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# **Progress and its Problems**

We all live in a world which celebrates the technological achievements of our world. So we should, as the western world has been the fertile ground for such change and innovation which we can trace way back to the Roman period. The Romans built roads and stone streets with guttering. They had brick and stone houses with underfloor heating. Baths and latrines for public health and a network that connected the Mediterranean world like never before. They imposed the pax Romana, a universal system of law and order. They did indeed do a lot for us! During the Christianisation of Europe, schools set up Universities and innovations in medicine and science took on new ideas. At this time the modern Banking system was invented and eventually during the modern era, industrialisation took hold and the world hasn't been the same since. Try and think of a technology today that didn't have its roots in the Western world.

Today, this progress has reached a new era, and technologies have boomed! Everyone has a phone of some sort that would have been science fiction in the 80s. You can see peoples faces when you call, and we live our lives through them in almost every way. The world has become a very small place and we have the technology to go anywhere and do all sorts of things that would have been impossible just a few decades ago. Now we are on the verge of the AI era and what could possibly go wrong there? Haven't they seen the Matrix or Terminator? There are profound up-sides to technology but we also have down-sides too. The nuclear threat is still with us and it isn't going away anytime soon. So, have we progressed? The answer for me is both yes and no. In terms of technology and scientific research most definitely! Life expectancy has skyrocketed. Survival rates through mass immunisation and treatments are wonderous. I recently had an MRI scan and you can literally see the inside of you, amazing! But that isn't the whole story. Our lives have become impoverished in other ways. Social interaction has dwindled in the west and knowing your neighbour let alone loving them is a challenge. The glue that stuck us all together seems to be dissolving and a strong sense of community is being resigned to our memories as time moves on. Everywhere I look, people interact with their devices but not the people around them. Living costs are out of control and we are becoming isolated. Yes we have made great progress, but we have lost something along the way.

*Phill*

# St Ethelbert Award

## Liz Donovan



On Sunday the 22nd of October at Hereford Cathedral, our very own village superstar Liz Donovan was admitted into the Order of St Ethelbert for her years of service and dedication to the life of St Mary's Church, Burghill. Liz has done so much for the life of the Church and the village for many years. She has been a Guide Leader, Churchwarden and Bell Ringer. Liz has also undertaken innumerable tasks further to these more visible roles such as Burghill Safeguarding Officer as well as led services. She has also helped move forward many projects such as the Church restoration which has involved unending meetings and paperwork. However, her fundraising efforts have been legendary! On a more personal note, Liz has been a true treasure of the Church and has helped me in more ways than I can possibly say. Congratulations Liz, no one deserves this more than you!

*Rev Phill*

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# **GRAND CHRISTMAS DRAW**

## **ADVANCED**

## **NOTICE**



The Church events group will be holding their

Grand Christmas Draw

again this year with lots of generous donations of good prizes including Christmas Hampers, a meal for four at Burghill Golf Club, a Christmas turkey and an Amazon voucher to the value of £50 plus other valuable prizes.

Tickets will be on sale from mid-October at £1.00 per ticket or £5.00 for a book of 5 tickets and can be obtained from members of the Church PCC.

The draw will be made on Thursday December 14th

Contact Max Jenman or Liz Donovan for details

### **The Bird Meadow and creation of a Wildlife reserve**

Some of you will have noticed that part of the field with the footpath from the orchard leading towards the Bird garage has recently been harrowed and planted. Our apologies for the muddy inconvenience that this may have caused.

With the help of the Wye and Usk Trust we have planted the field with wild flowers and hope to attract wildlife such as butterflies, bees, field voles, harvest mice and owls. Eventually we hope to even attract some ground nesting birds. In the spring when the grass has grown we plan to mow the original footpath and an extra permissive path so that there will be two ways through the field. We would be very grateful if dog walkers would keep their dogs on leads so that the wildlife isn't disturbed.

With many thanks for your understanding and forbearance.

