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# The Cleobury Clarion

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**JUNE 2013**

## **QUALITY ACKNOWLEDGED**

The Shropshire Council election result in Cleobury Mortimer was an acknowledgement of the work our established councillors have put in for the last period in office. Anyone who has followed events and developments should be aware that these two people have worked hard for the wider community, not just the town of Cleobury.

In case you didn't see the full results, they were:

Madge Shineton	1181 votes
Gwilym Butler	1011 votes
Maurice Alton	672 votes
Peter Martin	452 votes

One very positive aspect of the poll was that the two newcomers, who seemed to have pinned much faith on support in one infamous shop window, were so soundly beaten. Anyone prepared to stand for such a big job as a Unitary Councillor deserves respect, but expecting winning support to come from that source was extremely naive and may have hinted at a lack of suitability for the job.

The Parish Council only had seven candidates willing to stand for office, so there was no election. The advantage in terms of simple cost is that there were no election expenses to meet, but a lack of people willing to give their time to the community does not bode well for the future of local democracy. Let us hope that the new council will be able to work together in harmony and get enough done to convince others that it is worth standing.

And we are happy to show you this letter from Madge Shineton:

*Dear Electors,*

*May I thank you all for the support and trust you have shown in me in the recent elections. I feel very honoured.*

*I will be holding surgeries every three months to give anyone an opportunity to come with problems or put points of view on Council matters. The first one will be in September; please look out for the date nearer the time.*

*Yours sincerely,  
Madge Shineton*

## **STILL PRACTISING POSITIVE THINKING**

That sounds rather like one of those American evangelists who can't talk at anything but maximum volume. Bless 'em, such cuddly billionaires.

But around here, the positive thinking is what keeps looming up in the normal working day. Open these pages and you can read about our new Medical Centre getting the go-ahead, even in these days of austerity. Or read about the pupil who was so moved by an achievement certificate at his Church of England school that he went home and designed a Thank You certificate for his grandad for mowing the lawn.

And when services are facing cuts and rescue services are stretched, here in Cleobury Mortimer two ladies got their heads together and raised sponsorship funds to buy a defibrillator that's available for emergencies on the High Street. Great place - aren't we lucky?

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## A NOVEL IDEA

**Andy Driver has a novel idea to help boost trade on the High Street.....**

Here's an idea to make shopping easier in the town. The 1st of the month is Clarion Day. Let's make 15th Shopper's Day.

The idea is that on 15th all the shopkeepers, traders and anyone else who wants to join in moves their vehicles away from the High Street so local car drivers and casual through traffic can park with ease and do their shopping conveniently.

Then for the rest of the month the traders can have their parking slots back and we can go back to shopping in Ludlow and Kiddy.

I thought it would be a nice idea. Just for a day a month. If it catches on, perhaps the idea could be extended.

*Andy Driver*

## HOBSONS IN A HOLE?

Not really. It's just that Hobsons are sponsoring this year's Hole in the Wall Festival at Hopton Wafers, scheduled for July 13/14th. There's a big line-up of acts to tempt you, a deal for weekend camping and access to local scenic walks if you want a few quiet moments away from the happening itself. [www.holeinthewallfestival.co.uk](http://www.holeinthewallfestival.co.uk) can tell you all about it

## THE FRIENDS OF SAINT MARY'S

Our next event is our Wine Walk on Friday June 14th, 7.30 to 10.30pm. Programmes on sale at Cleobury Pharmacy, Cleobury News and Spire Hairdressing. are £9 each and include tickets for four drinks and details of the venues.

You can enjoy a stroll around the town and visit some or all of the venues for a glass of wine or refreshing soft drink. There will be a different drink at each venue for you to enjoy.

Here is an opportunity for you to meet old friends, make new ones and enjoy the hosts' garden and maybe a sunny evening.

*Alec Osbaldiston*

## THE PARISH PLAN

Cleobury's Parish Plan strides ahead. Another successful session on May 8th examined the next three Questionnaire results.

South Shropshire Youth Forum and St Mary's Youth Groups put forward their ideas to identify needs for teens to twenties. Ideas to make Cleobury Park and playing areas more interesting were discussed. Public transport to anywhere after 6.30pm was explored which would benefit the young and all the community, helping with jobs, training and leisure. Both groups

are exploring ideas for the June meeting.

Discussion took place with the results of the Parking Review ready for Glyn Shaw's visit to the meeting on June 19th when proposals can be firmed up and put in to the Action Plan.

Future Policing was high on the list and will be on the June meeting agenda, when the Group has seen the West Mercia policing Plan.

Chairman Michelle Key is delighted with progress and hopes to have the proposed Action Plan complete by the end of the year.

The next meeting will be on June 19th in the Market Hall at 7.00pm, when everyone is welcome. If you are interested in receiving the update notes electronically please e mail your contact details to [madge.shinerton@shropshire.gov.uk](mailto:madge.shinerton@shropshire.gov.uk).

## CLEOBURY CARERS' SUPPORT GROUP

Next meeting: June 11th 2.30pm at The Kings Arms. Come and join us for afternoon tea. This is a special event for Carer's Week.

Meetings are normally held on the third Tuesday of the month at St Mary's Community Room from 2.00 to 4.00 pm.

Further details from Wendy Duley on CM 270562



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## FIVE GENERATIONS!



This is the Carter Clan, well known in Cleobury Mortimer and the surrounding area. The picture was taken at the christening of Lacey and Tyler at the Parish Church and from the left shows great grandma Rita, Lacey, grandad Chris, great grandad Don, great great grandma Betty, Tyler and mother Roxanna. A lovely family occasion that must have made Betty a very proud lady.

### THE BELLS WILL RING

The bells of St Mary's will be ringing during the afternoon of Saturday June 22nd from 3.20 to 4.00pm when we have some visiting ringers from Edgmond, Shropshire.

*Alec Osbaldiston*

### MOUSE RACING!

**You'd think those big, butch blokes in the Rugby Club would only go for the manly sports, but they clearly have a soft side, as Andy Goold explains:** Cleobury Rugby Club have a Mouse Racing Evening at

the Sports and Social Club on Saturday the 29th of this month. It starts at 7.30 and entry for adults is £5.00, while children get in for just £3.00. That includes the race card and a chip butty supper.

The eight races have been sponsored by individuals and businesses in the town. The mice are 'sold' by auction before each race and there is also a Tote for people to have a bet on. It's a great social evening with a bit of excitement. Our last three fund raising events have been cancelled or postponed due to the snow, so we hope you'll come along and support us. Last year we raised almost £900 and we're hoping to beat that figure.

*Andy Goold*

### NEWS FROM THE METHODIST CHURCH

#### Cooking up new projects at the Methodist Hall

Changes are being cooked up at the Methodist Hall. Over the summer the kitchen area will be enlarged and fitted out to modern standards for a public facility. This is part of the shared vision with St Mary's Youth Project to have a regular drop-in cafe style space for young people in the area. We are grateful for support from South Shropshire Housing Association, whose investment in this provision is

making the project possible. They are undertaking all the building work and the kitchen. The church is gathering in funding to pay for things from appliances to pots and pans, whilst the youth project seek other resources to make a youth friendly space.

A new kitchen means benefits to all hall users, and during the day and non youth drop-in nights the hall can be booked out for a reasonable rate. In addition Methodist folk are considering how to best use the renewed facilities for community support projects. They want to know what you think would make a difference, what would help you or your friends and neighbours? Talk to church members or call Rev Helen on 01584 819649.

#### BBC Good Food and Gardens Show, NEC 12-15 June

The Church have received a pair of tickets for this event at the NEC, valid any day except Saturday. They want to sell them on and are looking for interested people to contact them with a bid. The face value of each ticket is £23 and the best offer received by Friday 7<sup>th</sup> June (and earliest if more than one bid at the highest level) will get them. Contact me on 01584 819649 or [helen.goolwa@hotmail.com](mailto:helen.goolwa@hotmail.com)

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- 1 thick slice white/brown bread, torn into pieces
- 50g/2oz cheddar, grated

#### Method:

1. heat the oil in an ovenproof frying pan, then fry the garlic and mushrooms for 5 mins, until softened, but not coloured. Throw in the parsley and mix together.
2. Push the mixture to one side, place the fish in the pan, season, then spoon the mixture over the fish.
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### THE SHROPSHIRE HILLS PROJECT

There is a big drive on to get support for a major Heritage Project for Clee Hill. We've written before about the huge range of cultural, industrial and wildlife heritage there is on that towering presence west of Cleobury Mortimer and to make it better known it needs to be presented with care. This will take money, a fair sum of it, and the drive to raise it is under way.

