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January 2016 Church Services

Sun 3rd 11.00am Holy Communion
Sun 10th 11.00am All Age Worship
Sat 16th 3-5.00pm Messy Church

Sun 17th 11.00am Holy Communion
Sun 24th 11.00am Holy Communion
Sun 31st 10.00am Magnis Group Holy Communion

December Church Services

Sun 6 th	11.00am	Holy Communion
Sat 12 th	3.00-5.00pm	Messy Church
Sun 13 th	11.00am	All Age Toy Service
Fri 18 th	7.00pm	Festival of Light with Carols
Sun 20 th	11.00am	Holy Communion
Christmas Eve	6.00pm	Crib Service for All Ages
	11.30pm	Holy Communion
Christmas Day	10.00am	Holy Communion for All Ages
Sun 27 th	11.00am	Holy Communion

The CCN is kindly delivered to you by the following Volunteers:
Vivien Ball, Barbara Brown, Dawn Daw, Jean Hawkings-Bowles, Edie Jones, June Jones, Kirsty Macartney,
Vicky Rossiter, Betty Tolson and Margaret Tyler.





**WISHES YOU ALL A
MERRY CHRISTMAS &
HAPPY NEW YEAR!**

Good News!

The Parish Council has agreed the 2016 budget.

We are pleased to confirm that the precept will remain the same this year!

New Clerk

We have appointed a new clerk, Marion Scott. Marion will officially start on 7th December. Contact Marion at clerk@credenhill-pc.org.uk

Help make a difference

We have 4 Councillor vacancies and urgently need your help!

- ✓ Do you want a chance to have your say in how your village is run?
- ✓ Are you interested in Finance, Planning or local services?
- ✓ We all work as a team in a supportive environment
- ✓ No experience is necessary - just common sense!

Please email us for more information: clerk@credenhill-pc.org.uk

Roman park

Plans are under way to make improvements to the Roman Park in 2016. We have already budgeted £6500 to spend on the park and will be looking into other options to obtain further funding.

Next meeting

Wednesday 16th December 2015
19:30
Youth and Resource Centre
Everyone Welcome!

A few polite reminders

We have received a number of complaints from residents about the following issues and will be liaising with our community support officer to ensure that they do not become a habit.

Dogs on Roman Park this is not allowed - offenders will be issued with a fixed penalty.

Dog fouling is becoming a problem again - Remember they poop you scoop, then bin it!

Speeding, please slow down in the village - better late than never!

Parking on the yellow Zigzags will get you 3 points and a fixed penalty - its not worth it!

Litter - We spend approx. £4000 per year picking up your litter - we could spend this on projects to benefit the village - we provide sufficient bins in the village - bin it!

Trees, Shrubs & Hedges overhanging paths - We have received a number of complaints from residents - You have a responsibility to keep footpaths free from hazards - prune it!

Pot Hole in the car park at the shops - As it is on private land we have no powers to get this resolved, any damage to vehicles would be a private matter between the land owner and the vehicle owner. We encourage you all to be careful when using the shop carpark.

Possible closure of a bus service that goes past the village.

The service is subsidised but the funding for this will be removed in April next year, if the service isn't profitable to Sergeants then service will cease; letter below describes in full detail.

Dear Parish Clerk

Rural Bus Funding for 2015-16

As you will be aware, Herefordshire Council managed to continue to fund a number of bus routes for an additional twelve months following the original proposal to cut the service. The bus service will cease to operate with effect from 10th April 2016 unless further funding can be found. Herefordshire Council is unable to continue to fund the service beyond 2016 and there are pressures to withdraw a further £250,000 from the budget for 2016-17.

One year extension to bus routes for 2015-16			
Service	Route	Operates / costs	Proposal/Comments
33	Hereford - Ross-on-Wye evening journeys	Mon-Sat	To operate additional evening journeys following complaints of isolation and inability to visit the hospital. One Sunday morning journey
39A	Hereford – Hay-on-Wye (Hay Ho)	Sundays	Service partly funded by Hay Tourism and Parish Councils. A small gap in funding exists to continue the service
412/413	Garway – Kings Thorn	Mon/Weds/ Fri	To operate a through journey to Hereford on a trial basis avoiding changing buses at Kings Thorn (this was converted to a feeder service). This is following representations from Members, Parish Councils and passengers
426/427	Bodenhams – Leominster	Mon – Fri	Introduce up to two return journeys. Although several complaints were received when the previous service was withdrawn the usage was very low. This replacement facility could potentially be operated by Community Transport.
449	Hereford – Madley	Friday & Saturday	Operate late evening journeys on Friday and Saturday. Depending on final cost outcome could possibly be operated Mon – Thursday. Several requests from Members and residents to reinstate the service for late workers and hospital visiting.
461	Hereford-Credenhill-Weobley-Kington	Mon – Sat	Operate evening journey. The withdrawal of these journeys has raised criticism from Parishes in Credenhill, Weobley, Lyonshall and bus user groups.
476	Hereford-Ledbury	Mon-Thurs	Reintroduce evening journeys withdrawn on Mondays – Thursdays. Friday and Saturday journeys are operated commercially
490	Leominster-Orleton-Ludlow	Mon-Saturday	Introduce two off peak return journeys to Ludlow following complaints from Members and residents, particularly from Richard's Castle who are unable to access bus services.

