ancient yew tree in Jenny's garden where we drank tea and coffee but mainly cold drinks. We were fourteen, mainly members but also a few friends and two visitors, one all the way from New Zealand.

Despite the heat we managed to polish off quite a few sandwiches and cakes whilst chatting on subjects including the heatwave, water shortages and how best to keep our gardens hydrated, an almost impossible task in present conditions.

We discussed future meetings and next month Diddlebury and Westhope WI will join us for a talk on 'Caring for God's Acre.' The following month a skittles evening has been arranged.

Eventually the sun moved round and when there was no shade from the tree, we said our goodbyes and departed.

We meet on the second Wednesday of the month at Beambridge Club Room, and we are always pleased to welcome new members or just visitors.

*Jenny Rose,  
01584 841 251*

*Westhope Clover Club*

The next meeting of the Clover Club is at Westhope Village Hall on **Thursday 1st of September**, this will be our anniversary luncheon, at 1.00 o'clock. The Westhope bar will be open, and a grand draw will take place. Many

thanks to Culmington Parish Council for their kind donation. Please ring Kath or Mary to book your seats on 01584 841 254 or 01588 673 712.

*Kath Woodhouse*

*Drama at Middlehope!*



In mid-August there was some major excitement in Middlehope when a contract bailing machine caught fire and set alight to both the field of hay that it was bailing and some of the adjacent woodland. Some quick thinking by the contractor in unhitching the blazing bailer and then getting a harrow to create a fire break around the burning straw stopped the fire from spreading to a nearby property. Good work by local farmers ploughing and dumping soil to make further fire breaks and the local Fire and Rescue Service from both Ludlow & Church Stretton, together with a lack of wind, narrowly averted a complete disaster. The wind was coming from the southeast and caused the fire to enter Wenlock Edge wood. Fire crews returned early the following day to ensure that the fire was completely extinguished in the wood.

*Laurie Robinson*

*Diddlebury Flood Action Group*



I have recently taken over from the much-respected Geoff Neden as the leader for the Diddlebury Flood Action Group. I have had links with the village for nine years and been resident for three years. During that time, I have helped my partner, who has lived here for 40 years, through minor flooding after she experienced two severe incidents some years ago and have helped to improve flood defences to her property.

The Environment Agency and your local authority have no statutory duty to protect your property from flooding, so the onus is on you to protect yourself. With autumn fast approaching here are a few suggestions. Let's get prepared!

For example... leaves can cause flooding... filling gutters, blocking road gullies, redirecting water flows. Gutter cleaning before the winter stops the leaves blocking the drains and gullies. Look out for blocked road drains, report these through the FixMyStreet app.

We tend not to think about emergencies until they occur. However, with a practical and positive approach, and by planning ahead, you can make yourself more resilient. The biggest severe weather risk in the UK comes from flooding, whether that's from prolonged or torrential rain, such as that which affected large parts of England and Wales in the autumn and winter of 2019-2020, or overflowing drains.

Householders should undertake an audit of the resources available to them - pumps, buckets, mops, wet vacuums, sandbags and drain rods etc.

Prepare an emergency grab bag, this can be for any emergency - such as fire or flooding (if you need to be evacuated). Useful items to include:

- Prescription medicines and toiletries, Identity documents (driving licence / passport / insurance documents / NHS numbers)

- First aid kit and whistle to signal for help
- Radio and torch (preferably wind-up or with spare batteries)
- Notebook with key contact details such as the doctor/ dentist/school, and a pen.
- Spare glasses/contact lenses, house/car keys
- Mobile phone charger
- Wet wipes, bin bags and plastic ties for personal sanitation
- Items for any pets

Other useful things to be aware of:

- Knowing where and how to turn off your utilities (gas / water / electricity)
- Family meeting place / alternative place to stay in case of evacuation
- Important computer information backed up onto a USB stick or the Cloud
- Three days' supply of non-perishable food and water to be kept in your home
- Check smoke / carbon dioxide alarms weekly
- Storing items of sentimental value or importance upstairs or on upper shelves (bank statements/photo albums etc.)
- Make your own personal emergency plan

Even if you cannot manage all of these, by doing what you can, you will be better prepared for an emergency affecting your home or business.

I hope this information is useful. I can be contacted at: [happy4clive@gmail.com](mailto:happy4clive@gmail.com)

*Clive Martyn*

*Corvedale Book Group*

We met on 11th August to discuss *Etta Lemon* by Tessa Boase. Cathy Beardes suggested the book which we all found fascinating, and she has also provided the review below. At our meeting on **Thursday 8th September**, we will discuss *The Salt Path* by Raynor Wynn, suggested by Jenny Vine. A couple who have come upon challenging times at a difficult moment in their lives take to the Southwest Coast Path to let nature help heal them both mentally and physically. Please let me know if you would like to join us to discuss this book.

*Cath Burley*

***Etta Lemon* by Tessa Boase**

Etta Lemon introduces us not only to the life and work of one of the founder members of the RSPB, but also to the detailed interplay of her life with the contrasting activities of Emmeline Pankhurst, one of the founders of the suffragette movement. Throughout the book we delve into their similar beginnings, strong attitudes and contrasting motivations to become two of the most driven and charismatic women, associated with groups that had a major impact on British society.

The story starts in the London slums in the 1880s where we meet Alice Battershall, a feather worker driven to stealing a feather, the cash of the day, and her fellow workers in the horrific industry that employed thousands of women and children in the cleaning, knotting, curling and onward processing of feathers for hats. We get a surprising insight into the vast scale of 'murderous millinery' where not just feathers but whole birds, sometimes deconstructed and rebuilt to fancy, were perched on the heads of ladies of the time. At its peak, the trade was worth £20 million a year (around £204 million today) and many bird species were driven to near extinction. We read in detail about the cruel egret hunting business in America where nesting egrets were hunted for their breeding plumes and the chicks left to starve in the nests and we see inside the dust filled, stinking warehouses of London where carcasses from across the world were piled high for sale. Hearing about the full extent and horror of the avian slaughter worldwide and the human workforce degradation to provide for this fashion (this latter more evident to our sensibilities than Etta's it seems), it was understandable how Etta became determined to stop the plumage trade.

