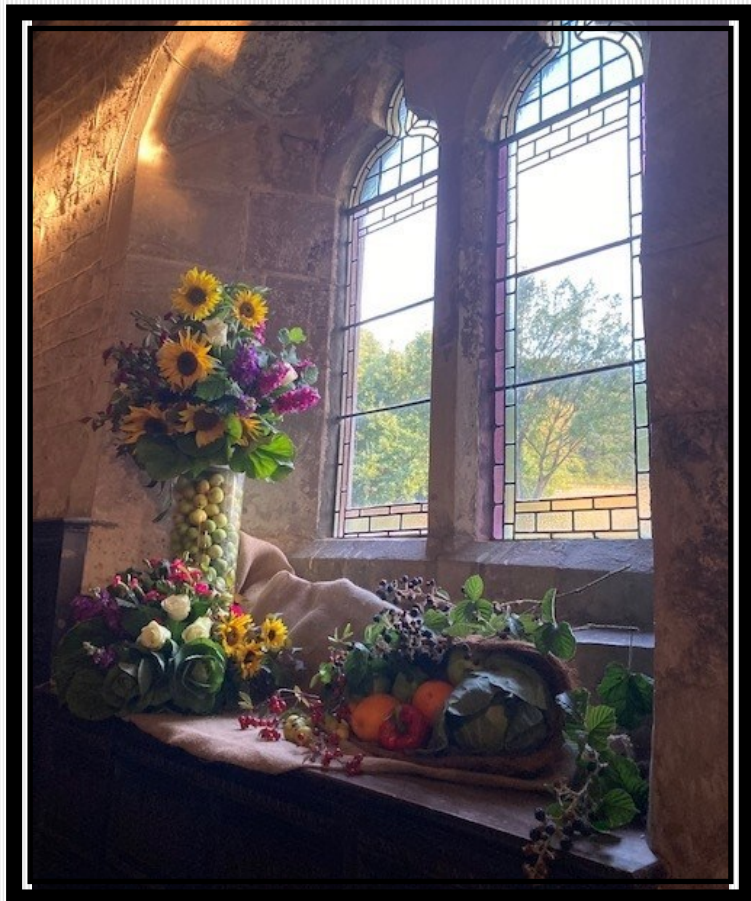


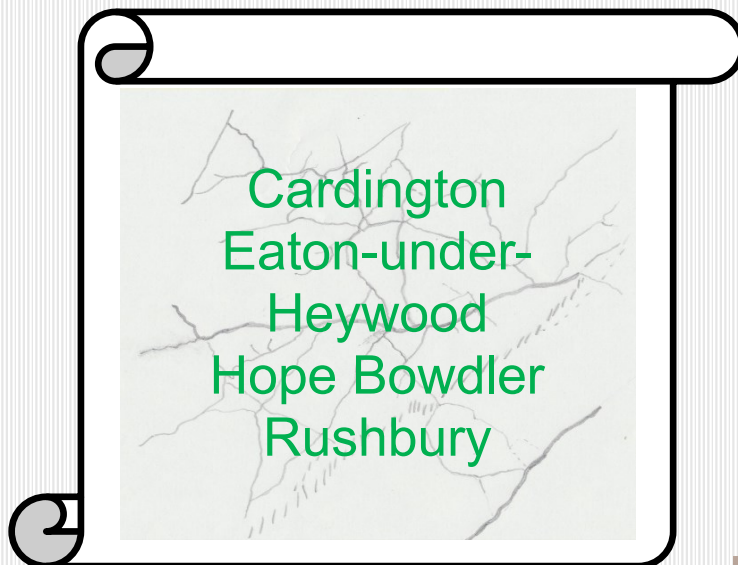
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**November  
2022**

Dear Friends,

Autumn is well and truly here. It doesn't feel like long ago when we were bracing ourselves for a heatwave; the warm air clinging to our faces as we ventured outside and sought shade under thick canopies of leaves. Now, the cool air stings our faces as we walk beneath bare trees and feel the crunch of the first frosts underfoot. Things have changed so much in the space of only three months!

Sometimes, change can unsettle us. We feel time running away with itself, and we struggle to keep up and take a breath. I'm not just talking about the change in the weather or the pattern of the seasons. Events around the world, and at home, this past year have thrown into question many of the assumptions we held.