We are, therefore, asking Parish Councils to publicise the service and encourage their parishioners to use the service, or lose it. This may have the effect of making the service commercially viable. Alternatively, it may be that the Parish would be able to contribute towards the cost of the service.

Please contact me if you need any further information.

With kind regards

Yvonne Tustain

Tel: 01432 260683

Credenhill Parish Council now consists of the following Parish Councillors:-

Mr. Andrew Round – Chairman, Mr. Andrew Slater - Vice Chairman,
Mr. Adrian French, Mrs Dot Pullen, Mr. Jamie Dover, Mr. John Bevan,
Mr. Lee Harper-Smith, Mr. Paul Burrige, Mr. Ray Rose and Mr. Terry Smissen.
The Ward Councillor is Mr. Bob Matthews.

The Acting Clerk is Mr. Malcolm Walker from the Herefordshire Association of Local Councils (HALC).

The Parish Council still has four vacancies, which after the legal procedures have taken place they will be able to co-opt new members, providing that the candidates meet the relevant criteria.

Why not come along and see what it is all about. Public and press are always welcome to attend.

Poisonous plants

Deadly Nightshade seems to be prevalent in and around the village this year. Although we are coming to the end of the growing season please be aware that this plant will return next year.

Several plants have been found and destroyed that are growing in the garden boundaries along Station Road but birds may have spread the plant further.

The berries are sweet and look like blackcurrant/blueberries to untrained eye - but they are deadly when eaten - hence the name!

Please be watchful of your children as you walk around the village and advise older children not to pick or eat anything growing wild that they do not recognise.



Credenhill Community Hall



Day and Time	Group Name	Leader	Contact Details
Monday 6.30 - 7pm	Positive Enerje	Tom Donaldson	positiveenerje@hotmail.com
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	Malcolm Cox	01432 274077
Thurs 7.30pm - 9pm	Scouts		07854299715
First Thursday in month 7.45pm	Friendship Club	Val Lewis	01432 760115
Friday 4.30pm - 5.30pm 5.30pm - 7.30pm	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	Suzanne Parkinson	01432 769387

DECEMBER 2015

Seasons greetings to all our users

Refurbishments continue to go ahead at C.C.H making it an even better venue for the user groups ,all local community groups, mainly for children, see the list below .

We are delighted to say that many children parties are held in the Hall. It is a good space for little ones to run around and we are constantly trying to improve the facilities to encourage people to use the venue. So if you are looking for a safe environment for a children's event please contact the Booking Secretary for details

Help support your village of Credenhill by attending the events planned

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 .

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

Magna and Young Magna

DECEMBER 2015 SEASONS GREETINGS

BABES IN THE WOOD 2016

We are well under way with rehearsals for Babes in the Wood, A few surprises in the cast this year as we have a new dame and the demanding roles of Hansel and Gretel for two of our younger members.

Hansel and Gretel adventure through the magic wood meeting witches, fairies and talking trees. Live-dance routines and music plus colourful costumes and sets make this a great evening's entertainment. Please watch out for posters with more information in your C.C.N

February 18th to 20th February 2016 each evening at 7.30 pm Saturday matinee 2.30p.m

We are looking for new members for our Youth Group, so if you or anyone you know between the ages of 8 and 16 are interested, ask them to come along on December 1st at Credenhill Community Hall 2.30 to 4p.m or ring numbers below for details

YOUNG MAGNA 2015

Well done to the five young people who recently took part in the October production along side Magna. They were a joy to work with.

Young Magna has gained so much in popularity over the last few years, but we have some vacancies in our Youth group, Young Magna. We meet on Sunday afternoons 2.30 until 5p.m each week, some rehearsals also take place on Friday evenings from 7.30p.m. There is a joining fee of £10 and a weekly fee of £2. We keep costs low to make it an easily affordable pastime for all.

It is very rewarding to see so many young people who are enjoy acquiring performing arts skills. There is some amazing talent around and we hope you will join us for our next production to see it in action. If you would like details please contact Betty or Val, details below

WHAT MAGNA IS AND WHAT WE DO

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





Credenhill Social & Sports Club

A very warm welcome awaits you at Credenhill Social & Sports Club.

Don't forget you don't have to be a member to come and join us at the functions, or even just to come and have a relaxing drink in a warm and friendly atmosphere, A small visitors fee applies if you are not a member, or you are very welcome to join the club. We look forward to seeing you soon.