From her middle-class, evangelical home, Etta started as a teenager with letters to the women attending her local church and later moved on to join forces, via the respectable medium of ladies' tea-parties, with other women of like mind, with the RSPCA, and subsequently with her husband Frank. Emily Williamson who started the Society for the Protection of Birds in Manchester and Eliza Phillips of the Fur, Fin and Feather Folk in South London were prominent and later Winifred, Duchess of Portland was crucial to add necessary aristocratic connections to the society's progress. Throughout their work they were up against opposition from various quarters, not least the millinery industry itself, but also from men of 'science' who ridiculed the women for their sentimentality and their unfeminine behaviour. They also had internal conflicts on the extent of their conservation aims, but Etta was determined to focus on the plumage industry.

Emmeline Pankhurst's story is more widely known than Etta Lemon's. She came from privileged roots, as did Etta, but she was determined to always appear demure and throughout her campaigns wore a plumed hat and fashionable attire as she campaigned for votes for women. In the book we follow the parallel development of the suffragette movement and the lengths to which these women went to try to secure rights to vote. We learn of the difference between the active and sometimes violent protests of the suffragettes and the determinedly peaceful suffragists, led by Millicent Fawcett. We are also introduced to the anti-suffragist women, notably Mrs. Humphry Ward and Etta herself, who believed that women could achieve their goals quietly from their positions in society, without need of a vote. We read about the horrors of the hunger strikes and the inhumane force-feeding of the prisoners. Emmeline escaped this fate: it was the working-class women who were treated most cruelly, a repeated theme throughout the book.

Objectives for both groups came about largely because of changing conditions following WW1 - women had jobs and to some degree voices, men were fewer, and the class structure had been severely dented by the war. In America there were several changes in legislation against the plumage trade between 1900-12 but seeming stagnation in Britain. In 1919 Virginia Woolf, who had campaigned for suffrage, was moved to write acerbically about the thoughtlessness and cruelty of following fashion and Lady Nancy Astor was voted in as MP following (some) women winning the vote in 1918. She was instrumental in the British Plumage Act of 1921, so the two often opposing interests finally came together.

There was lots to discuss about this book: we all felt we had learnt something and were going to dig out ancestral photos to see the horrendous hats worn by our relatives. We had not appreciated the scale of the trade and most of us, though RSPB members, were unaware of Etta Lemon. We found the characters and the research of facts in the early part of the book an engaging read, though later the narrative was a bit wordy.

We reflected on the societal changes of the last one hundred years and how male attitudes and female roles have thankfully largely changed. In the book the two differing approaches of the leading characters was well contrasted: Etta worked a lot through her husband and other influential men, though she masterminded the engagement of local groups of women in spreading the word across the country while Emmeline was always an independent, well-dressed

*Corvedale Book Group Continued...*

woman who fought her own battles. Neither woman addressed the suffering of women and children in the slums, both focused on their individual aims, and piece rate working, situations of extreme poverty and prejudice, so highlighted in the book, sadly continue.

We wondered how far we would go for a cause we believed

in and how much we could endure for it, and we reflected on what is necessary to engender a change in society. Does it require change in the law? What is necessary for law to change in the face of corporate interests, be it fashion, smoking, sugary foods, or climate change?

*Cathy Beardes*

*Corvedale Past and Present*

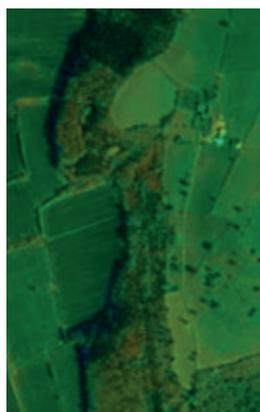
**A world on the brink.**

One day in the early summer 1315 it started raining. It was a bit like the old joke, ‘oh it’s only a shower; it should stop by October!’ That year it wasn’t a joke: it really didn’t stop raining till October, and bad summers were suddenly the norm. The hay was ruined, and crops failed. In those days, if you planted a single seed of corn, you needed at least three seeds back from the crop to merely survive.

It was such a shock because times since the millennium had got better and better. Yes, of course there were setbacks, but families got bigger as more children survived and the ambitious had even applied to their Lord to clear a bit of woodland and plant some crops outside the common open fields. Some lords quite liked the idea: a lord on the rise welcomed ‘free tenants.’ Some of the kit had got better too; ploughs were more efficient, and then there were those new-fangled windmills which made a difference.

There was even talk on some manors, especially those owned by monasteries (which were common), that the monks had worked out new farming systems which were making everyone even more prosperous, mainly themselves!

Looking back now from our perspective in the 21st century, scholars of economic history believe that the population of England rose at least threefold in the years between the conquest of 1066 and the year 1300. More people were climbing out of grinding servitude on the land and some peasants were even - in a modest way - becoming part of the monied classes, something unheard of in their fathers’ and grandfathers’ day.



As far as the land was concerned there was a technical legal term for all this clearing of wasteland and woodland - **assarting**. This all might seem quite obscure today but in fact the remnants are still with us. Medieval woodland often occurred on the tops of hills, steeper slopes, or parish margins and even today such boundaries are irregular, indicating that the clearing was piecemeal. The most natural way of clearing would be to hollow out adjacent wood leaving a semi-circular ‘bite,’ rather like a child and

a biscuit. Sometimes this shape seems never to have been squared off - like here on the hill just east of Stanton Lacy.

Those people who can get access to and read medieval manorial documents tell us that the process of assarting was common. You might think, then, that the name would persist to modern times. It does occur but it takes some finding. I only know one example where it crops up as a village name today, and it just happens to be within a mile or two of where one of our sons lives. It’s a small community in Oxfordshire called Field Assarts.



