

Credenhill Community News



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Services for February - all at St Mary's Church.

2 nd	11.00am	Holy Communion
8 th	4.30pm	The Big Promise - Reaffirming Marriage Vows.
9 th	11.00am	All Age Worship
16 th	11.00am	Holy Communion
23 rd	11.00am	Holy Communion

From the Registers

Funeral at Hereford Crematorium of Heather Ann Park age
74years, of Credenhill on 7th January.

The CCN is kindly delivered to you by the following Volunteers:

Vivien Ball, Barbara Brown, Jack Gregory, June Jones, Lance Richardson, Vicky Rossiter,
Betty Tolson and Margaret Tyler. Francesca Workman



MONTHLY PLANNER - FEBRUARY 2014

Week	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
Jan 27 - Feb 2							Young Magna 2.30pm
Feb 3 - Feb 9	Tia Kwondo 4pm Zumba 7.30pm	Beavers 5.15pm Magna 7.30pm Bingo 7.30pm	Coffee morning Headway 10.30am Slimmers World 6pm	Cubs 6pm Scouts 7.30pm Friendship club 7.45pm	Rainbows 4.30pm Brownies 5.30pm Magna/Young magna 7.30pm	Big Promise 4.30pm	Young Magna 2.30pm
Feb 10 - Feb 16	Tia Kwondo 4pm Zumba 7.30pm Quiz 7.30pm	Beavers 5.15pm Magna 7.30pm Bingo 7.30pm	Slimmers World 6pm	Cubs 6pm Scouts 7.30pm 4 x 4 Club 7.30pm	rainbows 4.30pm Brownies 5.30p Magna/Young magna 7.30pm		Young Magna 2.30pm
Feb 17 - Feb 23	Tia Kwondo 4pm Zumba 7.30pm	Library 10.30am Magna 7.30pm Bingo 7.30pm	Slimmers World 6pm	Magna Panto 7pm	Magna Panto 7pm	Magna Panto 2.30pm and 7.30pm	Young Magna 2.30pm
Feb 24 - Mar 2	Tia Kwondo 4pm Zumba 7.30pm	Beavers 5.15pm Magna 7.30pm Bingo 7.30pm	Slimmers World 6pm	Cubs 6pm Scouts 7.30pm	rainbows 4.30pm Brownies 5.30pm Magna/Young magna 7.30pm		

Credenhill Social & Sports Club

Application for Membership

Please complete in BLOCK LETTERS

I/We (Full Names)

Address.....

.....

..... Post Code

Telephone..... Email

Membership Type single £10.00 Joint £15.00 OAP £5.00

Junior £5.00*

New Joining Fee £3.00

Apply for membership of the Credenhill Social & Sports Club

(In the case of Joint membership both names must be entered)

I/We are over 18 years of age * If under 18 parent/guardian must sign

I/We undertake that, if elected to membership, I/we will observe and conform to all Rules, Regulations and Byelaws of the club from time to time that may be in force:

Signature/s

.....

Proposed by.....

Membership number

Seconded by

Membership number.....

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Committee meeting.....

Outcome (Y/N).....

Membership Number(S).....

Date issued.....

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interested, please
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FOUND

Smart, brown, fur lined,
leather glove in
churchyard.

Contact Revd. Rana
Davies-James 760443.

HEREFORDSHIRE HEADWAY Coffee Morning

Wednesday 5th February-
10.30am - Noon

Tea & Coffee with Biscuits

All welcome

Please come and support us.

2014 being the centenary year of the first world war, the British Legion are running a campaign to sow as many poppies as possible to flower through the year. The government although supportive have offered no assistance and, an application for a lottery grant was turned down. However DIY chain B&Q have stepped in by selling packets of poppy seeds in their stores, including Hereford. A packet of seeds costs £2 with £1 going to the British Legion. The plan is to sow as many poppy seeds as possible through out the UK.

If seeds are sown at the beginning of March they will flower about end of July, beginning of August in time for the anniversary of the beginning of the war. It occurs to me that a lot of the residents of Credenhill may wish to participate by sowing packets of seeds throughout the village. Either in gardens pots, troughs, window boxes or any piece of spare land.

Roger Shutt



Re-affirm your Marriage Vows at St Mary's Church, Credenhill

on Saturday 8th February starting at
4.30pm

If we have enough couples we can be
included in the Guinness World Record
attempt!

Please register your intention with Revd
Rana on 01432 760443 **by Friday 7th
February at the latest!**

THE
**BIG
promise**
TOGETHER 'WE WILL!'

