# Cleobury Clarion



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**July 2016** 

### THE TOWN LIBRARY

It's two years since a public meeting was held to discuss the future of the Friends of Cleobury Mortimer Library. At that time, most of the funds had been transferred to the Primary School to support the annual Mavis Cartwright writing competition, leaving a newly selected committee with about £100 in the kitty and no ongoing plans.

There have been a lot of changes since then, with the running of the place passing over to the Cleobury Country Centre staff, some members of the Friends resigning and through it all a number of events to publicise this very valuable service have been organised. The funds are now looking very good.

There will be an Annual General Meeting of the Friends of the Library at 6.30 on Monday July 4th. All those interested are very welcome to attend and to discuss how we move further forward in promoting reading.

### A MOTORING PAGE

The Clarion used to have one. Most local papers and newsletters have one, because in rural areas having your own transport is by far the easiest way of travelling. So from this issue, the Clarion will have a Motoring Page, but only occasionally will it have those predictable so-called road tests of the latest models.

We start what we hope will be an unusual approach with a feature on the Pembleton threewheeler, built in one of the most unlikely places to find a motor works - Bayton.

Something much more conventional may appear next month, followed by a personal report from a 77 year old on the Royal Society for the Prevention of Accidents' Experienced Driver Assessment. Let's face it, with the passing of time the more senior amongst us should be willing to take a driving test to confirm if we are still up to the job, even if it's not compulsory.

We hope to interest, inform and not bore. **Page 25.** 

### **CAUTION, PLEASE**

There has been a drive by an online pharmacy to gain support in the area. Their emails and leaflets tell how they can deliver your prescription to you, free of charge, and how quickly the service deals with your needs - in two days. It's all very persuasive, but has nothing to do with Cleobury's established pharmacy that sits conveniently next door to the Medical Centre.

This is a free country and you are allowed to make your choice as an individual. But do please read what Mark Radford has to say in his Cleobury Patients' Voice report on Page 13, which makes it clear that our town pharmacy is highly rated. And let's overlook not sympathetic personal service you can find there. Whatever convenience of dealing online, personal contact and an understanding smile are element of service that machine can replace.

Pharmacy2u is evidently a big operation and for busy people it probably does a good job. But we're not all in a hurry, surely?

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# HOLE IN THE WALL DOUBTFUL

It seems that the Hole in the Wall weekend at Hopton Court is a non-starter this year. We do not know all the details behind this news, but this notice came into the Clarion office early in June:

"Hopton Court has to announce that in spite of every effort on the part of Hopton Court Venue to make a contractual arrangement with Live Music Events Ltd. for the Hole in the Wall Festival 2016, it has not been forthcoming.

To date, one meeting to discuss Heads of Terms failed to take place and assurances that there would be contact by telephone have not happened.

In the circumstances, Hopton Court Venue has reluctantly decided to withdraw the venue for this year's Hole in the Wall Festival. People who have bought tickets might like to review their situation.

Hopton Court is aware that the telephone number on Live Music Events Ltd's website, 07456 945 815, seems to be unobtainable. The email address on the website ilesentertainment@aol.co.uk seems to be functioning."

What a shame. It's become a good fixture in the local music listings and has worked hard to bring local talent into the public gaze.

# CLOWS TOP GARDENING CLUB

The garden should now be looking its best. The borders are full of colour and scents such as roses and sweet peas fill the air and the vegetable garden producing fine crops. Long

summer evenings can be enjoyed to the full, relaxing and entertaining friends.

However, there's always something to be done. Make sure you keep feeding hanging baskets. Dead head Roses, Sweet Peas, Bedding Plants and perennials to keep them blooming.

Take cuttings from your favourite tender plants for over wintering indoors. Cuttings can also still be taken from shrubs and herbaceous perennials.

At the May meeting Bill White, from Bill White Nursery in Far Forest, gave an interesting demonstration and informative talk on propagation. This is a huge subject, however, seeds and cuttings were covered in this hour. Lots of hints and tips, the evening was a great success with everyone enjoying the talk.

Our next meeting will be on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> July and the speaker for the evening will be 'Paul Benson' with a talk entitled 'Burford Angels'.

# CLOWS TOP SUMMER GARDEN SHOW

Saturday August 20th is the date for this year's annual Summer Show. It is open to anyone who to grow their vegetables and/or flowers, making your own jams, cakes, biscuits, or handicraft and floral art skills. There's even children's section so there's something for all the family. The show is in Clows Top Victory Hall with plenty of parking at the rear. Schedules are available from Clows Top Shop, Colliers Farm Shop and Forest Stores.

The Show opens at 2.00pm with an admission fee of £1.00.

There will be horticultural exhibits, refreshments, tombola, plant stall & other side shows. Stall holders are welcome, please pre-book with Marion for availability. A raffle will be held on the day.

The cups will be presented at 4.00pm followed by the raffle. All enquires to Marion Wilson 01299 270475.

Pauline Bowen

### **ROCK PATHFINDERS**

One evening walk and one in the morning this month:

Thursday the 7th, a 7.00 pm start from Glebe Drive in Stottesdon, next to the Primary School. DY14 8UF or SO Reference 674828.

Thursday the 21st, it's a 10.00am start from Heightington Village Hall, near Bewdley. DY12 2XU or SO Ref. 7648471123.

As usual, everyone welcome. Alan on 01299 400304 can tell you more.

# HOBSON'S FOODIE NIGHTS

New dates to note for good eating events that are building a strong following: September 1st - Beer and Salami Night; September 29th - The Sea Shanty Singers; October 13th - Curry Night; November 24th - Duck Night. Ticket booking essential at CM 270837 or <a href="https://www.hobsons-breweryshop.uk">www.hobsons-breweryshop.uk</a>

### **ERRATA**

In the June Clarion (Page 59, 'Looking Smart') we described the trees that line the High Street as planes. The editor, whose fault that misdescription is, has been advised that they are in fact lime trees. He offers his apologies for the error.

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Amanda Salt can tell you more. Contact her at <u>amandajanesalt@gmail.com</u> or 07921 567718.

# TRIUMPH AT TREKFEST

The Brecon Beacons Trekfest in early June can be a huge test of stamina, physical and mental, especially if you aim for the top category. That requires you to walk 100 kilometres - 62 miles in Olde English - in 27 hours over terrain used by the Army to train their crack troops.

That's what Gavyn Bache and his boss Ian Matthews tackled on the first weekend of June, along with two others to make up a team. They were sponsored by Red Twin, the Bristol acoustics company that Ian and Gavyn work for. Gavyn was raising funds for young Jack

Edwards, whose fight against leukaemia seems to bring out the best in people, while Ian was doing it for Cancer Research.

The team trained with walks up to about 20 miles. "We didn't try to do the full distance," Gavyn admits. "We thought it might put us off the idea." He feels that at the 40 mile mark it would be very easy to give up.

They carried water to sip and waterproofs as insurance against the weather - rain is not unknown in Wales - and there were seven food and water stations along the route. What sort of food did they opt for? "Lots of Kendal Mint Cake, flapjacks and fruit," says Gavyn. "Give you a quick shot of energy."

Evidence of how hard the trek was is that two of the team members, Liam Broomfield and Janis Janitis. retired injured and had to be helped to the next food station. Then Ian and Gavyn kept on to the finish back in Brecon, crossing the line 25 hours and 59 minutes after they left.

The result was £650 raised for Jack Edwards and if you'd like to raise that figure by a few pounds Gavyn would be happy to hear from you. The donor line for the event has closed, but you

can transfer online to Mr G R Bache, Sort Code 306788, account number 10461168 and he'll see that any funds from that source go to young Jack's family.



Ian Matthews leads Gavyn and Liam Broomfield over some some pretty demanding terrain.

### THANK YOU

I would like to thank everyone for the cards, flowers, gifts and get well wishes I received after I was rushed into Worcester Royal Hospital on the 28th of May for an emergency operation.

I am now back at home, on a slow road to recovery.

Thank you again. *Christine Lloyd* 



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### THE TODDLE WADDLE

It was an invitation asking me to photograph the Toddle Waddle that had me really curious. What on earth is one of those? It's an annual event that raises money for Barnado's children's charity, with the nursery staff and children dressed as animals before gathering to sing African songs.



Sarita Smith leads the way, propelling a four-seater pushchair, a reindeer outfit and a big smile.