What about the names of assarted fields, surely, they are commoner? Yes, but again they are not easy to find. Occasionally ‘assart’ or just ‘sart’ comes up, but I don’t know any examples in Shropshire. There are other names, too, of course, which are associated with the process. One is rather ominous ‘brake,’ and this gives some idea of the massive effort involved in cutting down trees and grubbing out roots without power tools. Other names indicating previous assarting, are ‘royd,’ ‘redding,’ ‘stocks’ and ‘stubbings.’ I don’t know any local examples of these, so please let me know if you do!

I do have my own idea as to why these names, which should be common, just don’t appear. I wonder if the process was just so universal in the years up to 1300, that people got used to it and simply used the common field name of ‘close’, meaning any old, enclosed field.

Unfortunately, that bad summer of 1315 wasn’t the end of the story. It was just the beginning, what with cattle disease, civil and European war, animal plague and then the Black Death. It took us hundreds of years to recover.

In hindsight it might seem obvious that resources and land were being massively overstretched by the 1300s, in part to support the population and ways of life that just weren’t, as we say these days, ‘sustainable’. You may see some parallels with 2022; I of course could not possibly comment!

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## Geoff Neden

Many of you will know that Geoff Neden, sadly, died on 4th August after being ill for a little while.

A civil engineer by profession, Geoff and Beth came to Diddlebury in 2012 after having spent much of their lives working abroad. He soon became heavily involved with this magazine. Having been a distributor in and around Diddlebury village for a number of years he joined the Corvedale News team in 2018 and became the Distribution Manager. The magazine had, since its foundation back in the 1970s, been successfully run on a very informal basis but he set up the systems so that membership and subscriptions could be coordinated in a much more professional and twenty-first century manner. His contributions to the team meetings were always thoughtful and practical.



Geoff did not limit his community activities to the Corvedale News. He founded the Diddlebury Flood Action Group, sold poppies for the Royal British Legion and, in 2021, was elected to the Parish Council. He was instrumental in setting up the current parish website and has been a regular contributor to articles, photographs, and ideas. The Google Group was Geoff's brainchild and has grown from just a handful of members to a significant online asset. Geoff has been extremely diligent in all that he has done and has given very generously of his time to the local community and he and Beth supported pretty much every village event.

Our thoughts are with Beth, Graham and Alison and other members of his family.

*The Corvedale News Team*

Like many others it was with deep regret that Diddlebury Parish Council learnt of the death of Geoff. As we said when Geoff resigned from the council due to ill health, he was leaving a big hole to fill and would be a hard act to follow. His work in developing the Flood Action Group and the Google Group was really impressive and has provided solid foundations for both groups to build on.

Within the parish council Geoff always gave balanced contributions and as Chair I valued the support and advice, he gave me personally. He was never shy about promoting

community issues and scrutinised every planning application carefully to ensure that drainage was properly dealt with.

Geoff gave a lot of his time and energy to our community and hopefully others will step up to carry on his work.

Our thoughts go out to Beth and his family who, hopefully, will be comforted by the fact that he was so well thought of and respected by everyone who knew him.

*David Hedgley*

*Chair, Diddlebury Parish Council*

## Corvedale Garden Group

### Shepherd's Barn

Shepherd's Barn was the venue for the Corvedale Garden Group visit on 20th August and provided inspiration for the twenty seven people who visited. Sam and Kate have been in residence for just 7 years but have transformed the two acres into a working small holding, intent on being as sustainable and self-sufficient as possible. The fact that they have not bought fruit or vegetables from a shop for 20 years is testament to their commitment which predates the barn!

Sam and Kate's home, originally a sheep shed but whose name inaccurately became Shepherd's Barn, does have a 'traditional' garden. This has been developed into an elemental garden with interesting, planted beds representing earth, wind, fire and water. Close by the house, a shepherd's hut (with compost loo - where men need to sit down!) overlooks the pond and from this central point we needed a map to fully appreciate the different areas and to make sure we didn't miss anything.

An interesting risk assessment was delivered before we

were free to wander; beware the deep water, the bees, the geese with attitude and goats which nibble; before we got to the typical watch the steps and uneven ground.

Low maintenance is so important here: from the choice of plants (no time for deadheading) to wood chip, carpet and membrane on beds; from grass paths which are one or two mower strips wide to edging of beds for once yearly strimming; from hard landscaping with rocks to a fire pit (no need to weed or mow). In addition, the further away from the house, the wilder the appearance. Around the house is the Japanese garden, the shady seating area, the fernery; then comes the semi-wild areas like the top orchard and the hazel coppice; and then you reach the really wild areas.

What of watering you ask. No use of tap water here! 10,000 litres of rainwater can be collected and stored with a network of hoses, pipes and buckets to deliver it to where it is needed. How much potting compost do they buy? None, because they make their own.

*Corvedale Garden Group Continued...*



The land uses are also interconnected in terms of sustainability. From the goat paddock and goats comes the milk, cheese and manure. The really wild area, with its brambles and nettles, is beneficial to the insects. The hazel coppice is attractive to wildlife, it produces nuts and is coppiced for firewood. Meanwhile, the deep pond supports a colony of great crested newts and a pair of breeding moorhens. The areas are so very wildlife friendly. Birds, bees and butterflies with a variety of other insects take advantage of the orchards and wild areas with their wildflowers: cowslips, cow parsley, fox and cubs, mallow, red campion, bluebells and daffodils.

The vegetable area consists of raised beds - and you do need quite a lot if you are to live on what you produce. The onions were laid out to dry and then there is the rest: squashes, beans, broccoli, cauliflower, leeks, carrots,

calabrese, cabbage, swedes, celeriac (to name a few). From the greenhouses come tomatoes, aubergines, chillies, cucumbers and peppers.

Food for thought and everyone came away with plenty of ideas, from big to small - and admiration of Sam and Kate's undertaking.

The next Garden Group visit will be completely different: a private tour of Broadward Hall near Clungunford, a Victorian Gothic remodeling of an 18th century house set on a medieval plot with a visible motte. This SSSI holds the national collection of Hemerocallis in the walled garden, as well as a collection of phormium, an early 19th century archery walk lined with giant sequoia and a restored Victorian pump house.