The Bible speaks of change, and in it we read of people who lived through times of turbulence and uncertainty. The constant theme we find is that God sustains His people, especially in those times where we feel unsettled or anxious. In the stories of the Old Testament, we find an assurance that all will be okay, even if it doesn't always feel that way. In the New Testament, God's Son Jesus speaks directly into our doubts and fears.

'I will be with you always,' Jesus tells us at the end of Matthew's Gospel.

'Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you.' Jesus assures us in chapter 14 of John's Gospel.

However we feel at this time, may we find our hope in God, who will be with us always.

Your friend and priest,

**Sam**

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**Thursday November 10th**

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## Cardington News

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#### OCTOBER

1st	233	Christina Betton
2nd	191	Diane Coles
3rd	110	Will Dunne
4th	187	Ken Pugh
5th	140	Andy Roberts



No Young  
Farmers  
report  
received this  
month.

*Tuesday 1st November*

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

*Wednesday 2nd November*

### Flicks in the Sticks

#### Top Gun- Maverick

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*Saturday 5th November*

### Rushbury and Cardington WI CHARITY COFFEE MORNING

Cardington Village Hall, 10am – 12.30pm.

Donations for refreshments to be divided between Lingen Davies Cancer Care and the ITU at Royal Shrewsbury Hospital .

### Join us again for a Poppy Appeal Brunch

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A date for your diary....

*Saturday 19th November*

### Cardington Village Hall Winter Craft Fayre.

10.00 a.m. - 4.00 p.m.

Proceeds from Refreshments, Raffle & Hire of Tables will be in aid  
of Local Charities.

**\* If anyone is interested in a Craft Table please call Karen  
01694 245053**

**After 6 p.m weekdays or any time weekends. ( Please don't  
leave answer phone messages. Catch me in. ☺ )**

**STOP PRESS! JUST IN. Details page 21**

**Sat 26th November. Little Acorns Coffee Morning.**



*Cardington pantomime*  
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## Children's Society Box Holders

A message to all box holders:- it's time for collection.

As you know, sadly Jill Wesson is no longer with us. Joan Hudson has very kindly agreed for boxes to be dropped off at her house or if you would prefer me to collect my number is 771485

**Thank you so much for your support on behalf of the society, let's help keep up the good work.**

Best wishes

**Jane Secrett**

**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 website, the address is :-

**<http://www.cardingtonparishcouncilshropshire.co.uk>**

## Eaton-under-Heywood News

*Sunday 20th November*

### **Fancy joining us for Sunday Lunch at Ticklerton Village Hall?**

During Covid we took advantage of the opportunity to refurbish the village hall. We now have new lighting and ceiling plus new toilets and a disabled toilet.

To celebrate the completion of this work, the village hall is holding a Sunday Lunch on November 20<sup>th</sup> at Ticklerton Village Hall at 12.30 for 1pm, with Ken Pugh as our after lunch speaker.

*Adults £15.00 Children £10.00, Pre-school Free.*

*Vegetarian Option available on request.*

*The main course is being provided by Jane Wilde Catering and the desserts by local people.*

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**Tel: 07966 389020**

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

The parish council last met on the 17<sup>th</sup> October 2022, the Minutes of the meeting are available on the parish council's website.

Our November meeting will be held on 21<sup>st</sup> November 2022, 7.30pm at Ticklerton Village Hall. Residents of our parish are invited to attend our meetings, to raise with councillors any concerns they may have about parish related matters.

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 is information about the parish council's accounts and audits, copies of minutes, agendas, protocols and financial information.

To contact the Parish Council, please call the Clerk, Mrs J de Russett, who has a new address and telephone number, which are: 12 Church Street, Brampton Bryan, Bucknell, SY7 0DH, tel. 01547 519282, or by email at [eatonhopebowdlerpc@gmail.com](mailto:eatonhopebowdlerpc@gmail.com).