Credenhill Community Hall



FEBRUARY 2014

Here is 2014 and Credenhill Community Hall is looking forward to continuing the work of repair and refurbishment started last year. It is nice to see that the pavement and ramp has been resurfaced and is much safer for users especially those with small children and those who have reduced mobility. We continue to enjoy having our regular user groups and many casual events in the Hall. Most Children's groups only run during term time .

We would like to remind users we no longer have a Bin to put rubbish in as it was removed last year by the Parish council, we would therefore request that you remove any rubbish from the site after use until we have made arrangements for an alternative .

Don't forget if you have an event coming up and would like to hold it in a pleasant, light, airy hall with a large outside grassed area [big enough for a marquee] then come along and have a look at Credenhill Community Hall. We can give you details of license holders who will provide a bar for your function if you need one. What is more it will not break your budget! Please contact us for more information. Betty Morris booking Secretary 01432 760891

N.B CREDENHILL COMMUNITY HALL IS A CHARITY

Day and Time	Group Name	Leader	Contact Details
Mon 4pm - 5.30pm	Tai Kwondo	Brennan Paige	07742 356818
Mon 7.30pm - 8.30pm	Zumba Exercise	Victoria Rogers	07787 141602
Tues 5.15pm - 6.30pm	Beavers	Victoria Smissen	01432 279160
Tues 7.30pm	Magna Performing Arts	Val Lewis	01432 760115 07816 260838
Wed 6pm - 9pm	Slimmers World	Hillary Burcher	07789 951712
Thurs 6.00pm - 7.30pm	Cubs	Clayre Wilkes	01432 769211
Thurs 7.30pm - 9pm	Scouts	Marcus Terry	01432 352142
First Thursday in month 7.45pm	Friendship Club	Val Lewis	01432 760115
Friday 4.30pm-5.30pm Friday 5.30pm-7pm	Rainbows Brownies	Donna Jones	01432 761056
Friday 7.30pm	Magna/Young Magna Performing Arts	Val Lewis Betty Morris	01432 760115 01432 760891
Sunday 2.30pm - 5pm	Young Magna Performing Arts	Betty Morris	01432 760891 07954 081999
Monday to Friday 9am to 3pm	Imagination Station		01432 769387

Knit One, Pass it On!

It is intended to be a fun group for those who like to Knit and Natter (or do other crafts) – so do come along! (If you are a beginner, needles and yarn will be provided.) Only £2 per session and includes refreshments.



WEDNESDAY

19th February

2pm to 4pm

in the Simpson Hall, Burghill.

If you are interested but can't make either date, please phone Joanna Helme on 760816.

Magna and Young Magna

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MAGNA'S ANNUAL PANTO 2014

If you have the post christmas blues what better way to cheer yourself up than with a visit to that great family entertainment, the Panto. We are pleased to say we will be at Whitecross school once again in 2014 from February 20th to 22nd. This year you can visit the enchanted world of 'Alice in Pantoland', the story of a small, who is sometimes a slightly bigger girl, who follows a Giant White Rabbit down his Rabbit Hole and straight to the zany world of the Queen of Hearts and a bunch of magical characters like the March Hare, the Mad Hatter, a talking Caterpillar, a Cheshire Cat and many more. You will see stunning dance routines, vibrant musical numbers all set off by colourful costumes and sets.

You can see this amazing production with a community cast aged from 6 to 60 years old. Come along and be part of that audience by ringing 01432760891 or 01432276948 to book your tickets. Each year our Friday evening performance is sold out to the Hereford Lions Club, who bring together as an audience those children and adults who would not otherwise get to see a live show. This is one of the many activities and events held for charity by the Lions. We are supporting the Hereford Lions club throughout the panto performances, there will be collecting buckets around so give generously to a great cause.

2013 AND MAGNA

We have had stunning year which began with our lively Panto 'Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs' followed by our spring production of 'Sandiscenes' a lively original comedy set in a run down holiday camp. July saw our very talented Young Magna put on 'Toad in a Hole' enjoyed by enthusiastic audiences. October was time for another original play, this time the drama 'Bloodline' this had fantastic review which praised the cast for their achievements, the play will be nominated for the Noda 'Best play in the West Midlands' award and we look forward to finding out the results.

2014 AND MAGNA

Watch out for details of Alice in Pantoland in February and congratulations to Mr. Hurcomb who won Four tickets at the Credenhill Fun Day.

Most of what Magna and Young Magna does is developed from performing arts workshops where we work out scripts and scenes, music and dance using improvisation. We aim to teach performance skills to those who wish to learn in a fun and fulfilling way to be a part of either group see details below

If you or your child would like to join, ring or e mail now for information or to book your place. This is a community group and so is affordable and fun. If membership is full we have a waiting list Your local performing arts group Magna, meets every Tuesday 7.30p.m. Young Magna for 8-16year olds each Sunday 2.30p.m. to 5p.m. New members are always welcome so come along and join us if you would like an inexpensive and enthralling way to pass some of your leisure time.