*Val Fotheringham*

*Caring for God's Acre*



In need of some gentle but useful exercise, then why don't you join the happy and sociable band of volunteers in Munslow on **Tuesday, 13th September**, from 10.00am until 3.00pm.

We will be having our annual end of summer clearance and tidy-up in Munslow Churchyard and the Burial Ground.

Every year we benefit from the practical and inspiring support of the God's Acre task team, but we do like the company of local willing helpers, as well.

Do bring a packed lunch and your own tools (if you prefer) but Alex, the team leader, always brings plenty of gear with him. No doubt the scythers will be active and more than willing to give the novices among us some useful tips.

The time that you give will help us all, be it just an hour or two or the full session. For more information, please contact Anne Donnelly at [anne7donnelly@gmail.com](mailto:anne7donnelly@gmail.com)

*Anne Donnelly*

*The Corvedale Kitchen*



**Deep South Apple Pie - Martin Jones**

'Motherhood and apple pie' are supposed to represent basic US values. Which is slightly odd, as apple pie is not, of course, limited to America (nor, for that matter, is motherhood).

This recipe is clearly an Anglicised version because it contains marmalade, which, so far as I know, is not found on the other side of the Atlantic save in a few niche shops in large cities specialising in British foods. But it's an interesting change from the traditional British version.

**Ingredients**

**Pastry**

*You could substitute for bought shortcrust pastry.*

- 2 oz vegetable fat
- 2 oz butter
- 8 oz plain flour
- a little cold water

**Filling**

- 1½ lb cooking apples
- 3-4 oz sugar (white or brown)
- ½ tsp ground cinnamon
- 1 tbs marmalade
- ½ oz butter

**Method**

1. Rub the fats into the flour. Add just sufficient cold water to bind the pastry. Chill in the fridge for at least 30 minutes.
2. Peel, core and slice the apples. Put in a saucepan and cook slowly with the sugar and cinnamon to a pulp, adding just enough water to prevent sticking. Add the marmalade and butter and beat well. Cool.
3. Divide the pastry into two. Roll out into two circles: with one line a pie plate. Pour in the apple mix and cover with the second circle. Seal the edges.
4. Bake in an oven preheated to 200°C for around 30 minutes.
5. Serve hot or cold, well dusted with icing sugar, and with cream.

*Seedpips***New Community Larder at Diddlebury Village Hall car park****Seedpips****Donation-led sales of Corvedale Primary School garden produce at a new community larder.****Tasty, fresh fruit and vegetables, cut flowers, locally donated eggs, and preserves.**

All the children's hard work in the Seedpips Corvedale Primary School gardening club really started to come to fruition at the end of summer term. To avoid the polytunnel and garden produce going to waste, we decided that a community honesty stall may be a solution. We were offered some help by a couple of volunteers - Tracey and Steve Wood and Russell Simm who now assist me, (Jo Williams) and Colin Jones to care for the school garden over the summer holiday period.



A stall was quickly constructed out of a recycled shelving unit and pallet timber (by Steve) and positioned next to the Diddlebury village hall car park, opposite the church to provide a community larder.

Fresh produce is now collected regularly from the productive school garden and placed for sale (donations) on the stall.

All monies raised by the stall will be used 100% to keep the volunteer led Corvedale Primary School gardening club running.

It's intended that the stall will continue to provide for our community beyond the school summer holiday and into future seasons too. So, if you have surplus home-grown fruit or vegetables, you don't know what to do with and don't want to waste, we would be very grateful

for donations of your produce to the stall! Please do join in to help our school gardening club and community by donating to the stall for others to buy and enjoy.

***A note on the Seedpips Garden Club and Produce Project Community Interest Company (CIC).***

Despite its known benefits, gardening in schools is difficult to instigate and sustain though lack of resources including funds and volunteers. Since starting the gardening club at the Corvedale Primary School, Jo Williams has become a passionate advocate of the wellbeing effect on all participants and has now also founded the Seedpips Garden

Club and Produce Project Community Interest Company with co-director Jenna Caine.

The Seedpips Garden Club and Produce Project Community Interest Company is seeking to facilitate and support volunteer led gardening club sessions and schemes in schools and other settings across our locality so that these can be sustained into the future without schools/settings having to fund and resource it significantly themselves.

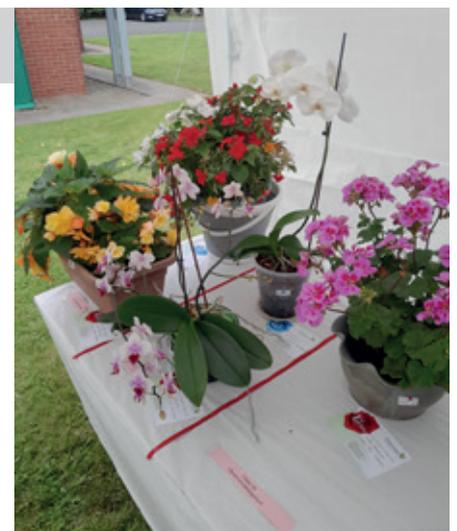
For more information or if you or your school would like to get involved, please contact: [jo\\_seedpips@outlook.com](mailto:jo_seedpips@outlook.com)

