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Dear Friends,

It is hard to talk about the month of September without talking about change and new beginnings. For me, and I'm sure for others too, September will always represent the start of the new school year. It doesn't matter how long it has been since we were at school ourselves. September always seems to resurface those memories of putting on our school uniform, (maybe for the first time!), packing our bags, finishing our breakfasts, and finally stepping out of our front doors and off to school. There are also the emotional memories September brings; memories of feeling excited, or perhaps nervous, as we looked ahead to a brand-new school year and all the ups and downs it would bring.

September also occupies a special place in my heart for other memories of new beginnings. Firstly, it was the month I first met my wife Aisha, (exactly ten years ago!) Secondly, it was the month I started my ministry here in the Apedale Benefice, exactly one year ago! Like starting a new school or moving up a year, I remember feeling a mixture of excitement and nervousness. I felt excited about the opportunity to minister in a new place and meet new people. I felt nervous about the uncertainty of Covid and what this first year might look like as a result. Now, twelve months later, I can look back.

And what I see when I look back at these communities and parishes over this past year are the three virtues St. Paul speaks so highly of in 1 Corinthians 13. "Faith, hope, and love".

I have seen remarkable faith in the face of uncertainty; a trust in the goodness and faithfulness of God.

I have seen unshakable hope in the face of despair, rooted in the reality that things will be better; that life and light will triumph.

I have seen unbreakable love in the face of pandemic; a love that inspires people to do quite incredible things.

Faith, hope, and love. These three abiding virtues are what I have seen in the lives, actions, and commitments of you, the people of these four parishes.

And so, as a new September comes, I feel inspired.

By all of you.

Your friend and priest,

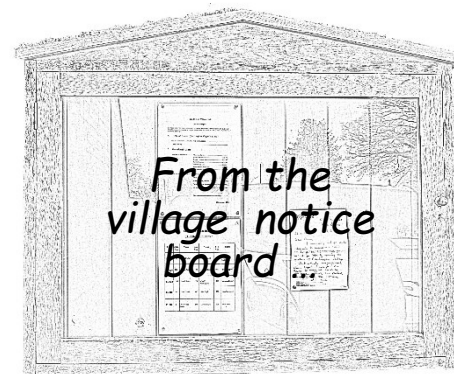
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## Cardington News

*Saturday 4th September*

### **CARDINGTON VILLAGE FETE - RESCHEDULED**

Now taking place on Saturday 4th September : Opens 1pm in the grounds of the Old Vicarage.  
Lots of fun with FREE Children's Games and Activities. Birds of Prey, Homemade Afternoon Teas, Beer  
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Please note that the Fete will only take place if Government rules regarding Covid allow and those  
attending will be required to follow all rules that are required by Government for the control of  
Covid. We hope to put up-dates onto the Cardington website and by using the local circulation

*Tuesday 7th September*

**Cardington Parish Council** will meet in the Village Hall from 8-9.30pm. During each meeting mem-  
bers of the public have an opportunity to make comments or bring matters to the attention of the council.  
All welcome.

## Some Harvest dates for your diary...

*Friday 8th October*

**Cardington Harvest Festival** will be on October 8th which will be followed by a supper in the  
Village Hall.

*Sunday 10th October*

**The Harvest Auction** will be at The Royal Oak on Sunday 10th at approximately 3.00pm.

**SEE ALSO PAGE 14 FOR RIDE AND STRIDE**

More Cardington News can be found on the website [www.cardington.org.uk](http://www.cardington.org.uk)

**CARDINGTON PARISH COUNCIL**

Please visit the new Parish Council web site, the address is :-

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## Eaton-under-Heywood News

### **EATON UNDER HEYWOOD & HOPE BOWDLER PARISH COUNCIL NEWS**

The draft minutes of the parish council's meeting on 19<sup>th</sup> July 2021 are available to view on the parish council's  
website.

Our next parish council meeting will be on the 20<sup>th</sup> September 2021, 7.30pm in Ticklerton Village Hall. Parishioners  
are invited to attend to raise any issues they may have with the parish council.