Their gentle progress along the street excited curiosity from onlookers, followed by smiles that were returned by children and helpers. Crossing the road at each junction was a slow process, with every child shepherded carefully across and motorists all patient. The smiles helped no end. The same as they trooped over the pedestrian crossing and along Church Street, passing more curious glances from the CoCo Coffee Morning visitors sitting in the window of the Market Hall.

The procession gathered on the Town Core area outside St Mary's and posed for our photograph. It was a really happy, innocent occasion, blessed by sunshine.



As the children gathered to leave for the waddle back to the nursery, a little girl came up to me with a smile and said, "Thank you for taking our photograph." No wonder people smile at such simple charm. And they raised £350. JR

### NEEN SAVAGE W.I.

In June Laura Jayne, a creative jewellery maker, inspired us all to make an individual piece of jewellery. She had a lovely collection of pretty beads and stones and we had a busy productive evening making our bracelets and necklaces. Laura was very enthusiastic about her craft and an enjoyable time was had by everyone.

Our next meeting is on July 13th, when Gill Guest will teach us how to assemble a hand tied bouquet, using flowers from her cutting garden. If you would like to join us the plan is to meet at the Sports and Social Club Car Park at 7.15pm and to make our way to Gill's house from there. Cost to visitors will be £4 to include refreshments. Contact Angela Flowers on 01299 270318 if you would like to join us so we have an idea of numbers. *Julie Hobin* 

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# CLEANING THE WELLS



The two Joshes, Brown and Ward, celebrate a big job well done.

As part of our Year 8 challenge at Lacon Childe School our Head Of Year asked us to choose, plan and take part in something to help the community. My friend Josh Ward and I decided to clean The Wells because we had seen that it has been slowly looking overgrown and unloved.

Coincidentally the date that we decided to do the job was the same as that for the 'Clean For The Queen' campaign, a national challenge to volunteer to clean in your local community for the Queen's 90<sup>th</sup> birthday celebration.

The Parish Council gave us permission to do our project as long as there was adult supervision. So I dragged my mum and dad along on a wet, rainy Sunday armed with rakes and clippers and lots of bin bags.

When we were doing this we had to scoop out the pond weed with our hands, cut back the trees, weed out the plants, scrape the bottom of the wells and found lots of old coins, which we put back. It took us 12 bin bags of rubbish and clippings. But at the end of the day there was space to sit on the bench and admire the work that we had done!

So when you are next passing The Wells please take the time to look and enjoy this historic place in our community.

Josh Brown

## SING AND BREATHE BETTER

Kate Jones, who runs the 'Sing, Laugh, Breathe' sessions in the Market Hall, has won support from the British Lung Foundation to start a 'Singing for Lung Health' course in Ludlow, designed to help people with lung problems. The relaxed atmosphere of singing together does help to raise the spirits and apparently makes breathing exercises easier.

The classes are at Rock Spring Centre every Wednesday, from 4.00 to 5.00 and cost £4.00. The BLF stipulates a maximum of 12 people in a class and there are

some vacancies left in the course. Kate is on 01584 890284 or singlaughbreathe@gmail.com

She's searching for funding for a further course, due to start in September. Any offers should go directly to her, please.

# FROM THE BANDROOM

May and June have been busy months. We held our sell out Spring Concert on May 7th, a full concert with fish and chips in the interval. On May 22<sup>nd</sup> we performed in the beautiful winter gardens at Malvern.

Our training band played at Neen Sollars Fete on June 11<sup>th</sup> and the main band performed in St Mary's Church as part of the Queen's birthday celebrations. We also played at the Shrewsbury Food Festival on June 26th.

sees July our favourite engagement Pershore at Midsummer Brass on the 2<sup>nd</sup>, a great day with over 30 bands performing in the town. Well worth a day out at £5 a ticket please see their website for details. Ironbridge Brass Festival on July 9th, another great day out, free of charge. Our website forthcoming lists our engagements www.cmcb.org.uk

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# CLEOBURY PATIENTS' VOICE

Many of us recently received personalised letters from an online pharmacy. These letters gave the impression that they originated from the Medical Centre, but in reality they had nothing whatsoever to do with excellent pharmacy already operates, offering all the services and a few more to boot. We believe these letters were deliberately misleading and we have passed them to Shropshire Healthwatch for further action.

The Medical Centre had a Care Quality Commission inspection in April and was rated 'Good' in every category. The rheumatology clinic operated by Dr. Thompson was described as 'outstanding', as was the provision of services to patients with long-term conditions.

A major contributor to this outcome was Practice Manager Stephen Andrews, so we were sorry to say farewell to him at our last meeting. He has provided excellent support and CPV throughout his time here.

The CQC inspectors have been active elsewhere. At Doddington Lodge Care Home an unannounced inspection September found five breaches of the Health and Social Care Act. A follow-up in March found six breaches of these regulations. Dementia patients left unattended were and without drinks for hours. dietary needs were not monitored effectively, bells were unplugged, and the manager made decisions in isolation without involving relevant professionals.

Doddington Lodge has been placed in 'special measures' and will be inspected again in six months' time. If it hasn't significantly improved by then the CQC could rescind its registration. The most frail and elderly of our community deserve much better.

CPV meets at the Medical Centre every third Monday of the month at 6:30pm. If you would like to get involved please contact us: telephone 01299 407224 or email cleoburypatientsvoice@hotmail. co.uk Mark Radford

# JIVE DANCE

On July 14th Nik Burns is starting a new Smooth Jive Dance class in the main hall at Ludlow School on Burway Road. There's a Beginners Class at 7.30 and an Intermediates session at 8.30. £5.00 per class or £7.00 for both.

No partner required (might be less fun, though), learn at your own pace, all abilities welcome and it's for Over 18s, please. More details from Nik on 07800 6 3 4 0 7 1 or e m a i l letsgetjivin@gmail.com

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Our Parish Walk on Sunday July 3<sup>rd</sup> will start from St Mary's Church at 10.00 and we plan to walk to Mawley Hall via the golf club. Do come and join us – relaxed pace and back by soon after 12.00.

It's a battle to keep all our footpaths open during the growing season and recent rains have given the vegetation a helping hand. CMFA members "adopt" paths near town to them clear and our keep summer work parties concentrate on some of the known trouble spots, but any walker can make contribution by having a pair of secateurs in the pocket and cutting back brambles that get in the way.

Following last year's successful walk on Simon Evans' birthday we are again leading a walk on August 7th we will explore the northern section to and from Detton starting at 10.45 with transport from the Golf Club by minibus. Cost will be £5 to cover transport and the walk route leaflet. Fuller details next month and on www.cmfa.co.uk.

Graham Simpson

# A VISIT TO THE ROYAL MINT

I have seats available for this visit on July 7th. The coach is picking up from Cleobury Mortimer, Bayton, Clows Top and Kidderminster before heading down the motorway to Llantrisant in South Wales. We hope to return by early evening.

The Royal Mint makes coins for over 100 different countries as well as all the Olympic medals. In addition to viewing these our group will be kitted out with safety wear and taken on to the factory floor to watch coins being struck. For a small charge it will be possible for anyone to 'strike' their own coin and bring it home as well as having their photograph taken with loads of money.

The day will certainly be something different and anyone interested in joining us will be welcome. We have to pre-book numbers with the mint as the group will be divided into smaller units with their own guide and they need to know how many to allocate. The cost of tickets is £38 each and covers all costs.

If anyone is interested they can obtain further information from me or book seats by phoning 01299 832219 or e m a i l i n g m e o n brianlink.uk@btinternet.com

### **SCARECROW ALERT**

The annual Fete and Scarecrow Convention will take place at Neen Savage Parish Hall on Saturday July 2nd from 2.00 to 5.00pm. Everyone very welcome.

If you can, create a Scarecrow and bring it to the convention. Scarecrows can be large or small, simple or sophisticated. The more the better.

We are returning to a traditional theme this year and it is scarecrows of the Worzel Gummidge/Aunt Sally variety. Scarecrows to the hall before 2.00 please

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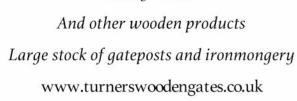


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Severn Edge Vet Frithjof Praetsch BSc MRCVS discusses common skin problems found in our pets.....

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The most common skin conditions in pets are atopic dermatitis, flea allergic dermatitis, and ear disease. The former two are often referred to as allergies, but over 70% of cases of ear disease are also secondary to an atopic dermatitis.