*Jo Williams****Culmington and District Flower and Produce Show***

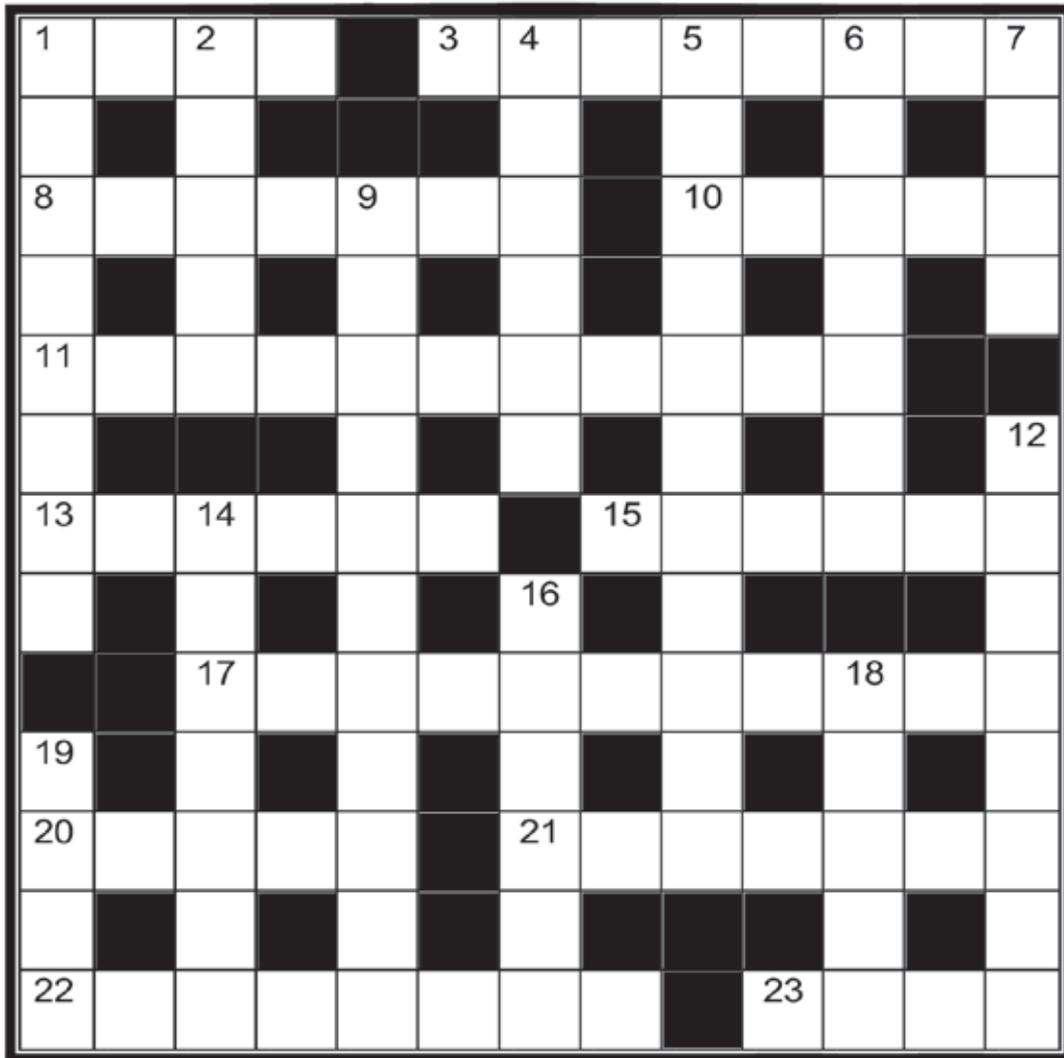
After a two-year break, due to Covid, the Culmington and District Flower and Produce Show was back again this year. It was great to see the regular entrants joined by new people from the area. This year the addition of a marquee meant more space for the exhibits and for the visitors to the show.

For this, the 70th Jubilee year, there was a special class of who could grow the tallest sunflower which is the national flower of the Ukraine. There were refreshments and a raffle of items donated by local businesses.

Now that we are back to normal, we can look forward to many more successful Flower Shows in the future.

*Janet Stuart*

September Crossword - by Artemonas



**ACROSS**

- 1) Torn clothing preceding the graces (4)
- 3) Needed to get into pubs?  
No just to pay for the drinks (3,5)
- 8) Drank with a very loud Englishman in the square (8)
- 10) Touch the qaueen to provide the light (5)
- 11) Goat terrine perhaps? I ask the questions (11)
- 13) Be certain there are four points round the old city (6)
- 15) Stick to the commercial in this place (6)
- 17) Arrives at the opening when it happens (5,2,4)
- 20) Picture the Post Office which is warm inside (5)
- 21) Little boy taken from Oz gets to another place (7)
- 22) Len meets parts of things (8)
- 23) Sort of ariel perhaps? (4)

**DOWN**

- 1) Had a broken bounder round a sheaf of paper (8)
- 2) Respond to play's second performance? (5)
- 4) Start an unusual dirge in our sort of sounds (6)
- 5) Animals fall in heavy rain? (4,3,4)
- 6) Pete led away to reduce number (7)
- 7) Lively look into Tom's prying (4)
- 9) Frome farm he discovered a long way off (3,4,4)
- 12) Pear used to influence others? (8)
- 14) Makes courses for sweetener (7)
- 16) Gina's lantern is a little on the slope (6)
- 18) Sounds like a sunbeam is displayed (5)
- 19) Lapsed part of church recess (4)

**ANSWERS TO AUGUST'S CROSSWORD:**

**ACROSS:** 1) Handcart; 5) Lard; 9) Retired; 10) Flair; 11) Alto; 12) Springs; 14) Doling; 16) Editor; 19) Empties'  
21) Back; 24) Idiot; 25) Retreat; 26) Eggs; 27) Eyes down;

**DOWN:** 1) Hare; 2) Natal; 3) Cardoon; 4) Radish; 6) Against; 7) Derisory; 8) Afar; 13) Adhesive; 15) Lapwing;  
17) Debates; 18) Astray; 20) Iota; 22) Credo; 23) Stun

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### *Munslow Village Hall (aka Beambridge Clubroom)*

#### Annual General Meeting - September 20th at 7.30pm

In the UK, the number of us more than 80 years old is growing, both absolutely and relatively. We may have an advantage as far as experience is concerned, but there comes a time when younger minds (with more energy) need to take the lead. At the moment, there are too many octogenarians on the Village Hall Committee, so resignations are coming to the fore. At the Annual General Meeting on 20th September, there will be the opportunity for new leadership with initiative, to step forward.

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body to develop and expand this unique, historic asset in the Parish of Munslow, is evident to the existing committee but requires new energy to make it a reality. It is not an onerous responsibility, the committee, currently meets about four times a year.