Ring for details of how to join: Val 01432750115 Betty 01432760891



Burghill and Tillington

February 18th – Our very own Sally Robertson will be enlightening us on the work of local government and in particular her role as a Councillor.

We meet on the second Tuesday of each month at 7.30 pm in the Simpson Hall. For more information please contact either our Secretary, Liana Webster, on 01432 760352 or our President, Joanna Helme, on 01432 760816

Occasional visitors are very welcome so do please come along and see what the WI is all about. We can also be found on Facebook (Burghill & Tillington WI) and on www.burghill-web.co.uk

Magna presents

Alice in Pantoland

an original pantomime by B.A. Morris



Thursday 20th - Saturday 22nd February 2014 - 7.30pm every night and Saturday Matinee 2.30pm

at Whitecross High School, Three Elms Road, Hereford

Tickets £7 (£5 concessions) Family ticket (2 adults, 2 children) £20

available from 01432 276948 and 760115

Local Policing Team - Hereford Rural North and East



Your Safer Neighbourhood Team consists of:-
Police Sergeant Emma Freer
Police Constable Neil James
Police Community Support Officer Dean Wall
Police Community Support Officer Elena Ekanite
(Author of police newsletter)

Happy New Year!

Please take a moment to read some key messages on road safety from the Safer Roads Partnership. Driving in adverse weather conditions offers many challenges for the motorist. However, there are steps you can take to make sure you are prepared to meet these challenges

Be Aware Of Mud On The Roads!

The Safer Roads Partnership with Warwickshire and West Mercia Police are again reminding motorists to drive carefully on rural roads across the region and to take extra care where there is mud on the roads.



Agriculture is one of the areas' key industries and the combination of harvesting a wide variety of crops at this time of year and the change in the weather can see areas of mud and debris on the road.

A particular hazard at this time of year is caused by mud and debris being brought onto the roads by tractors and other vehicles that have been working in the fields. Under the Highways Act (1980), farmers and contractors have a legal obligation to ensure their vehicles are cleared of any mud or debris before entering the public highway.

If you see a 'mud on the road' sign please take this seriously, drive with caution and treat this the same way that you would with icy or slippery roads.

Drivers of agricultural vehicles or anyone wishing to report issues regarding debris or mud on the road can contact 'Streetscene' – **01432 261 800**

VEHICLE CARE

Make sure your vehicle has been serviced recently

Check and replace the anti-freeze in the radiator

Make sure the battery is fully charged. If the battery is not reliable then replace it. Most batteries last between two and four years

Lights can get filthy with all the spray in winter. Keep them clean and check all the bulbs on a regular basis

Check your tyres are correctly inflated to the manufacturers recommended pressure for your vehicle and its load

Make sure tyres have plenty of tread. Replace tyres if the tread has reached the legal minimum

Keep your windscreen clean. Dirty windows and mirrors can make it hard to see in low winter sun and when visibility is reduced through spray

Add winter additive to the windscreen washer bottle and keep it topped up

Replace worn wiper blades

PREPARE FOR YOUR JOURNEY

Check the local and national weather forecasts

Listen to local and national radio stations for up to date travel information

Keep lights, windows and mirrors clean and free from snow and ice

Tell someone at your destination what time you expect to arrive and what route you plan to take

Make sure you pack an 'emergency kit' in the boot of your car

Also carry sunglasses in the glove box to help you see in low winter sun

WHEN DRIVING IN WINDER CONDITIONS...

Motorists should keep well back from the vehicle in front

Slow down and allow extra time to carry out manoeuvres

If steering becomes unresponsive it may mean water is preventing the tyres from gripping the road. Ease off the accelerator and slow down gradually

Rain and spray from vehicles may make it difficult to see and be seen, so motorists should reduce their speed and clearly indicate at roundabouts and junctions

Breinton – Between 17:00 Sun 22nd Dec and 09:00 Mon 23rd Dec. A theft took place in a rural location where victim keeps a secure refrigeration unit used as a cold store. During the stated times, person's unknown have removed the padlock gaining entry into the unit. From inside, 2 lambs and 1 goose hanging have been stolen. Also, from a fenced off run in the same location, 4 live ducks were stolen.

Credenhill –Between 23:59 Thurs 19th Dec and 07:33 Fri 20th Dec - The victims vehicle was parked on roadside outside home address. Offenders have used tools unknown to lever in between the rubber seal and the window, causing the sliding window to smash where they have then reached in taking 2 x hedge trimmers and 1 x chainsaw.