## Hope Bowdler News

*Wednesday 9th November*

### **Flicks in the Sticks**

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## Rushbury News

### **Apedale Amblers**

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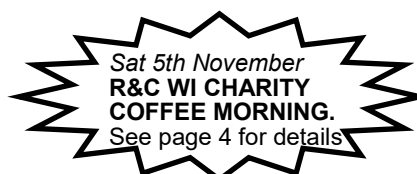
If you are interested in a longer( approx. 2 hours ) walk on Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> November at 2pm

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Wednesday 16th November  
**Rushbury & Cardington W.I.**  
 CARDINGTON PARISH HALL @ 7.30pm- **Our AGM**  
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*This photograph was taken only on 20th July 2022 when she gave a talk to past and present members at the 50th anniversary celebration of when Rushbury and Cardington WIs merged.  
 A remarkable lady!*

**ENID FOSTER** sadly passed away on 13th September 2022, aged 92. She was a stalwart of Rushbury and Cardington WI and will be much missed by our members.  
**A TRIBUTE TO ENID FOSTER** She was a strong resolute, resilient, Northern Woman with a deep faith, very proud of her Lancashire heritage.  
 I first met her in the 1960's when we were Members of Tasley WI.. This being a formal WI, we sang Jerusalem and Enid played the piano. I then moved to Rushbury and Enid to the West Midlands. Many years later she moved to East Wall and we re-established contact through the WI. We worked together, me as Vice President and Enid as Secretary, always capable and reliable, she had served many Presidents over the years.  
 Enid was an avid reader interested in local history serving as Treasurer to the Rushbury and District Records Trust until her death.  
 She had many talents all benefitting our Community; flower arranging, needlework, music, story telling and much more.  
 It now seems fitting that her last WI Meeting was in July when we all celebrated 50 Years of the amalgamation of Rushbury and Cardington WI. [ See September Honeypot]. where Enid, the Guest Speaker was recounting her previous talk given in the old Rushbury Village Hall on "The Lancashire Pendle Hill Witches".  
 Enid was a "One Off" who will be missed by all who knew her.

Liz Donnison. Rushbury and Cardington WI 15/10/22

*We always welcome new members so anyone interested in joining our WI please call/email Liz Fullbrook on 07970924507 or [liz.fullbrook1@gmail.com](mailto:liz.fullbrook1@gmail.com) or Rachel Neale, telephone 07817 211179  
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**Sunday 13th November**

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**Monday 21st November**

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### **RUSHBURY PARISH COUNCIL**

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

**[www.hugofox.com/community/rushbury-parish-council](http://www.hugofox.com/community/rushbury-parish-council)**

**Friday 25th November**

### **Rushbury Village Hall Pop up Pub** Rushbury Village Hall from 6.30 -10.30 pm

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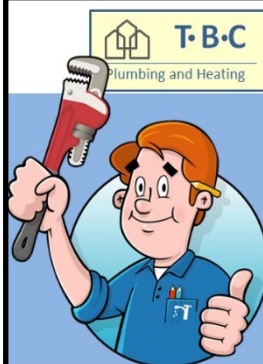
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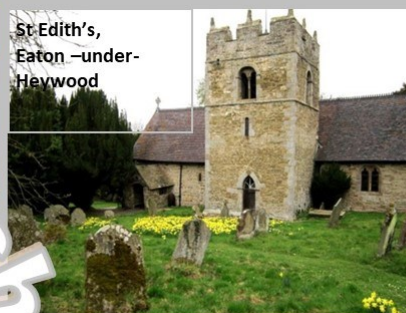
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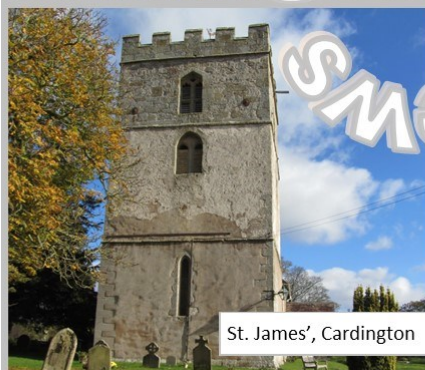
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# SERVICE TIMES FOR NOVEMBER

**Wednesday 2nd November - 10 am: Midweek Holy Communion - Hope Bowdler**

Sunday 6th November - 9.30 am: Holy Communion - Hope Bowdler  
11.15 am: Family Service - Rushbury  
6.30 pm: Evensong - Cardington

**Sunday 13th November (Remembrance)**

10.50 am: Holy Communion - Hope Bowdler  
10.50 am: Holy Communion - Eaton-under-Heywood  
10.50 am: Remembrance Service - Cardington  
10.50 am: Holy Communion - Rushbury

Sunday 20th November - 9.30 am: Holy Communion - Cardington  
11.15 am: Holy Communion - Hope Bowdler

Sunday 27th November - 9.30 am: Morning Praise - Cardington  
9.30 am: Holy Communion - Eaton-under-Heywood  
11.15 am: Holy Communion - Rushbury

## FROM THE PARISH REGISTERS:

Friday 7th October at St. Peter's, Rushbury - the funeral of Enid Foster.