Our regular events are still on-going:

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
7.00pm - 11.00pm	7.00pm - 11.00pm	7.00pm - 11.00pm	7.00pm - 11.00pm	7.00pm - 11.00pm	7.00pm - 11.00pm	12noon-2.30pm & 7.00pm 11pm
Hereford Darts league 3rd Monday Military Vehicle Club meet	Bingo 7.30pm Pool	Ladies Darts 8pm Indoor Archery Club 2nd Wednesday Preservation society 8pm	Hereford Pool league Kington Mixed pairs Darts league 2nd Thursday 4x4 Club new members always welcome	Skittles. In-house Darts premier league	Garnons Cricket Social	Members Open the box, Cash prize.

The Social club is a big part of your local community, please give your support.

Are you looking for somewhere to hire, at very reasonable prices. We have a very large function room with a bar, available day or night. The room is suitable for all types of events, family events such as wedding receptions, christenings, birthday parties, also for conferences meetings etc. For further information on any of the above please ring the Les on 01432 760600 or Sarah Armstrong Secretary on 01432 761750 or 07581031457

Members who haven't renewed their membership are welcome to come to the club, but the visitor's fee will apply.

We look forward to seeing you very soon.

Up and Coming Events

6th December – Banjo Brian 8pm

12th December – Christmas Bingo

19th December – Members Draw

24th December – Family Sing-a-long 7pm

31st December – NYE Party – Dress to impress

See notice boards for any other events or changes

Please like us on facebook

<http://www.thebestof.co.uk/herford>

thebestofhereford

Credenhill Social & Sports Club

Application for Membership

Please complete in BLOCK LETTERS

I/We (Full Names)

Address.....

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..... 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

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Proposed by.....

Membership number

Seconded by

Membership number.....

Office use only

Committee meeting.....

Outcome (Y/N).....

Membership Number(S).....

Date issued.....

Signed Paid

Brownies



Credenhill Brownies and Rainbows

meet at 5:30pm every Friday.

bonfire cakes

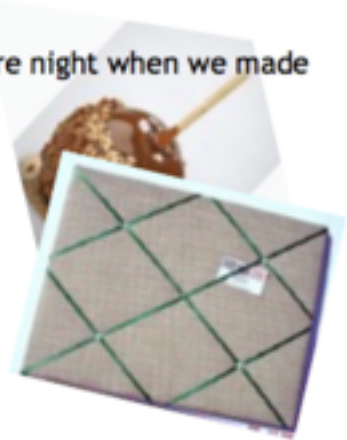
and played
Some of us joined
and members
at the

Remembrance Parade Service then, at our meeting, we
made French ribbon Memory Boards.



This month we have celebrated bonfire night when we made
and chocolate apples

neon hoopla.
the Scout organisations
of the village and church



Brownie Leaders - Donna Jones 761056 and Amanda Coates
Rainbow Leader - Belinda Loughman-Jones, Young Leader Megan
Meadows

Credenhill Sports and Social Club

New Years Eve Spectacular

Disco and Light Show

7pm till Late

Cocktails



Smart Dress Code



Churchwardens' Report.

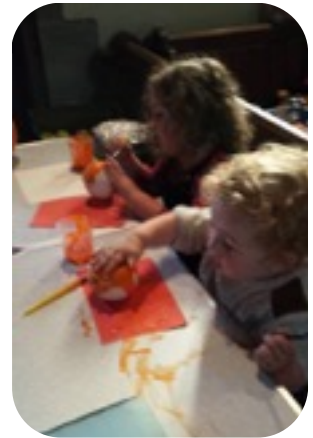
A very big thank you to those of you who have supported our events this month.

There are events in the life of the church and community that create a sense of belonging and create positive memories to look back on. Last month it was the Harvest Supper and this month it was the **Remembrance Service**. Around 130 people attended the service at the memorial, about a half of which were under 20. The service created the right balance for both the young and the older members of the congregation. It was a service of respect for those who had lost their lives in war, whilst at the same time encouraging hope for a peaceful future. The younger members helped to change the word 'sling' (a weapon of war) to 'peace'

sling - slang -slant - plant - plane - place - peace

and we all changed an aeroplane (representing the war in the air, as we celebrated the 75th anniversary of the Battle of Britain) into a cross (the symbol of Christianity).

The theme for **Messy Church** was the story of Daniel in the Lions' Den. 15 children and their parents made crowns and lions in many forms including masks, collages, cupcakes, card figures and moving puppets and a law decree with the king's seal. The afternoon finished with pizza and a buffet tea.



The theme for December's Messy Church is Light. This will be held in church from 3-5 on Saturday 12th December. Everyone is welcome to join in this afternoon of free fun activities with a Christmas Party tea. Please contact Donna Jones 761056 or by email donnajones4249@googlemail.com or follow us on facebook.