Mark and Twink Helme

# Burghill and Tillington Retirement Club



November : On Thursday 16th November we will have a talk on Owls and there will be a selection of real live owls in attendance.

December: On the Thursday 14th December all of the children from Burghill Community Academy will come and sing Christmas Songs and Carols. We start at 2pm as the children have to be back at the school for going home time. Tickets for the draw that takes place at each meeting will cost £1.

We meet in the Simpson Hall commencing at 2-30pm The cost is £3 and includes light refreshments.



## Craft Workshops Places still available on

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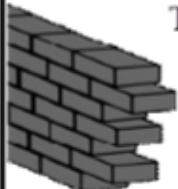
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- **Trips** around the village and to town
- Running **errands**, such as fetching prescriptions, library books, shopping,
- Simple **DIY** jobs
- Befriending, if you would like **someone to talk to**
- **Socialising** at the Community Café or outings
- Simple **gardening** in an emergency

Contact Joe Helme: 01432 760816 or [jfhelme@gmail.com](mailto:jfhelme@gmail.com)

## The Community Café

Our **café** is open every second Friday of the month from 10 until 12 noon for drinks, delicious cakes and good company.

The **Community Library** operates at the same time; for books, jigsaws and green bags

## The GNS Welcome Pack

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<b>2<sup>ND</sup></b>	<b>THURSDAY</b>	
9.30am	St Mary the Virgin, Burghill	
<b>5<sup>TH</sup></b>	<b>ALL SAINTS SUNDAY</b>	
10.00am	St Mary Magdalene, Stretton Sugwas	Joint Eucharist
<b>9<sup>TH</sup></b>	<b>THURSDAY</b>	
9.30am	St Mary the Virgin, Burghill	Celtic Worship
<b>12<sup>TH</sup></b>	<b>REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY</b>	
8.30am	St Peter, Pipe-cum-Lyde	Remembrance Service
9.30am	St Andrew, Moreton-on-Lugg	Remembrance Service
9.20am	St Mary Magdalene, Stretton Sugwas	Remembrance Service
10.45am	St Mary the Virgin, Burghill	Remembrance Service
<b>16<sup>TH</sup></b>	<b>THURSDAY</b>	
9.30am	St Mary the Virgin, Burghill	Celtic Worship
<b>19<sup>TH</sup></b>	<b>SECOND SUNDAY BEFORE ADVENT</b>	
8.30am	St Peter, Pipe-cum-Lyde	BCP Holy Communion
9.30am	St Andrew, Moreton-on-Lugg	Parish Eucharist
9.30am	St Mary Magdalene, Stretton Sugwas	Morning Prayer
11.00am	St Mary the Virgin, Burghill	Parish Eucharist
<b>23<sup>RD</sup></b>	<b>THURSDAY</b>	
9.30am	St Mary the Virgin, Burghill	Celtic Worship
<b>26<sup>TH</sup></b>	<b>CHRIST THE KING</b>	
8.30am	St Peter, Pipe-cum-Lyde	BCP Holy Communion
9.30am	St Andrew, Moreton-on-Lugg	Parish Eucharist
9.30am	St Mary Magdalene, Stretton Sugwas	Parish Eucharist
11.00am	St Mary the Virgin, Burghill	Parish Eucharist
<b>30<sup>TH</sup></b>	<b>THURSDAY</b>	
9.30am	St Mary the Virgin, Burghill	Celtic Worship

## **GOLDEN MEADOW PLAYGROUP**



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26th September and 3rd October – Vehicles  
 10th October and 17th October - Harvest/Autumn  
 24th October - Halloween special (prebooking essential)

Please tell all your family and friends about us as we love seeing new faces!