If you go to [www.shropshirehillsaon.co.uk/looking-after/projects/clee-hill-heritage-project](http://www.shropshirehillsaon.co.uk/looking-after/projects/clee-hill-heritage-project) you can read more about this ambitious plan and sign up in support. These are devoted people, the sort who beaver away for no financial return, because they want local history to be preserved for future generations. Please take time to read about their plan and add your name to the growing list of supporters.

### CLOWS TOP GARDENING CLUB

June, and summer is here at last. A time of year when gardeners can enjoy the fruits of their labours. Take time to stand back, appreciate the garden, and don't let it become a chore. The weather is usually quite warm with the occasional thunderstorm. The sun may be

strong, so time to shade the greenhouses to prevent plants being scorched. Tender plants can now be safely put outside as there should be little fear of night frosts.

At the April meeting Rob Cole, from Meadow Farm Garden at Feckenham, gave an entertaining demonstration on Growing Perennials from Seed. He gave away a lot of his trade secrets to successful sowing. His wife Diane came along too, with some very good quality plants for members to purchase.

If you need some fresh ideas or advice for your garden, then why not join us for a cup of tea and a chat at one of our monthly meetings. Don't be afraid to come along, we are a friendly gardening club.

Our next meeting, on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> June, features Bob Lawrence, who will give a talk entitled 'Behind the Scenes at the Safari Park'. It will also be the club's Rose & Sweet Pea Show. As usual, at the Victory Hall.

*Pauline Bowen*

### CLEOBURY W.I.

For our May meeting we had an excellent turnout of members and visiting local W.I.'s

After business was sorted we were advised by Liz that the Fire Brigade are offering FREE FIRE

ALARMS to all vulnerable people who live alone. Please contact me on CM 271952 for more information if you are aware of anyone needing one of these.

We then watched Diane Jennings paint two beautiful pictures in the space of 30 minutes - amazing. These were raffled off and one local member won one and a visiting member won the other.

Our speaker this month is Christine Patterson, a regular extra in Doctors on afternoon TV. Her talk is on The Hazards of Entertaining. The competition will be a flower arrangement in a regular sized wine glass.

To contact us please ring Jill, our President on CM 271671 or me on 271952.

*Angi Gregory*

### SEVERN HOSPICE FUND RAISING

The Stottesdon and Cleobury Support Group held an enjoyable Crib evening at the Sports and Social Club on May 15th and together with chocolate sales a total of £343.50 was raised. Many thanks to organiser Shaunah Murrell and to everyone who took part and provided the refreshments.

*Madge Shineton*



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It was too good a chance to miss. We took our two oldest grand daughters to the Live The Adventure Open Day in Stottesdon. 13 year old May knew the facility from a Scouts camping weekend, but it was all new for eight year old Lily.

We walked around to see what was on offer. A lot happens in this place, from pony riding through canoeing to overhead wire descents from the trees. We watched a demonstration by the Riding for the Disabled charity, with three carers to each happy, smiling rider, some of them waving to the crowd and making the most of the moment.

Our younger charge fancied a pony ride, available after Anthony Eddies-Davis gave a talk about what this place does, including adventure holidays in Nepal and Bhutan, plus training courses that include local services tutored in flood rescue. If you've been saved from an unwanted soaking recently, these people could be behind that.



We stopped to make friends with a ten week old spaniel, then back to the riding area, where I counted 17 mounts, a donkey, ponies and horses all available. Lily was looked after by Plum Wagstaff and fitted with a helmet before meeting Simon, a mild mannered pony.

A pony is small to a rider used to hunters and the like, but to an eight year old that saddle is a long way from the ground. Led out at walking pace, Lily looked very doubtful about the idea. But my words cannot express the difference between the start and finish of her first ride. Photos can:



*On the way out, a face full of doubt.*

About five minutes later she was back, Simon still walking calmly and his novice rider very much at ease:



*Who said I was nervous?*

That was a measure of the Adventure Centre, catering for anyone from nervous youngsters through to adventurous teenagers, all with a smile and calm assurance. Our two tried canoeing, a staff man watching and only moving to rescue them from being stuck on a bank. Archery called Lily, while her experienced big sister looked on and once again gentle help was available. All for free and the catering by resident chef Di Birch was excellent, but driving duties meant no Hobson's ale.

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### FOOTPATH PEOPLE UNIMPRESSED

Cleobury Mortimer's Footpath Association is a well established and respected body. These are the people who, in the 23 years of their existence, have mapped and cleared our local footpaths, produced printed guides, extended the network to join up with neighbouring areas' paths and lifted the public profile of the simple pastime of walking ancient paths. Until you've walked some of the local routes, you haven't seen the very best of scenic South Shropshire.

They have become more ambitious lately, driving out to walk paths in more distant locations. Broadening the mind, exercising the body, bringing a little extra business to other places. For their March 23rd walk, they planned a visit to the Wenlock Edge area and booked a lunch for the party at the Crown Country Inn in Munslow. But that was a day when there was a heavy snowfall and few vehicles were moving; the walk had to be postponed and the lunch cancelled.

The same plan was laid on for May 25th and members were asked to book their lunches directly with the Inn. But the organiser of the event had an e-mail on May 9th, stating that the

booking could not be accepted unless their booking form was filled out and that their terms and conditions were agreed to and a pre-order placed for the people on the walk. They would not take separate reservations for the group as the inn had other 'full diners' reserved and "you cancelled the walking lunch on April 22nd." Not so, it was on a snowbound weekend in March that they had to cancel.

You can imagine the reaction of the walkers, who looked elsewhere in the hope of finding a little more flexibility. Large walking groups generally bring good business to the pubs they use for lunch stops and only in the most extreme circumstances - such as a heavy snowfall that can affect anyone travelling out to a lunch - will they cancel.

### COME AND JOIN IN THE MAYHEM!

That's the invitation from the Grassroots Playgroup on Clee Hill, who have their Summer Fete and Barbecue on Saturday the 15th. It's at The Warren, on Clee Hill's Tenbury Road, and the entertainment kicks off at 12.00 noon.

The event is raising money for new outdoor play equipment for the children and they've laid on a barbecue, bouncy castle, games, ice cream, a bar, tombola,

raffle, books and toys stall, cake stall, second hand clothes, craft stall and probably more who signed up after this list was compiled.

### STOTTESDON W.I.

Readers of the Stotty WI column will know that recycling comes second only to food in our list of priorities. So, following last month's blitz on avoiding waste, it was with some eagerness that our members arrived at Shropshire Council's Food Enterprise Centre.

Chef Danny enthused over the health benefits of rhubarb, and his demo of novel recipes was timely for those of us with little prospect of anything else to eat from the garden this cold month! A browse around the shop was followed by salmon pie in a creamy white wine sauce with Wroxeter wine, and lemon posset dessert.

We highly recommend dropping by Battlefield Estate for Danny's cuisine, or just coffee, and it's worth checking out the website for events & d e m o n s t r a t i o n s .  
[www.shropshirefoodcentre.co.uk](http://www.shropshirefoodcentre.co.uk)

We will back at Farlow VH on June 19th to shake the pounds off with a belly dancing session led by Nicky Jones. 7.30 pm start - you are very welcome to join us. *Marian Wootton*

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## Star of the Small Ads - Natalie Taylor



*Natalie Taylor, a local lady building a reputation for her caring touch.*

Natalie Taylor was working in the care industry, where her quiet sincerity won her a lot of friends, and realised that there was a need for foot care amongst many of her clients. That sparked an idea and she looked into what she could do to train as a foot health practitioner.

The answer was a twelve month course at the Blackwell College of Foot Health Practitioners. She had to pay her way through the course, which meant keeping on part time work as a carer as she took on the double task of studying and paying her way. But it was worth it, and she completed her training and was awarded a

diploma to confirm her ability to do a job that is a combination of technical knowledge, careful treatment and the ability to listen and chat with people. Anyone who's worked in the caring professions will tell you that the quiet chat is an important part of any treatment.