If anyone has any information regarding any of the incidents I urge you to make contact on the telephone numbers listed at the end of this publication.

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Dear Friends,

During Advent members of Credenhill Church visited homes at Waterside to offer to pray for anyone with any kind of need, with a follow up visit the following week. This was appreciated by many of those we visited and so during Lent we will be doing something similar in another area of Credenhill - and we will call it Action Lent. Of course you don't have to wait for a visit if you need prayer for something, please just get in touch with me on the number below and let me know.

The first Sunday in February is the day the Church remembers the Presentation of Christ in the Temple. Good Jewish parents always took their newborn babies to the temple to offer thanksgiving for their safe arrival. It was at this first visit that two older members of the Temple, Simeon and Anna, saw and recognised that the baby Mary held in her arms was the long-awaited Messiah, who had come to save the world. We also call this Sunday 'Candlemas' as traditionally it is an occasion to celebrate the light of Christ going out from the temple into the world (hence 'candle' for light, and 'mass' for the body and blood of Christ). This Sunday also marks the end of Epiphany, the season of the Magi (the wise men who visited Jesus), and it is a good Sunday to clean up our churchyards now that the Christmas season is all over. On this Sunday any Christmas wreaths or flowers will be picked up off the graves and composted or thrown away. If there is anything you wish to keep, please collect them before the 2nd of February. And I must remind you all that glass or pottery vases are not allowed in the churchyard - in the autumn I found a broken one and I had to pick the shards of glass out of the fallen leaves - if a dog had run over them it could have been very nasty! Any pots or vases of this kind will be put inside the church in the west end and can be collected when the church is open.

Saturday February 8th is The Big Promise Day, when married couples all over the UK will be re-affirming their marriage vows and hope to set a new World Record for the most couples re-affirming their vows at the same time. The world record for couples re-affirming their vows already exists – set in Miami University, Oxford, Ohio, USA, in 2009 it stands at 1,087 couples – we can beat that! Here in Credenhill we have signed up to take part in this and we would like to invite all married couples to take part - you don't need to have been married in church or here in Credenhill, but you do need to be married to each other! You do need to register that you intend doing this beforehand and you will need to have your Marriage Certificate to verify that you are indeed married! There is no cost, but donations to the church are always welcome! We will need at least 25 couples to be counted and we have to be saying our vows together at 5.15pm, so we will begin the ceremony at 4.30pm; all done by about 5.30pm with refreshments afterwards. If you would like to take part please contact me by Friday 7th February so that we can make sure the paperwork is in place for the record.

With every Blessing to you all.

Rana Davies-James

CHRISTMAS LIGHT SWITCH ON

A number of local people turned up on the Saturday night of 7th December to celebrate the run up to Christmas by singing carols with their friends and neighbours, as well as counting down the switching on of the lights at the outdoor event next door to Credenhill Social Club. Song sheets were provided by St Mary's church and the Children from St Mary's school gave a fantastic performance of the Carols they had learnt at school. For most of the time everyone joined in singing the familiar carols that they had remembered from their younger days and enjoyed the mulled wine being passed around by members of the social club.

Every one was waved off by Father Christmas who magically appeared on the roof of the social club to wish them all merry Christmas.

This was a community event that brought people from whole the village together to celebrate this special time of the year, and a number of people with houses bordering Station Road switched on their Christmas tree lights, provide free of charge by the Parish Council, the same evening.

Thanks should go to Reverend Rana James, Mr John Moynihan (Headmaster), and the members of Credenhill Social club for organising the event.

Special thanks should go to Paul and Di Burridge of Mill Lane Fisheries for providing the lights and sponsoring the event.

Not forgetting the lady who brought along the miniature Donkey that the children (and others) really enjoyed seeing.

This was a first attempt and IF it is repeated the organisers need to know firstly if people want it repeated, and if so, what they can do to make it better. Any comments, suggestions or criticisms will be gratefully received and considered.

Any views either through the CCN or via Credenhill Social Club.

Thank you everyone and a HAPPY NEW YEAR.

CHURCH NEWS

Churchwardens Report.

Although Christmas seems a long time ago we would like to say a big 'thank you' to the organisations who contributed to our Christmas Tree Festival – Brownies, Rainbows, Church choir, Gold embroidery guild, Fieldhouse Kindergarten, members of the congregation, Jean and Roy Crew, Jean Hawkins Bowles and a special mention to Credenhill Court (Had there been a prize I'm sure they would have won). The church looked beautiful over the Christmas season and was appreciated by everyone who attended the Christmas services. If you missed it watch out for next year's special display.