***We pray for Enid's family, friends and the church and community of Rushbury.***

Monday 10th October at St. James', Cardington - the funeral of Jill Wesson.

***We pray for Jill's family, friends, and the church and community of Cardington.***

### Notes from St James', Cardington

Flowers	Brasses	Sidesmen
November 6th Jane M		Jane Secrett
13th Sally	Wendy & Joan	Lesley Iverson & David Jellicoe
20th Sally		John McMillan
27th Advent : No flowers		Roy Davies

#### Church Cleaning

November 5th Floors	Wendy & Liz F	19th Floors	Jackie, Lesley & Kaye
12th Furniture	Margaret, Sally & Chris	26th Furniture	Pat, Liz, Jane & Barbara

*It would be a great help if you could arrange a swap if ever you are unable to do these dates. Thank you.*

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

Flower rota	Cleaning rota
Sue Orme	No cleaners needed this month

**PLEASE ALSO SEE THE ARTICLE ON PAGE 14 AND OUR FRONT COVER WITH PICTURES OF THE ARRANGEMENTS SO BEAUTIFULLY MADE BY THE FLOWER ARRANGING TEAM, FOR THE FLOWER FESTIVAL IN SEPTEMBER.**

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

#### Flower rota

November 12th & 19th: Rosemary Allworth      November 26th: Isabella Jones - Advent Wreath  
(Flowers to be removed before the first day of Advent)

*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

November 5th: Jane & Andrew Price    12th: Rosemary Allworth & Jean Webb    19th: Isabella & Peter Jones  
*Thank you to all who help to look after our church.*

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





### Harvest - a note from Ruth

A big **thank you** to all who helped with our Harvest weekend. 35 people were fed and entertained at our Harvest Supper in the Village Hall, so very many thanks to all who supported this in so many different ways. We raised just over £500 towards church repairs. Very many thanks also to those who decorated the church - the floral arrangements were stunning. Many thanks, Ruth

### And thanks again....

On October 9th we had our new altar book-rest blessed by Rev Sam. The book rest has been made for the church by David Ackroyd in memory of two previous churchwardens, Peter Allworth and Norman Wallace. It is a beautiful piece of work!

## Notes from St Peter's, Rushbury

### Flower rota

Pedestal: Saturday 5th November - Lynette Price

Saturday 12th November- Remembrance Poppies - Lynette Price

Saturday 26th November & Saturday 3rd December - Alison Themans

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

### Cleaning rota

5 Nov: Derek and Ann    12 Nov: Harry    26 Nov: John and Josie    3 Dec : Karen and Diane

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## LETTER FROM HEREFORD FOR NOVEMBER

November seems to be the month for remembering.

All Souls at the beginning of the month is a chance to remember with thankfulness those whom we have loved but see no more.

And, of course, there is also our national act of Remembrance, on Remembrance Sunday. As the daughter of a man who served in the Royal Navy during the Second World War and the Korean War, I never fail to be moved as the poppies fall down from the roof of the Royal Albert Hall during the Festival of Remembrance. That remembrance is all the more poignant in our own day as the reality of war and its human cost is once again apparent. There will be services at war memorials and in churches across the diocese as we remember those who died fighting to protect us and bring peace and justice to our world, and we pray for those serving in our Armed Forces today.

Memories, and remembering, are such central parts of our personalities and character, and in many ways make up part of who we are. Being remembered is very important to us, and the thought that we might be forgotten can be heart-breaking. I often read these verses from Isaiah to people who are feeling lost and abandoned for any reason, or who are grieving the passing of years which means that all those whom they knew and loved, and who held the memories of them as younger people, have died:

*God says, "Can a mother forget the baby at her breast and have no compassion on the child she has borne? Though she may forget, I will not forget you! See, I have engraved you on the palms of my hands." (Isaiah 49:15-16a)*

For Christians, of course, the most significant act of remembering is when we come together to remember in bread and wine the death and resurrection of Jesus. Jesus' willing sacrifice of himself on the cross for the sake of others is, for Christian believers, the ultimate expression of the self-giving love at the heart of God, when Christ's hands were marked by the nails of the cross.