For more information please see our Facebook page: Golden Meadow Playgroup

## **Burghill & Tillington Gardening Club November 7th, Simpson Hall, 7.15pm**

This month Alun & Jill Whitehead from Aulden Farm will take us through A Coast to Coast trip via the Gardens they visited on the way. The route is Tenby to Norfolk/Suffolk, so quite a range. Just the thing to brighten a gloomy November evening. Their photos of beautiful gardens will inspire us when planning changes to our own gardens for the coming year. All are welcome, entry £4 to include refreshments. [sueanddavidrix@talktalk.net](mailto:sueanddavidrix@talktalk.net)

## **CELTIC WORSHIP**

Every Thursday morning at 9.30am in the cosy St John's side chapel of the church, we hold a very informal and relaxed Service, lasting between 20 minutes and half an hour. We call it 'Celtic Worship' because it uses more modern language, in the style of the Iona Community and the services are led by a variety of people, both clergy and lay.

At 10am, we have an informal coffee morning at the back of church (whether or not you have been to the Service). Interested? All are welcome to come and join us.

*Anna Nugent*

## The Delightful Apple Tree

Did you know that before the war, there were over fifty types of apple readily available for the consumer to buy? Yet look in any shop now to see that today we have only a tiny number of largely unexciting commercial varieties to choose from. Unfortunately the priorities for a commercial apple grower (dictated by supermarket buyers) are not necessarily those of the consumer. The consumer values flavour, but the commercial world instead needs heavy crops, large, regular shaped fruit, resistance to bruising, storage for many months and visual attractiveness. The solution to this conflict is to get a much better apple by growing your own. This will certainly involve a quest discovering less commercial alternatives to the ubiquitous Cox's Orange, Bramley or Golden Delicious - but the result will be well worthwhile.

First decide what you want your apple to do for you: no disease or spraying? Try 'Bardsey' or 'Red Windsor'. Dual purpose cooker and eater? Try the tasty 'Cobra'. A truly delicious traditional eating apple? Try 'Chivers Delight' , 'Rosemary Russet' or 'Pitmaston Pineapple'. Local heritage? You won't get more local than the cooking apple 'Tillington Court'. Apples make superb garden trees because an apple tree's height and vigour is controlled by the rootstock it is propagated onto. This means that you can grow the same variety in a size to suit your space. The smallest will be a 6 ft (1.8m) tree on an M 27 very dwarf rootstock, which will need a good soil and permanent staking. With more space, you can grow the same apple in a larger tree size on a more vigorous rootstock like M.26 about 15 feet/4.5m or MM. 109 about 20 feet/6m. The widest range of apple trees (bare root or container grown) is available to buy this month. For really helpful advice, I always talk to the apple tree experts at Frank P. Matthews' 'Tree Shop' retail outlet on their nursery at Tenbury Wells and also check their catalogue information. (See [www.frankpmatthews.com](http://www.frankpmatthews.com) then 'Tree Shop').

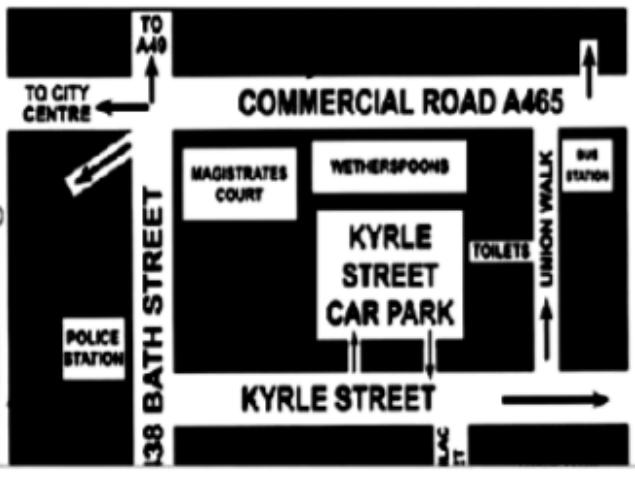
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# BEHOLD MAN!