Also thank you to those who attended the film show evening or contributed to the Christmas Fayre. (Over £550 was raised for church funds.)

The new format of services seems to be well received. At the all age service for December we thought about children and families who were in need and a record number of presents, donated by the congregation, were taken to Social Services along with a fantastic amount of gifts for the community larder. In January we thought about the baptism of Jesus and the journey of life using the analogy of running a great race and we used a more personal form of prayer visiting prayer stations set up around the church. The 4th Sunday of the month is now a contemporary form of communion and in December we used the New Zealand format. Do come along and join us!

We are pleased to say that we have paid the whole of our Parish Share, an amount due to the Diocese to ensure that we continue to have a church building and a vicar in Credenhill, for the second year running. We have an enormous amount of unpaid share (over £36,000) built up over the last 30 years which will be wiped away if we pay in full for the coming year, so we will be holding several events to try to meet this year's target of £16,000.

Looking forward to the events of this year please put the Open Garden/Scarecrow/Craft Festival in your diary. This will take place over the weekend of June 27th-29th. We hope as many families/organisations as possible will build a scarecrow in their gardens. It is also an opportunity for you to raise money for your favourite charity or yourselves by setting up stalls in your gardens selling items you have made or are surplus to your requirements. More details to follow.

Dorrie Coates/Jean Hawkings-Bowles.

GARDENING by Doug Wellin



'February-fill-the-dyke', but this winter it's already been filled by December and January. I have a feeling that the saying comes from a time when there were old-fashioned winters when predictably there would be snow in January, and the snow-melt filled the rheens, ditches, dykes and streams. That season of snow and dry cold did a lot of good because many varieties of fruit and soft fruit need a good cold spell in the winter to produce their best crops. There was the added bonus that snow is good for the ground, and if it melts slowly it goes into the subsoil as a reservoir for the old-fashioned long sunny summers. We can be sure that the subsoil is moist enough this year, but will we yet get the cold and frosts and a hot dry summer?

There's plenty to do in February, especially because most plants are waking up. If you haven't already cut back your late-flowering clematis (mostly the splendid viticella varieties) prune them down to good buds no higher than about 18 inches above ground level. Don't prune early flowering varieties including macropetalas and alpinas or you won't get any flowers. Leave those until after they've flowered and then if they're getting in a tangle you can be ruthless and give them a good tidy up. Towards the end of the month herbaceous plants will be on the move, and it's a good time to divide them or shift them once they are into growth unless there's frost in the soil.

I do my main pruning of roses in January, but February is a good time too. It used to be fashionable to prune them as late as March or April on the basis that if you pruned them earlier the new growth might be blasted by a late frost. That argument ignored the fact that growth after a March or April pruning would still be knocked about by a seriously sharp May frost and have to be cut back, so you might as well treat a rose for what it is, a deciduous shrub, and prune while it's still reasonably dormant (though see how the buds

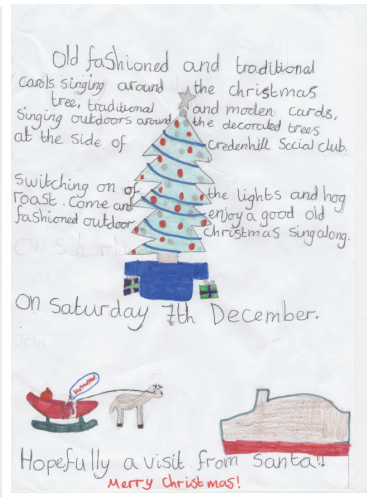
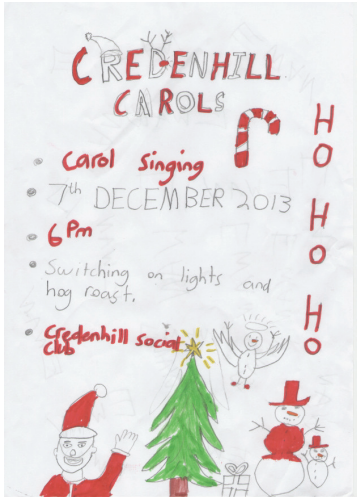
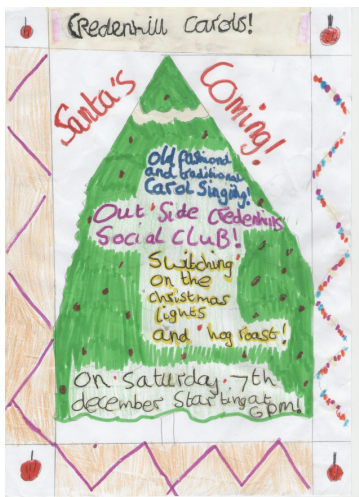
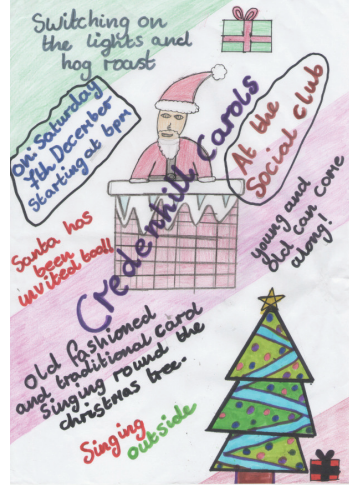
are already swelling) and take a chance on it. Most years you'll get away with it and have flowers much earlier and longer than with a late Spring pruning.