The **All Age Toy service** this year is on the 13th December at 11am. At the toy service we bring toys/ gifts for children/young persons in need in Hereford. These are given to Social Services for distribution. We will also be collecting food for the Hereford Larder and will be thinking especially of these families who have so little at a time when we have so much, so if you would like to contribute a treat for Christmas or basics, especially baby food or tinned meat, these would be very welcome.

Our Christmas Festival theme this year is stars and light -The Festival of Light.

Everyone is invited to make a star /stars as a group or individually to display in church. The festival will run from the 13th to the 31st December. Stars can be any size and in any media.

Please bring your completed stars to church by Thursday 11th December so that we can put them up on Friday 12th.

The Starlight Carol Service will be held on Friday 18th December, in church at 6:30. This will be a celebration of Carols followed by a light supper, punch and pies and there will be a Christmas Fayre **Stall**. The Christmas Hamper Draw will take place at the end of the evening when we will welcome Christmas week with fireworks. Everyone is welcome and lifts are available to and from church. Please contact Don Coates 761935 or dorriecoates@aol.com or Rev Rana.

The Crib Service will be held on Thursday, 24th December at 6pm, in church. Everyone is invited to come and help us to build the crib in preparation for the Nativity on Christmas Day.

Volunteers are always welcome. Please ring if you are willing/able to help in any capacity.

Jean Bowles and Dorrie Coates.

*“...Star of wonder, Star of night, Star of royal beauty bright, westward leading still proceeding,
guide us to thy perfect Light!” John Henry Hopkins (1820-1891)*

Dear Friends,

Last year many of the religious Christmas cards sent to me were pictures of the three kings, or wise men, or Magi as they are called in the Bible. In the church we traditionally celebrate the visit of the Magi at Epiphany on the Sunday nearest the twelfth night of Christmas, in January. The Magi were the professors and philosophers of their day. They were brilliant and highly educated scholars who were trained in medicine, history, religion, prophecy and astronomy. They were also trained in what we would call astrology.

In our day astrology mostly has a poor reputation. But in the beginning astrology was connected with man's search for God. There is a difference between astronomy and astrology. Astronomy is the science of the study of the stars. Astrology is the belief that there is a connection between the position of the stars and human destiny. The Magi were experts in both astronomy and astrology and claimed to be able to divine the future. The important fact for us to know is that they were highly influential in Persia. They were in fact advisors to the king. While they were not kings, we might call them king-makers because they were political advisors to the Persian rulers. In fact they were highly-educated men who thought deeply about life and so the term “Wise Men” is probably quite fitting.

This Christmas at St Mary's Church we are celebrating with stars! The church will be decorated with stars of all shapes and sizes and also with lots of lights. I hope that you will come along and see them - the church is open during daylight hours. It's hard to see the stars in the sky over Credenhill with all the street lights, but when you go out into the countryside on a cloudless night the stars can be seen very brightly. In the ancient world when there were no streetlights, people never forgot the night sky. Bible scholars have never been able to satisfactorily explain the star the Magi followed, but it has been suggested it might have been Halley's Comet (although that would have appeared some years before Jesus was born. Or it could have been a supernova. Or more likely that Jupiter and Saturn were in conjunction with each other three times in 7BC, and since Jupiter was the 'royal' or kingly planet, and Saturn was thought to represent the Jews, they may have believed that a new king of the Jews was about to be born. But I'm inclined towards the idea that God himself placed a supernatural light in the sky. This theory suggests that the “star” was not a natural phenomenon at all, but rather was a light placed by God in the atmosphere especially for the Magi to see. The amazing thing is that if God can use a star to reach those pagan astrologers, then he can use anything to reach anybody. This story ought to give us great hope. Our God is infinitely creative in the things he can use to break through to people who seem to be so far from him. He can use a star, a book, a tract, a television show, a song, a bow and arrow, a chance comment, or anything he desires. My prayer for you this Christmas is that you too will be drawn by the amazing Christmas story to the perfect light of Christ!

Trevor joins me in wishing you a joyful Christmas, and a very happy and prosperous New Year.
With every blessing, Rana

From our Registers

Burial

18th November

Caroline Mary Davidson aged 87yrs

Baptism

22nd November

Josie Kate Woodhall



THANK YOU

Thank you to all Distributors, advertisers, regular contributors, occasional contributors and those that have helped out during the year to make this newsletter successful.

Without all your efforts this newsletter would not be reaching every person in Credenhill and a few beyond.

Have a very Merry Christmas and a Prosperous New Year.

Glenda (Editor)

Scarf or Cowl

a *light*, double wrapped cowl. Simple pattern and a fast knit! uses sock weight yarn (doubled) Pattern repeat is 18 rows. You may do as many repeats as you like for a closer fitting or looser fitting cowl. For a deeper cowl, cast on a few extra stitches. For a scarf, do not join the ends.

If you prefer a thicker fabric use chunky weight yarn.