As we all know, each of us is born inheriting the genes of our parents; such is the fundamental component of our biological nature, the nature which is given to us from the very start. We also know perfectly well that without some form of immediate nurture we would hardly survive for more than a few hours. In this sense we are born not so much as ready-made human beings, rather as beings with the potential to become human persons. For in order to have any chance of becoming a fully formed person we require the ongoing nurture not just of parents in particular but society in general. At the very least, nurture is just as crucial to the development of our individuality or personhood as anything that might be inherited from our parents. If we get to the stage of knowing anything about our parents then we have already been sustained; that we get to know anything much further means that we have already acquired some form of language and cultural identity.

A fundamental component of our intellectual nature, one that has to be carefully nurtured, is the distinctively human ability to form an autonomous conception of how to live a worthwhile life -- the freedom to decide for oneself what has value and what does not. Exercising their autonomy, some people will embrace the prevailing social norms, others will question them, some will decide to opt out completely – always assuming, of course, that people have the necessary freedom to pursue their autonomous conception. The exercise of autonomy is always and inevitably under social pressure. And so it should be, for liberty is not the same thing as licence: the *taking* of liberties. If there are such things as human rights then all humans must have them and one's right to liberty must be compatible with equal liberty for all. We humans are the clever ones; no other creature on earth has the capacity to make the kind of brilliant decisions that we make, or do the kind of devastating things that we do. The very capacity to make evaluative decisions – to make judgements as to what is worthwhile rather than trivial, beautiful rather than ugly, loving rather than hateful – such a capacity only finds expression within the context of a particular society. And as we know only too well, different societies tend to differ. Indeed, the very fact of *human* agreement entails disagreement: if all human beings agreed with each other they would no longer be human. The trick, if only we could perform it, is to agree to disagree. Only time will tell how successful we prove to be. All we know for sure is that humanity is born.....*Ecce Homo!*

Rob Newton

# Knit One, Natter Too



You don't have to be a knitter - bring your own craft project and come along. You can be sure of a warm welcome, whatever your interest or level of expertise. You can even come just to natter! (and some do....) It could be an opportunity to learn to knit or crochet – or get to know others in the village.

We usually meet on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of each month in the Simpson Hall, from 2-4pm, with refreshments provided, paying £2 per session. We'd be very happy to have more people join us so why not give us a go?

Dates for **November** : 8<sup>th</sup> and 22nd

If you need help with transport, do let me know.

Joanna Helme [Tel:760816](tel:760816) email:[joannahelme@gmail.com](mailto:joannahelme@gmail.com)

## Community Café

A warm welcome awaits you at the next café on **Friday November 10th** from 10am to 12noon. Do join us for coffee or tea and delicious cakes and scones. Don't worry if you are on your own - you will soon find some friendly folk to chat to. **If you enjoy the café, why not bring along a friend or neighbour?**



You can also browse books in the Community Library or look up information on the Talk Hub.

If you think you might like to take some goodies home with you, please bring a container. We look forward to seeing you.

**Dates: Fridays: November 10<sup>th</sup> and December 8<sup>th</sup>**

**Time 10 to 12noon**

## WINTER WARMER LUNCHES

The Good Neighbour Scheme is holding soup lunches this winter. They will be held on Fridays between 12.30 and 2.00 pm in the Simpson Hall. All are welcome.

The dates are:

**17<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> November**  
**15<sup>th</sup> December**  
**19<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> January**  
**16<sup>th</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> February**



There will be a small charge of £1 for soup and a roll, and 50p for a hot drink. For more information, please contact Joe on 760816 or email: [jfhelme@gmail.com](mailto:jfhelme@gmail.com)