Atopic dermatitis is an inherited disease, characterized by itchiness and a reddening of the skin. The most commonly affected parts of the body include the paws, the underside of the belly, and the ears. Fortunately, there is now a medication available that is just as effective as steroids for the treatment of atopic dermatitis, but does not cause any side effects.

Flea allergic dermatitis is the most common skin disease in cats, causing itchiness as well as hair loss and scabs. This condition can be controlled with effective ectoparasite treatments, provided reinfestation can be prevented. This may necessitate the treatment of other pets and the affected pet's home. Ear disease is more often seen in dogs than cats, and results in persistent head shaking, reddening of the skin of the outer ear, an acidic odour, and often severe pain. Primary factors causing ear yeasts, disease are bacteria, foreign bodies ectoparasites, and trauma. If treatment is started early, most cases of ear disease can be cured with ear drops, but management of an atopic underlying dermatitis regular ear cleaning may also be required. Severe chronic cases of ear disease can be successfully cured by means of surgery.

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The new 'Springs of Rivers' project aims to return the rivers and streams to a more natural condition and better ecological health by restoring the natural waterways, improving wildlife, and increasing community involvement around their river.

Despite the River Teme's high conservation status, species such as salmon and eel are in serious decline and wildflower meadows and woodlands that once characterised the river valley are being lost. We envisage that it will be cherished by all in the Teme Catchment so that its natural heritage will be valued and better better protected into the future. The will incorporate project number of initiatives including habitat wildlife and enhancement, educational and

community events, practical conservation and volunteering opportunities and traineeships. Mike Morris, Deputy Director for the Severn Rivers Trust said, "We want to hear what people think about the possibility of a visitor and education centre in Ludlow."

Please check our website, www.severnriverstrust.com for more information about the project or contact admin@severnriverstrust.com for more information about the day.

## STOTTESDON SUMMER FETE

Stottesdon School are delighted to continue their association with St. Mary's Church in staging the 2016 Stottesdon Summer Fete on Friday July 15th.

In line with this summer's Olympics, the theme of the fete will be 'Rio' and will take on a carnival feel. The venue is Stottesdon Primary School, gates open at 5.45pm, admission is free and everyone is welcome.

As always, the fete is full of family fun with a community feel, enhanced by many of the popular attractions from previous years, including children's performances,

tombola, cake stalls, a raffle, icecreams and face painting.

A licensed bar will operate throughout the evening and the local WI are also welcoming entries to their competition tent. Youngsters can be kept busy with games and sports events before tucking into the BBQ. *Claire Marsh* 

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It's organised by the Wise and Well team at Shropshire RCC and will be at Lacon Childe School on Wednesday the 27th. series of talks and demonstrations starts at 10.00, covering topics like how to avoid scams, local charities and an support, exercise taster. reducing the risk of falling and fire safety in the home.

There's that free lunch at 1.00 and the Fitness MoTs in the afternoon. These have to be booked, which you can do on 01743 342162, where a friendly voice answers your call. It all makes a lot of sense, particularly if you live on your own and need a little help and guidance.

# MORE FROM THE FRIENDS OF SAINT MARY'S

We are holding a Fashion Show in Ludlow on Tuesday July 19th at 7.00. It will be at the Edinburgh Woollen Mill in Ludlow, where their latest fashions will be on show with an attractive discount on purchases made during the evening. The evening includes a drink and nibbles on arrival. Tickets are £5.00, available from Diane Waddington (01299 272820) or any member of the committee.

Alec Osbaldiston

# THE POTTING SHED MURDER

We had a Murder in Hopton Wafers on 4th June, directed and written by "Little Miss Murder" Jules Woodman.

Many thanks to the actors who did a fantastic job of throwing us off the scent: Sue Griffiths, Mike Wood, Garry and Sian Hawes, Jules Wainwright and Frank Staniland, who certainly got into his character of "Akers" the Gardener.

The "Miss Marples" in the room were Angela Drennan, Marian Davies. Shineton, Brenda Dunn, and Liz Bishop, who guessed the murderer Lady **Felicity** Montague. Only two tables got it right, the other being Dawn Woodcock, but unfortunately did not quite get all the clues.

The Best Dressed Guest prizes went to Maggie James and Jamie Fearnley. They looked fantastic and obviously went to a good deal of trouble.

Thanks to Marissa and Sarah Brown, The Cleobury Cafe, The Lamp in Cleobury and Patshull Golf and Country Club for gifts for the auction, and all who gave and bought raffle prizes. The event raised £250.00 for County Air Ambulance.

# A PSYCHIC EVENING

Subtitled 'An Audience with Michelle' this rare attraction will be in Kinlet Village Hall at 7.30 on Wednesday the 20th this month. Ticket admission only; at £15.00 a time that includes a Fish and Chip Supper. Bring your own drink, whatever it may be, which simplifies the matter of a licence no end.

The evening is raising funds for the Lewis Trust and is organised by Rachael, who can send you tickets. Call her on 01299 841032 or 07715 030 510

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Guy wanted to use a new engine instead of the rebuilt Citroen 2CV unit his dad favoured. Persuading the Italian Moto Guzzi concern to supply him with three new 750cc engines at a time suggests he's a mean negotiator. "It gives 50 bhp, has a good spread of power and will do about 50 miles to the gallon," he explains.

A garage in the family home has been converted and is now a spanking clean workshop, the steel framed benches home built. But if you weld your own tubular space frames for your sports cars, a bench should be easy.

The bodywork is all alloy, bent to shape in the workshop, while the rounded nose is a bought-in brass spinning that polishes up wonderfully. The louvres in the bonnet panels are the work of one of the many Midlands craftsmen they know.

The wheels are all traditional spoked style, made to Pembleton's specification and very light. The low unsprung weight makes good damping and smooth riding much easier. The dampers are another item built to their specification.

The engine mounted out front in traditional Morgan fashion drives through a refurbished Citroen 2CV gearbox to the front wheels. Mounted inboard at the front are two modern disc brakes, whose power combines with the light weight of the car (317kg with a full fuel tank) to give very good stopping distances.

The inside trim is to the customer's choice, with leather or pvc on offer in a wide range of colours. The car currently in build is for a man who wanted internal trim kept to the absolute minimum, so he'll get a bare polished aluminium floor.

There's a six months delivery time now, but experience will shave that time. The prices start at £16,995 and grow in line with the extras you might ask for. What you get is a handbuilt 95% new car with proper legal approval, much fun to offer and a lot of questions from strangers.

The first car sold went to Paul French, who had an early Citroen powered model and went for the Moto Guzzi powered version. "I'm perfectly happy," he told us. "There's an enthusiasm for the customer as well as the product and the care, attention and after sales service is exemplary. It's great fun and captures the spirit and fun of the 1930s." That's one very happy customer - more to come.

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What better setting for a picture of the complete car than Shelsley Walsh's famous hillclimb? The Pembleton's light weight, elegant lines and motorcycle engine capture the spirit of the historic racers that still compete on this, a venue for motor competition since 1905 and the oldest active track in the country.



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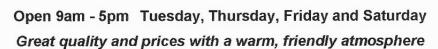
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# Letter from Westminster Philip Dunne MP

With the European Union referendum dominating events for several months, I felt it best to write on a lighter topic. Although it seems only yesterday the UK was united in celebrating a successful Olympic Games in London, the next Games open in Brazil on August 5th. Athletes from more than 200 countries will compete in 26 different Olympic sports.

I hope it will be another good tournament, without further controversy from doping. Sadly, doping is a scourge on too many sports at the top level. Some British athletes who would have placed higher against clean athletes have since received medals, but it cannot compare with standing on the podium at the time.

It is not all about winning medals, but Team GB's record third place in the medals table of both London 2012 events - 29 golds and 65 medals overall in the Olympics, and 34 golds and 120 total medals in the Paralympics - certainly helped. There are always inspiring moments in the Games, as we in South Shropshire know, as we are home to one of the inspirational Olympic stories.

Many will be aware of the roots of the modern Olympic Games in the Ludlow Constituency. Dr William Penny Brookes conceived the first Olympian Games in Much Wenlock in 1850, to promote health and fitness. The man responsible for reviving the Olympian tradition, Pierre de Coubertin visited the Wenlock Olympian Society in 1890, and was inspired to establish the International Olympic Committee. This year, the 130th Wenlock Olympian Games start on Saturday 2nd July.

I encourage readers to go along and watch – more information at <u>www.wenlock-olympian-society.org.uk</u>.