Lawns will benefit from a good raking and spiking, but if you've got a lot of worm casts don't, whatever you do, do anything to get rid of the worms. They're your friends; they aerate and condition the soil, and those worm casts are a sign that your friends are at work.



Thank you to the Pupils of St Mary's Primary School for the very colourful posters advertising the village Christmas Carols and Light Switch on that took place in December.

Hopefully many of you saw them around the village at the beginning of December.



Credenhill and Burghill friendship clubs enjoyed a wonderful Christmas Lunch at the Bay horse Inn this year. There were 51 in total for lunch, which was part funded by the Royal British Legion. Congratulations to Ted and Edna Wise who won the Christmas cake in this year's raffle.

Both groups also enjoyed lunches at Taste for Adventure in the run up to Christmas. Wishing you all a Happy New Year.

From us all at Taste for Adventure



Ride 2 Achieve (R2A) is a group member of the Riding for Disabled Association (RDA). Since December we have been operating as a charity based at Millside Stables, Credenhill with the kind permission of Mr Charlie Bulmer. R2A seeks to provide bespoke support to riders who wish to reach their riding, and therapeutic goals, whatever they may be.

R2A aspires to assist disabled riders by providing support on an individual, case by case basis. We also help to raise finance for general activities and grant applications, there by enabling our riders to attend competitions and events such as the Riding for the Disabled National Championships and, potentially, the Special and Para Olympics in the future. We hope that our charity will provide a great opportunity for people who have faced similar challenges in life, to come together and share what they have learned with the charity and each other for the benefit of all.

There are currently about 20 riders who use our facilities frequently, from the Herefordshire area. One of them was featured in an article in the Hereford Times just before Christmas.

The intention is to keep the charity light in resources and administration, yet look to provide focused assistance to meet specific, individual goals with as much energy and resources going towards the individuals and not the charity. The trustees are all local and have a vested interest in providing the best they can, being either disabled themselves or the relatives of disabled people.

We have already had lots of help from the people and businesses of Credenhill. We would like to pass on our thanks to Ivor Clarke & Andy Filbrandt Painting and Decorating, Dylon Wooles at Focus on Flooring and Ian Goodson Health & Safety Advisor. We are extremely grateful for all of their kind help and welcome enquiries from anyone who wishes to help out in anyway they can.

More information can be found on the work of the RDA at <http://www.rda.org.uk/> and on R2A at <http://www.ride2achieve.org/>. Enquiries should be sent to info@ride2achieve.org

Our tribute to Heather.

Heather Park has been a member of our church since 1966 and has served on the PCC since 1967 when she became Secretary. Since then she has held many positions within the church recently being leader of the choir and Churchwarden. She has worked tirelessly for the church and community touching the lives of so many people it is impossible to number.

Many of you have your own memories of Heather who always made time to visit people in their own homes, residential homes or hospital with gifts of flowers or Welsh cakes. She even travelled by bus to visit those who had moved away into Hereford, Ross or Ledbury. She was often seen scurrying around the village on her many missions. She brought joy to the people in Headway and Credenhill Court, playing their favourite songs from way back.

She enriched the lives of the children of the parish being a teacher when the school was held in the old school, running Junior Church after school and more recently as a volunteer playing the piano for singing and concerts. She was one of the original members of Wives' Group and the Baby Sitting Circle, helped at Brownies, was a member of Magna, helped arrange community events and fund raised tirelessly.

She was the most caring, welcoming, unselfish person many of us have ever been privileged to know. So many people have said Heather was the first person to welcome them to the church/village. So many have tales to tell of what she has done for them or their relatives. How many of us today have had a fuller life because of her?

It was therefore fitting that the church was full to overflowing, around 250 people crammed into the church, for a service to celebrate her life. We pray for Mac, Alison, David and their families and thank them for allowing us to share a rare treasure.