# THE FINAL WINTER QUIZ!

**50 cryptic clues  
on the theme of birds  
£20 cash prize**



**Quiz sheets still only £1 each  
but feel free to give more to support the church**

**Available from 1<sup>st</sup> December 2023 from Tillington Village Stores**

**(Thanks to Heather)**

**or from**

**Paul & Mary Hilder. Telephone 01432 760473**

**Also available in church after Sunday services**

*Closing date for completed entries: Wednesday 31st January 2024*

*Full details on the quiz sheet*

**In aid of the Church of St Mary the Virgin, Burghill**

**Why not give copies to friends and family for Christmas?**

**This is our 5<sup>th</sup> and final quiz.**

**Thank you for your support.**

**We hope you have enjoyed them.**

## ST MARY'S WALKING GROUP



Our Brockhampton walk featured a visit to the charming All Saints Church, known for its embroidered hymn books and thatched roof. We concluded our journey with a leisurely stroll along the picturesque River Wye, bordered by a steep, wooded bank.

Our next walk is:

**Saturdays 11<sup>th</sup> November**

We meet at 9:50 am in the Burghill Church car park. From there, we share cars and drive to our starting point for a leisurely 4 to 5 mile walk. We warmly welcome newcomers to join us on our adventures. For more information call Annie Ness: 01432 760552

Fortnightly, slow easy walk over two hours.

**Tuesdays 7<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup> at 10am,**

Meeting at the new bus shelter in Burghill

## A Festival of Children

Our Retirement Club was again invited to the annual harvest festival at Burghill School - and what a wonderful morning we spent with such delightful young people. We were welcomed by Year 6, the oldest of the pupils, who brought us coffee and scrumptious chocolate cake. The inquisitive children sat with us and asked interesting questions and told us about their own interests.

The real entertainment then began, with the youngest group singing to us and showing great musical promise of another talented generation at the school. Then, year by year, we were royally entertained with song and poetry by pupils who obviously enjoyed themselves as much as we did. As a finale to our visit, we then shared a short lesson with the older students who demonstrated the futuristic computer technology now used at the school - unbelievable and a little scary!

During our visit, the mutual respect shared between the pupils and teachers was wonderful to see. It was a real joy, and difficult to express my wonder at seeing my old school; what a transformation from my time there, back in the 1930's. Top marks and gold stars to our very special and successful village school! Thank you all.

*Pat Downes*



# Benediction

Cert: 12 - 137 mins



**Fri 10<sup>th</sup> Nov – 7.30pm**

**The Simpson Hall, Burghill**

Admission: Adults: £5.50 Child: £3.50

Enquiries to: 07726 148736

This month's movie will donate 50% of net income to The Poppy Appeal.

Film only, includes tea, coffee and biscuits during the interval: £5.50.

A light meal of Gammon, Leek and Potato Pie with Buttered Savoy Cabbage  
served at 6.30pm: £10 includes film & food.

Meal Bookings: Call Annie 01432 760552 or [annie.ness23@gmail.com](mailto:annie.ness23@gmail.com)  
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A complex man who survived the horrors of fighting in the First World War, Siegfried Sassoon, a soldier decorated for his bravery on the battlefield, became a vocal critic of the government's continuation of the war.

Starring: Peter Capaldi, Jack Lowden



# Hollywood Glamour

## New Year's Eve Party

**Sunday, 31st December 2023**

**Simpson Hall, Burghill**

**7.30pm for 8pm**

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decades

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**Warm Buffet  
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Come as your favourite film character (optional)

Prizes for the best dressed man and woman ★

*In aid of the Copse & Simpson Hall*

## THE CHURCH PLANT STALL

We will be closing the plant stall at the end of October. Thank you very much to everyone who has supported it over the last few months. We have raised over £160 for the Churchyard fund which is a marvellous sum of money.

Special thanks to John Parnaby who helped to manage the stall.

The stall will reopen next Spring and we look forward to getting lots of lovely plants to sell.

## Burghill in Bloom



**Left to right – Mark Ellis (*The Copse Leisure Trust & Burghill Valley Golf Club*), Beryl Staite (*Burghill in Bloom*), Sally Robertson (*Community Achievement Award*), Mark Thomas (*Burghill Valley Golf Club*)**

We are delighted to report that Burghill in Bloom, Burghill Valley Golf Club and The Copse Leisure Trust have again this year received GOLD Awards at the recent Heart of England In Bloom 2023 Awards Ceremonies held in Coventry and Solihull. In addition, Sally Robertson was presented with the West Midlands Community Achievement Award for her exceptional leadership and contribution over the years to raise the civic pride of the village.

