

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

NOVEMBER

Wednesday 2nd: Parish Hall, 7.30pm. WI AGM, followed by talk.

Thursday 3rd: Comberbach Methodist Chapel, 12.30pm. Lite Bite lunch.

Monday 7th: Parish Hall, 7.30pm. Parish Council meeting. Public welcome.

Tuesday 8th: Parish Hall, 7.45pm. Garden Club meeting.

Thursday 10th: Parish Hall, 7.00pm. Quiz, organised by Friends of the Church.

Sunday 13th: Parish Church, 10.30am. Remembrance service.

Thursday 17th: Comberbach Methodist Chapel, 12.30pm. Lite Bite lunch.

Thursday 17th: Cock at Budworth, 12.30pm. Ladies' lunch.

Saturday 26th: Gt Budworth CofE School, Christmas Fair.

Saturday 26th: Cransley School, 12.00-2.00pm Open Day & 2.00-4.00pm Christmas Market.

DECEMBER

Thursday 1st: Comberbach Methodist Chapel, 12.30pm. Lite Bite lunch.

Friday 2nd: Guide Post Farm, 10am. Christmas Wreath Workshop.

Saturday 3rd: Guide Post Farm, 10am. Christmas Wreath Workshop.

Sunday 18th: Parish Church, 4.00pm. Carol Service.

Saturday 31st: Parish Hall. Village New Year's Eve Party.

Join friends and neighbours in the Parish Hall for the

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** A two-course meal (all cooked by local ladies) **

Contact Hazel (891908), Jenny (891431) or Anna (892352) to book .

Hurry! Numbers are strictly limited to 40!

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BUDWORTH BULLETIN

November 2016



The Friends of Great Budworth Church

Quiz Evening and Supper

**including Baked Potatoes with a
variety of fillings, and Apple Crumble**

at Great Budworth Parish Hall, Smithy Lane

**on Thursday, 10th November
at 7.00pm**

Quizmaster:

The Rev'd Alec Brown

**Tickets: £10 each — or pay at the door
(including supper & a drink)**

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or from Geoff Ridgway on 01565 733494**

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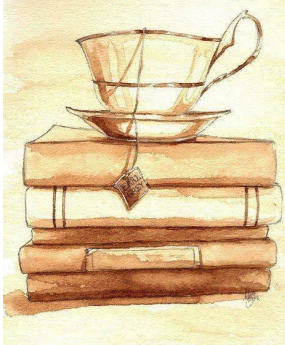


Sun 30th Oct. 2am.

Church Teas and Books 2016

The 'Teas' season ended on 9th October, with visitors asking "When do you start again?" and "What are we going to do till next Easter?", which amply confirms that visitors enjoy coming along to church teas and meeting up with other regulars. It is lovely to see how friendships have been formed between some of the visitors over the years and we thank them all for coming along to partake of the lovely home made cakes.

TEA & BOOKS
are always a good option



We could not run church teas without the generous, continuing support of everyone who helps out in whatever way: whether baking, serving, washing up or setting up the room. On behalf of the Vicar and the Parochial Church Council, we thank you all very much.

Thank you to all who donated books and thank you, also, to a certain person of the village who has started teas off with a generous donation over the last few years.

Our fundraising has been contributing towards the costs of running the church for many years now. This year we raised £3,821.85 (before room hire). Long may it continue.

We hope to see you all again for Church Teas 2017.

Margaret Cross & Maggie Earl

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for a

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9:30 am - Welcome - coffee

Demonstration - a traditional door & moss wreath

10:30 am - Workshop practical session

12 noon - lunch

1pm - Demonstration - 'table ideas'

1:30 - 2:30 pm - practical session



MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING

Thanks to all those who contributed to the general bonhomie and fundraising at the Macmillan Coffee morning, which was held in the Parish Hall on Friday 30th September. A magnificent total of £547.23p was raised.

The 'Guess the number of spots on the cake' competition was a bit of an anticlimax, when we couldn't ascertain the answer via the scratchcard which had been supplied.