Materials

800 metres/875 yards fingering weight yarn (used double) or 400/438 metres aran weight yarn (used single)

6mm needles

Gauge (not crucial) 20 stitches and 28 rows in garter stitch

Measurements

56" x 6" before joining ends

Abbreviations

K = knit sts = stitches SL1 = slip 1 stitch YO = yarn over needle to make 1 stitch

Instructions

Cast on 20 stitches.

Begin 18 row pattern repeat.

Rows 1, 3, 5, 7, 9, 11, 13, 15, 17: SL1, K to last 4 sts, YO, K4 Rows 2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14, 16: K to end

Row 18: Cast off 9 sts knit wise, K to end

Repeat rows 1-18 another 19 times or to desired length. Cast off stitches. Join ends.

This pattern may be used for non-commercial, personal use only.



Burghill and Tillington W.I.

In 2016 we have another exciting programme of activities planned for the year ahead, which we hope will tempt you to come along.

You might be surprised to find just how friendly and informal an occasion a W.I. meeting is. Not sure that membership is for you? Then why not join us one evening as a visitor? This can be any meeting, not just those featured as Open Meetings. All meetings are held in the Simpson Hall Burghill at 7.30 p.m. and end with splendid refreshments!

January 19th - No meeting but we will be Ladies who Lunch at the Courtyard, meeting there at 12 noon for 12.30

February 16th - Open Meeting - we start our year with an evening to warm us up, as Rayeesa of Rayeesa's Indian Kitchen shows us how to make curry and chapattis.

March 15th A talk from Sue Price, glassmaker, who will show us some of her lovely work and explain how it is made.

April 19th - Brenda Crump will tell us about how she became involved with decorating the Royal Barge for the Queen's Jubilee celebration.

May 17th - Waitrose have kindly agreed to organise a Wine and Cheese evening for us.

June 21st - Open Meeting - We are frequently being told that most women wear the wrong sized bra! Come along to hear about how to find the perfect fit with Harts of Monmouth.

July 19th - We will be out and about in the afternoon, visiting some local churches and ending up at Mansel Lacey for tea, hosted by the Lacey Ladies.

August 16th - A talk from a representative of the Coeliac Society will help to make us better informed on this troublesome condition.

September 20th - Nicky Heath from the Yeleni Centre in Hereford will be telling us about the therapeutic work of the centre and showing us some massage techniques we can use.

October 18th - Dorothy Hill will demonstrate how to make Christmas wreaths and other festive decorations.

November 15th - This is our Annual Meeting when we review the year - but we will also have a lively Quiz.

December 15th - what better way to end the year than with a Party? Join us for the fun and friendship which can be found in the WI.

If you have any queries, or would like to come but perhaps feel a bit shy of coming on your own, please do contact our President, Joanna Helme, on 760816 . You can now find us both on Facebook and on the parish community website.



Crib service 6pm

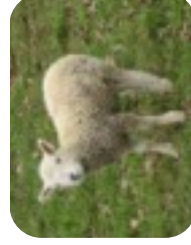
Dec 24th

come and help us to build the crib



Everybody welcome Especially children

St Mary's Church Credenhill



CREDENHILL FRIENDSHIP CLUB

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY.

Thursday 3rd December -----Christmas Lunch at Burghill golf club. arrive at 12.00 noon for 12.30pm

Thursday 7th January ----- We will meet for a game of skittles to start the New Year off with a BANG!!!! Please bring some refreshments to share

Thursday 4th February ----- Talk by Fred Clark - "Falklands People and their History

Please remember when we meet in the community hall we cant go in till 7.4pm for our meetings, Want to know more about the Friendship Club phone Val on 760115 or come along to a meeting we would love to see you.

Val

Christmas Festival, Santa Run & Lantern Walk Saturday 12th December, 2-5pm

The Bishop of Hereford's Bluecoat School
Hampton Dene Road
Hereford HR1 1UU

Get into the Christmas spirit and support your local Hospice.

With stalls selling gifts, decorations, Christmas cakes, hot chocolate, mince pies and more, you will have a perfect opportunity to finish your Christmas shopping and stock up on festive treats. Don't forget, the little ones can meet Santa. It's all part of the Christmas Festival fun.

5K Santa Run

Join us for a fantastic festive fun run. It's a great way to get you, your family and friends in the festive mood! Anyone over the age of 11 is welcome to dress up in a complimentary Santa suit (free with entry) and enjoy a run with hundreds of others around the quiet roads of Hampton Dene in Hereford. The route will be marshalled and signposted, and the run will be manually timed for anyone interested in beating their personal best (in a Santa suit). Registration from 1.30pm – Run starts at 2.15pm

Showers available on site

Entry: £10 per person aged 18 or older and £7 per person aged 11 to 17.

Entry fee includes your Santa Suit (available on the day in adult or child sizes), bottle of water and race certificate.