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People have told us they want to know about things that are changing in adult social care. So we are trying something new.

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Spotlight on adult social care is a new electronic magazine. This means we can tell you about things when they happen instead of waiting for a new magazine or leaflet to be printed.

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LOCAL EVENTS

Saturday 22nd February; a pudding evening with card games

Saturday 22nd March; a murder mystery evening.

Friday 11th April: Bare Bones Drama Group

All these Events are held in the Simpson Hall, Burghill

Tickets and more information from Joe, 760816, Colin, 769072, and Enid, 760132

Weobley Theatre Goers

Next we shall be going to see **Dance 'Til Dawn** at Bristol Hippodrome on Wed 26 February leaving Weobley at 11.00am for the 2.30pm performance, returning to Weobley around 7.30pm. Please let me know if you would like to go on the cancellation list, should anyone drop out at the last minute.

Our last theatre trip before the summer will be to Malvern to see **Eternal Love** - the story of Abelard and Heloise. This is brought to us by the same team (English Touring Theatre) as **Anne Boleyn**, which we went to in 2012 and was excellent. I have booked circle seats in rows B, C and D for Wednesday 26 March, 2.30pm performance. We shall be leaving Bell Square, Weobley at 12.30pm and returning to Weobley around 6.30pm. Cost will be £27 paid **before 25 February** please. Please remember to be at Bell Square 10 -15 mins before the given 'leaving time'.

For more information and to book seats call Kate Best on 01544 318513 or email bobkatebest@tiscali.co.uk

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What's on?

Friday 7th February: "Under Milk Wood" (15)

Legendary cinema icons Richard Burton, Elizabeth Taylor and Peter O'Toole star in the screen adaptation of Dylan Thomas' classic play. A celebration of religion, sex and death, Under Milk Wood follows the people and events in a small Welsh harbour village over the course of one night. Shot largely on location in Fishguard, Wales, in the winter of 1971, Under Milk Wood features Richard Burton and Ryan Davies as two rollicking nocturnal visitors to the sleeping town of Llareggub. Peter O'Toole plays the blind sea captain, Tom Cat, with Elizabeth Taylor as the Welsh floosie, Rosie Probert.

Starring Richard Burton, Elizabeth Taylor, Peter O'Toole, Glynis Johns and Vivien Merchant

Ice-creams and tea and coffee are available in the interval.

THE VILLAGE LIBRARY. 'Reading is to the mind what exercise is to the body'. Who said that? No prizes for the answer, but he said it at the beginning of the 18th Century, and that was a good century for great minds, and it's true. Reading can inform and entertain, broaden the mind, extend experience, and is thoroughly recommendable. I know that e-books have become popular and Kindles have made good Christmas and birthday presents, but I find that I don't read in the same way when the text is on the screen as I do the printed stuff. I don't read as critically, or keep the drift so well, or the perspectives and proportions, as when I'm using print. So let me encourage you to use the Village Library, which is supplied by the Herefordshire library service plus books and magazines donated locally, with the public library books changed regularly so that new stock comes in regularly.

There's a good stock of fiction, heavy and light, and a wide range of non-fiction including local history, steam railways, aviation, gardening, cooking, travel, children's books, local information, and plenty more. The library is a good facility for the village, started when the mobile library service was withdrawn and run by volunteers. **When?** Usually on the 3rd Tuesday of each month, and the date is normally in the CCN, from 10am to 12noon. **Where?** In the Social Club, next to the Community Centre at the 'railway' end of the village, and as well as books you can find a really good cup of coffee, reasonably priced, and it's a good meeting place.

As with all local facilities it is a case of use it or lose it, but because it's worth using try to support it, and, apart from the reasonable cost of good coffee, it's free! The books available provide hours of interest for nothing, and you can't get cheaper than that.

(Rev.) Roy Crew

Open your gardens for St Michael's Hospice



If you have ever visited an open garden or held an open garden day yourself you will know that they provide a wonderful opportunity to show off your gardening skills, meet new people and raise funds for a good cause. 2014 is the 30th anniversary of St Michael's Hospice and as part of our celebrations we are looking to hold 30 open gardens.

If doesn't matter whether your garden is big or small, if you would like to get involved we'd be delighted to hear from you. Perhaps you'd like to join together with neighbours and hold a village open garden day instead?

The Fundraising team at the Hospice can offer you advice, help you advertise your event and provide practical support on the day. The money you raise will help your local hospice continue providing care and support to patients and their families in Herefordshire and the immediate surrounding counties who are living with a life-limiting illness.

For more information and to register your interest please call the Fundraising Team on 01432 851000.