In 2023, the 21-year lease for Beambridge Clubroom is due for renewal. As a Village Hall, it is already a registered charity, but it is planned that it will be transferred from the ownership of Millichope Park to the Millichope Foundation, a charitable body that supports the arts in Shropshire. The heating and lighting in the Hall are currently being upgraded, together with the recent installation of Wi-Fi, this will make it more user friendly in the present climate of fuel economy and developing technology.

If you are a resident in the Parish of Munslow, please do consider coming forward to serve on the Village Hall Committee. Bring your ideas and energy with you so that we octogenarians can step down gracefully. It has been a rewarding commitment, but it is time to move on.

For more information, contact Anne Donnelly at [anne7donnelly@gmail.com](mailto:anne7donnelly@gmail.com)

*Anne Donnelly*

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**ABDON AND HEATH PARISH COUNCIL**

**Draft minutes of an Open meeting held on Thursday 28th July 2022 at 7.30pm at Abdon Village Hall**

**Present:** Cllrs Peter Hartley, Michael Whalley, Chris Yarwood; Cllr Motley (Shropshire Council), W Richards (Clerk) and four members of the public.

**Open Session:** Five items were raised.

**Declarations of Interest:** None.

**Apologies** were received from Cllrs G Trim and R Price.

**Minutes:** The Clerk read the minutes from meeting 9th June 2022 which were unanimously agreed as correct.

**Finance:** The balance on 4th July 2022 was £6,680.14. There was Marquee hire income from three hires: outgoings of cheques were requested for: Clerk's wages £157.23; Shropshire Council elections £416.87.

**Planning Application: 22/02928/FUL** - (validated: 24th June 2022) Address: Brown Clee, Abdon, Craven Arms, Shropshire, SY7 9HX. Proposal: Erection of a two storey extension, roof re-modelling, cladding/facade alterations, fenestration alterations and internal layout alterations. Applicants: Mr & Mrs Gardner, Brown Clee, Abdon, SY7 9HX. A site meeting had been held in advance. The extensions would

be required to make it a more useful property and suitable for a family, which will be beneficial to the community. A member of the public was concerned that the materials were not in keeping, but the stone cottage is to remain and the cladding on the new area would weather down and blend more. It was agreed this would be essential as it would be visible from the hill, although the current appearance was not in keeping with the area anyway. Cllr Whalley proposed support, seconded by Cllr Hartley. Unanimously agreed.

**Correspondence:** The HAF summer programme is on the website. Electronic charging points in the area were discussed: the Clerk will forward this to the Village Hall.

**AOB:** Village Hall Mirror: Cllr Whalley to forward this to the Parish Council.

**Items for consideration for the next meeting:** Potholes, Village Hall mirror.

**Date of next meeting:** It was agreed to cancel the August meeting so next one will be on Thursday 13th October 2022.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 20:28

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**MUNSLOW PARISH COUNCIL**

**Draft Minutes of the Meeting held on Thursday 7th July 2022 at Beambridge Club Room**

**Present:** Cllrs Edward Povey (Chair), Nigel Dobson, Val Fotheringham, Chris Meeson. In Attendance: Cllr Cecilia Motley (Shropshire Council), Heather Coonick (Clerk/RFO).

**Apologies for Absence:** Cllrs Barbara Archer and David Marston.

**Declarations of Interest:** None.

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

**Minutes** of the meeting held on 9th June 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:** The Chair and Treasurer of the Beambridge Club Room Committee will be resigning in September. Replacements are urgently needed to ensure that the Club Room can remain open. The Clerk will place posters on notice boards, Facebook page and Google Group.

**Planning Matters:** None.

**Reports: Shropshire Council** - Cllr Motley reported that Shropshire Council is beginning to discuss next year's budget as there is a potential deficit. The Government has agreed to give a two-year rollover budget. The Local Government Association has reviewed the Council's financial systems and the result is positive. They have also been asked to complete a Communications Review. The Local Plan is at the Public Examination stage. The Boundary Review needs to make any proposals for changes to the divisions by October 2023. An inspection process has been set up to check the accommodation being offered to Ukrainian Refugees. At the request of the Parish Council, she has written to Nick Newton to establish the date of publication of the highways report on the B4368.

**Beambridge Village Hall** - Cllr Dobson reported that the electrician is due to do the work on the hall on 25th July. The cost of running the hall will need to be clarified so groups using it can be charged an appropriate fee. See above.

**Finance:** The bank reconciliation and budget were approved.

**Review the Accounts, Bank Reconciliation and Budget:** Approved. As of 22nd June 2022 the bank account holds £18,857.02.

Quotations for the insurance renewal have not been received yet. Cllr

Meeson agreed to assist the Clerk to ensure the cover is appropriate. As cover is required before the next meeting the Council agreed to expenditure of up to £400 on insurance.

**Payments** - Insurance up to £400, Recovery of costs for the May 2021 local elections £100, Microsoft 365 (shared with Culmington and Stanton Lacy PC's) £26.66, HMRC for Clerks Salary April-June £117.20 were authorised.

**Neighbourhood Fund Annual Monitoring Form was agreed.**

**Highways:** The Clerk reported that TWM will refund the cost of the VAS sign upon return. It was agreed to request that TWM remove the sign rather than the Council.

Cllr Dobson is in the process of requesting support for the funding of the VAS proposal from Shropshire Council. Various sign option and sites were discussed. A number-plate recognition sign is available, and Cllr Dobson is in discussion with West Mercia Police about whether this would be appropriate. This matter has been deferred to the next meeting.

**Joint Parishes Highways Proposals and Communication with other Parishes:** At the request of the Parish Council Cllr Motley has written to Nick Newton to establish the date of publication of the highways report on the B4368. A letter updating the other parishes involved has been sent.

**Environmental Maintenance Contractor:** Only one application has been received by the Clerk. A rate of £17 per hour was accepted and the Clerk will draw up a contract, obtain a copy of their Public Liability Insurance and introduce him to the work required in the parish.