As a Parliamentary Sport Champion, I firmly believe sport has an important role to play in promoting health and wellbeing in our community. Fortunately, here in South Shropshire we have a wide range on offer, whether through mainstream clubs such as football, cricket, rugby, swimming, tennis or bowls to more specialised sports like boxing, fencing, gliding, yachting, cycling, running and walking, there are a huge variety of sports for people to get involved in locally.

Sedentary lifestyles, particularly for children, can lead to serious health problems later in life, so getting more people involved in sport is important. The good news is that this is happening, as Sport England's latest annual survey found 15.74 million people aged 16 and above played sport at least once a week in England during the year to October 2015, an increase of more than 1.65 million over 2005/6, the first year of the survey.

This summer provides plenty of inspiration to get involved, with the Euros reaching a climax soon, Wimbledon, Test Cricket, the Olympics and much more. I am sure we shall be inspired locally by Jim Roberts from South Shropshire, and will wish him every success competing in Wheelchair Rugby at the Paralympics in September. I can recommend to residents across South Shropshire, no matter your age or fitness level, there are ways to get active this summer and enjoy the health and social benefits sport has to offer.



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# THE CLEOBURY SWIFTS

The swifts have returned from Africa to breed and will continue to delight us for the next six weeks or so with their aerial antics. They arrived later than last year, in the second week of May, but it looks as if their numbers are roughly the same as those of last year, with fourteen breeding pairs and some juveniles.

By the start of July most of the eggs laid last month will have hatched and the fast growing young swifts will need all the insects that their parents can gather. They have to grow, become fully fledged and learn to fly before the last week of the month. At that point the juveniles usually leave before their parents. They have to depend on instinctive navigational skills embedded in their DNA to get safely to Angola or South Africa. Their journey is in excess of three thousand miles in five to ten days. In addition of course they feed on the wing in Africa and Cleobury for ten months each at least doubling their migration miles. Swifts have been known to live for over twenty years during which time they could accumulate over a

half million miles or to the moon and back.

For me the best time to see and enjoy them is at dusk around 9.30pm before they roost with their chicks in their nests or at 10,000 feet in the an amazing air. The benches in front of the church are an excellent place to watch their pre roosting antics of screeching and chasing each other at speeds up to 70mph. If you choose that time please do sit down on the benches keeping a low profile as our swifts need all the air space they can get to visit their nesting/roosting sites and launch out again at speed.

Let us hope that these wonderful birds continue to visit us for many years to come *Kit Smith* 

# KINLET FAMILY PLAYGROUP

The end of term is fast approaching and our children are all getting excited for the Summer Holidays. Our older children have been getting ready for school and are enjoying transition visits to see their new classroom and environment.

The children have been learning about mini beasts this term, and doing lots of craft activities, observational drawings and singing their favourite creepy crawly songs.

On July 20th we hope the weather will be kind to us as we have our Summer Party planned, with the children enjoying a bouncy castle, cake decorating, tattoos, hook a duck games and lots of sports day activities.

Zoe Pearson

# FOUNTAIN REALLY SERIOUS FUN RUNNERS

**Iust** reminder that the Fountain Fun Runners wearing their serious faces later this month. They're sending team of 15 to compete in the Cotswold 24 Hour Relay Race, to raise funds for our District Community First Responders, the volunteers who train in emergency treatment and turn out in a very short time to help anyone who needs it. These are good people whose treatment has saved more than one life and they deserve our support.

You can support them by donating to the Fun Runners c o l l e c t i o n o n crowdfunding.justgiving.com/cmfirstresponse

But please don't leave it too long, because this donation site will close down on July 23rd, the very day the Relay Race starts. Excuse me, left hand knowing what the right hand, etc?



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### **BOB COLQUITT**

### His family write:

Mary, Peter, Jeanette, Philip, Sarah and James Colquitt would like to thank all who attended the funeral of Bob and joined them in the celebration of his life and for all the love and support shown. There were many faces and far too many to thank.

It was a wonderful send off for a wonderful man and he will be remembered as someone special, who touched the hearts of many. This was shown in the generous donation received at a grand total of £900. This will be shared between The Millbrook Suite at Kidderminster and the fantastic District Nurses at Ludlow, whose care of Bob was second to none and a shining example of the NHS at its finest.

Special thanks go out to Adrian Satterly and Cleobury Mortimer Funeral Directors for his services, support and care and for going above and beyond. Also to Rachael at Wild at Heart for the exquisite flowers to Cleobury and Mortimer Medical Centre and Shropdoc for their continuous care and attention.

# KIDDERMINSTER SOROPTIMISTS

Our Garden Party to mark the Queen's 90<sup>th</sup> birthday was in Barbara Draper's garden, in aid

of the Meru Women's Garden Project. This supports some of the poorest households in Kenya, providing opportunities to women who may never have the chance to earn an income. Improved food production will support these women. Profits from the party plus a donation from our honorary member helped us send a £500 cheque.

Handicap International's current appeal 'Every Step double Counts' can any fundraising; donations before 18th July will be matched by the UK government. So support will go further, helping disabled and injured people, such as Nirmala, an 8-year old in Nepal; a year ago she lost her right leg when a wall fell on her during the earthquake. Since then she's learned to walk again and to laugh. All costs for the evening were donated and £525 will go the appeal; add the government matching and the charity will actually receive £1050.

Our next business meeting is July 7<sup>th</sup>, but please note that instead of our regular meeting on the third Thursday, we will be going on our summer outing

to Uncllys Farm. As always, visitors are welcome to any of our regular Club meetings. More details on Facebook page: Soroptimists Kidderminster, e m a i l kidderminstersorop@gmail.com or telephone Elke on 01299 266101

# NEW HYGIENE COURSE

This version is rather different, as it covers hygiene in Health and Social Care to Level 2. It will be at the Cleobury Country Centre in Love Lane, starting 9.00 on the 15th, and will cover hygiene hazards, personal hygiene, infection control and cleaning, to help those with experience to broaden their knowledge. The course accredited by the Chartered Institute of Environmental Health and costs £65 plus VAT. More details from the Centre on CM272300 email business@cleoburycountry.com

### **SILLY BITS**

"I have come to the conclusion that dryer lint is the cremated remains of all my missing socks."

"Spring is here and I'm so excited I wet my plants."



Date	Time	Details	Contact	Telephone			
Fri-Sun 1st-3rd	10.00	The Big Arts Show is at Greenhouse West Mids Showgrounds in Shrewsbury, with a wide range of art to examine and lots of attractions to enjoy.					
Sat 2nd	8.00	Saturday Furniture & Household Goods Sale, Knowle Sports Ground, Tenbury Road, Clee Hill Wonderful bargains!					
	2.00	Annual Scarecrow Convention at Neen Savage Village Hall. PAGE 17	Clare Ratcliff	07855286596			
	Cleobury	Concert Brass will be playing at the Pershore Midsummer Brass Festival, Worcest	ershire.	PAGE 11			
Sun 3rd	10.00	The Parish Walk starts from St Mary's church. All Welcome.		PAGE 17			
Tue 5th	10-7.00	Severn Rivers Trust consultation day about the Rive Teme at Ludlow.		PAGE 21			
Wed 6th	10.00	Walking for Health leaves the Sports Centre for a sociable stroll.					
	11.00	Sing, Laugh, Breathe gather at the Market Hall for human and happiness.	Kate Smith	01584 890284			
	8.00	Whist Drive at Doddington Village Hall.	Sonia Pearsall	01584 890874			
Thu 7th		GREEN GARDEN WASTE WHEELIE BINS EMPTIED TODAY					
		Coach Trip to The Royal Mint. PAGE 17	Brian Link	01299 832219			
	7.00	Rock Pathfinders step out from Glebe Drive in Stottesdon. PAGE 5	Alan	01299 400304			
Fri 8th	8.00	Bingo Night at Cleeton St Mary Village Hall.					
Sat 9th	9.00	MacMillan Coffee Morning at the Market Hall.	Sue Henderson	01299 270597			
	10.00	Spinning and Wool Crafts tuition at Uncllys Farm, Bewdley.	Linda Iles	01299 488083			
	2.00	Bayton Church Fete.	Catherine Abell	01299 832249			
Tue 12th	7.30	Cleobury W.I. meets at the market Hall to hear Hazel Wood talk about 'Making Cards'					
Wed 13th	7.15	Neen Savage WI meet at the Sports and Social Club in Love lane, then move on to Gill Guest's house for her bouquet demonstration. PAGE 9	Angela Flowers	01299 270318			
	8.00	The Royal British Legion gather at The Bell Inn for their monthly Meeting.	David Taylor	01299 270793			
Thu 14th		BLACK WHEELIE BINS AND RECYCLE BOXES EMPTIED TODAY					
Thu 14th	7.30	Nik Burns launches his Smooth Jive Dance lessons at Ludlow.		PAGE 13			
Fri 15th	9.00	Hygiene in Health & Social Care Course at Cleobury Country Centre.		PAGE 31			