Circles of Support for Isolated People

Isolation can be a big problem, and it can be especially difficult for those who have disabilities. Often their only independent support comes from parents and family. Parents are often concerned about what will become of their loved one once they are no longer around to speak up for them and care for them.

One solution is to dispel isolation by surrounding the individual with a circle of friends. A circle of friends can provide support and back-up and have a really positive long-term impact on an individual's life.

But how do isolated people, especially those with a disability, find a supportive circle of friends?

New organisation ACSYL has some practical ideas. Indeed ACSYL (an acronym for A Circle Supporting You for Life) has already set up a circle for one man, 'John', in Hereford, and is busy setting up support circles for three more people in the County.

'John' is already benefitting from the ideas and contacts his circle is sharing with him. So far, his social life has improved and his circle of friends has been working out ways he can reach his goal of a trip to Europe for a significant birthday coming up in the next year or so.

As his circle grows closer and gets to know him better, John will find other advantages coming his way: he'll have a group of friends willing to act as advocates on his behalf, he may learn new skills and find new ways of dealing with some of life's problems.

John's parents feel more confident about his future now. Knowing that there are other people taking an active interest in their son means the parents can relax. John's new friends will notice if his house needs repair, they'll see when he's not happy and can follow up to find the cause, and perhaps best of all, John knows that if he needs support he has a circle of friends to turn to. He's no longer on his own or totally reliant on aging parents.

The heart of John's circle is his Community Connector. The Community Connector not only builds the circle, but also ensures it continues to function in the long-term.

ACSYL is looking for more Community Connectors to work part time, flexible hours. The work can be very rewarding. If you are interested in this kind of work, or if you would like to find out more about having a circle built for someone in your family, please contact ACSYL.

Email: info@acsyl.co.uk

Phone: 01989 555 006 and talk to Michelle

Website: www.acsyl.co.uk

Weobley CC Indoor Nets

In 2014 Weobley Cricket Club will field one and half teams! Weobley 1st X1 will be in Division 2 of the Marches League. Because we have insufficient players for two full teams, we shall be providing players for Burghill & Tillington 3rd X1, which will play in Division 4 of the Marches League. Weobley players who turn out for this team will also be eligible to play for Weobley 1st X1 should their performances merit it. You will understand therefore that whether you are a good cricketer or a not-so-good cricketer, Weobley Cricket Club will be able to offer you a game of cricket in 2014 – and an inexpensive game too. Subscriptions in 2014 will be £10; match fees £6 for adults, £3 for under18s.

If you like the sound of what we have to offer, I would like to suggest you come to the club's indoor nets. They are held in the sports hall of Weobley High School, on Sunday evenings from 6.30pm to 8pm, starting on 2nd March. The first net for any newcomer is free. Thereafter the cost is £2 for adults and £1 for under18s.

For further information, please contact Alun Howard on 07827 823802, e-mail alun_howard@cargill.com.

FACTS ABOUT FEBRUARY

February is the shortest month in both the Gregorian and Julian calendar with 28 days each year and 29 days on a leap year. The word "February" is derived from the Latin word for purification "Februum" and is based on the ancient, Roman festival Februa. The festival was associated with purification and spring cleaning or washing. Though the ancient Romans worshipped the god Februus, February was named for the festival and not the god.

Birthstone is the beautifully radiant amethyst. Purple representing Health, Luck and wittiness

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Element - Air, Ruling Planet Uranus

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FEBRUARY

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Sunday 9 February

The Evening Hour

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MARCH

Wednesday 5 March

Ash Wednesday Eucharist

The service will include the imposition of Ashes. With music including Allegri's *Miserere*. All welcome. 5.30 pm



Circa 1912.

Not sure where this view is from, maybe from the married quarters towards the Burghill junction?

There is a thatched roof on the house to the left and a barn towards the centre.

Perhaps someone can come up with an answer for the next edition of the CCN.

Andrew Slater

FIELDHOUSE KINDERGARTEN

The children at Fieldhouse Kindergarten celebrated Christmas in a very traditional way performing in a Nativity for their parents and enjoying a visit from Santa to their party.

They also joined in with the community making decorations for the Christmas Tree Festival at St Mary's church.

Now they are looking forward to celebrating the Chinese new year and the Spring Term with the opportunity to get outside more.

Hannah Jones



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Editor: Glenda Hind 01432 760067

glenda-h@hotmail.co.uk

As Editor I am always happy to receive articles for the CCN but would add that, if at all possible, I would appreciate them to be sent by e-mail as an attachment in Word format. If you do not have access to a computer then please drop off any hard copy to Glenda at 3a Station Road, Credenhill in plenty of time for the deadline of the 15th of every month.

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