**Update on the Defibrillator:** Cllr Dobson will ask for the telephone box outside The Crown to be turned so it is more easily accessible. Cllr Dobson will then purchase the defibrillator and cabinet. A second defibrillator for the parish may be available via a charity but its site needs to be discussed further.

**Update on Queen's Jubilee Oak:** A replacement tree will be available from Shropshire Council in the Autumn.

**Items for the Next Meeting:** *A.* Vehicle Activated Sign *B.* Second Defibrillator *C.* Environmental Maintenance Update *D.* Defibrillator Training.

*Parish Councils Continued...***CULMINGTON PARISH COUNCIL****Minutes of the Meeting on 5th July 2022 at 7.30pm at Culmington Village Hall**

**Present:** Councillors Mr I Steele (Chair), Mr I Alderson, Mrs C Byng, Mr J Turley, Mrs J Watts; Cllr C Motley (Shropshire Council), H Coonick (Clerk/RFO).

**Apologies for Absence:** Cllrs A Pike, M Holland and J Mear.

**Declarations Of Interest Relating To This Meeting:** None.

**Public Involvement Session:** No members of the public were in attendance, but parishioners had asked councillors to consider two issues: a) a further defibrillator for the parish. As the Parish Council has only a very small amount of reserve (which has been ring-fenced for a further Vehicle Activated Sign) it was decided to ensure the public knows about the 'Ring Round' system for the defibrillator at the village hall. b) A hedge on Corve View to be trimmed as it was causing a problem for road users. It was agreed that the Clerk would write to the householder concerned.

**Minutes** of the Parish Council meeting held on 7th June 2022 were approved.

**Matters Arising:** **A)** The Clerk has written to Shropshire Council requesting a sign at Burley and for earlier verge mowing. **B)** Cllr Turley would like to thank Mr Lewis, the Environmental Maintenance Contractor, for his work on Seifton Lane.

**Community Governance and Boundary Review:** The Clerk has had no response from the owner of The Pheasantry yet. A letter will be sent to the households affected by potential boundary changes in Vernolds Common, Seifton Batch and Sparchford. The Clerk will contact Vicky Turner (Place Plan Officer) to discuss the issue of the inclusion of Seifton in the Diddlebury Cluster.

**Reports:** **Cllr Motley** reported that the Local Government Association Team review of finances had had a positive outcome. They will now do a Communications Review. The Government has decided to give Shropshire Council a two-year rollover funding which will make budget planning slightly easier. The Children's Services has been rated 'good' by Ofsted. There are 609 children in the care of Shropshire Council. The Local Transport Working Group is looking at how to improve bus services and will resubmit a bid to Government with the backing of Philip Dunne MP. They are also bidding for Levelling Up funding. The Local Plan is now being examined at the local stage.

**Village Hall -** Cllr Mear sent a report which the Clerk read out. The AGM is on 7th July. Lots of activities have been organised for the coming months including a tractor pull on the 16th October raising funds for MS and the Village Hall.

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**DIDDLEBURY PARISH COUNCIL****Summary of the draft Minutes of Diddlebury Parish Council's Meeting held on Wednesday 27th July 2022 at Diddlebury Village Hall**

**Present:** Cllrs D Hedgley - Chairman, A Watson, R Povall, S Povall, T O'Boyle, T Pardoe, A Rattu, C Martyn

**Apologies** were received and accepted from Cllr R Morgan.

**In Attendance:** The Clerk and Unitary Cllr Cecilia Motley.

Cllr Clive Martyn, of Bache Mill, having been elected to the Parish Council, was welcomed by the Chairman. He completed the DPI and Acceptance of Office forms.

**Declarations of Interest:** None were made.

**Minutes** of the Parish Council Meeting held on 22nd June 2022 were approved by councillors and signed by the Chairman.

**Matters Arising:** It was confirmed that responses from SC planning relating to the developments at Bache Mill and the old poultry sheds

**Flood Committee -** Cllr Byng reported that an open Google Group is being set up for Culmington FAG. The River Severn Partnership is discussing 'Slow the Flow', leaky dams and holding water back in Wales. John Bellis is being reminded of the need to desilt Seifton Pool. The 'Fix my Street' website should be used to report blocked drains alongside other issues Shropshire Council is responsible for. The group will contact Andy Keyland (Shropshire Council) regarding the 3 days of jetting that has occurred and what the maintenance schedule is for drain clearance.

**Planning: 22/02632/FUL -** Installation of 2no replacement oil tanks with new banded polyethylene tanks each on a hardstanding base together with 1.8m fencing and gate, Elsich Manor, Seifton. The Council unanimously resolved to support the application.

**Finance:** The Finance Report and Bank Reconciliation were reviewed. As of the 27th June 2022 the bank account holds £11,946.69.

**Payments To:** D Lewis (Environmental Maintenance) £196 for Invoices 116, 124, 137 and 164. Election 2021 Recharge £100. HMRC Clerk's Tax £85.

**Update on Desilting Seifton Brook:** The contractor has quoted £713 and the Ecologist £192 for the desilting on Seifton Lane. The costs were accepted. The work will be carried out on 19th August.

**Update on Funding for a Vehicle Activated Sign:** The costs of signs have increased considerably since last year. Not all quotes for a VAS have been received so this matter has been deferred until the September meeting. The request to extend the speed limit to Clay Lane will be made to Shropshire Council and West Mercia Police.

**Update on Laundry Works:** Despite the Clerk contacting both the Environment Agency regarding fire safety and West Mercia Police regarding lorry parking there has been no response from either organisation.

**Parish Council Website and Planning:** The Clerk has transferred most of the information from the old website to a free service provided by Hugo Fox. Cllr Byng will proofread before it goes live at the end of July. The domain name of *culmington.org* will remain the same. Mr Jeff Williams will no longer be responsible for updating the website and the Council thanked him for his voluntary work on the website over the years.

**Items for the Parish Council Meeting on Tuesday 6th September 2022:** **A)** Pipe in Cllr Turley's field on Seifton Lane **B)** Update on Desilting of Seifton Brook, **C)** Vehicle Activated Sign and Speed Limit

in Corfton had been received but further clarification is being sought. Public objections and DPC's response to application **22/02425/FUL** are on the Planning Portal.