3K Lantern Walk

Get all the family feeling festive with our 3K Lantern Walk. As the sun sets and the lanterns start to glow, you will join hundreds of walkers to create a very special atmosphere around the streets of Hampton Dene.

At the finish line you will follow a candlelit path where there will be snow cannons, bell ringers, warm (non-alcoholic) mulled wine and the chance to receive a treat from Santa himself!

Entry: £4 per person aged 18 or older and £2 per child (17 and under).

Entry fee includes a child-safe glowing lantern for all children and a treat from Santa.

The route will be pushchair and wheelchair friendly

<http://www.st-michaels-hospice.org.uk/event/christmas-festival>

St Michael's Hospice
CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL
Saturday 12th December 2015 2pm - 5pm
5K Santa Run
3K Lantern Walk
Stalls & Activities
Santa Meet & Greet
Venue:
The Bishop of Hereford's
Bluecoat School
Hampton Dene Road
Hereford HR1 1UU

Working to end violence against women and children

- ? Is your partner stopping you from seeing your family or friends?
- ? Is your partner excessively jealous and possessive?
- ? Are you starting to feel worried and frightened?

Registered Charity No 1078496



WE CAN HELP YOU

Call our free, 24-hr domestic abuse helpline for listening support and advice.
0800 783 1359

West Mercia Women's Aid is the lead charity working with victims and survivors of domestic abuse, across Herefordshire. The charity was established in 1982 and is based in Hereford.

West Mercia Women's Aid provides a wide range of services all aimed at building confidence, self-esteem and life skills, to help victims and survivors to break free from violence and abuse and lead safe, productive and independent lives. Our free 24-hour Domestic Abuse Helpline took over 8,300 calls last year, and is a life line for many whose lives have been put in danger by violence and abuse in their homes.

Every year West Mercia Women's Aid helps and supports over 6,000 women and children and sadly, demand for services continues to grow. As a local charity, West Mercia Women's Aid uses every donation to help maintain the services needed for some of the most vulnerable people in our community.



St Mary's Church, Credenhill.
Starlight/candlelit Carols
Friday 18th December
at 6:30pm
Christmas Stall, Festive
Food, fireworks.



WEOBLEY CRAFT AND FOOD FAIR

Congratulations to Jill Ainslie and Kate Best and all their helpers in putting together a grand display of local Crafts and Food stalls on Sunday 1st November in the stunningly decorated Hopelands venue.

The hall was packed with 315 paying and buying visitors and £1120 was raised for the village hall funds from the entrance fees and all day refreshments available from a very busy kitchen. Such was the success that it is planned to hold a similar event in October next year.

Well done indeed.

How to minimise your IHT liability

As the Inheritance Tax (IHT) threshold has been frozen at £325,000 since 2010, an increasing number are finding that their estate is now over the threshold, thereby making their estate vulnerable to a tax charge at 40% on their death.

It is, however, possible to mitigate this IHT liability, but many do not take action until it is too late.

The following are a few ways that can help people avoid the pitfalls of IHT:

1. **Write a will** - a Will should ensure that your affairs are managed in accordance with your wishes and in a tax efficient way. A will is particularly important for unmarried couples because under intestacy rules, there is no automatic right to benefit under a deceased partner's estate. Also unmarried couples do not benefit from an IHT exemption on any gift between them.
2. **Gifts out of capital** - individuals can gift up to £3,000 every year free of IHT. Wedding gifts may also be exempt - the amount that is exempt will depend on the relationship between the donor and donee.

Any donation to charity will not be subject to IHT and if you leave more than 10% of your net estate to charity, your remaining estate will benefit from a reduced rate of IHT.

3. **Gifts out of income** - gifts out of income rather than capital, will be exempt from IHT.
4. **Utilising Trusts** - it is possible to gift an amount up to the IHT threshold into a trust. Once seven years have passed, the gift will be outside of your estate. This will allow assets to be ring-fenced and protected for the benefit of loved ones.
5. **Take advantage of Business Property Relief** - it may be possible to invest in a business asset - business assets held for at least two years will normally be exempt from IHT.

Any estate tax planning should be carefully considered with appropriate professional advice and then reviewed every few years, as circumstances change. If you would like advice regarding your estate, please contact Sally Smith at Harrison Clark Rickerbys on 01432 349670.

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Light up a Life



'Light up a Life' is a very special event full of warmth and love. 'Light up a Life' events take place across the world during November and December every year. A light is dedicated to a loved one: it could be in memoriam, to celebrate the gift of friendship or mark a special occasion. The lights lit are also beacons for everything that St Michael's Hospice stands for: giving care to local people with life-limiting illnesses and supporting their families and friends in Herefordshire and the surrounding counties.

We would like to invite you to dedicate a light and attend one of our special services or events. Through your dedication, you will not only be illuminating the life of your loved one, but will be helping to provide invaluable support to local people who need the specialist care that St Michael's offers. This year, we hope our 'Light up a Life' services will raise enough money to pay for two Staff Nurses to care for patients at St Michael's Hospice in 2016.