The diploma is not a permanent gift and she has to provide proof of keeping her knowledge and skills up to date every year to keep it, by completing courses, taking exams and attending conferences. She's naturally CRB checked and has her own professional insurance, available through the college if her records show she's keeping up to date.

Natalie's business is basically mobile, with her mostly travelling to treat clients in their homes. She can give treatment in her own home, but the greatest demand is for her to call. That means driving up to 75 miles a day, with clients as far away from her Cleobury home as Ditton Priors.

The average treatment call takes about an hour: "Less if I'm giving someone regular attention. I do take time to listen, I don't rush them, I'm not just in and out again."

You can see why in two years in business she has built up a list of about 60 regular clients, with more people happy to welcome

her into their homes as they hear how well she does a job that is vital for the less mobile.

She has a very honest approach to her work, and will readily explain that something beyond her skill should be treated by a specialist.

What does she recommend people do to keep their feet in good health? "Have them checked by a professional like me, wear sensible shoes, keep your nails trimmed and if you have diabetes you need to take extra care because you won't feel some problems until they've become serious." It's largely common sense, but for the elderly with reduced mobility, a call from Natalie can mean simple comfort restored.

"I like talking to people and a lot make me feel so good about what I do. Clients say I make a difference."

You can see why she's happy in her work and her long term ambition is to build the foot health business. She doesn't want to grow big and employ other specialists, preferring to keep the personal contact with people who trust her. "I'm happy doing what I'm doing", she says. "I know I do a good job." That diploma suggests it's true; her growing band of happy clients confirms that it is.



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# Clarion Clippings - The Local News

## JOHN PETERS - A TRULY AMAZING SPEAKER



*John Peters as the public saw him on the TV news in 1991*

It was late in April when John Peters spoke to a roomful of people at Lacon Childe School. You would not recognise this smartly dressed man as the RAF Squadron Leader who appeared on our TV news screens in 1991, bruised and apparently beaten, reading from a script to 'confess' his role as a spy.

He was an electrifying speaker, moving between explanation of his role, his Tornado aircraft and the experience of low flying across the desert at about 50 feet. 16 metres if you prefer. No room for error when you're doing 500 or so mph at that height. The aircraft was hit by a missile and

crashed, John and his navigator fleeing and trying to hide in the desert; not easy in bright orange overalls designed to make rescue simple. They were beaten with rifle butts and taken to a camp where there were more beatings and torture for seven weeks.

All this he described in detail sometimes horrific, with occasional sidelines to make you laugh. He held his audience almost silent for about 45 minutes and emerged as a man with humility, most concerned that he had failed in his mission to bomb an enemy airfield. That's military training for you. He bears no grudges and has moved on to build a new career as a very powerful motivational speaker, in this instance at no charge because it was for the school. That humility showing through.

If you get a chance to hear this man speak, please grab it with both hands. It's more than an address, it's a theatrical performance of a very high order.

### THE LACON LOTTERY

John Peters drew the very first winning ticket in the Lacon Lottery, with his audience still buzzing after his speech. The lucky winner was Tony Smith, who received a cheque for £114.00. And with new supporters signing up, the prize

had grown to £115 for the May draw, when James Hilton was the winner.

It's not a bad investment for £10, this Lottery with modest but obtainable prizes. Not like the editor's long term support of Premium Bonds that produced a very poor return until he ran out of patience - or just woke up to reality - and cashed them.

Visit the Lacon Childe website to learn more about their Lottery.

### KINLET FAMILY PLAYGROUP

We welcome back children and families after our half term break, some for their last few weeks with us before they start their journey into school. Our 'big' children will be having their official school intake visits very soon, as well as spending time in school for music sessions and choosing time with Reception.

We also welcome Billy into our Playgroup family this half term. He and his Mum have attended our 'Little Tiddlers' sessions and he is now joining us for play and learning by himself.

We welcome children and their parent or carer into our sessions on Thursday mornings. 'Little Tiddlers' is open to all from birth at a cost of £2.50 per child; Under Ones are free with an older sibling.

*Zoe Pearson*



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This month Bubbles has not eaten any Rat Poison, he has not had any fights, he has not worried us in any way. He has been a lovely, chilled out cat – mainly due to the fact that he has found a comfy bed upstairs that gets bathed in evening sunlight on the better days. He will now just take himself up there after a day out on the lawn chasing flies, and fluttering apple blossom, stretch out in the evening sun and snooze. You might even be fooled into thinking that he has grown up – but I'm sure there is plenty more mischief in the little lad yet...

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The report identifies areas such as the distinctiveness and effectiveness of Bayton C.E. Primary as a Church of England school, meeting the needs of all learners in terms of the introduction and development of Christian values, the impact of collective worship on the school community and the effectiveness of the leadership and management of the school as a church school. And we are pleased to say that all areas were graded as Outstanding.

The report outlines that our strong sense of community and the combined commitment of all groups ensure that our pupils are enabled and supported "to try to be the very best that they can be".

Furthermore, the report advises that "there are many opportunities to engage in high quality experiences ..." and gives an example of one of our Reception children who received a certificate in Praise Assembly, and went home to make a certificate for his Grandfather to thank him for mowing the lawn!

Finally, when detailing the impact of Collective Worship in school, the report details that our pupils explained that they enjoy acts of worship as they make them think about their own behaviour.

This has proved to be a great school year for pupils, families and staff at Bayton C of E Primary School, and we still have a half term left before breaking up for the summer holidays .....

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### IN PRAISE OF...

Myself and my wife would like seeing the praises of Lower Street Garage and its owner Martin.

I was checking over my wife's car when I noticed a nail embedded in one of the tyres. It was 3.15 on the day before the Bank Holiday weekend; panic set in but we need not have worried. We made a phone call to Martin of Lower Street, who said "Bring it down and let's see what we can do," which set our minds at ease.

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### AND ON STOTTESDON HIGH STREET

The friendly Fighting Cocks pub has been winning awards again. It does have a well established habit of doing that.

This time it's the Telford and East Shropshire branch of the Campaign for Real Ale handing out the plaudits and trophies. The Cocks was voted Rural Pub of the Year for 2013 and was runner up in the Overall Best Pub category.

Congratulations to Sandra and her team for another well deserved success. If you haven't been to this place, whether it was for a swift half or for a meal, you have a gap in your enjoyment record.

### ROYAL FOUNTAIN RUNNERS

With the long nights here for the next few months, Al and Helen Rodgers at the Royal Fountain Inn invite you to join Clebury's first running club.

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meet back at the pub for refreshments.

There's no pressure to attend every week, just come along wearing suitable clothing and footwear. For more information contact Al or Ed at the bar or telephone 01299 272720. The first outing will be on Wednesday June 5th.

They will be continuing their globetrotting culinary tour and the next stop is the USA - what better night to celebrate with American food, drink and music than Thursday July 4th, American Independence Day? Details soon and tickets will be on sale at the bar.

### NICELY FRAMED

The Newell Palmer Mortimer Wealth windows have become a feature on the main street, as they give space to a local artist or craftsman to display their wares. The latest to benefit from this largesse is Frames by Design, the Old Station Business Park based picture framing business recently taken over Georgina and Dean of Cross House Arts in Mamble, who are showing off a wide range of their particular ways of making pictures look even better.

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# Clarion Clippings - The Local News

## SCARECROW CONVENTION AT NEEN SAVAGE

This sounds very different from the majority of local events. Neen Savage have a Scarecrow Convention and Fete at their village hall on the 29th with a competition for those dressed to the Harry Potter theme. Arrive by 2.00 for your scarecrow to join the convention and later be judged.

There's a Fun Dog Agility course, dogs obviously welcome and on a lead, please. £1.00 a go to test both owner and dog's agility. And as it's a fete there will be the usual array of side shows, such as a tombola, splat the rat, lucky dip, hook a duck and plants for sale. Tea and cakes, of course. Clare Ratcliff can tell you more on CM 270173.

## COCO IN JUNE

Cleobury Compassionate Communities -you can see why they call themselves CoCo - are holding a Tea Party at the Market Hall on the 6th for all their volunteers who work in support of the vulnerable in the community. Paul Cronin, CE O of Severn Hospice, will be there, with local workaholic heroine Jenny McCrorie.