The agendas for our meetings are posted on the notice board in Hope Bowdler and in the bus shelter in Ticklerton  
and can be viewed on our website which is [www.eatonhopebowdler.co.uk](http://www.eatonhopebowdler.co.uk). Also on the website are the contact  
details for all councillors and the Clerk, information about the parish council's accounts and audits, and copies of  
minutes, agendas, protocols and financial information.

To contact the Parish Council, please call the Clerk, Mrs J de Russett, at 1, Pipe Aston Barns, Pipe Aston, Ludlow  
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# Hope Bowdler News

Wednesday 8th September

## Flicks in the Sticks

I am pleased to tell you that at the time of writing we are planning to have a Flicks in the Sticks film. We shall of course adhere to all safety regulations imposed by the government.

The film will be **JUDY**. A glittering showcase by Renee Zellweger's incredible performance as the legendary Judy Garland who arrives in London in the winter of 1968 to perform a series of sell-out shows. Her wit and warmth shine through as she prepares for the show, battles with management, charms musicians and reminisces with friends and adoring fans.

Venue: Hope Bowdler Village Hall. Time : 7.30 p.m.

Price : £4 per adult £2 children

Tea/coffee and home-made cakes and ice creams served during interval.

We look forward to seeing you all again. Evelyn



## Rushbury Village Hall News

It has been decided to **CANCEL** the Alternative Produce Show due to a clash of local events.

We hope to hold a show next year on the first Saturday in September 2022.

Wednesday 6th October

### Rushbury Village Hall AGM

7.30pm in the meeting room.

**MEMBERS OF THE LOCAL COMMUNITY ARE VERY WELCOME. IT IS YOUR VILLAGE HALL.**

Nomination papers for trustees will be available at the hall nearer the date.

or contact Merle 01694 771405.

Cathy Bowler writes :

After nearly 19 happy years in Apedale I have recently moved from Wall Bank into Shrewsbury. For the last few years I have looked after the Rushbury Village Hall website ([rushburyvillagehall.org](http://rushburyvillagehall.org)), but now is the time to hand this over for someone else to maintain. The website is hosted on Wordpress - if you can use Word, you will easily be able to maintain the website. It is not a time consuming job, just a few minutes a month. If you would be interested in taking this on, please contact me by email at [cathybowler@gmail.com](mailto:cathybowler@gmail.com).

Rushbury Village Hall: for bookings/what's on see [www.rushburyvillagehall.org](http://www.rushburyvillagehall.org)

## Apedale Amblers

Tuesdays at 10.00am. There will be no Sunday walk this month.

Our Tuesday morning walks will begin from Chris Beaver's house in Longville. Travel along the B4371 past Rushbury Village Hall to Longville and take the right turn signed Wilderhope. Chris's drive is first on the right. Parking on the drive.

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# Rushbury News

Wednesday 15th September

## Rushbury & Cardington WI

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The evening's speaker is **Natalie Cumming** with a presentation entitled '**Surviving the Holocaust**'.



**Competition:** A Wartime Memorabilia

**Hostesses:** Ann F., Stevie, Alison

*We always welcome new members so anyone interested in joining our WI please call/email Liz Fullbrook on 07970924507 or email [liz.fullbrook1@gmail.com](mailto:liz.fullbrook1@gmail.com) or Rosemary Shepherd on 723730. Don't forget you can always **road test** us by joining us for a meeting on the third Wednesday in the month.*

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> September

## Rushbury Parish Council

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> September in Rushbury Village Hall at 7:30pm. All welcome to attend.

The Parish Council is pleased to advise that Mr Andy Dixon has been co-opted as a Councillor and we look forward to his contribution in serving the residents of the Parish.

The Parish Council regrets to advise that Mrs Sarah Madeley has stood down from the Council and we express our sincere thanks and appreciation for the service she has provided through the years. The Parish Council also notes and appreciates the hard work undertaken by Sarah in securing the grant towards the refurbishment of the Tennis and Ball Court.