The Annual General Meeting of The Friends of Cleobury Mortimer Library will be held in the Library at 6.30 pm on MONDAY JULY 4TH

All residents of Cleobury Mortimer and District are welcome to attend and discuss the future of the Library in the town. Information: Jim Reynolds 01299 270642



Date	Time	Details Contact		Telephone
		Stottesdon Summer Fete is at the Primary School.		PAGE 21
		Bingo Night at Doddington's fine Village Hall.	Sonia Pearsall	01584 890874
Sat 16th	9.30am	Cleobury Country Farmer's Market, in and around the Parish Church.		
Sun 17th	12.00	Open Gardens Day in Cleobury. Tickets £5.		PAGE 21
Tue 19th	7.00	Fashion Show at the Edinburgh Woollen Shop, Ludlow.		PAGE 23
	10.00	Walking for Health are out strolling again, before returning for a cuppa at the Sports Centre.		
		Kinlet Family Playgroup Summer Party in the nursery.	/	
		A Psychic Evening at Kinlet Village Hall in aid of Trust Lewis.		PAGE 23
	8.00	Whist Drive, Doddington Village Hall.	Sonia Pearsall	01584 890874
Thu 21st		GREEN GARDEN WASTE WHEELIE BINS EMPTIED TODAY		
	10.00	Rock Pathfinders start their walk from Heightington Village Hall, Near Bewdley. PAGE 5	Alan	01299 400304
	11.00	Sing, Laugh, Breath are back at the Market Hall.	Kate	01584 890284
	8.00	Bingo Night at Doddington Village Hall.	Sonia Pearsall	01584 890874
Sat/Sun 23/24th		The Fountain Fun Runners compete in the Cotswold 24 Hour Relay Race, raising money for Cleobury First Responders.		PAGE 29
Wed 27th	10.00	Wise and Well Information Day, Lacon Childe School, Love Lane.		PAGE 23
	7.30	Clows Top Gardening Club meet at Victory Hall to hear Paul Benson talk about 'Burford Angels' PAGE 5	Marion Wilson	01299 270475
Thu 28th		BLACK WHEELIE BINS AND RECYCLE BOXES EMPTIED TODAY		
Sat 30th	10.00	Bewdley Holistic Fair in St George's Hall. Admission Free.		PAGE 7
AND LOOK	ING FORW	ARD TO AUGUST		
Wed 3rd	8.00	Whist Drive at Doddington Villaghe Hall.	Sonia Pearsall	01584 890874
Thu 4th		GREEN GARDEN WASTE WHEELIE BINS EMPTIED TODAY		

LUDLOW DOG DAY, Stokesay Court, 10.00 - 5.00, Sunday July 24th Organised by the Ludlow Rotary Club, the Dog Day has become a major event in the canine calendar. 32 fun competition classes for your dog to enter, in the Hobsons, Tuffins and Rotary Rings. Early booking at <a href="LUDLOWDOGDAY.ticketsource.co.uk">LUDLOWDOGDAY.ticketsource.co.uk</a> costs £8 for adults and £4 children. Pay on the gate prices will be £10/£5 All profits to charity - £40,000 made in just two years. COME AND JOIN IN A GREAT SHROPSHIRE SUCCESS!

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### Working for the community - Avis Pounder of Bayton School

Avis Pounder started work at 12, sorting papers for the rounds at the local shop in Stourbridge, then doing a round herself. At university she held down a job to help pay the bills. The work ethic is ingrained.

She started teaching in Telford, took a five year break to teach in Canada and came back to build a career at a range of West Midlands schools, in between building a marriage and bringing up a family. She was deputy head at Kinver, with a class of 42 primary age children to nurture before going for the headship at Bayton Church of England School. She smiles: "I left a job where I had a class of 42 and took over a school of 41 pupils!"

Bayton School had been through hard times, its roll of children falling to 26 before Avis's predecessor Maureen Burns set it on the road to recovery. "She set the fire under it," as Avis puts. But it was the modest Mrs Pounder who blew the fire into a blaze of success.

Her first big task was dealing with the county's proposal to close the school. That brought out the fighting spirit of Bayton and the authority soon changed its mind. It's one of her outstanding memories of 15 years leading the way at Bayton:

"The day that we realised the school was staying open. They were overwhelmed by the community's support."

With the parents firmly behind her, Mrs Pounder got on with the job of building up a good staff and a school reputation to match. "The chairs of School Governors have all been very good and supportive."

Her dad was a builder and turned an untidy playground into something better with a layer of tarmac. If practical help was needed, the community has always been there, the current example the Shepherd's Hut out in the playground that acts as an extra classroom. The Parent Teacher Association got together and raised most of the £10,000 it cost, a splendid shelter fitted out with lighting and heating to make a year-round facility.

She speaks warmly of the PTA, people big enough to all stand down last year and make way for new blood. No clinging on to power here, just working for the good of the school.

The setting is idyllic, a quiet country village with a nursery next door where the parents can see what a good place this is for their own children. There's a plot where they grow vegetables and in the village is

the school's own allotment, land made available by a parent and used to grow fresh food.



Mrs Pounder with the shepherd's hut, the latest addition.

The ultimate proof of how far the school has moved forward is the 2012 Ofsted inspection that declared it 'Outstanding', a school roll of 110 and a 2013 Church's SIAMS inspection that also found it 'Outstanding'.

She leaves this month, taking retirement and looking forward to buying a camper and touring Europe with her husband. What she will not do is come back, clinging on to what she's built. She's a very talented lady, an inspirational leader and has nothing left to prove.



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#### On The Buses

#### **Steve Todd**

A quiet month so far. Several reports of stationary Diamond buses in various places and at least one delay caused by a puncture in Ludlow. This wasn't helped by the fact that a mechanic had to be summoned from Kiddy to change the wheel. The other day a resident reported that he had just seen a 2L hurtling along faster that he had ever seen one move before – shame it was in Cleobury High Street rather than on the open road.

We are not alone in having problems with buses. The operator running the 9A service from Kiddy to Cookley (not Diamond) is pulling out citing an inability to make the service pay. This would result in Cookley having no public transport links with the rest of the world so Worcestershire County Council have agreed to subsidise the service temporarily whilst a more permanent solution is sought..

Morale amongst Diamond staff doesn't seem to be improving. One driver had the misfortune to scrape a parked vehicle and apparently had to pay for the damage personally. Makes you wonder whether they are actually insured. Not surprisingly, this has not boosted employees' confidence in their employer. I gather that Rotala (Diamond's holding Company) profits have risen steadily over the last few years so perhaps this approach is contributing to those results.

Things are still moving on the Shropshire Council front. A second call for expressions has been made and responses are due to be received by the end of July so we won't hear anything further until August. There were rumours of possible timetable changes a while back and when I spoke to Diamond staff about this at the last LJC meeting in March they said that there would be no changes 'Before July'. As we are now nearly there, we may hear something about this shortly. On the other hand, going by past experience, we may not...

We are off to Lancashire shortly and staying in a hamlet on a road from nowhere to nowhere else. However, on researching bus timetables, there is a bus to Lancaster every 90 minutes run by a small local company. This may not be that frequent but still better than the 2L. More on Lancashire buses next time.

A number of people have asked whether I am considering turning these diaries into a book. I must admit that I had given it some thought but have decided against this for the moment as I don't think that society is sufficiently braced for another bad book about Cleobury...

Steve Todd

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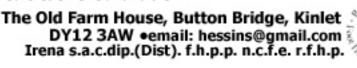
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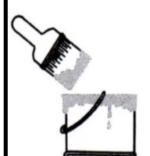
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#### **Clarion Coppers with PCSO Nick Morris**

I was unable to write my monthly report for the June issue as I had to have an emergency head and body transplant which caused me to be unfit for work for a short while. I won't detail every reported crime as I usually do because it would take up too much space, so instead I'll give a brief outline of what has gone on since late April, as follows.