"Do this in remembrance of me."

So in this season of Remembrance, as we remember with candles, poppies, or bread and wine, may we all take time to pause, reflect, and be thankful.

**Ven Fiona Gibson**

Archdeacon of Ludlow



## Flower Festival St Edith's Church 10/11<sup>th</sup> September 2022

As we were preparing for the flower festival we heard the sad news of the Queen's passing. It was agreed that as a lover of gardening and flowers that the festival would be a fitting tribute to our Queen. We had a low-key but lovely time meeting old and new friends from the different parishes and beyond. I think you will agree that the arrangements were spectacular and I would like to thank Caroline, Dorothy, Jenny, Judy and Sue for all their hard work with the displays. The festival could not have happened without the help of those who did the publicity, logistics, cakes, teas, stewarding and fetching and carrying – thank you all. A special thank you needs to go to Acton Scott who loaned us most of the vintage farming equipment that gave us such wonderful settings for our flowers. We were also supported by Angel Art Gallery in Broseley <https://www.theangelgallery.co.uk/> who brought some beautiful original art work.

We raised £1300 for our church via donations but probably the most important thing for us was coming together after the pandemic and celebrating the life of our late monarch in such a beautiful setting.

Thank you again to all involved.

**Megan Lawton**



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# Spotlight on Nant Valley

**Since We moved to Nant Valley about 18 months ago we have been busy with our biodiversity woodland project and thought you might like to hear what we have been up to.**

Nant Valley is 9 acres of mainly woodland nestled below Middle Hill and North Hill and adjoining Wondrell Coppice. We are in the parish of Cardington on its southern-most border.

Over the last 18 months we have been developing our plans for managing the land to maximise its biodiversity potential. With climate change in mind we want to provide as diverse habitats as possible and increase the bio resilience of the site.

Our first job has been to start our bracken management regime. This involves raking up the old thatch and strimming the site several times a season. We are already seeing benefits of a more diverse flora, wood sage, foxgloves and wild basil, more bees and insect pollinators and the blue-bells this spring were magnificent. Of course the bracken will be back next year but we have already seen a reduction in its vigour.

So far we have planted over 500 trees, all native English species, a balance of Shropshire wet woodland: alder, elm, birch, willow, hazel, hawthorn as well as widening the species mixes to include aspens, poplars, white beam, service tree and Scot's pine. We have planted a hedgerow up the western boundary and even one of the queens commemorative jubilee trees. We have doubled the number of native trees and shrubs from 20 to 40 species.

The old pond was very silted and dried up in the first summer so with the expert help of our neighbour we dredged and extended the pond. Although the water levels dropped a lot we have had water in it all summer despite the drought and it's been a haven for the insects, birds and bats as well as rabbits and the occasional roe deer, and our first brood of ducklings. The stream through the site feeds the pond and the remainder flows down to the Gutter. In the absence of beavers we have started to create a series of leaky dams to create more of a wetland habit in the upper end of the valley.

Alongside the pond we have created a wild flower meadow, sowing rattle and a mix of native flower seeds. Its first season saw several new species become established. It is definitely work in progress and we hope to spread more seed this autumn now we can see it is taking off.



Andrew has built up his knowledge of the night life with his moth traps, he has identified over 500 species including 5 of which are nationally scarce.

Our first clutch of mason bees seem to have taken to their new home and we will be monitoring their progress. Our first 10 bird boxes are up with more planned - as well as bat boxes and perhaps dormice boxes going forwards. We will be surveying their use with interest.

Most of all it's been an opportunity to learn and all that strimming certainly keeps us fit. The site never fails to delight and

surprise. As I write this article we have just seen our first Kingfisher by the pond. We are beyond excited.