### RUSHBURY PARISH COUNCIL

Please visit our website for details of agendas, minutes, planning and other parish council news.

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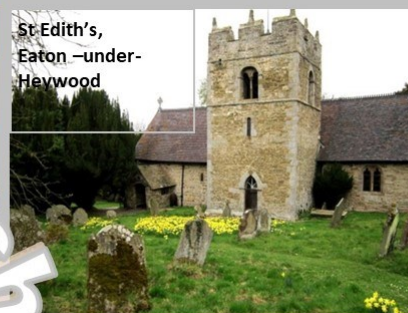
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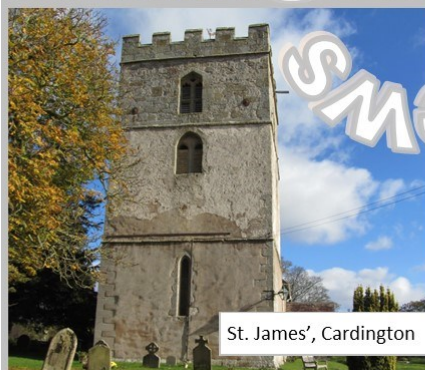
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# SERVICE TIMES for September

## Wednesday, 1<sup>st</sup> September

10.00am Holy Communion (No sermon) Hope Bowdler

## Sunday, 5<sup>th</sup> September

9.30am Holy Communion Hope Bowdler  
11.15am Family Service Rushbury  
6.30pm Evensong Cardington

## Sunday, 12<sup>th</sup> September

9.30am Holy Communion Eaton  
11.15am Holy Communion BCP Hope Bowdler

## Sunday, 19<sup>th</sup> September

9.30am Holy Communion Cardington  
11.15am Holy Communion Hope Bowdler

## Sunday, 26<sup>th</sup> September

9.30am Morning Prayer (Lay-led) Cardington  
9.30am Holy Communion Eaton

## FROM THE PARISH REGISTERS:

Saturday 17th July: **Anthea Toft's** memorial service took place at Cardington Church followed by the burial of Anthea's Ashes in Cardington Churchyard.

**We remember Anthea's family and friends in our prayers.**

Saturday 24th July: **Marriage of Timothy Blythe and Elizabeth Highton** at Cardington Church.

**We pray for God's blessing on Elizabeth and Timothy in their life together.**

## Notes from St James, Cardington

	<b>Flowers</b>	<b>Brasses</b>	<b>Sidesmen</b>
September 5 <sup>th</sup>	Wendy	Dolly Stratton	Margaret Cooper
September 12 <sup>th</sup>	Stevie	"	Services at Eaton, Hope Bowdler
September 19 <sup>th</sup>	Ben & Emma	"	Dolly Stratton
September 26 <sup>th</sup>	Joan	"	Chris Maydew

## Church Cleaning

September 4 <sup>th</sup>	Furniture	A Norris, J Watkins, S Akers
September 11 <sup>th</sup>	Floors	M Cooper, S Maw, C Elliott
September 18 <sup>th</sup>	Furniture	J Tonks, L Iverson, K Smith, J Hudson
September 25 <sup>th</sup>	Floors	P Evans, L Pinches, B Norris, J Secrett

***If these adjusted rotas are not suitable please could you arrange substitutes? Thank you.***

## Notes from St Edith's, Eaton-under-Heywood

### Flower rota

Ann

### Cleaning rota

5th Nicky and Phylliss 19th Ann and Megan

**AT THE GROUP SERVICE** for Virginia, I feel sure many of you spotted the memorial bench for Mike. Lovely position.

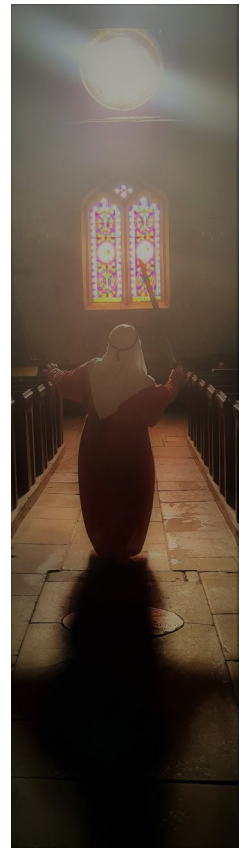
**CARING FOR GOD'S ACRE** is part of our mission. If you look to their website you will see churches to visit in your county. There are five listed for Shropshire. St. Edith's is the second; Church Stretton is the fifth. Thank you to Geoff and Jenny for inspiring all to support BIODIVERSITY.