An email to Macmillan elicited that there were 495 spots on the cake—and a quick

check through the contestants' guesses produced a winner:

Bunty Saunders, whose guess of 501 spots was the closest by some margin. Bunty, who'd completely forgotten that she'd entered the competition, was surprised and delighted to find that she'd won. Her prize was, appropriately enough, a copy of The Great British Bake Off Showstoppers cook-



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BIG BOYS' BISTRO



Some sixty people — mostly *d'un certain age* — gathered in the Parish Hall to enjoy a '60s-'70s themed evening of food and entertainment on Saturday 22nd October. The menu consisted of classic dishes from the era, including Angel Delight (which provided an .. er .. interesting *entremet*). Big Boy Dave Hiatt is shown below with a trayful of these dubious delights: when another Big Boy spilt most of a trayful onto the floor one of the guests quipped 'best place for them' quipped one guest. Don Hammond, who masterminded the fundraiser in aid of the Parish Hall roof, says "I don't have all the costs yet, but am confident profit and donations will exceed £1,250 ... a big success for the Big Boys and great for the Parish Hall Roof Project."

LADIES' LUNCH

The next Ladies' Lunch will take place at 12.30pm on Thursday 17th November at the Cock at Budworth. Newcomers are always welcome! Further information from Hazel on 01606 891908.



SAVE THE DATE

Wednesday, 5 April 2017 in Arley Hall

Lecture by Major General Peter Williams CMG,OBE

(see internet)

MY LIFE AS A COLD WAR SPY

- ♦ Lunch in the Hall
- ♦ Mini auction and raffle
- ♦ Guided tours of the Hall, Garden and Grove with Lord and Lady Ashbrook and others



In aid of Great Budworth Church Restoration Appeal

GARDEN CLUB

The last meeting started with the sad news of the death of our Membership Secretary, Gwen Carter. Everyone was shocked and very upset to hear this.

The meeting then continued as we welcomed Harry Delaney, from Reaseheath College (pictured, right), who arrived loaded with young trees and many varieties of apples. His presentation was excellent: he told us how to plant, prune and nurture fruit bushes and fruit trees, with practical demonstrations showing just where to cut and shorten branches and how to store the fruit over winter.



The floor was covered in leaves and his sense of humour and professional expertise made the evening one of the best we've ever had. There was an excellent vote of thanks by Heather Bailey, who presented Harry with some walnuts from her own trees.

The next meeting is on Tuesday, 8th November, in the Parish Hall, when Tom Atherton will talk about sweet peas — this is the time to sow your seeds.

The Members' Christmas party will take place on Tuesday, 3rd January 2017. Tickets and sign-up sheets will be available at the next meeting.

For information about the club or its activities, please contact me:

Jean Davies 01606 892383 or 0789 993 7683.



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At our October meeting members listened to Ben Alexander's account of Cheshire's own Mary Fitton, who appeared never to have been to Holford Hall or even Plumley! But his talk raised more questions than it gave us answers.

On Wednesday 2nd November at 7.30pm we hold our AGM: there will be a brief, official bit regarding our procedures, followed by a hot supper and social time.

It never sounds very inviting, but believe me the supper will be good; no need to have a rushed meal – just come along and enjoy the hospitality at the Parish Hall.

Five members attended the Council meeting at Winsford Lifestyle centre to hear the guest speaker, Angela Rippon (right).

Members of the book club continue to meet each month to discuss their latest book choice. We are also rambling again after a three year lapse: it's good to get out and about again. Do join us if you can. We always follow our walk with a pub lunch.

Here's advance notice that the December meeting is all about hands-on Japanese cookery, with tasters – sounds good. Lots to look forward to, quickly followed by Christmas!

June Wilkinson



This space could have contained your editorial item!

We welcome your contributions, in the form of either letters or articles. Air your opinions! (But nothing potentially libellous or liable to cause offence, please.) Tell us your funny story. Send us a photo. Let us know of births, marriages and deaths. We can't promise to include it—much depends on what else we have to fit in—but, as you can see from this month's issue, we sometimes have space to fill!

Contact any of the editorial team—details on the back page.

WELCOME TO GREAT BUDWORTH TO ...

Jane and Frank Burrage, who have moved into Peter Challinor's house at 4 Heath Lane.

Jane is Peter's niece and she and Frank were very good to Peter, both before and after he became ill.



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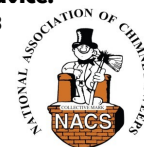
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NOVEMBER IN THE GARDEN

by Tom Acton, Former Head Gardener at Arley Hall

November is the best time for planting deciduous shrubs and trees. The ground is still warm and moist and just right for making the fine tilth necessary for planting. It's also a good month to plant tulips, as they are not as likely to suffer from a condition known as Tulip Fire if planting is left until November. Most bulbs can still be planted right up to the middle of December.