The RHS judges commented, “Burghill In Bloom has a very strong sense of community and the committee work hard to really make a difference to the parish”. The Burghill in Bloom team are being encouraged to try for the nationals next year.

These awards recognise the hard work and dedication of the volunteers who give hours of their time throughout the year. Well done everyone.

Our own local awards are due to take place on **Friday, 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2023 at The Simpson Hall at 7 pm**. The evening is open to not just participants but all members of our community.

### **OUR NEXT FUNDRAISING EVENT - COFFEE MORNING & TABLE SALE**

**February/March 2024 – date to be confirmed**  
**Further information in next month's magazine**

## BURGHILL CAP & COMMUNITY LIBRARY

Our next session is on



Friday, 10th November 2023

10 am to 11.30 am at The Simpson Hall  
during the Community Café Session



Jigsaws Green bags available to purchase at £5.65 for a pack of 5 bags.

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## THE COPSE LEISURE TRUST

Reg Charity No. 1118865

Since we carried out the Public Consultation last year, we have been busy working behind the scenes to improve the facilities at The Copse. As a result, the following are projects we are pursuing or have already commissioned:-

Several responses indicated residents did not know what happened at The Copse so we will be providing regular updates in the parish magazine and on our Facebook page.

A new cradle seat and junior swing seat have been ordered to replace the existing seats.

The tunnel will shortly be removed as it needs replacing. The trustees have been looking at replacement play equipment for younger children.

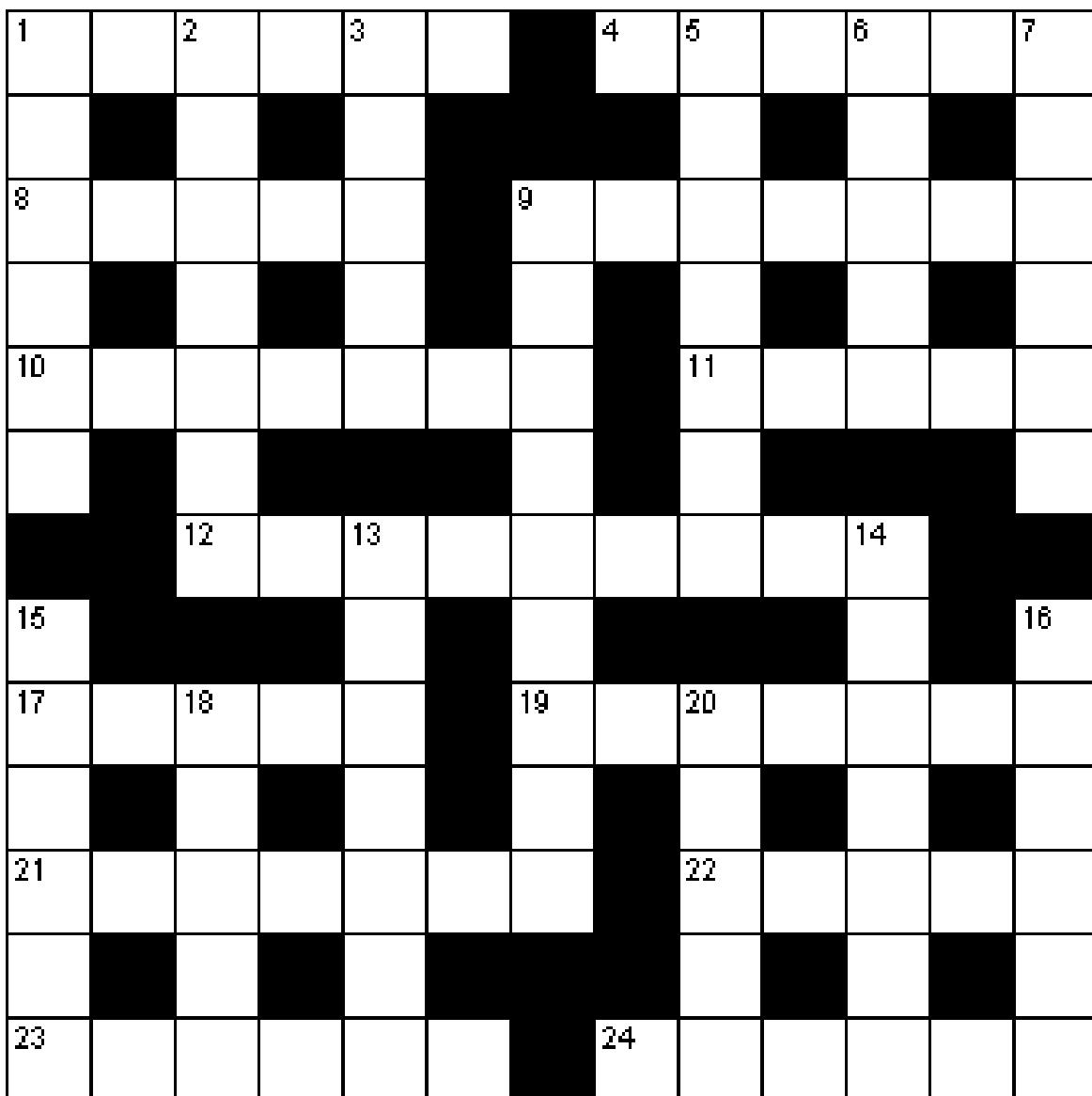
Improve access to The Copse especially for wheelchairs and prams etc.