On the 9th there's a CoCo Charity Quiz across the road in the Kings Arms, where it will

cost £1.00 a head to enter your team.

And if you're interested in joining this lively band, there's a training session for volunteers on the 12th and 13th. Katja on CCM 270018 can tell you more, or email her at cleoburycoco@hotmail.com.

### DID YOU KNOW?

When chemists die, they barium.

Jokes about German sausage are the wurst.

I know a man who's addicted to brake fluid. He says he can stop any time.

## THE HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

The return of David Walker to speak about hanging baskets brought many members to our meeting. As usual he was well prepared and began by telling us compost was of the essence. Multipurpose alone was not sufficient to sustain a basket or tub throughout the season and needed an addition of John Innes, Perlite and food. You can also add gel granules to help retain moisture but all tubs and baskets need frequent watering to keep them at their best.

David swiftly planted up several baskets and tubs. Unlike many of us who arrange plants in symmetrical fashion he aims for colour, foliage and scent. We were all amazed at his plantings and he had few tubs, baskets and plants to take home. A really educational and enjoyable evening. *Liz Smurthwaite*

## LINDA KNOTT


Linda passed away peacefully, at home, on April 29th after a long and brave fight against systemic sclerosis.

Stephen, Alex, Richard and Helen would like to say a big thank you for all your messages of comfort and sympathy, kind words and offers of help.

Special thanks to Dr Paul Thompson and everyone at the Medical Centre, Cleobury Pharmacy, Sue Wilson and the District Nurses, Kemp Hospice and especially their chaplain Reverend Sue Foster for the help, guidance and love she gave us.

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*Stephen Knott*




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## Letter from Westminster - Philip Dunne MP

Fair funding for schools in rural areas has been a key issue on which I have campaigned since I became your MP. In 2006 funding pressures on the Education Authority in Shropshire led to proposals to consider closing 22 of our schools. I argued that the formula used by the Department for Education to allocate funding to schools across the country had been distorted away from rural authorities towards metropolitan.

Shropshire and neighbouring counties were amongst the ten lowest funded education authorities out of 150 in England and Wales. The formula had become so complicated that around the same time the government decided rather than review it, to freeze the formula and increase it each year by a simple percentage. I set up a campaigning group of MPs in Parliament to argue for fairer funding for public services in rural areas. This was an uphill struggle as the population clearly lives predominantly in urban areas and therefore there are many more MPs representing cities and large towns than rural shires.

The coalition government was formed in the depths of the severe financial crisis, so securing more funding to address the imbalances across the country was not possible. School funding was however fortunately ring-fenced from spending cuts. For a year until last September I was the departmental whip to the Department for Education, during which time several initiatives were undertaken to improve allocation of scarce resources. The most significant of these has been introduction of the Pupil Premium, which is being steadily increased to £900 per pupil now for those eligible on Free School Meals.

Using Free School Meals as the determinant of this extra financial resource for each school is not ideal for rural areas, since there is widely

assumed to be reluctance to apply for free meals in rural areas than urban. So I have encouraged local residents in Shropshire who might be eligible to apply, and encouraged our schools to ensure their parent bodies are aware of the help the school receives from the Pupil Premium and how it is allocated.

Fundamental overhaul of the school funding formula was thought not possible to reconcile with the public spending cuts required during the current four year spending review period. A one year spending review is now under way for the financial year 2015/16 and the results are due to be published this month. School funding is again expected to be ring-fenced from cuts. I am not expecting a formula review will form part of this exercise, so we shall have to await the next four year spending review after the next election for fundamental reform.

This has not stopped me keeping up the pressure for a fairer deal for our schools. I met the Schools Funding Minister last month to press the case for fairer rural funding, not least to reflect the extra costs of providing education in sparsely populated areas. Smaller schools, greater distances between them, smaller class numbers and/or mixed year groups, all of these impacts of sparse populations lead to a patchwork of primary schools which are expensive to operate compared with larger schools in the rest of the country. These cost pressures can be compounded for schools with a reputation for offering the best for children with special needs. I received a sympathetic ear from the Minister and am hopeful that some progress towards fairer funding for schools will be made in this parliament. I shall certainly keep on pressing the case for Shropshire schools.

*Philip Dunne MP*



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## The June Social Calendar

Date	Time	Details	Contact	Telephone Number
Sat 1/ Sun 2	10.00am	World War II Weekend at Berrington Hall, near Leominster on A49.		01568 615721
Sun 2	12 noon	Nightingale Nursing Fund Family Fun Day on the Sports Field, Love Lane. 5-A-Side Football and loads more. SEE PAGE 9		
Wed 5	10.00am	CM Walking for Health meets at the Sports and Fitness Centre, Love Lane	Mandy Smith	CM 270312
	7.00pm	First meeting of the Fountain Fun Runners at the Royal Fountain, Church Street SEE PAGE 23	Al Rogers	CM 272720
	8.00pm	Whist Drive, Doddington Village Hall. Good car parking.	Sonia Pearsall	01584 890874
Thu 6		BLACK WHEELIE BINS AND GREEN RECYCLE BOXES EMPTIED TODAY		
	3.00pm	Cleobury CoCo Volunteers Celebratory Tea, Market Hall, Church Street.SEE PAGE 30.		
	7.00pm	Rock Pathfinders Evening Walk starts from the Lenchford Inn layby on the B4196. OS Ref: 813643	Alan	01299 400304
Fri 7		Deadline for bids for two tickets to BBC's Good Food and Garden Show at the NEC SEE PAGE 7		
Sun 9	7.30pm	Cleobury CoCo's charity pub quiz, Kings Arms, Church Street		
Tu 11	7.30am	St Mary's Breakfast Club meet at Cleobury Cafe. Jeremy Lovell talks about the Forest Pig Charcuterie.	Gill Chapman	CM 270575
	2.30pm	Carers' Group afternoon tea at the Kings Arms.	Wendy Duley	CM 270562
Wed 12	7.30pm	Cheque presentations from April's St Georges Day Parade at the Kings Arms, Church Street.		
	8.00pm	The Royal British Legion meet at The Bell Inn, Lower Street		
		Neen Savage W.I. visit Berrington Gardens		
Wed 12/ Thu 13		Cleobury CoCo training event for volunteers.	Katja	CM 270018
Thu 13		GREEN WHEELIE BINS EMPTIED TODAY		
Fri 14	7.30pm	Evening Wine Walk with the Friends of St Mary's. SEE PAGE 5		
	7.30pm	Bingo Night at Cleeton Village Hall		

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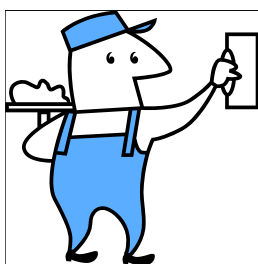
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## The June Social Calendar - continued