Two burglaries at dwellings in Cleobury, where jewellery, photographic equipment and computer associated items were the main things stolen. Twelve burglaries of sheds, garages or outbuildings in Hopton Wafers, Kinlet, Rock, Burford and Cleobury where there were five such crimes. Power tools were the main targets, but generators, quad bikes and pedal cycles were also stolen. Two attempted burglaries at Clee Hill Plant and a caravan site at Rock. One abandoned theft of a trailer and copper cable at the Severn Trent compound in Common Lane, Cleobury. Five incidents of criminal damage, including two to vehicles, all in Cleobury. And one sheepworrying incident involving a dog at Kinlet.

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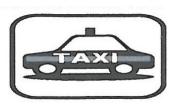


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#### July in the Wyre Forest

#### Linda Iles

been thinking about numbers: both abundances and absences. In the Wyre Forest of course we have both. It's an area celebrated for its variety of wildlife, which it owes to having a diversity of habitats in sufficient quantities (areas) to be of benefit to large numbers of organisms. You'll also hear that, for instance, it has populations of Pearl Bordered Fritillaries or Dormice or Wood Ants which are of national significance. The ants you can see in large numbers as you walk through the woods on a warm day, but most of the forest wildlife is by no means numerous. Even the bluebells, picked in armfuls in years gone by, must be sought out by a special trip to Shrawley Woods where they are as extensive as ever.

A few weeks ago I saw huge drifts of toad tadpoles in the reservoir and by the end of the month these will be heading off into the forest in droves after growing front legs and losing their tails. If you are lucky or persistent enough to visit the area on the right days you will witness an amazing mass migration. Sadly, the forest's reptiles do not share this breeding success. The adder, particularly, is suffering a serious decline for reasons not fully understood. Persecuted in the past, the current reduction in numbers is more likely to be linked with disturbance from the curious. They are extremely shy and prefer to keep to familiar hibernation and basking sites rather than dispersing to new areas, which makes them very vulnerable.

Nearly all the forest's wildlife benefits from a style of woodland management which produces a patchwork of habitats on a fairly small scale: a 'mosaic' approach. Over the past two decades more open spaces and heaths have been encouraged, coppicing has been reintroduced and the forest ride edges have been scalloped, while mowing is varied in height and frequency. Bare earth, short grass, long grass, shrubs, small and large trees all have their place in the jigsaw. Maintaining such variety should help to provide a place for everything although there is so much more to learn about the myriad of organisms that inhabit the forest and their individual requirements.

At Uncllys Farm we are well-placed to experiment with woodland management systems and try to halt the decline in woodland birds seen nationally. But think about this: I walked through our top meadow this morning, full of buttercups, pignuts, clovers and various grasses in flower but saw no insects until I reached the top gate into the woods. A disappearance of that scale so far down the food chain would be very worrying and I hope the insects will show up in good numbers as the summer goes on.

On 9th July we hope to welcome a good number of people to a day of Spinning and Wool Crafts at Uncllys Farm. This will be an introduction to carding and spinning fleece and plying yarn. Unspun fleece will be sorted and used for weaving on a peg loom and needle felting and participants will be able to take home a small needle-felted figure and some of their spun yarn. Tutors: Jeanette Lock and Linda Iles. Both courses will be held at the Ruskin Studio, Uncllys Farm from 10am to 4pm and will cost £50. For more information and bookings: 01299 www.info@wyreclt.org.uk



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#### **BOOK REVIEW**

'Destination Unknown is the work of Gay Grant, whose visit to the Reading Group we reported in the June issue. We borrowed the library copy of her latest work to report:

A book to awaken memories amongst the older people in our community. This copy was given to the library by Gay Grant after she visited the Reading Group with her friend Clare Hadwell, who lives in the town. It tells the story of a family moved out of Portsmouth during the 1939-45 World War, to avoid the bombing raids that hitting the civilian population; what the military call 'collateral damage' these days. The Phillips family were moved into the safety of rural Hampshire and learned to adapt to country ways that were vastly different from what they'd known: outside toilet, carrying the well, water from electricity.

Gay tells the story based on a series of interviews of Pat Phillips, whose spirit emerges when she and brother John have to live separately from their strict mother and much younger sister. It was normal to expect a younger sister to live in the shadow of an older sibling then,

but her ability was allowed to flourish under the gentle guidance of the husband of the couple they were boarded with. Not all experiences were pleasant and one awful event I'll leave you to learn about by reading the work.

It's an inspiring story of a young girl blossoming in limited circumstances and going on to lead a long and happy, modest life. It also lifts the lid on some of the downsides of rural life and the established habit of keeping children firmly in their place. If you want to know a little about life in a time of great national hardship and stress, this is another tile that will help build your mosaic of history. It will be in the library very soon and I recommend it to you.

Jim Reynolds

#### **ERRATA**

In the May issue of the Clarion we reported that Gary Dale, winner of the Easter Library Quiz, had donated his winnings from the Easter Library Quiz to the Friends of the Library. Not quite so.

In fact, his generosity was spread a little wider, with the money split 50/50 between the Library and the Friends of Saint Mary's Church. Apologies for the error.

### THE READING GROUP

The gathering of the Group on June 20th was rather like an oasis of calm compared with the armies of shouters dominating the media over In or Out of Europe.

We were there to discuss Emma Donoghue's 'Room', the story of a young woman kidnapped and held captive in Room, with the child she bore the rapist who grabbed her off the street. Her son was just five and the twist in the whole tale was its telling through the eyes and language of the child.

Every member agreed it was a good but demanding work, some saying they had to persist before the tale drew them in and held them. A few found the final escape unreal, but still read it through. Not a nice, happy story but an original approach well told. A recommended read.

For our July meeting we are reading 'A Time of Gifts', Patrick Leigh Fermor's story of walking from the Hook of Holland to Constantinople. We will meet in the library at 7.30 on Monday the 18th to exchange views, when behaviour will again be civil and controlled. Quite unlike the In and Out brigades.

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After finding love at the bins and getting engaged on the Number 3 bus home, Kath set about fixing her smile and ditching a ten-a-day denture fixative 'addiction'

SHE looks more than a decade younger than her age, her conversation is regularly punctuated with laughter and in recent years has found the love of her life . . . while emptying waste at the bins on the caravan park where she lives.

At "75 years' young" Kathleen Harrold is well-known for her sense of humour, offering her engagement ring for inspection, whilst adding: "Not one for ceremony, I went to the jewellers in Kidderminster with my partner Keith and got engaged on the number 3 bus going home to Stourport.

"I did, however, have to put the ring on my finger myself," she says. With perfect comedic timing there's a sudden pause that allows

Keith to affirm that the story is wholly true.

Keith, however, does have to live daily with another male who challenges him for Kath's affection – her miniature poodle, Ozzy, named after the legendary Black Sabbath Brummie.

Upbeat, confident and socially engaging, it's hard to imagine this woman, who has a love of sports cars, touring caravan holidays and stimulating chat, could have ever been any different.

But things were. As a 12-year-old she was admitted into hospital for dental surgery. "I can't remember what it was, but it was a rare case." she recalls.

That dental trauma remains with her and her warm smile is momentarily lost as she brings the experience to mind.

"I did have trouble with my mouth, losing some of my top teeth to pyorrhoea [gum disease] in my late 30s, but managed to hang on to my bottom teeth until I was in my 40s," she says.

After years of denture troubles, suffering with an unstable lower prosthetic, regular sore spots and a failed attempt to resolve the issues, Kath sought help from Cleobury Dental Practice denture clinician Chris Chawro DipCDT RCS(Eng) GDC 135208.

#### **Embarrassing**

The encounter two years ago was a turning point for Kath, who in the seven years of being with Keith has had seven sets of lower teeth

Says Chris: "Her bottom jaw had resorbed – the bone eroding and leaving hardly a profile to fit the denture. It was a severe case.

"As a result the denture was terribly unstable."



All smiles - Chris Chawro Dip CDT RCS(Eng) with patient Kath Harrold

# My Lifechanger



Kath's whole life had been punctuated with the need for regular applications of denture adhesive to help keep them from involuntary movements.

"If I went for a meal with friends, I'd have to leave the table half way though to apply more Fixodent. I couldn't live without it. I had a supply at home, in my handbag and in the car. I was forever excusing myself from the table and in the end I was using a ridiculous amount . . . ten times a day. It was so embarrassing," she adds.

Taking up the story, Chris, whose qualifications allow him to deal directly with patients, says: "Our first job was to get some dentures that would fit correctly and then look at the way we could enhance them.

"I had to use a special impression technique to find the muscular neutral zone of her mouth to enable me to stabilise the denture.