**If you would like to know more please get in touch. We will keep you posted with how we are getting on.**

**GRACE SANDELS.**

## Shirley's SHCT sponsored bike ride 2022

The second Sunday of September is always the date of the R&S, but sadly this year the death of the Queen forced a change out of respect, and it was postponed to 24<sup>th</sup> September. Along with others across the country I was unable to change the date of my ride due to prior commitments, and so cycled as planned on the 10<sup>th</sup>.



Remembrance: Hughley

My first call at Hughley was reached along the flat roads through Longville and Butcher's Barn, instead of just indulging myself with a ride along Wenlock Edge to drop down Hughley Bank, and then to St. John the Baptist's church. Part of the Much Wenlock benefice, it has now become one of those churches known as 'Festival churches' – that is to say services are infrequent, once a month here, and often only at festivals: Christmas, Easter, Harvest and so on I suppose.

What a relief it must have been when the village of Harley was spared constant traffic and was by-passed, the A458 being now only a distant presence, and allowing residents and visitors peace to enjoy the wonderful views of Wenlock Edge and of the Wrekin.

Harley has a unique status in the whole of Shropshire, and a significant role nationally too, being one of only 60 villages of the 16,000 or so in the entire country that sent young men away to fight in the first World War and gratefully received every one of them home: the **'Thankful Villages'**. The title was coined by Arthur Mee, he of the children's encyclopaedias; those twenty men are commemorated on a plaque inside the church, and of course there is no war memorial. Considering the immense loss of life both nationally and worldwide, Harley must have been a thankful village indeed.



Harley

Off again, passing the strange little restored C18th pound for stray animals, and on along the A458 to Christchurch, Cressage. This is the second church in Cressage, (the medieval one was at the west end of the village), and was named for the Curate's college at Cambridge. Having raised the funds for a more centrally situated building I suppose he felt he had the right to alter the dedication – but I would have liked 'St. Sampson's' more! Sadly it has every appearance of no longer being used.

Leaving the main road a wandering route was followed gently uphill towards my next stop, passing through Harnage, to Cound. St. Peter's church had associations with the Abbey in Shrewsbury, dates from the C13th, and pre-pandemic hosted many successful annual 'Come and Sing' days, when a prominent musician or teacher would take his charges through learning, rehearsing and finally performing a piece of music – all in one day! Often challenging but always very enjoyable.....I hope they can be reinstated when COVID19 is a memory.

The strangely named Cound Stank came very soon after leaving the village, but has nothing to do with agricultural smells: the word is actually derived from the Old French word *estanc*, present-day French *étang* - a pond or lake, and a reminder of 1066 and all that. After this driest of summers there was no sign of even a puddle, despite recent heavy rain showers

Next, on towards Pitchford, along part of Watling Street, the old Roman road which is now little more than a track in places but once led directly to Viroconium, across the Severn, now under the care of English Heritage. Also watched over by them is Cantlop Bridge – a nice little detour on the way to Condover. While he was Shropshire county surveyor Thomas Telford oversaw the expansion and improvement of communications in the county and Cantlop Bridge was a part of the scheme. Like Ironbridge it is of cast iron but unlike it does not mimic a wooden bridge; it is elegant, lightly framed and one of the only two remaining cast iron Telford bridges still in situ, and now closed to traffic to preserve it.



Cantlop Bridge

So we arrived at Condover, St. Andrew and St. Mary's. (I say we because my son Toby once again came from London to cycle with me on this sponsored ride and we enjoyed having a day together.) The Domesday book of 1086 recorded a church already in existence at Condover, and the area was much favoured for hunting by generations following the conquest. It also gave its name to one of the Hundred courts, an ancient judicial system.

On past the sand and gravel pits where the Shropshire mammoth was discovered in 1986, towards Ryton, and not visiting St. Edwards, Dorrington – for despite the pedestrian crossing over the A49, the road itself is very busy and two cyclists would not be welcome just where traffic can speed up along the straight towards Longnor. But there was a bonus, St. Thomas, Ryton, which I had not been aware of, before Longnor church, which was open like so many that day for reflection and remembrance.