**FORWARD PLANNING** is possible. Ticklerton Fete will return on Saturday June 4th 2022. There will be a Flower Festival in church over the weekend of June 24th 2022. Megan will lead.

Take care. **Gwen**

I was recently in the church in Eaton-under-Heywood and met a lovely gentleman called Tony Madeley who gave me and my friend permission to take some photographs as publicity shots for a play. The play is called Mother Mercia and is a play about Aethelflaed, the Lady of the Mercians. Tony asked if I would forward you some of the photographs taken of me for use in your parish magazine if needed. These are attached. If any of your parishioners are interested in the play more information can be found at <https://soldbyfate.wixsite.com/mothermercia>

*Excerpt from a letter sent to the editor and forwarded on to Tony Madeley.*



## **Notes from St Andrew's, Hope Bowdler**

### **Flower rota**

September 4th Eve Dapling

September 11th & 18th Carol Davies

September 25th & October 2nd Joan Liebrecht

**If anyone is unable to do these dates, please can you find another person to do them.**

**Many thanks to all for all your work throughout the year, especially through difficult times.**

### **Cleaning rota**

Sept 4 Anita Annesley and Ruth Jenkins

Sept 11 Joan and Malcolm Liebrecht

Sept 18 Anita Pratt and Evelyn Dapling

Sept 25 ALL HELPERS PLEASE! Big Church clean

**Thank you to all who help to look after our church.**

**If you would like to be involved, please contact Ruth on 01694 724919.**

FOR THE TIME BEING WE ARE KEEPING THE CHURCH LOCKED BETWEEN SERVICES. IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO GAIN ACCESS, PLEASE CONTACT ONE OF THE CHURCHWARDENS: RUTH JENKINS 01694 724919 OR JEAN WEBB 01694 722793

## **CHURCHYARD CLEAN-UP**

On Saturday 31st July we were able to do more strimming and chopping in the churchyard. Many thanks to all who helped, photographed here enjoying refreshments - delicious cake and scones kindly supplied by Su Powell Jones.

**Ruth Jenkins.**



## **Notes from St Peter's, Rushbury**

### **Flower rota**

Saturday 25th Sept & Saturday 2nd October -Viv Thorpe.

**If you are unable to do the flowers, please arrange a swap with someone else.**

### **Cleaning rota**

4 September - Derek and Ann Price

25 September - Harry Walters

**Thank you for your contribution in keeping our church clean. We are always looking for more help to join the 'team'. Please contact Ann Price on 771636 if you can help.**

**Rushbury Church is open by appointment for individual private prayer.**

## A New Service

Rushbury Church will be launching a new service for all the family at 11.15am on Sunday 5th September, and then every first Sunday of the month.

**All are welcome!**

Please contact our churchwarden Darren Merrill to make arrangements.

**We would like to welcome as many people as possible to our church services as advertised in the Honeypot but please book your place with Darren Merrill on 01694 771341 or email at [darrenbmerrill@gmail.com](mailto:darrenbmerrill@gmail.com).**

There is a limit on places to maintain social distancing and we will ask you for your contact details for the NHS Track and Trace system which we will keep for 21 days, at which time these will be destroyed in line with current rules.

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## Thank you from Virginia and Richard

It was so lovely to be able to see so many of you at the Benefice Service on July 25th and to worship with you again. Thank you for the very generous Garden Tokens you gave us, we are really overwhelmed by such a wonderful present. We have so many happy memories of living, working and serving in the Apedale community and churches and would like to thank you all again for all the love, friendship and support you have given us both and especially to Virginia as she was ordained.