"Once we had a good fit, we could then look at the possibilities of increasing the retaining qualities of the lower with implants." Implant retained over-dentures are firmly fixed by small press-stud like devices and can be taken out of the mouth by the patient for cleaning.

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An experienced implant dentist, Neil won Dentist of the Year for Oasis Dental Care in 2010 for his "personal approach and expertise in the area of dental implantology".

Having researched implant procedures on the internet, Kath was at first apprehensive, but the trusting relationship she had built with Chris "clinched the decision." she says.

#### **Highest praise**

"I was happy and confident with Chris and he had recommended this treatment as way of making things much better," she adds.

The first thing that attracted Kath to Keith was her humour and with that resourcefulness "I laughed and smiled my way through having the implants put in," she says.

Embracing life – and love – Kath unreservedly recommends the treatment and aftercare she received at Cleobury Dental Practice, but the highest praise goes to Chris.

"Meeting him has been life-changing. I can now eat whatever I want and don't ever have to think about my teeth. What a relief!"

Adds Keith: "It's as if she'd been living with a major incident and suddenly it's all over. It really is that different."



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#### A NEW RECORD?

It is not normally the Clarion editor's choice to comment upon local politics. However, when an exceptional event is on record, it should be brought to the attention of the general public.

There was a good example of this at the recent Neen Savage Annual Parish Meeting on May 31st. 30 parishioners and two visitors were present, which does suggest an active interest in the affairs of the parish, but there was not one Parish Councillor present. Not that Neen Savage has an abundance of councillors, three having resigned over a year ago, with no election or cooption of replacement councillors since.

The meeting carried on, with Iohn Del Mar elected chairman. When the Parish Matters item arose, Mrs Clair Ratcliff proposed a vote of No Confidence in the absent council, which was passed with votes support, in abstention and none against. The minutes of the meeting say that the Council's accounts were not available, though they had been approved at the May 19th meeting. Strange times.

#### CLEOBURY CARERS' TEA PARTY

Another happy gathering of the Carers in the traditional venue of Janet Manley's garden in Tenbury Road. It was on June 7th, in National Carers' Week.

About 50 people visited, to take tea and cakes, have a little flutter on the Bottle Tombola run by Wendy Duley and maybe spend a little with Buchanan on the Produce Stall. typical gentle English afternoon, with people sharing experiences and knowledge as they raised funds for the cause. very pleasant hours produced a total of £350.

Do you care for someone and feel you'd like to share time and chat with others in a similar situation? You are not alone in such a situation and sharing experiences can be a great way of easing the load. Talk to Wendy on CM 270562 or Janet on CM 272841 if you would like more details.

#### READER HELP WANTED

Beanstalk children's reading charity is looking for volunteers to work with children and encourage them to read. It does sound like a very rewarding job

to take on, and will appeal to the many keen readers in the area.

It does mean quite some commitment. Like three hours a week, over two sessions during school hours, a commitment to work for one year, fluency in English and a competent reader, willing to undergo a DBS check and be able to provide two references, and finally be a good communicator able to work at the child's pace.

That's a long list to consider, but working with younger children does mean patience and a personal record that puts you above any suspicion. You would expect no less of someone who works with vulnerable youngsters.

The Beanstalk charity is Birmingham based and their Shropshire Volunteer ordinator is Anita Foster, who operates from Telford. She's on 01952 567846, her mobile number is 07772 238 909 and her i а 1 m anita.foster@beanstalkcharity.or g.uk. You can find her on Facebook. of course: <u>www.facebook.com/</u> VRHShropshire.

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There will be no FLICKS until September 17th when we will be showing 'DADS ARMY' By all accounts worth waiting for.

The Tuesday Friendship club is growing in numbers and enjoying the summer so far.

We have had a very nice lunch out in lovely surroundings which we really enjoyed.

This week they are going to Symonds Yat for a river trip followed by a cream tea (we hope the weather will be kind).

If you would like to join we meet at the Parish Hall each Tuesday afternoon 2pm until 4pm. Just come along and make new friends.

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#### On The Market - Anthony Bradley at 'No Worries'

Anthony Bradley travels from Lichfield every month to set up his stall at Cleobury's Farmers' Market. He's a Government employee who took up dealing in antiques until he was at a rained-off show in Gloucestershire and noticed that the stall that still attracted customers was the pig roast man. The move to specialising in quality hams was obvious.

He buys his free range meat from Mary's Farm in Lichfield. "It's a really good quality ham, dense and better tasting," he explains. It's cured for 14 days in the production unit next to his home before the final glazing is added. "It's cooked for up to three and a half hours, broiled in a low salt chicken stock with added vegetables, then glazed," he told us. "The glazing time varies, according to the needs of the flavour; timing is critical to get that right."

Then it's blast chilled and put into an ice box for sale that day. You don't get meat much fresher than that, literally hours old when he opens his boxes and prepares to carve, and each time he comes to Cleobury it's with a choice of three flavours. When he needs a rapeseed oil, it's from Bennett and Dunn's range, another stall holder.

There's a huge range of glaze flavours to choose from. Like

Australian Wedding, the award Mango winning Chutney, Lavender Mayonnaise, Maple (from upstate New York, no less) Texas Black Treacle, Whisky, Bourbon, American Apple Pie and Toffee Apple. That's an amazing range to offer and when we talked at the Iune market he'd sold out everything bar one flavour. Among the people happy to buy that day were two ladies visiting from New York.



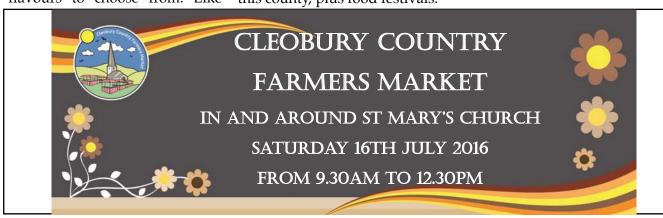
Anthony and daughter Elizabeth with what little was left over from the morning's trading.

It was natural to concentrate on Staffordshire markets at first, but once he discovered the Shropshire Farmers' Markets, like Much Wenlock, Bridgnorth and Cleobury, he's a regular in this county, plus food festivals.

Anthony likes the management ethic behind places like Cleobury, where there's a careful control of who gets space, to make sure the product is local and food or craft based. It fits in with his style of carving the meat in front of you, not bringing in prepacked it portions. If you want to try a flavour, he'll happily give you a small tasting slice to tempt your palate.

I'll admit to being a convert, buying a different flavour every month. The June whisky-glazed offering in one of Ashley's Bakery's mini wholemeal cottage loaves was a really flavourful lunch treat. And at £2.20 for 100 grammes it's well priced for such a quality product.

Anything else on the 'No Worries' menu? "We do our own Corned Beef and Turkey, but there's a limit to what we can carry," he explains. "Some people have never had proper corned beef. It's totally different from what you'd buy in a supermarket." I look forward to the chance to try some of that, but until he brings it to Cleobury I'll happily include one of his hams on the monthly Special Shopping List. It's what makes markets like ours really special. *Jim Reynolds* 



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This event in the church grounds always attracts a range of interesting displays and acts. Local MP Mark Garnier attends with his family, opening the fete and chatting to locals before moving on to another commitment. A busy man.

An array of classic cars is a regular feature, always a source of good stories and examples of fine engineering. Like Rob May's lovely 1934 Talbot, rebuilt from the scant remains of his father's old car as a replica of the London company's legendary competition models of 1932.

This is not a showpiece that is hidden away. Rob has covered 49,000 miles since completing the rebuild and the day after the fete he and his wife were off to catch the ferry to Santander for a four weeks tour that will take them across Europe, then back to the north of France for the boat back to England. The expected mileage is just short of 2,800 and the trek will take in meeting other Talbot enthusiasts. The six-cylinder three litre will cruise at 70mph and having followed Rob down a local road I can confirm that it goes and corners very well.



Rob May is joined by car display organiser John Ellis to wipe down the rain from the tonneau before driving home.

There were three of those cute little Austin Sevens lined up and Don Makepeace's 1933 RP model has a real story behind it. Its early life was spent in the circus, driven by a clown and modified to perform stunts like the doors falling off when there was a loud bang from the car. It seems it had never been road registered and Don bought it in a very sorry state with lots of parts missing.

The restoration took years to complete, but it looks and sounds a treat today. Don says it's the same vintage as himself;

the pair of them make a great team.