Date	Time	Details	Contact	Telephone Number
Sat 15	12 noon	Summer Fete and Barbecue at The Warren, Tenbury Road, Clee Hill. Loads to do and all in aid of the Grassroots Playgroup. SEE PAGE 13.		
Wed 19	10.00am	CM Walking for Health, Sports Centre, Love Lane.	Mandy Smith	CM 270312
	7.30pm	CM Parish Plan meeting in the Market Hall. SEE PAGE 5		
	7.30pm	Stottesdon W.I. meet at Farlow village hall for belly dancing! SEE PAGE 13		
	8.00pm	Whist Drive, Doddington Village Hall. See June 5th above		
Thu 20		BLACK WHEELIE BINS AND GREEN RECCYCLE BOXES EMPTIED TODAY		
	10.30am	Rock Pathfinders walk starts from Manor Inn Arms, Abberley Village.	Alan	01299 400304
	7.45pm	Whist Drive at the Sports and Social Club, Love Lane.	Alan	CM 270114
Fri 21	8.00pm	Bingo Night, Doddington Village Hall. Sonia 01584 890874	Sonia Pearsall	01584 890874
Sat 22	3.20pm	The Parish Church bells will ring out, thanks to visiting ringers from Edgmond		
Wed 26	7.45pm	Clows Top Gardening Club, Victory Hall. Bob Lawrence talks on "Behind the Scenes at the Safari Park." SEE PAGE 9		
Thu 27		GREEN WHEELIE BINS EMPTIED TODAY		
Fri 28	7.30pm	Barn Dance, Victory Hall, Clows Top. £6.00 adults £2.00 Under 12s	Judith Lawson	01299 269047
	8.00pm	Bingo Night, Doddington Village Hall. See June 21st above		
Sat 29	2.00pm	Scarecrow Convention and Fete, Neen Savage Village Hall. SEE PAGE 25		
	7.30pm	Mouse Racing Evening at the Sports & Social Club, Love Lane. SEE PAGE 5		
		.AND LOOKING AHEAD TO JULY....		
Wed 3	8.00pm	Whist Drive, Doddington Village Hall	Sonia Pearsall	01584 890874
Thu 4		BLACK WHEELIE BINS AND GREEN RECYCLE BOXES EMPTIED TODAY		
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On March 1st a set of metal stepladders were stolen from a porch in Milson. On March 17th/18th two Stihl chainsaws were stolen from a porch to a farmhouse in Neen Sollars. Seven quad bikes worth a total of £16000 were stolen from an insecure barn at Prescott between early evening on March 23rd and mid morning the next day. They were all untaxed and not insured for road use. The keys were still in the ignitions! On March 26th a garage at Neen Sollars was broken into and several power tools stolen including three chainsaws, a petrol mower, an electric drill and a router. In Billingsley between 4:00pm on April 15th and 9:00am the next morning there was a theft of parts from various items of plant such as a JCB digger, a paver, a road roller etc., amounting to thousands of pounds. It was discovered on May 7th that three chained up bicycles had been stolen from a shed inside a barn at a farm a couple of miles out of Cleobury towards Bridgnorth. The last time they had been seen was just before last Christmas. Worth noting is that three burglars from the Wolverhampton/Dudley area were caught in the act and arrested at the scene recently in Cleobury North. Police were called by an alert resident on hearing the alarm sounding and the neighbour's

car engine running. The occupants of the house were on holiday at the time. These criminals had already burgled another house nearby.

Good news also is that a man from Martley in Worcestershire, not our area but perhaps it may serve as a warning to criminals, who had been jailed for two years for having a cannabis factory at his home, has been ordered to pay £35,000 under the Proceeds of Crime Act.

Doubtless you have heard the news of a gang in Wellington jailed for abduction and serious sexual abuse of vulnerable teenage girls. Without wishing to scare anyone, it is worth bringing to your attention an incident which occurred in Cleobury recently. A 16 year old girl, whilst walking by herself around 7:30pm one evening in the Pinkham area, was called to by the driver of a white van. He asked if she, "wanted to come in his car" and called her, "beautiful". The girl declined his offer and walked on. Her description of the driver, which is that he appeared to be of Asian origin and wearing a turban, would indicate that he is not immediately local to Cleobury. No offences occurred here but we may wonder what might have happened if she had got into the vehicle. I'm sure that most parents advise their children wisely regarding interaction with strangers, but at risk of being boring it's preferable to remind them regularly about the dangers. Also, of course, young children should never be allowed to roam alone however safe a neighbourhood seems to be, - probably an unnecessary remark, but it does happen!

*CSO Nick Morris*

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## THE READING GROUP

Tracy Chevallier's 'Remarkable Creatures' won unanimous approval at our May meeting, with its historic setting and a tale woven around real characters. The period atmosphere of snobbery and dismissal of women rankled with some, but the general agreement was that this is a book to recommend as one to read.

This month's read is Robert Ryan's 'Empire of Sand', published in 1988 and promising an involvement with Lawrence of Arabia in the style of much modern history-related fiction. We will gather in the Library on Monday the 17th to share opinions on the matter.

## JUST A THOUGHT

**Suzanne France sent this little gem:**

"The budget should be balanced, the Treasury should be refilled. Public debt should be reduced, the arrogance of officialdom should be tempered and controlled and the assistance to foreign lands should be curtailed, lest Rome become bankrupt. People must learn again to work, instead of living on public assistance."

It is attributed to Cicero, writing in 55BC.

## IT'S A HOBSON'S KNOCK OUT

Fancy tackling an obstacle course involving paint, inflatable things, a lake to cross and a tower to climb? Hobsons is inviting teams to enter their first ever "It's a Knock out Competition" which will take place on Friday July 12th at the Hole in the Wall Festival.

Outdoor enthusiasts at the brewery have come up with an idea to organise a "Hobsons It's

a Knock out Competition" as part of the brewery's 20 years of brewing celebrations. Working in partnership with Stottesdon based Live the Adventure, they have designed a course of six stations in the grounds of Hopton Court, which will host the annual Hole in the Wall music festival that weekend.

Kate Pearce, Marketing Manager from Hobsons Brewery commented "We came up with the idea following our own team day at the Old Vicarage Centre in Stottesdon last year; we've taken ideas to create our own adventure challenge with a flavour of Hobsons, including a climbing tower, gladiator joust, target archery, paint ball, twisted lake and fermenter pit."

The competition is open to local teams, sports clubs and businesses, made up of eight team members with a minimum age of 16 years. Entries forms are available from <http://www.hobsons-brewery.co.uk/culture/its-a-knock-out.aspx> £20.00 team entry fee which includes a set of t-shirts, closing date for entries is July 8th.

The event will kick off at 6.00pm, spectators are welcome to come along and watch the action for free. The winning team will be presented with a special trophy and firkin of beer, plus prizes for under 16's. Evening entertainment will follow the competition including pig roast, Hobsons bar and disco, plus camping on site.

The competition is a new addition to the line up for the Festival, which has a fantastic line up of acts for the main Saturday night concert and Sunday bash. Visit the website

for information and tickets [www.holeinthewallfestival.co.uk](http://www.holeinthewallfestival.co.uk)

Teams interested in entering the competition can call 01299 270830 or visit the Hobsons website.

## BARDLEY BOWEN AT BAGGINSWOOD

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Vicky can be contacted on mobile 07976 750987.

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## The Farming Page - John and Catherine Evans

May started with a bang and it was a real treat to have a sunny Bank Holiday. One person who made the most of the spring weather was the DEFRA inspector who spent the weekend exploring every nook and cranny of the farm checking our Higher Level Stewardship claim. The majority of farms receive funding from the EU via either the Entry Level (ELS) or Higher Level Stewardship (HLS) Scheme. These encourage farmers to care for the environment and protect wildlife rather than concentrating on food production and points are awarded based on the steps taken to achieve these aims. To qualify for the Scheme farmers must manage their hedgerows, only cutting every two or three years; plant bird covers such as cereals mixed with other plants to encourage native birds; mixed farming practices such as varied crops and stock; leaving stubble over the winter as habitat for birds; minimising use of fertilisers and chemicals on grassland and the return to long term pastures. The more measures undertaken the more points awarded and once a certain total is reached farmers move to the Higher Level Scheme.

The recent spell of dry weather means we have just about caught up with the planting, the last crop to be planted is maize, some of which is planted under plastic to speed up the growing process, although as different varieties are developed this is less popular as it is an expensive option. Maize is used as a cattle feed, being turned into silage – the crop

is harvested before the corn cobs are fully ripe and covered in plastic to mature, it is then fed to the cattle through the winter months (it smells disgusting!!).

As soon as the weather warms up shearing will start, this is very labour intensive and back breaking work – only for the young and fit! All the adult sheep are shorn to help them keep cool and prevent maggots. All the fleeces are sent to the Wool Marketing Board who pay a fixed price based on the quality of the wool, half on receipt and half 12 months later! At the moment the wool price covers the cost of shearing, which hasn't always been the case in the past!

Haymaking is the last job before harvest so a settled spell of dry weather is needed. Fields of grass are mown on a dry day, then left for several days to dry in the sun, after tedding (turning and spinning of the grass to help dry it) the dried grass is rowed up into rows ready for baling. These days much of the hay is made into large round or rectangular bales which are easy to move mechanically and store undercover ready to feed to the stock in the winter months. Smaller bales are popular with hobby farmers and for horses as they are easier to manhandle but very labour intensive in terms of production – small bales come out of the baler in groups of 8, collected in a specially designed sledge, these blocks of 8 can then be stacked using a grab and loaded onto trailers. The bales are then manually unloaded into the barn. *John and Catherine*



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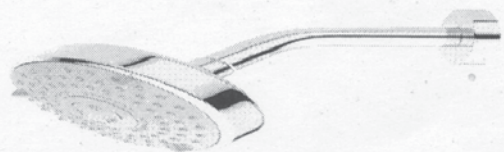
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#### Community Health Services

The new Shropshire Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) are asking for information on our Community Health Services, before signing the new contract with Shropshire Community Health NHS Trust. Please contact either the Medical Centre or CPV, if you have concerns or ideas on these service i.e. District Nursing, Physiotherapy, Occupational Therapy or Chiropraxy.