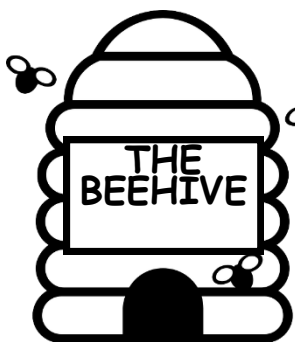
St Thomas at Ryton

Toby, who loves his cycling, persuaded me to tackle the Lawley route across country: Lodge Hill up to Hoar Edge, and on to Chatwall – bottom gear, maximum power stuff – and we only just made it! Then at last, freewheeling all the way, we reached St. James', Cardington – nearly home – where there had been a wedding earlier. Finally we gently cruised down Gilberries Lane and back home, this was now not the occa-

sion for Stoneacton Hill..... !

**Very grateful thanks to all who sponsored me, and I am so glad we were able to do this once more.**

**Shirley McNicol**



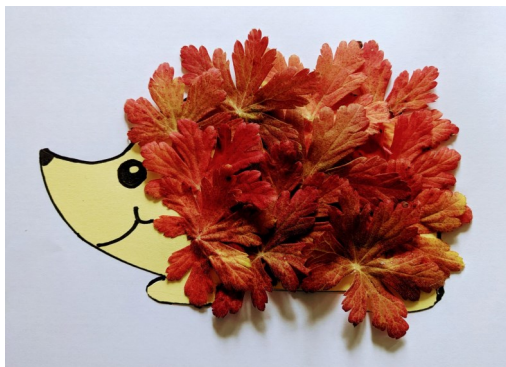
## Watch out for hedgehogs!

The hedgehog is one of our most endearing mammals. They can have as many as 5000 spines. A baby hedgehog is called a hoglet. Sadly they are steadily disappearing from the wild.

They spend the day sleeping in hedgerows and under bushes and forage for food at night. They like to eat beetles, earwigs, caterpillars and worms. ( YUK ). From November to March they hibernate (sleep ) in a nest of twigs, leaves and dried grasses and may do so in your garden. They are difficult to spot. They may be in your compost heap or log pile. Keep a careful watch.

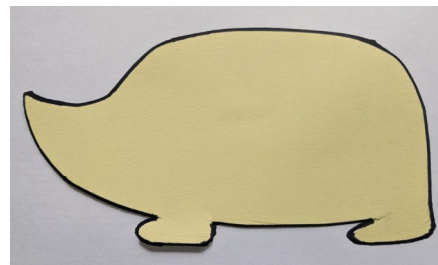
You may like to make a picture like mine to remind you to look out for a possible hedgehog nest in your garden and not to disturb it. Every one is precious.

1. Go for a walk and collect some fallen leaves.
2. Copy my hedgehog shape onto stiff paper or card ( eg. back of a cereal packet ) and cut it out.



3. Stick on your leaves and draw a face with a felt tip pen.

Put your hedgehog somewhere you can see him; the fridge door, perhaps.



Anne Davis

## News from Little Acorns of Rushbury



Little Acorns had a fantastic morning at The Pumpkin Patch - finding lots of pumpkins, big and small. There was a bale tunnel to crawl through, a tractor to sit on, cakes to decorate and even a skeleton called Liam. We have also been learning "All About Me" as our theme this half term. This has included making portraits from natural materials (including mud faces), discussing our favourite foods and toys, and making a craft

cake with the correct number of candles for our age. We have enjoyed singing heads, shoulders, knees and toes too.

The staff had an inspiring day at the Early Years Conference all about Making Language Matter – Little Acorns are now learning lots of new rhymes and writing stories!

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)



The Patch



With Liam the skeleton



Land art Pumpkin



# Around and about 000000 News from outside the Four Parishes

Tuesday 22nd November

## Flicks in the Sticks

Acton Scott Village Hall. 7.30pm

The film will be **"OPERATION MINCEMEAT"** Cert 12

Set at the time of the Second World War, Operation Mincemeat tells the human story of the soldiers we seldom see who fight a different kind of war, in shadows and deception, haunted by the knowledge that certainties and guarantees of success are nowhere to be found.

**Tickets on the door: Adults £5.00 Students: £3.00. Refreshments available.**

**The hall has ample car parking available and level access. Enquiries: Tel. 01694 781260**



Saturday 5th November

## Acton Scott Family Bonfire and Fireworks Party

7.00pm at Acton Scott Village Hall. Open to all, everyone welcome.