At present we are re-designing the front garden and you can be assured there will be many plants and features to remind us of Apedale. We both love having 'friendship' plants in the garden that remind us of people and places we have known. We brought quite a collection with us this time - our seventh move - and it will be great to add our Apedale memories.

We have enjoyed settling into our new home - for us 'lockdown' was a great opportunity to get on with the garden and it really helped as we were unable to meet people in our new community. However, now that things are opening up again we have been made very welcome at our new church (literally round the corner from our home) and are beginning to get involved in some new and ambitious church/community projects.

If anyone fancies a visit to the Malvern Hills, there is a warm welcome here for you, just let us know. We still use the same mobile number and email addresses.

Thank you again for everything and may God bless you all.  
Virginia and Richard

## Shropshire Historic Churches Trust Ride and Stride September 11<sup>th</sup>, 2021

Last year's mini-tour of south Shropshire churches on my ebike was so well received that I've decided to do it again.

As before our local benefice churches will be on the list to be visited, together with eight more.

This last year has been another disastrous one for churches everywhere, with no visitors and hardly any congregations and so very little income as a result. For any churches needing to raise funds for restoration work or repairs the grants accessible through SHCT must be a lifeline in these times.

If you would be willing to sponsor me to help raise funds for SHCT I would be delighted to hear from you – by email: [shirleymcnicol@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:shirleymcnicol@hotmail.co.uk), or by phone: 01694 771385, - and I'll also be out and about with my sponsor form and pen at the ready!

**So, thank you very much for all your support last year and also for any you may feel able to give me this time. I promise too, like last year, that rain or shine I *will* be going!**

**Shirley McNicol**



## The 'Butty Van'

We invite all in the Farming Community to come for a bacon butty and a chance to chat on Thursday 16th September from 10.30am-12noon.

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**Come as you are, we look forward to seeing you!**

This event is supported by the Borderlands Rural Chaplaincy which has now extended from Hereford into Shropshire  
The Borderlands Rural Chaplaincy provides a confidential listening ear and pastoral support to farmers, farming families and agricultural communities.

## LETTER FROM HEREFORD FOR September 2021

September is often the month when refreshed by our summer holidays, we hit the ground running. Given that most of us left full time education a while ago, it is slightly odd that September still feels like a sort of new year. These patterns can become entrenched. We do things habitually, even though the reason we started doing them that way has long since passed. The Mothers Union in my curacy church refused to meet at any other time than 2:00 pm in the afternoon. Given that most were over 80, the reason that they had to leave at 3:00 pm was to pick the children up from school, it all seemed rather curious.

We are creatures of habit, especially in matters of faith and worship. That applies whether we love the BCP or singing modern worship songs. We find what works for us and hold on to it tightly. Words from the Old Testament Prophet Isaiah that God is 'doing a new thing! Now it springs up, do you not perceive it,' can cut little ice. But God's new thing is always rooted in his past dealings with us. He doesn't change, but our context and culture does. If he encourages us to change, it is not for the sake of novelty, but to ensure that the timeless message of the Gospel can be heard afresh by each new generation. The glory of the church is that it looks very different according to the culture in which it is placed. Our Tanzanian friends have different churches to ours, as do our friends in Nuremberg. Our challenge, as we look forward, is that our church (the Church of England) is by and large perfectly designed to minister to a culture that no longer exists. What we need to become to be the Church that fruitfully ministers to our contemporaries is something else, it is a journey we embark on together. We seek to discern God's guidance, but it is a road we must travel.

**+Richard**

**COFFEE STOP** Every Monday from 10.00am to midday at Rushbury Village Hall. Term time only. See Rushbury News for this month's dates.