Our Chairman has recently met with officers from Herefordshire Council and a representative from the Football Association with a view to possible funding for a sports pavilion, which received 85 per cent support in the Public Consultation. She is also currently looking at funding for a Project Manager to drive the project forward.

With only 3 years left on our current lease, we have submitted an Expression of Interest Form to either asset transfer The Copse to the charity (preferred option) or an extended long-term lease which will satisfy and meet the criteria of funding organisations.

We are very grateful to all the volunteers who support our work at The Copse and we will continue to investigate opportunities to improve the facilities for the enjoyment of our community.

# PUZZLE PAGE



## ACROSS

- 1** Formal discussion (6)
- 4** Native American dwelling (6)
- 8** Fragment of bread (5)
- 9** Country annexed by Germany in 1938 (7)
- 10** Take out (7)
- 11** Detest (5)
- 12** Repayment in kind, as for an injury (3,3,3)
- 17** Powdered tobacco for inhaling (5)
- 19** Severe mental distress (7)
- 21** Obvious (7)
- 22** Narcotic derived from poppies (5)
- 23** Start of the working week usually (6)
- 24** Saunters (6)

## DOWN

- 1** Edict (6)
- 2** Small garden bird (4,3)
- 3** Shin bone (5)
- 5** Immediate (7)
- 6** Value (5)
- 7** Skimpy (6)
- 9** Space traveller (9)
- 13** Thin glossy silk fabric (7)
- 14** Of little importance (7)
- 15** High regard (6)
- 16** Doubting apostle (6)
- 18** Workers' organisation (5)
- 20** One who looks after horses (5)



## **Gena Whitefoot**

**23.12.1948 - 10.10.2023**

Gena Whitefoot lived at Portway with her husband Trevor. She had three children, Richard, Martin and Rebecca. Gena was a wonderful person and an illuminating illustration of a human being, full of love and compassion, a person of profound patience and endurance. She didn't have a bitter bone in her body. We are all saddened for our loss which is heavens gain. Her funeral service will be at:

**St Mary the Virgin, Burghill  
1st November (All Saints Day)  
11.00am**

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# CHRISTMAS BAZAAR



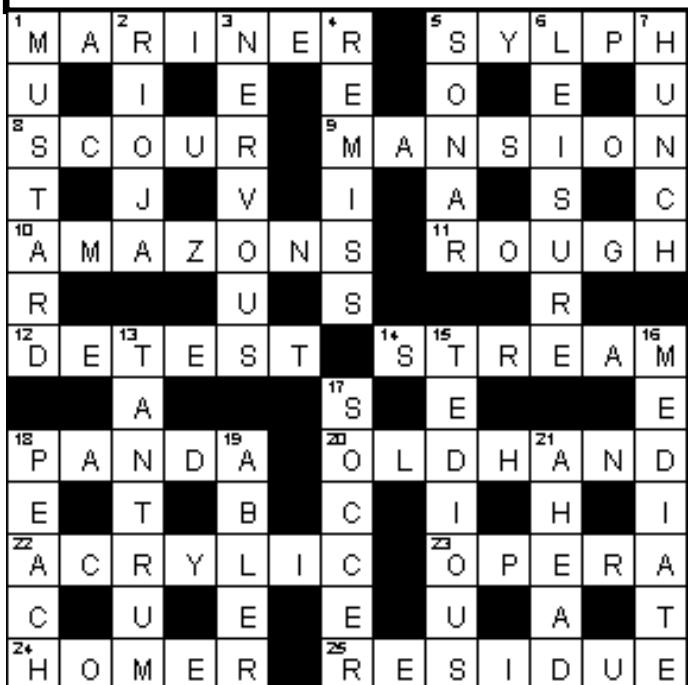
SATURDAY 2<sup>ND</sup> DECEMBER 2023  
 STRETTON SUGWAS VILLAGE HALL  
 11 am – 1 pm

Various stalls including Crafts, Cakes, Raffle

Refreshments available

If anyone wishes to reserve a table to sell goods, please contact  
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All proceeds in aid of Stretton Sugwas Church



**ANSWERS TO  
 OCTOBER'S  
 CROSSWORD**

We are the Dead. Short days ago  
 We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,  
 Loved and were loved, and now we lie  
 In Flanders fields.

John McCrae, *Flanders field*



# PARISH REGISTERS

## *Funerals*

*Benita Clayton*

*Stellar Owen*

*Harry Smith*

## *Burials*

*Wendy & Clive Rosser*

*Harry Smith*

## FESTIVE FLOWER ARRANGING CLASSES

**Leominster Community Centre, Saturdays from 10am to 12 noon**

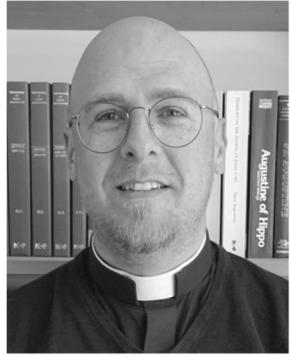
**25th November:** WILLOW AND FEATHER STAR door hanging  
 Something for crafters and flower arrangers alike. Make your own star and decorate with feathers or festive decorations. Your star will shine throughout the whole festive season! Make it for yourself or surprise your friends and family.

**16th December:** CHRISTMAS TABLE ARRANGEMENT WITH CANDLES, Hard to beat and a definite favourite. Ready for your Christmas table. Moreton-on-Lugg Village Hall

**Saturday, 2nd December** from 10am to 12 noon  
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**Monday, 18th December** from 10am to 12 noon  
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All workshops are £15pp and payable when you book. Due to rising costs of materials and hall hire, I regret that I am unable to offer refunds. I will bring everything you will need although some materials are chargeable. Contact: Noella Plasman-Jones, [noellaplasman@gmail.com](mailto:noellaplasman@gmail.com) or message me on 07379499984



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*"The steadfast  
 love of the Lord  
 never ceases,  
 His mercies  
 never come to  
 an end"*

*Lam 3:22-3*

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