**Admission: Adults £2.00 Children £1.00. Refreshments available.**

## MUCH WENLOCK AND CRESSAGE PRACTICE NEWS

### COVID and Flu Vaccines

This year we will be providing Flu and COVID vaccines in large clinics based in William Brookes School. These vaccines will be delivered together as advised by the JCVI. For anyone wishing to have the vaccinations separately, this will be provided towards the end of the campaign in designated clinics. We will be using the Moderna Bivalent vaccine for all those aged 18 years or over, which has action against the Omicron COVID variant. The only exceptions will be those under 18 years of age who will require a Paediatric Dose of Pfizer, and those with true vaccine allergies, who will need referring to a designated clinic in Secondary Care. By the time of reading this some of you may have been contacted by us to book your vaccine, or even had them done. Our vaccine clinic timings are limited by the delivery dates of our vaccines which are beyond our control. We are however endeavouring to hold clinics as soon as possible after each delivery.

For any patients who are unable to leave their house we will be doing housebound vaccines, but we ask that anyone able to leave their home attends a clinic and we will facilitate vaccinations as needed. Our reception team will be contacting those patients who are known to be housebound, however if you are concerned we may not be aware of your circumstances please speak with our reception team. We are lucky to have a very community minded patient population, so if any of you aren't sure about a neighbour or friend, please ask them and help them out.

### Shingles and Pneumonia Vaccines

Previously we have given these at the same time as Flu, however the Pneumonia and Shingles vaccines will now be given in dedicated clinics in the surgery which are being organised by our nursing team. If you are due one of these and not heard from us, then please contact the surgery and our reception team will be able to help.

### Communications

We are aware that you are keen to know about these clinics and are going to do our upmost to communicate this across as many platforms as possible. This will include texting, Facebook, the practice website, the surgeries and local areas and shops. The best way to ensure you hear as soon as possible is to check we have the correct phone numbers and email for you. We will do our best to get information to you as soon as possible and as always appreciate your patience and understanding as we continue to develop our vaccination clinics during the Pandemic.

Thank you for your time, and as always take care,

Dr J Harvey

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# The Honeypot Book Reviews

## *The Queen's Spy* by Clare Marchant.

Sorry to be recommending another historical fiction. No, not sorry, as this is a great read. Set in Elizabeth 1st's time and the present day, it had me hooked immediately. Do give it a try.

Anne Davis



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## This Month's Dates for our Four Parishes

### NOVEMBER

- 1 Tue Cardington Parish Council meeting. CVH. 8 –9.30pm. *p4*
- 2 Wed Flicks in the Sticks. **TOP GUN - MAVERICK**. CVH. 7.30pm. *p4*
- 5 Sat R&C WI Charity WI Coffee Morning. CVH. 10am-12.30pm. *p4*
- 5 Sat Bonfire and Fireworks Party. ASVH. 7pm. *p22*
- 9 Wed Flicks in the Sticks. **WHERE THE CRAWDADS SING** HBVH. 7.30pm. *p5*
- 10 Thu **DEADLINE DATE FOR COPY FOR SEPTEMBER PARISH MAG TO REACH THE EDITOR**
- 12 Sat Poppy Appeal Brunch. CVH. 10am-12.30pm. *p4*
- 13 Sun Apedale Amblers. Possible Sunday Walk. 2pm *p5*
- 13 Sun Gong emersion with Grace. RVH. 3.15pm. *p6*
- 16 Wed R&C WI. CVH. 7.30pm. *p6*
- 17 Mon The Butty Van Upper Stanway Farm. 10.30am. *p13*
- 19 Sat Winter Craft Fayre. CVH. 10am-4pm. *p4*
- 20 Sun Ticklerton Sunday Lunch. TVH. 12.30pm for 1pm. *p5*
- 21 Mon EH&HB Parish Council Meeting. TVH. 7.30pm. *p5*
- 21 Mon Rushbury Parish Council Meeting. CR. RVH. 7.30pm. *p6*
- 22 Tue Flicks in the Sticks. **OPERATION MINCEMEAT** ASVH. 7.30pm. *p22*
- 25 Fri Pop-up-pub. RVH. 6.30– 10.30pm. *p4*
- 26 Sat Little Acorns Coffee Morning. CVH. 10am -12.30pm. *p21*

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The rainfall at Ticklerton in September 2022 was 97mm.  
**Claire Nicholson**

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