**Reports: The Chairman** reported that he had carried out numerous maintenance jobs on DPC assets in Bouldon. He had responded to a request from Culmington PC about a planning application in the contested Seifton area. Much time had been spent trying to progress the resurfacing of the car park at the school and Diddlebury Village Hall which has been an ongoing saga since 2019. Action from SC and payment of the CIL £11,717 is as elusive as ever. Given the dangerous state of the car park, the Chairman proposed that Corvedale School, Diddlebury Village Hall Committee, the church and DPC appoint their own contractor to resurface the school car park/playground and the whole area around the village hall, ideally commencing in August 2022.

**Parish Councils Continued...**

Further quotes and updated quotations from those received in 2020 and 2021 are currently being obtained and procurement legalities are being dealt with. It was resolved that DPC will send a letter to Mr Eddie West at SC saying if DPC has no positive response in 14 days, the contractor will be instructed to commence work.

**Unitary Cllr Motley** reported that Mr West has been very busy dealing with the new Shropshire Local Plan. Many parish councils are concerned at non-payment of their CIL entitlements, but some 67 have been approved recently: a lack of manpower is seemingly causing the delay. She also spoke about a proposed new Health Hub to envelop several GP's surgeries in the Shrewsbury area to provide a wider range of treatments than GPs normally deliver. The proposal is to build it by the football ground in Meole Brace.

**Westhope Village Hall:** Cllr Watson reported that work replacing the roof of Westhope Village Hall is almost complete. Some group activities at WVH have been disrupted or cancelled due to the road closures on the B4368 preventing users from reaching Westhope.

**Diddlebury Village Hall:** Cllr Rattu had no report about DVH but has had a communication from BDUK about possible Broadband provision in areas of Diddlebury with a poor signal: he will report fully once he has familiarised himself with the proposals.

**Community & Governance Review:** Cllr R Povall reported that Culmington PC has indicated it wants to lodge an application for a number of properties in Diddlebury Parish to be moved into Culmington Parish. DPC believes this is premature and more negotiations are needed with the affected residents and between the two parish councils.

**Planning:** 22/02632/FUL - application for the installation of 2

**Next meeting: Wednesday 28th September 2022, 7.30pm at Westhope Village Hall**

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replacement oil tanks with hardstanding bases and 1.8m fencing and gate, at Elsie Manor, Seifton. Councillors considered and supported the application.

**Highways/Environmental Issues:** Various maintenance works are needed around the parish and there is currently no EMO: the last four appointments have not been successful. It was agreed to place an advertisement in the Corvedale News and via the Google Group listing the current works required and inviting expressions of interest from suitably qualified and insured applicants. A report prepared by Cllr Watson on the chaotic effects the works on the B4368 has had on local residents, businesses and the traveling public was considered. It was agreed Steve Smith of Highways and a representative from the contractors be asked to attend the next parish council meeting. The speeding and safety issues on the B4368, especially through Corfton, could also be discussed.

**Communications and correspondence:** 17 items were considered, and responses agreed as necessary.

**Finance Report for July 2022.** Cheques totalling £1,659.83 were approved for payment, leaving a total fund of £38,564.79. The cash book/statement reconciliation was approved.

**Any Other Business (for dissemination of information only).** The Clerk is moving on 7th August 2022 to 12, *Brampton Bryan, nr Bucknell, Herefordshire SY7 0DH*. The telephone and broadband are not being connected until 15th August. The new telephone number is not yet known so any urgent matters should be referred to the Chairman - 01584 841 068 - in the interim.

**Are you a member of the Corvedale Google Group?**

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In recent years this Group was run, very successfully, by Geoff Neden. Geoff, sadly, died on 4th August. A few months earlier, when he became unwell, he withdrew from the many community activities in which he was involved, and I took over the Google Group. A hard act to follow!

There are currently 220 members in the Group. To join, simply email me at [martinggcn@gmail.com](mailto:martinggcn@gmail.com) and you will start receiving messages; on average, perhaps, about one a day. It's absolutely free and there is no advertising!

At the same time, if you think there is something which would be of general interest please email me and I will consider sending it out, even if you are not a member of the Group.

Three caveats: the Google Group is not a forum for discussion: it is for disseminating information only. Secondly it does not publicise purely commercial events. And finally, the situation regarding closures on the B4368 at the moment is so chaotic that I've stopped sending anything out as what we are told is so unreliable!

*Martin Jones*

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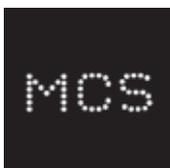
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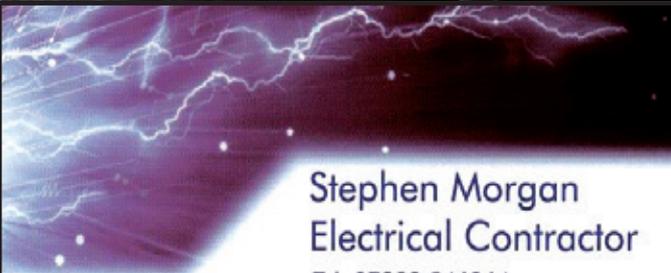
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<b>Ludlow Minor Injuries Unit (out of hours 111)</b>	Community Hospital	874297	
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<b>Corvedale Artists</b>	Juliet Hole Ann Hankinson	01299 832603 01584 841460	
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<b>Corvedale &amp; District Autumn Show</b>	John Woodhouse	07980 207253	
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<b>Diddlebury Parish Website:</b>	www.diddleburyparish.co.uk		
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Broadstone			8:30 HC	
Culmington	11:15 HC		6pm EP	8:30 HC
Diddlebury	9:45 HC	6pm EP	11:15 Corvedale Festival Service	11:15 FC
Holdgate	8:30 HC			
Munslow	6pm EP	11:15 HC		9:45 HC
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Key: HC = Holy Communion, EP = Evensong, FC = Family Communion.