**EVERYONE IS WELCOME TO JOIN US.**

**HOLY COMMUNION** 9.30 am Holy Communion first Wednesday in month at St. Andrew's, Hope Bowdler.

**A MONTHLY COMMUNION SERVICE**, first Thursday each month, 1:30 p.m. at Mayfair Community Centre, Church Stretton. You would be most welcome

**WHAT'S GOING ON IN AND AROUND HEREFORD DIOCESE** - explore [www.hereford.anglican.org](http://www.hereford.anglican.org) for information for Churchgoers, Visitors, about Church work and Diocesan News and views.

**PRAYER AND CARE.** In situations of illness or distress and need for prayer and perhaps visiting, please contact (with the permission of those affected) the Revd. Nancy Cleaton, the Rev. Sue Jelleyman, or one of the churchwardens (details listed on the Church contacts page).

**HOLY COMMUNION CAN BE TAKEN TO PEOPLE AT HOME** if they are unable to get to church. Contact Revd. Sue Jelleyman, the Revd. Virginia Clements, one of the churchwardens or one of the parish-link people if you would like either of these or if you know of someone else who would.

## Church Stretton Rotarians raise over £6,500 by Walking Hadrian's Wall

Three Church Stretton Rotarians and a Welshpool Rotarian, together with supporting friends and relatives, walked the full length of Hadrian's Wall in the hottest week of the year at the end of July to raise funds for the Mlambe Project (a charity building sustainable schools in poor Malawi villages using local materials and labour).

Despite suffering from bad blisters and dehydration the intrepid seven can be seen at the finish point at Bowness-on-Solway having completed the 84 miles in six gruelling days.

The group were amazed by the generosity of contributors, who helped raise over £6,500 (including Gift Aid) for the Mlambe Project.

Rotarian Pat Lewis, aged 85 (seen here on the walk) had suggested it, as he had previously organised such a walk 20 years before and wanted to do it again. He planned the total walk from Wallsend near Newcastle to Bowness-on-Solway to take 6 days covering the full 84 miles. He said after the event that despite the heat, the walk was achieved on schedule. Everyone had fun, enjoyed the challenge and had a real sense of pride to have achieved it despite the conditions.

**For Church Stretton Rotary Contact Secretary:** [patstokessmith@hotmail.com](mailto:patstokessmith@hotmail.com) 07850 574729

Photo 1 Patrick Lewis (aged 85)

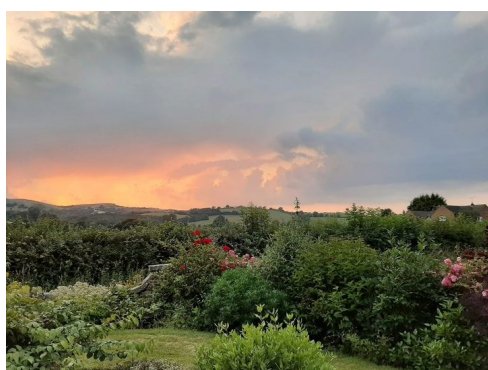
Photo 2 Left to right: Sue Akers, Tim Crosskey, Phil Owen, Patrick Lewis, Dilys Lewis, Don Lovejoy, Diana Barlow.

Photo 3 Diana Barlow, Phil Owen



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## FROM OUR FACEBOOK PAGE....



Andy Millard: July 23rd. Yesterday evening. Barbecue, glass of wine, and an interesting sky. We are so lucky to be where we are!



Three views of Wenlock Edge on a summer's day. Gill Barnard. July 13th.



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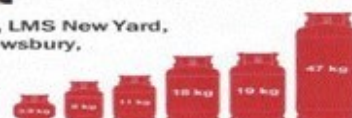
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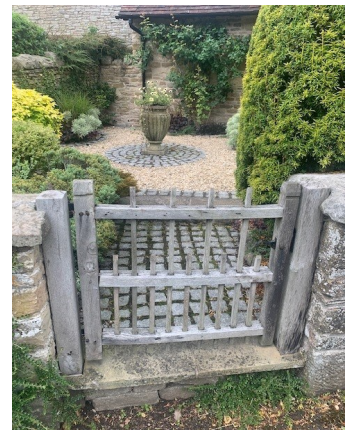
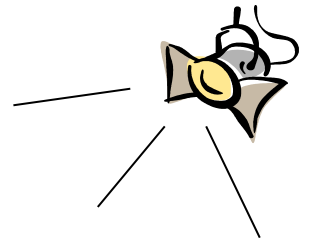
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# Spotlight on..... Cardington Open Gardens



Goodness what a very successful day you all must have had! The village was abuzz with happy visitors all sensibly clad in serious weather kit...and the rain held off, the sun came out and it was just lovely!