For more information, please call the Family Support Team on 01432 851000.

Wednesday 2nd December -
5.30pm Old Market, Hereford

Sunday 6th December - 6.00pm
St. Mary the Virgin Church,
Burghill

Sunday 13th December -
11.00am Wyevale
Garden Centre, Hereford

Monday 14th December -
6.00pm St Michael's
Hospice

WHY ENGLISH IS SO HARD

We'll begin with a box, and the plural is boxes,
But the plural of ox becomes oxen, not oxes.
One fowl is a goose, but two are called geese,
Yet the plural of moose should never be meese.
You may find a lone mouse or a nest full of mice,
Yet the plural of house is houses, not hice.

If the plural of man is always called men,
Why shouldn't the plural of pan be called pen?
If I speak of my foot and show you my feet,
And I give you a boot, would a pair be called beet?
If one is a tooth and a whole set are teeth,
Why shouldn't the plural of booth be called beeth?

Then one may be that, and three would be those,
Yet hat in the plural would never be hose,
And the plural of cat is cats, not cose.
We speak of a brother and also of brethren,
But though we say mother, we never say methren.
Then the masculine pronouns are he, his and him,
But imagine the feminine: she, this and shim!

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December

13th - 31st

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DECEMBER 15th - Christmas Party - Games and festive food.

JANUARY 19th - New Year Lunch - Courtyard 12.30pm

Subscriptions are due in December, New members always welcome

We meet on the Third 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,

Occasional visitors are very welcome at our main meetings, 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



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What's on?

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Coffee Morning

Thursday 3rd DECEMBER

Wednesday 6th January

10.30am - 12 noon

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& Raffle
All welcome



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To find out more about volunteering with our footcare service, please contact Margaret Metzger on 0845 688 1298 or email her directly on margaret.metzger@ageukhl.org

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Herefordshire Headway Christmas Coffee Morning



at

Headway House, Trenchard Avenue, Credenhill

Thursday 3rd December 2015

10:30am - Noon

All welcome

Tea & coffee with mince pies

Raffle tickets will be on sale for Christmas Draw

along with cards and crafts

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The Changes in Forestry Practice over three decades –

Wed 6 January

7.30pm

talk by Andy Shirley-Priest, Senior Partner, Abbey Forestry Weobley branch of Herefordshire Wildlife Trust

Venue: The Hopelands, Weobley Village Hall, Gadbridge Road, Weobley, Herefordshire, HR4 8RZ

Cost: £2.50 HWT members, £3 non members

No booking required

The Return of the Polecats – talk by Elizabeth Croose

Thurs 7 January

7.30pm

The present status of this scarce and attractive mammal

Ross-on-Wye branch of Herefordshire Wildlife Trust

Venue: Christ Church Hall, Edde Cross Street. Ross-on-Wye, Herefordshire HR9 7BZ

Cost: £1.50 members, £2.50 non members

No booking required

Series of 2 Day Hedge Laying Courses

Sat 9 - Sun 10 January

9am-4pm

Sat 16 - Sun 17 January

9am-4pm

Sat 30 - Sun 31 January

9am-4pm

In these 2 day courses led by Herefordshire Wildlife Trust's staff Jim Light and Mike Davies, you will thin, lay and bind a stretch of double-brushed hedge.

The completed work contributes to the restoration of the valuable hedgerow habitats at this SSSI reserve as well as keeps traditional rural skills alive.

Venue: Birches Farm, Kington, Herefordshire, HR5 3EY

Cost: £60 HWT members, £70 non members

Places are limited so booking is essential. Book online at www.herefordshirewt.org or call 01432 356872

Cider Making Workshop

Sat 9 January

10am-4pm

This one day workshop will walk you through the stages needed to make your own cider and discover how easy it actually is!

Suitable for novice or intermediate brewers, you will need to learn about picking, fermentation, racking, storage and, perhaps most importantly, tasting.

Venue: Houghton Court, Hereford, Herefordshire, HR1 3HZ

Cost: £50 HWT members, £60 non members

Places are limited so booking is essential. Book online at www.herefordshirewt.org or call 01432 356872

Mountain Flowers – talk by Roger Smith

Tues 26 January

7.30pm

Kington branch of Herefordshire Wildlife Trust

Venue: Kington Primary School, Mill Street. Kington, Herefordshire HR5 3AL

Cost: Free but donations welcome

No booking required

Live simply so that others may simply live – talk by Jeff Glynn Jones

Thurs 28 January

7.30pm

Aymestrey branch of Herefordshire Wildlife Trust

Venue: Aymestrey Village Hall, A4110 Aymestrey, Herefordshire, HR6 9SX

Cost: £1 HWT members, £1.50 non members

No booking required

Credenhill

12th Oct. Between 9th Oct and 12th Oct victims vehicle was parked on the roadside in residential area. Between stated times, person(s) unknown have caused a scratch along the front nearside wing and door causing damage of approximately £300, by unknown means and with unknown implement. No attempt to gain entry.