Don Makepeace's Austin Seven was a centre of attraction. Many years spent on its restoration make it a fine example of a landmark car.

There was a dog obedience demonstration out on the lawns of the church and when the rain arrived to dampen proceedings, young dancers entertained to enthusiastic applause in the church as the teashop did a roaring trade. There were stalls, a raffle and above all a friendly atmosphere that the unkind weather could not defeat. A good old country day out for the family that raises money for local charities as people enjoy themselves.

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The main street was closed for two hours early in June when an elderly driver apparently panicked after hitting a parked car when driving away from a parking space. He then compounded the situation by putting his car in reverse and backing across Church Street and into The Old Vicarage.

There was a major response by the emergency services and the driver was taken by ambulance to the waiting Rescue Helicopter to be flown to hospital. The report in The Shropshire Star said he was not seriously hurt. Martyn and Carol Shorrock, whose house had been hit, were on holiday but were contacted and made aware of the incident. All credit to Carol, who asked us to pass on their good wishes to the driver for a swift recovery.

#### THE ARTISTIC BRADLEYS IN BAYTON

Driving through Bayton from an interview, we saw a small poster for a studio open as part of the Shropshire Hills Art Week. Then discovered the work of Roger and Pauline Bradley at Garden Cottage in the village centre.

They are two very different but considerable talents, Roger with bold three dimensional colourful landscapes, many of them inspired by the Outer Hebrides, Pauline producing delicately painted works of the human figure that capture the beauty of form. She uses models, seeking to capture what she calls "that source of energy within."

They have one studio to show off their work, dominated by the 1873 Hanwell and Sons Columbian press on which prints are made. Their working environment is quite separate, to allow concentration and less risk of an energetic application of

expression spattering a potential customer.

They've been in Bayton more than 40 years, Pauline teaching and Roger working as both artist and lecturer before opting for retirement and working at what they love.



Roger and Pauline in their show studio, with the ancient Columbian press towering above them.

Visitors are welcome and you can make an appointment by calling 01299 832907.

We have been in touch with Shropshire Hills Art Week and have been promised proper notice of the event in future. If you love art, it will guide you to a wide variety of talents spread across countryside that is an inspiration in itself.

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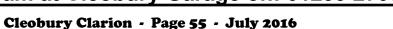
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Their next inspired idea was one half with pink LED light, the other in blue, the universal way of saying Ladies and Gents. They had music installed, put good quality soap and hand towels in there and started in business. One more bright idea they called themselves Posh Potties.

There was no shortage of doubters ("A toilet's just a toilet!") but six years later they have nine Pottie units, eight Portaloos in the same colour scheme and a fridge trailer that's a great idea for big parties and places where there are cool drinks to be served. It's another local success story.

Emma is the only full time employee, having given up her career in the Police to concentrate on this new outlet for her energy. There's range of toilet units, from a 10'0" long mini for small parties up to 23'0" versions for corporate

events, and through the summer months they're all hired out.



Emma Gittins. Mother of three, telephone sales, book-keeper and invoice clerk. Plus driver and cleaner. And she loves it.

When they started, Emma and Chris rented a unit on the Tenbury Road Industrial Estate to store what soon became two toilet units. They've carried on growing the business since then, to its very impressive level today.

The need for cleanliness is obvious and the units stand gleaming, thanks to a great job done by Jane at Cleobury Cleaning Service and Jeanette at Sparkly Clean, two local companies.

Through the busy May to October period they'll all be out on hire every weekend, which means calling in their drivers to haul the three tonne trailers out to set up on site, ready for use. The towing vehicles carry a small generator to run the flushing systems after they're in place and before the big generator arrives to provide power where it's not available on site.

They cover an area up to 50 miles from base, though they have had enquiries from as far as London because of their good name for service. They've towed toilet units out to venues for the BBC TV's 'Antiques Roadshow' and 'Flog It' and one recent big task took three units out to a Severn Trent Water corporate event at Rugby.

They've had their pink and blue colour scheme copied and when they started having units picture themed with hayfield and desert island photos it started a trend others have followed.

Emma doesn't show what must at times be a stressful job. But feedback from customers does help, like "I never thought we'd get a mention of the great toilets from our guests!" Another great Cleobury success.

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It's a familiar name in Cleobury's High Street as a red painted low loader with a road roller, digger or dumper truck on its back rolls through the town. Or you can get a glimpse of brightly coloured machinery parked in neat rows at the depot in Clee Hill Village.

What few people realise is just how big this local company has become. When Clee Hill Plant Limited was incorporated back in 1965, its office block what is now the roadside cafe, it had 100 shares valued at £1 each, in the names of Dan and Evelyn Plant. 51 years later it's the country's biggest plant hire company in its sphere, employing 130 people in eight branches; 26 of them here on the hill.

The Plant family sold out to Northern Strip Mining and they in turn had a management buyout 30 years ago, since when David Hargreaves has headed the company. 11 Years ago Robin Ayres was appointed Depot Manager, and he found a skilled but ageing workforce with just one apprentice learning the demanding business of servicing maintaining and plant machinery in good working order. As he puts it: "Just one apprentice and the rest coming up for retirement."

Robin's efforts and a clear company policy of getting the job done right has changed all that. "Our gaffer believes in putting the money back into the company," he says in a modest office that clearly doesn't serve any inflated ego. "People are what he sees as our key asset. We took on two lads who'd trained as electricians and couldn't find work. They came to Clee Hill and they're great

lads - hit the ground running and got on with learning the Clee Hill way of doing the job."



Depot Manager Robin Ayres, a man with a big job that he clearly enjoys.

The company's concentration is on road surfacing, earthworks and general plant hire, which means 300 items available for rent. From one tonne small dumpers up to 27 tonnes rollers, delivered to site by the transport fleet of two low loaders and a 14 tonnes rigid chassis lorry. All of it up to scratch and ready for use: "Everything is serviced weeks." 12 Robin every "When explains. something comes back from hire, it's serviced and put in the line ready for work. If it stands in the line unused for 12 weeks, it comes back in for a top-up service."

The depot occupies about two and a half acres of Shropshire, owned by the company. There is a new office under construction, but it didn't seem to be the most urgent job on the site when we called, because hire and service of machinery is what makes the place tick and gives the crew jobs.

It's a busy place with a reputation for doing the job right. So up on Clee Hill is where engines and gearboxes are rebuilt for other branches: "We have the skills and the space. And we've got a paint shop here as well," Robin explains.

He's very proud that the depot has an Investor in People award. And the current apprentices have come back from college saying how much more challenging the work that they are doing is compared to others they meet. Robin can see the need for them to be abreast of current standards, such as diagnostic testing. The company encourages actively training sessions site by the on manufacturers whose machines they use.

There's Quality a Management system in operation and monthly depot meetings to check records and see that everyone is up to date. Does that sound like too much bureaucracy? Not when you're hiring out a multi thousand pound machine that will be reliably expected work to around the clock. Plant like that has to be maintained at the highest standard, with machinery out there working anywhere between Mid Wales and the M4 corridor.

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Plenty for everyone in the Bring and Share buffet, where stylish dress dominated. Photo: Andrew Priest Photography

There was a nominal 'Royal' presence, Betty Jenkins acting as the Queen, with David Miles as her Consort and Isobel Miles as Lady in Waiting.



A thoughtful touch to encourage the younger visitors was the Prince and Princess fancy dress competition, which drew a very high level of competition. So every entrant had a prize.

In Cleobury the presence of a Waitrose van outside the church hinted at a touch of quality and the happy 90 or so faces inside suggested that was the case. We understand that a limit of 80 tickets was set, but the demand was so strong that organiser Sarah Wilde offered a little flexibility to get everyone in. An appropriate goodwill gesture on such a special occasion.

As the weather gods were not kind the lunch was served in the church and not outside as originally planned. Cleobury Concert Brass were in full, fine flow when we arrived and were offered a place and a lunch. A very kind thought, but someone who had not bought a ticket and was only there as an observer could not accept what others were there to rightly share. Lots of smiling faces, friendly chatter and a great atmosphere said it all about the day.



Gill Davis had baked a Royal Birthday cake that was raffled by Rector Ashley Buck. Bids were slow to start, but is was a lovely looking cake and in the end the editor's appetite won the battle with his wallet. It was far too much for one greedy man and even for his family, so after the cake eaters in the household had sampled the prize, it was taken up to Saint Mary's Place, where Jo Booton arranged to share it around the residents. A fitting end to a very good day.



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