#### CPV Members Meetings

Recently, we reverted back to monthly meetings on the 3rd Monday of the Month at 7pm in

the Market Hall. Meetings will alternate with a speaker or a representative from Cleobury Mortimer Medical Centre. The CMMC representatives will be either a GP or CMMC Manager. Patients from CMMC over 18 years are welcome to join.

The next meeting will be on Monday June 17th, with a Medical Centre representative. If you have an issue you want addressed by the Medical centre at this meeting, contact CPV (details below) by Monday 10th June 2013.

#### Local Concerns

If you have any concerns or ideas about the Health or Social Care Services in Cleobury Mortimer, call either: Jenny 271383, Jacqui 270019 or [cleoburypatientsvoice@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:cleoburypatientsvoice@hotmail.co.uk) All contacts are treated confidentially.

For General information on the Cleobury Mortimer Medical Centre and their services go to the website: <http://www.cleoburymortimermc.co.uk/>

*Jenny McCrorie*  
Chairperson, CPV

#### CLEOBURY PLAYERS

At our AGM Steve Foster was elected Chairman, with Jacqui Lewis the Secretary. Other officers

remain as before. Subscriptions are still £12.

Last year proved a difficult one for the Players. We did not know if we had a venue in which to rehearse; very unsettling to the cast. Our leading lady in 'Murdered to Death' was taken ill during dress rehearsal, and the day was saved by Suzanne France, stepping into the part without any rehearsal, book in hand. As a result, she was presented with the Maeve cup, awarded to anyone who performed over and above the call of duty.

Readings to choose our next play are taking place at The Mount, Castle Hill, every Wednesday, starting at 7-30. All are welcome. Ring 01299 271665 if you think you would like to come. We guarantee a chair, and a cup of tea or coffee at the interval. It is very informal, and usually a very good laugh. You don't have to want to act on stage, just come and be part of the team. So far, we have read six plays.

Next year, to coincide with the anniversary of the Great War, Tom will be producing 'Journey's End' by R C Sherriff. A play set in a dug-out in the trenches. Eleven men, including two eighteen years old, are required, and we would like to give some new people experience before taking on such a demanding play. We welcome everyone, whatever their age and/or experience; you won't be left on the side lines.

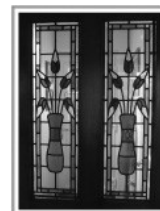
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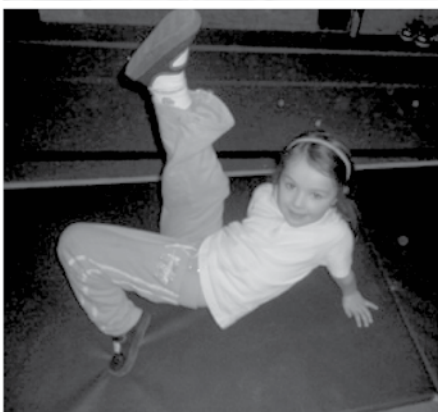
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	09.45	Parish Communion, Parish Church		CM 270624	
	09.00	Mass, St Elizabeth's, Lower Street	Canon Walsh	01584 872906	
	10.30	Cleobury Country Archers, Lacon Childe Sports Field	Lesley Burnside	CM 271374	
	10.30	New Life Church – for venue call	Derek Morris	CM 270787	
	11.00	Morning Service, Methodist Church	Rev H Roberts	01584 819649	
Mon	08.00	Kinlet Family Playgroup, Kinlet School Mon to Fri		07794 166514	
	08.00	Chorley Family Playgroup, Stottesdon School Mon to Fri	Zoe Day	01746 718769	
	09.00	Peter Rabbit Nursery, Lacon Childe School Mon to Fri	April Rogers	CM 271418	
	09.00	CM Playgroup, Primary School, Mon to Fri	Jane Preece	07816 193933	
	09.30	Morning Workout, Sports Hall	Deena	CM 271317	
	10.00	Age UK, Monday Club, St Mary's Place	Sarah Wilde		
	15.45	Gym Club with Ann Davis, Lacon Childe Mon & Wed	Don Carter	CM 270312	
	17.30	Cubs Meeting, Old Pump House, Church Street	Kate Pearce	07772 102986	
	18.30	Karate Club, Lacon Childe School	John Nelson	CM 879210	
	19.00	Tai Chi Class, Lacon Childe School	Rose Jacks	01584 875544	
	19.30	Rangers Meeting, Old Pump House, Church Street	Helen Smith	CM 270912	
	19.45	Bingo, CM Sports & Social Club	Alan Evans	CM 270114	
	20.00	Women's Clog Dancing Classes	Linda Small	01746 718624	
	Tue	10.00	Nippers, Moths & Tots, Methodist Hall, Church Street	Emma	CM 272959
		14.00	Friendship Club, Parish Hall, Church Street	Janet Rolston	CM 270353
		15.45	Ballet Class, Lacon Childe School	Liz Broadway	CM 251246
		17.00	Sports Roundabout, Sports Hall, Love Lane		CM 271317
17.30		Beavers Meeting, Old Pump House, Church Street	Becky Keeley	CM 271416	
18.45		Bridge Club Hopton Wafters Village Hall	Wendy Duley	CM 270562	
19.00		Bell Ringers' practice night, St Mary's Church	Liz Walker	CM 271808	
19.30		Modern Dance Sequence Club, Lacon Childe School	E Wrigglesworth	01562 822291	
Wed		10.30	Over 50s Relaxing Exercises, Doddington Village Hall	Freda Childe	01584 891180
		16.45	Gym Club for 6 & over, Lacon Childe School	Don Carter	CM 270312
		17.15	Brownies Meeting, Old Pump House, Church Street	Rebecca Barnes	CM 272945
	19.00	Guides Meeting, Old Pump House, Church Street			
	19.00	Yoga Class with Anna, Lacon Childe School	Don Carter	CM 270312	
	19.00	Zumba Class with Emma Forni, Lacon Childe School	Emma Forni	01746 862842	
	19.30	CM Concert Brass Band practice, Parish Hall	Stella Wilcox	CM 270560	
	19.30	New Life Church prayer meeting. For venue call	Derek Morris	CM 270787	
	19.45	Choir Practice, Parish Church	Philip Engleheart	CM 270627	
Thu	09.30	Little Tiddlers, Kinlet Family Playgroup, Kinlet School	Zoe Pearson	07794 166514	
	14.00	Scrabble Club, St Mary's Place, Non residents £1.00	Jo Booton	07969 104808	
	16.45	Cleobury Comets Netball, CM Sports Centre term time	Mandy Smith	CM 271809	
	17.30	Brownies Meeting, Old Pump House, Church Street	Rebecca Barnes	CM 272945	
	19.00	Bell Inn Band improvers rehearsal, Bell Inn, Lower Street			
	19.30	Tums and Bums, Lacon Childe School	Don Carter	CM 270312	
	19.30	Adult 7-a-side Football League, CM Sports Centre	Dave Hives	CM 271317	
	20.00	Bell Inn Band rehearsal, Bell Inn, Lower Street			
	20.00	11-16s Badminton Club, CM Sports Centre		CM 271317	
	21.00	Over 16s Badminton Club, CM Sports Centre		CM 271317	
Fri	10.00	Tiny Stots, Chorley Playgroup, Stottesdon School	Zoe Day	01746 717769	
	10.00	Tiny Tots, Parish Hall	Bettina Poole	CM 271868	
	17.30	Rainbows Meeting, girls 5-7 years, Old Pump House	Jean Basham	07792 813774	
	19.00	Scout Meeting, Old Pump House, Church Street	Chris Andrews	CM 270937	
	20.00	Badminton, CM Sports Centre		01584 881359	
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## A BIG DAY FOR CLEOBURY SCOUTS AND GUIDES



*Led by the Cleobury Concert Brass band, the huge parade of Scouts and Guides and their families march down Love Lane on their way to the Parish Church.*

Cleobury Mortimer played host to Scouts and Guides from all over the county on Saint George's Day, April 21st. There were something like 500 visitors drawn into the town, and they gathered around the Sports Field before marching behind the Cleobury Concert Brass Band to parade at the Parish Church for a special service and presentation of awards. Amongst those were two Cleobury Scout leaders, Ingrid Purslow collecting her Wood Badge and Chris Andrew both a Wood Badge and one for Five Years Service.