Reports received in various village locations of 'Cold Callers'.

Cold Callers or doorstep sellers often deliberately target the elderly and vulnerable. They will sometimes buy databases of names, addresses and telephone numbers to gain information. The elderly can often become repeat victims and are subject to numerous cold calls at the door and telephone on a daily basis. **DO NOT ENTER INTO A CONVERSATION WITH A COLD CALLER. JUST SAY NO.**



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Midlands Air Ambulance Charity in The Herefordshire Community

The team at Midlands Air Ambulance Charity is inviting Herefordshire groups and societies, who want to learn more about the life saving work of the organisation, to get in touch to request an inspiring talk or presentation.



Mary Seldon, who has joined Midlands Air Ambulance Charity as regional fundraising manager for Herefordshire, is keen to meet the local community and demonstrate how their support can help to keep the vitally important emergency pre-hospital service in operation across the county.

Mary explains: "Over the last twelve months, over 450 missions Midlands Air Ambulance attended took place in Herefordshire and Worcestershire and with Herefordshire being such a rural area; it plays a vital role in saving lives. I am amazed that everywhere I go someone has a tale to tell about being saved and owing their life to Midlands Air Ambulance.

"As a charity that relies entirely on funding via donations from the general public and local businesses, I want to highlight just how important it is that the people of Herefordshire continue to support us. I'd welcome interest from local community groups, societies, schools and organisations who are interested in learning about Midlands Air Ambulance Charity and the difference we can make at the scene of a critical accident, to get in touch and book an informative presentation."

To find out more about Midlands Air Ambulance Charity and to book a talk or presentation by Mary, visit www.midlandsairambulance.com, find the charity on Facebook or Twitter, or call the team on 0800 8 40 20 40. A small donation to support the on going work of the Midlands Air Ambulance Charity is welcomed.

Grand Christmas Hamper Draw

1st prize- Christmas Day Hamper, 2nd - Christmas Drinks' Hamper, 3rd -Christmas confectionery hamper, 4th - Cheese board.

**Tickets are on sale now from any member of the church - £1 each.
If you are able to sell tickets please contact Mike/Fiona Jones or Rev Rana.**

Draw will take place after the Carol Service 18th December.

Hereford Cathedral Perpetual Trust

5 College Cloisters - Hereford HR1 2NG 01432 374261

Wednesday 2 December

Carols in the Cloister

In aid of Save the Children Fund in College Hall. Tickets from Mrs June Chase MBE 01568 720416. 8 pm

Saturday 5 December

Prayers at the Christmas Crib

With music provided by Hereford Junior Singing Club. Coffee and mince pies for all. All welcome. 10.30 am

Sunday 6 December

Boy Bishop Ceremony

Choral Evensong featuring the traditional enthronement of a former chorister as Boy Bishop of Hereford. 3.30 pm

Wednesday 9 December

Schools Donkey Nativity

A nativity carol service for schools, telling the story of Christmas with the help of KS2 children, donkeys and other animals. Booking is essential from the Education Department on 01432 374256 or email education@hereford-cathedral.org. 11 am

Friday 11 December

Christmas Craft and Food Fair

Join us for the launch of over 30 stalls of local crafts, food and drink, seasonal produce and gifts, with mince pies, hot coffee, mulled wine and entertainment. All welcome: free entry. 3.30-8 pm

Saturday 12 December

Christmas Craft and Food Fair with Carols for Shoppers,

The fair continues with morning entertainments and **Carols for Shoppers** from 12 noon. All welcome: free entry. 9.30 am – 4 pm

Sunday 13 December

St Michael's Hospice 'Light up a Life' Service 5.30pm

Thursday 17 December

Army Benevolent Fund Carol Service 7pm

Tuesday 22 & Wednesday 23 December

Festival of Lessons and Carols

Admission by ticket only: application forms can be collected from the cathedral from 1 November, or downloaded from www.herefordcathedral.org. 7 pm

Wednesday 23 December

Christingle Nativity Workshop

Enjoy a family workshop to make Christingles and listen to a Christmas story, in preparation for the service on Christmas Eve. College Hall. Information from education@herefordcathedral.org or 01432 374256. 10.30 am – 12 noon

Christmas Eve

Christingle Nativity Service

A celebration of Christmas light for children and families, with the telling of the Christmas story and the distribution of Christingles 3 pm.

Choral Evensong

with Blessing of the Crib. 5.30 pm

Christmas Day

Holy Communion with hymns 8 am The Cathedral Eucharist 10 am Choral Matins 11.30 am

Choral Evensong 3.30 pm

Monday 28 December

Holy Innocents Day: A Quiet Service of Remembrance

for parents and families who have suffered the loss of a child, whether recently or long ago. 3.30 pm

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