It was a delightful day, cheery helpers manning the ticket stand, plants for sale in the best of places.

Every garden was such a treat and all of such a high standard and I managed to chat to most of the garden owners where I could. We stupidly turned down a glass of Prosecco and regretted it later at The New Inn. I failed at St. James' cottage, even though I loitered for a while as the owner had a fan club queuing to hear about his garden design and the management of box blight in the rose garden, and somehow we got lost on the way to Field House, and after our 4 hours we decided to continue on in the wrong direction and find a way home.

Everything ran so seamlessly. A lovely 'meet and greet', contactless payment, a great map, manned parking for the disabled, teas, loos all signposted, good road signs just where needed, and it's so good that you can bring in other gardens and keep the whole event fresh for the regulars.

With my best wishes,  
Angela

Excerpt and photographs reproduced with permission from a message sent by Angela Hughes (Organiser for the SHCT Gardens Scheme) following the Open Gardens event. Many thanks for allowing us to use them Angela!



It is so lovely to see our local events beginning to take place again. Well done Cardington! We would love to see photographs of your event too or of a local event you have visited. Please feel free to either send to the editor or paste on our Facebook page.



# Rushbury Records Trust

## Where are they now?

Shirley McNicol came across some photographs and contacted us to see if we had a copy in the records trust.

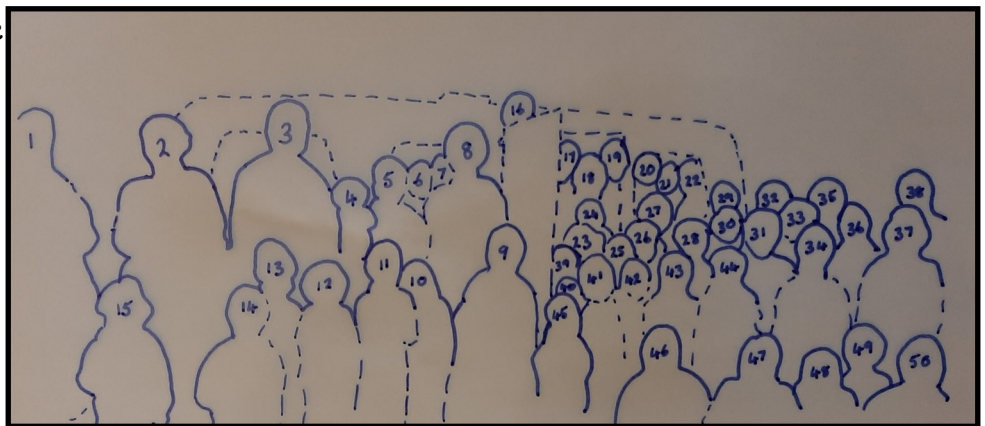
Here is one of them.

She has identified some of those pictured in the photographs.

Can you help to fill the gaps?

If you can put names to the numbers from the outlines below please either email the editor or pass on to Merle Lippett or Shirley.

**DO YOU HAVE ANY  
PHOTOGRAPHS OF YOUR  
DAYS AT RUSHBURY  
SCHOOL ?  
WE WOULD LOVE TO SEE  
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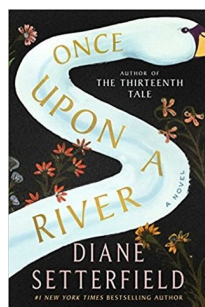


## The Honey Pot Book Reviews

### Once Upon A River by Diane Setterfield

This atmospheric and magical story is set on the banks of the river Thames and begins in an ancient inn, renowned for its storytelling. The author lives by the Thames and knows it well. One dark night the landlord's story is interrupted by a badly injured man staggering in with what appears to be a dead child in his arms. Both are dripping wet. Yet hours later she begins to breathe again. No one knows who she is but several try to claim her as their own. The story has the air of a modern fairytale with a dark edge. In my opinion, exquisite and haunting.