The route of the march to and from the church was closed to traffic for the parade to pass safely. Volunteer marshals at road junctions ensured the closure was observed until young people were back at the playing field. A selection of games had been laid on, but the morning's dry weather moved on and rain rather cruelly

hampered play, the afternoon ending earlier than expected as our visitors made their way home.



*At the head of the parade, Scout Edward Purslow carried the Queen's Colours with the British Legion following in support.*

It was interesting to hear that the West Mercia Police and Crime Commissioner, Bill Longmore, attended the day to assess what the Police contribute to parades like this. Scouts District Commissioner Patrick Oborn was clearly impressed, saying: "A fabulous day, a pleasure to attend such a well organised event, despite the weather. A big thank you from me and all at the District office for the work you have done to stage this event."

### FOCUS ON YOUTH

**Sarah Wylde writes about more young people in our community**



*From the left: Kevin Kupje, Samantha Beresford and Mark Bunger.*

Our youth project has always relied on volunteers' from the Pioneer Centre. Leader Mark worked there, leaving in 2010 to work full time for the project. He maintains strong links and the centre supports us.

In their first year these volunteers undertake in-house training for instructing in outdoor and indoor activities. At the same time they train to gain National Governing Body qualifications that are nationally recognised. Options for further years of training.

Kevin Klupje's mother worked as a youth worker. He became interested in SMYP after attending the Soul Survivor festival and sees his future working with people and is especially interested in youth work. He particularly enjoys listening to members and appreciating them; they respond well to his style of leadership.

Samantha Beresford has been volunteering since last summer. She enjoys getting to know the members and forming positive relationships. Her job is working with groups of young people for three days and never sees them again, so gains satisfaction from helping with the project. She feels volunteering widens one's horizons and will help her future.

Mark Bunger was involved in a youth club in Walsall before coming to the Pioneer Centre. He enjoys the interaction with young people and has an open view of where the future may take him.

*Sarah Wylde*

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## June in the Wyre Forest - Linda Iles writes



*The Soprano Pipistrelle bat. One to spot on a forest evening walk.*

On our warmer days I've been watching the bees. Having vowed to buy only garden plants that are beneficial to wildlife this year, it's been good to see my aubretias and wallflowers alive with all kinds of insects seeking their nectar, but the real action on sunny days seems to be going on in the house walls! Mason bees have been busy installing their offspring in tunnels in the crumbly mortar, laying single eggs in cells with their own pollen/nectar food supply. Mason bees, leaf-cutter bees, mining bees, honey bees, cuckoo bees, carder bees, bumble bees and bees with no common name (only Latin, poor things): there are over one hundred species around us. I would love to meet *Osmia bicolour*, a relative of the

mason bee, who builds her nest in an old snail shell! I'm sure I'll be told that we don't get them round here.

Our other house guests include bats: particularly pipistrelles and soprano pipistrelles. They get under the roof tiles and into the tiniest crevices between timbers and stones to roost, though at this time of the year mothers will be giving birth in maternity roosts. Dusk is a good time to watch for their feeding flights along woodland edges and clearings. A couple of years ago when we were keeping pigs in the woods it became evident that the bats were taking advantage of the situation. It worked like this: pigs eat the brambles; pigs leave poo; dung beetles eat the poo; bats fly over the pig-grazed areas hunting the dung beetles. Oh yes, and we eat the pigs.

This year various groups of visitors to Uncllys Farm have helped to make bat boxes, which will be wired up in oak trees on the edges of the fields. They will provide safe havens for the bats and allow numbers to be monitored. We also have boxes

for redstarts and flycatchers in the orchard but have had to temporarily cover the holes to stop them all being taken by blue and great tits before the summer visitors arrive. This month we'll see if this stratagem works!

Here are some events to join in this month:

June 9th: Open Farm Sunday - free walks at Uncllys Farm, DY12 2LR, from 10.30am to 12.30 and 2.00pm to 4.00 to see the chickens, rams, Saddleback pigs and cherry orchards. Tea and cake for sale. Please book on 01299 488083.

June 17th: Have fun Tie Dyeing at Uncllys Farm. A taster session for adults from 10am to 12noon. £6 each - ring 01299 488083 to book. June 28th Dusk Walk at Wyre Forest Discovery Centre, Callow Hill, 9pm - 11pm, £6 per person. Look for glow worms and listen to the sounds of the forest at night - please bring a torch. Book on 01299 266929 or [learning.west@forestry.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:learning.west@forestry.gsi.gov.uk)

*Linda Iles*

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### THE CLIB DEFIB

There's a significant extra safety measure available on the town's main street. It's a defibrillator that is available for any emergency from the King's Arms. If someone has a heart attack, the defib is there and can even be used by an untrained operator. It is a potential lifesaver.

Big thanks go to Betsy Pratt (still the Neighbourhood Watch organiser, despite her escape attempts) and Sandra Cole of St John Ambulance. Sandra did a demonstration at an NHW event and she and Betsy agreed that to have one available for emergencies is what the town needs. And now, thanks to these two excellent ladies, we have one. Thanks also to the Parish Council and St John Ambulance, who provided the finance.

St John Ambulance have a very convincing statistic: about 300,000 people a year have a cardiac attack outside hospital and only a third of them make it to hospital and a good chance of recovery. For every minute without access to a defib, a heart attack victim's chances of survival reduce by ten percent. And we now have the means of saving people available in the KA, which is open from morning until late evening - that's why it was chosen as the place to keep it.

St John Ambulance recommended this model, that you switch on and it gives you clear instructions what to do. To make survival chances even better, good old Cleobury Country are offering a three hour training course. No date set yet, but talk to Sam at CM 272300 so she can get an idea of support for the course and if it

would be viable. The cost will be about £55.00 plus VAT; that's a very affordable way to save a life - or for someone to save yours.

So Cleobury does it again and leads the way in really valuable facilities available to all. Great stuff! Thanks to everyone who's made this possible.

### PETER COWIN

Everyone who met him will remember Peter Cowin with affection. A dapper man with moustache that hinted at his fighter pilot history, combined with gentle charm and impeccable manners.

He was more widely known for his book 'Half Wing to Full Wing' that told of his career with the RAF. From a navigator with half a set of wings on his badge, to become a Spitfire pilot with a complete set adorning his cap.

He wrote the book in his late 80s, and warmly acknowledged the help of friends in the area who helped him. He promised that if it made a profit the proceeds would be donated to charity. It soon sold out, but he could not be convinced to take on a second print run; perhaps he realised that many friends had given time they could not afford twice.

He lived in Cleobury Mortimer until failing health made a move to an RAF approved facility in Cheltenham more practical. He lived there happily, if a little muddled as the years took their toll. He died on May 16th, aged 94. A lovely man, he will be much missed by all who knew him and our sympathies go to his son, Tim.

### CONGRATULATIONS

Belated congratulations to that lovely couple George and Elsie Poyner, who celebrated their

72nd wedding anniversary in April. They still live in Hopton Wafers, where they first met, were married in the parish church and had their wedding reception in the village hall that their house overlooks. They are truly a part of Hopton.

### A SPECIAL ADDITION TO THE LIBRARY

An interesting addition to the local reference section of the library is a work in three folders on local wild flowers. The folders list over 200 varieties that can be found within the area, with a page devoted to each plant. There are also confirmed photographs of the flowers together with information on where and when you can find them, alternate names where these exist and the purposes for which they have been used in the past.

With rare exceptions, the plants listed can be seen either from a public right of way or in open country. For this and other reasons, the work does not claim to be a survey of all the flowers in the area but is intended to be a useful guide to people, particularly walkers, interested in their local environment.