Hard pruning of roses, Buddleias and other shrubs that have put on long branches of young growth during the season should be left until the Spring, but their long stems of this year's growth can be reduced by half now to avoid them being blown about during the Winter.

Where roses have been growing in a certain position for several years, the soil will suffer from a condition known as soil sickness, and young roses planted there will not thrive. It is recommended that the planting hole is drenched with a solution of 50 parts water to 1 part Armillitox which will purge the soil clean again. Leave it for a few days before doing any planting. A word of warning – this treatment is not advised where bulbs and herbaceous plants grow between the roses.

Comberbach Chapel Lite Bite Lunches

Everyone is welcome to come to the Sunday School Room for soup and a dessert.

The cost is just £3.50

**Dates are Thursdays, as follows:
3rd & 17th November and 1st December**

Time: 12 noon until 1.30pm

**Telephone 891248
for transport**



MOBILE LIBRARY

In September's Bulletin we promised to confirm the new Mobile Library arrangements.

From 29th November the library will visit Great Budworth once a fortnight, on Tuesdays between 11.35am and 12.35pm outside the church.



Egg attack in Budworth

Hallowe'en happenings in Great Budworth provide only muted surprise these days, given the seemingly regular occurrences of weird scenes played out here.

How many of you witnessed a man creeping round the Church Tower, dressed in black and holding a revolver? Admittedly, a film crew seem to have been tracking him.

At the recent Macmillan Coffee Morning in the Parish Hall, one person reported that an egg had been thrown at her window. She was most concerned that maybe she had seriously offended one of her neighbours—but during the course of the morning there were reports of similar experiences from no fewer than six people, all living in Church Street or High Street! Does this mean there is a surfeit of eggs in the area — or does it have more sinister implications?

If you see or experience something unusual or worrying, please do get in touch with our Homewatch Co-ordinator, Tony Flynn on 01606 891571.



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We look forward to meeting you.

SCHOOL NEWS

The Friends of the School (FotS) would like to thank Mary Clewes, who has stepped down after three years as a great Chair. We warmly welcome Janine Jans, who has stepped up to fill the role. Please do make every effort to support the village school by coming along to FotS fundraising events. All the money raised goes towards helping our pupils to have the extras that make their educational experience even better, as well as paying for the cost of coaches for all school trips. This year the teachers have asked FotS to raise money for play equipment, a water tray, jigsaws, laptops, reading books and maths equipment. Our main event this term is the Christmas Fair which will take place in school on **Saturday 26th November**. Keep a look out for more details in due course.



Another very simple way to raise funds, if you shop online, is to register with Easyfundraising's website. Whenever you buy anything online (e.g. Christmas presents, groceries, clothes, books, train tickets, hotel rooms, etc.) from over 2,700 well-known retailers (including Amazon, John Lewis, eBay and Tesco), the school will receive a donation from the retailer. Just go to easyfundraising.org.uk and enter 'Great Budworth CE Primary School' in the 'causes' field.

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CHURCH NEWS

Thursday 10th November 7.00pm

Friends of Great Budworth Church Quiz. See the front page of this issue for more information.

Sunday 13th November 10.30am

Remembrance Sunday Service

Snowdon Sponsored Walk

Very appropriately, this was advertised as a 'challenge' – and what a challenge it was, with winds gusting to 65mph and mist and cloud reducing visibility considerably – but at least it didn't rain! It was, though, a great day out and I am full of praise for the seven hardy souls who began the walk with me from the very picturesque Rhyd-Ddu Station on 24th September (and for putting their trust in me, as the guides weren't available, so I ended up being the leader!). The path winds its way up the mountain, with beautiful views right across to Barmouth and the Menai Straits (when the cloud lifted and the sun came out, that is!) and becomes difficult only towards the summit, with some very sheer and exposed ledges and ridges. Because of the wind, this was even trickier than usual – and because of the wind the train wasn't running, so the café at the summit was closed! After a few photographs (see the evidence below) we began our descent and the weather improved, giving us some absolutely wonderful views.

Thanks once again to my fellow walkers and to all those who have sponsored us. All in all it was a really wonderful way of raising money and having a great day out!

Christmas Parish Voices

Following the success of the Queen's 90th and Harvest Services, Ian Chesworth is hoping to be able to assemble the Parish Voices for one or two pieces during the Carol Service on Sunday 18th December, at 4.00pm. If you would like to be involved please speak to me and watch out for notice of rehearsals during November and December.

The Revd Alec Brown