**Anne Davis.**



### Hopton Castle Walk and Cycle Guide.

A brand new, comprehensive and detailed guide to walk and cycle rides beginning and ending at the historically interesting and picturesque Hopton Castle, Shropshire. (Admission free but donations very welcome.)

There are step by step ( or wheel by wheel! ) , instructions, giving distances and difficulty ratings together with informative maps and suggestions for cafe and pub refreshment stops along the way.

Many lovely ideas for a very interesting day or half day in the beautiful Shropshire Hills countryside.

*Published by Hopton Castle Preservation trust and available from Burway Books or The Outdoor Depot, Church Stretton.*

**WE WOULD LOVE TO KNOW WHAT YOU HAVE BEEN READING. BOOK REVIEWS OR RECOMMENDATIONS SHOULD BE SENT TO THE EDITOR: [honeypteditor@outlook.com](mailto:honeypteditor@outlook.com)**



## September is harvest time...

With an adult's help, if necessary, why not have a go at using produce from the garden or supermarket, to make these funny faces open sandwiches for the whole family.

Put a slice of bread on a plate and add a cheese slice or spread.

Choose different foods you can eat raw and put them in different bowls. These could be, for instance, chopped lettuce, sliced cherry tomatoes, cucumber, bell peppers, carrot sticks and berries.

Then have fun designing your sandwiches.

**EAT and ENJOY.**

Invite a few friends round and make it a party!



## News from Little Acorns of Rushbury

Little Acorns had a lovely end of term with a trip to Eaton Manor, and sports day and party at Rushbury Village Hall. The weather was glorious for both occasions and perfect for our picnics!

We are sorry to say goodbye to our big children who are moving on, but it was lovely to see all the little ones who will be joining us in September. We will certainly have a busy start to the new academic year.

Our outdoor stay and play sessions take place on Tuesday mornings at 9.30am. If you would like more information about this or our pre-school please contact Elaine by e-mail [info@littleacornsrushbury.org.uk](mailto:info@littleacornsrushbury.org.uk) or visit our website [www.littleacornsrushbury.org.uk](http://www.littleacornsrushbury.org.uk)



Lots of fun at Eaton Manor



...both indoors



...and out



## This Month's Dates for our Four Parishes

### SEPTEMBER

4 Sat	Cardington Village Fete. The Old Vicarage. 1pm. <i>p4</i>
6 Mon	Coffee Stop re-opens. RVH. 10am. <i>p5</i>
7 Tue	Cardington Parish Council Meeting. CVH. 8pm <i>p4</i>
8 Wed	Flicks in the Sticks. <b>Judy</b> . HBVH. 7.30pm. <i>p5</i>
10 Fri	<b>DEADLINE DATE FOR COPY FOR SEPTEMBER PARISH MAG TO REACH THE EDITOR</b>
15 Wed	R&C WI. RVH. 7.30pm <i>p6</i>
16 Thu	The Butty Van. Longville Farm. 10.30am. <i>p15</i>
20 Mon	EH&HB Parish Council meeting. TVH. 7.30pm. <i>p4</i>
20 Mon	Rushbury Parish Council. RVH. 7.30pm <i>p5</i>

### THE DIGITAL HONEYPOT

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The rainfall at Ticklerton in July 2021 was 99mm.  
Claire Nicholson

### SMALL Ads

**MY NAME IS MADELINE EGAN**, (previously of Sayang House).

My husband and I have now moved to ANNAGMORE. I have always had a love of cooking, doing breakfasts, evening meals, and catering for small parties. I can now only cater in people's houses, or drop off. If anyone would like a luncheon, evening meal, or small party catered for in their home please contact me. I can cater for most diets.

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