The work to compile these folders took a good five years of walking the local tracks and footpaths. As the compiler says, it is not yet - and probably never will be - complete, since the local flora continues to change both in range and density as the years pass, some plants disappearing whilst others thrive and spread. So space has been allowed for you to suggest additions or changes so that the work can be updated as necessary.

*Ben Smith*

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No wonder they're all looking so happy. This is the Coreley Football Club team, who whipped Areley Kings 4-1 on May 12th. That was more than a good match result, it meant they finished the season as winners of the Mercian Festival Football League. Congratulations to every one of them.

Photo: Mike Davis

## CLEOBURY PARISH COUNCIL MATTERS

The town's new council met on Monday May 13th, with new man Dave Harley missing and the other newcomer, 18 years old Jack Martin, there. We think Jack is the town's youngest Parish councillor ever?

Sean Thorogood was voted in as chairman again and Debbie Brown stepped up to take the Vice Chair seat that Mike Reimer had vacated. The variety of other jobs to be tackled were spread across the members. There was no decision taken on the question of coopting two more members to bring the Council up to its full strength of nine; that will be done later in the year.

Betty Davis suggested that the Council should write to past councillor Ken Reynolds to

thank him for his almost 40 years of service and there was a long discussion before Debbie Davis suggested it be left to each councillor to write as they felt fit. This was agreed.

We did not stay for the full meeting, but have since been asked by clerk Matt Sheehan to offer the public the council's apology that their e-mail and website links have been down. It was a technical fault that they are working to cure

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## DOG FOULING - POSITIVE ACTION TO CONTROL THE HAZARD

There is a cooperative move by Cleobury's Parish Council and the Unitary Council's 'Streetscene' unit to combat the nuisance and health threat of dog fouling. On May 21st Heidi Steele and Kay Adams of Streetscene were on the Love Lane playing fields, chatting amiably to dog owners and explaining the plan to have this area patrolled and offenders reported.

It is a considerable problem, and the Primary School's sports day was cancelled last year because of the continuing nuisance of owners who do not clear up after their dogs have done what is natural. We need reminding that this is a serious health threat to children in particular; dog faeces can contain an infection that can lead to blindness. The school take a responsible approach and don't expose pupils to the risk; some dog owners fall a long way short of that standard of plain decency.

This is not going to be a bully-boy campaign and people seen leaving fouling will be given the chance to pay a fixed penalty. If they prefer, they can go to court and see what that costs. If the owner reported for offending again - and it is the owner at fault, not the dog - there will be stronger action. The fixed penalty is £80 with a cheaper option if you pay quickly; offend again and it won't be cheap.

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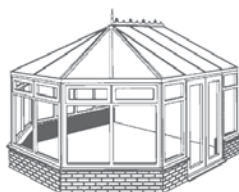
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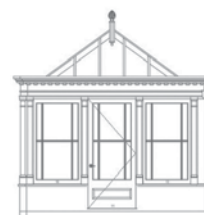
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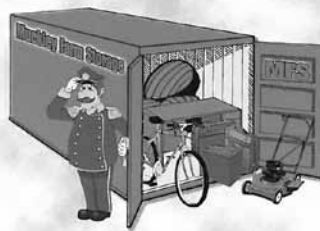


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### SPOTTED AT THE FARMERS' MARKET

This is Anne Kay, who runs Cozy Retweets in Kidderminster, making birdhouses. Nesting boxes if you prefer.

She was at the May Farmers' Market, happy with the day and promising to be back in June. She makes her colourful little boxes from timber scraps, which keeps the prices down to a very affordable level. She smiles a lot

too, which does make dealing with her a pleasure.

The May Market was quite a test, with most traders impressed that the friendly atmosphere had been carried on and everyone we spoke to reported good business.

And the energy of those lady clog dancers borders on frightening; you wouldn't argue with one of them about the last space in a car park.

A good event. Don't miss the June one, on the 15th.



# IN BUSINESS: The Female Fixers



*Lisa and Lindsay take a quick tea break before they get back to the paint brushes.*

The advert appeared in last month's Clarion and there was an immediate reaction at home. There was a kitchen recently replastered that needed to be painted. "I'm going to book them before anyone else gets there," declared my wife. With a head start, we wouldn't have a long wait. One phone call later the Female Fixers were on the doorstep.

They explained that they'd got together because they shared an interest in manual work as a relief from the regular jobs. Lisa Cotgrave works in the IT industry after a successful spell selling advertising, while Lindsay Wilson is a professional photographer, a graduate from Sheffield University's unique

press training course. Both very capable professionals, so why the wish to fit in a second job?

"I was restoring old houses, listed buildings that needed very careful attention, so decided to learn about the work I would be overseeing," explained Lindsay. "It grew from there, because I was doing the painting myself and enjoying getting the detail work right."

Much the same for Lisa, whose speciality is plastering and tiling. She finds a weekend exercising those skills is a complete break from the predictable disciplines of business. Two compatible people who don't meet over the normal working days, then swap tales and share jobs in a friendly weekend atmosphere.

They looked at our problem, Lisa admiring the plastering Adrian Booton had done, and asked for the room to be cleared of the domestic stuff that accumulates in any real world kitchen. They could come on Friday and work through the weekend, if that was OK? Yes please.

By 9.00 o'clock on Friday morning they were in action, washing and rubbing down the walls, then putting a filler coat on the ceiling before two coats of the Dulux Lindsay recommends for its quality and covering

power. I offered to get them tea, but they preferred to make their own as it fitted in with the work. Lunch took just half an hour and the whole day was free of the blaring Radio Noisy that seems to come as part of the package with some tradesmen.

They worked beyond 5.00 on Friday and were back at 8.30 on Saturday morning. It was the same routine, as the ceiling got three coats of paint and the walls two, working side by side as Lisa applied the roller and Lindsay concentrated on getting good cover in all the corners and a straight line along the top of the wall, where the colour coat contrasted with the white. That attention to detail in operation. By late lunch time the job was done, and then they set about cleaning up, to leave with not a spot to spoil the revived look of a much used room. Whatever they'd moved - including that big refrigerator - was back in place and in the centre of table sat a vase with a bunch of pinks. That was the final woman's touch that really pleased. They left with a cheque, we stayed with a smile, well aware how long it would have taken us. The place was well and truly Female Fixed; these ladies are going to succeed.

*Jim Reynolds*



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**CITIZENS ADVICE** - 08444 991100. Or through the Wednesday link at the Cleobury Centre.

**CLEOBURY MORTIMER POLICE STATION** - 0300 333 3000. The Station is not manned full time; you can contact **WPC Anne O'Leary** direct at: @westmercia.pnn.police.uk

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**DOMESTIC VIOLENCE HELPLINE** - Women's Aid, 24 Hour support: 0800 783 1359

**HOME FROM HOSPITAL** - 01584 878046. For help over the first few weeks back home.

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**VOLUNTARY CAR SCHEME** - 01299 666119. Mrs Val Simpson is the new coordinator.

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### Wayside • Hopton Bank

A most impressive 5 bedroomed property with breath-taking gardens, occupying a total plot of approximately half an acre. Wayside's accommodation encompasses porch, kitchen, dining room/snug, sitting room, cloakroom, conservatory, office/utility, family bathroom and five bedrooms (master having en-suite). Double garage with driveway and ample parking to front and rear. Energy rating E.



**OIRO £285,000**

### 17 Orchard End • Cleobury M'tr

Much improved and extended four bedroom detached house in desirable location. Close to local amenities of Cleobury and the both primary and secondary schools. Well presented throughout. Garage, garden and stunning views over surrounding countryside. Energy rating D.



**OIRO £315,000**

### 5 Paper Mill • Cleobury Mortimer

A terraced one bedroom cottage, located in a quiet location with no through lane and a pleasant outlook over fields. Accommodation includes Lounge, Kitchen, bedroom and bathroom. To the front of the property is a small fore garden area and parking for one vehicle. To the rear is a small elevated garden area. Energy rating E



**TO LET**

**£425 pcm**

### 6 Station Close • Newnham Bridge

This property is available at £79,950 for 80% ownership or £39,950 for 40% ownership. A modern, two-bedroomed, mid-terraced property with gardens and driveway parking, in a cul-de-sac location within driving distance to local amenities in Tenbury Wells and just 15 miles from Kidderminster. Energy Rating C.



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