

DIARY DATES FOR SEPTEMBER

Details of Church services and events are on p11

Wednesday 4th, Parish Hall, 7.30pm. WI meeting. Speaker: Jackie Mafi.

Monday 9th, Parish Hall, 7.00pm. Parish Council meeting.

Tuesday 10th, Parish Hall, 7.30pm. Garden Club meeting. Speaker: Don Witton.

Thursday 19th, Jolly Thresher, Lymm 12.30pm. Ladies' lunch.

Saturday 21st, Parish Hall, 1.30pm. Wine Tasting (Int'l Food & Wine Soc.) tickets from Tim Hodges 07931 374 206

Friday 27th, Parish Hall, 10.00—12.00 noon. Macmillan Coffee Morning.

Saturday 28th, Parish Hall, doors open 7.00pm. RTA production: 'Devilled Eggs'

Church Teas

Sincere thanks to all those who continue to support the Church by volunteering to run Sunday Church Teas, and to those who come along and partake of the tea and cake. It is a great opportunity to sit and have a catch up with friends and neighbours. Teas will continue on Sunday afternoons, 2.30-4.30pm up to and including 6th October.



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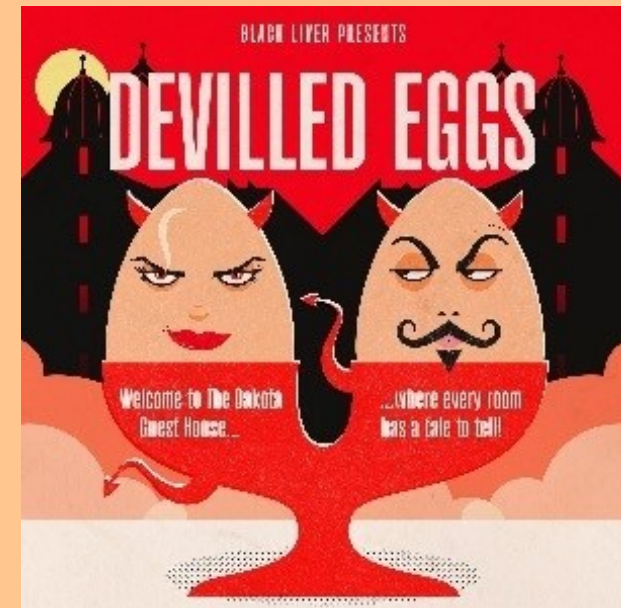
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PARISH HALL

on

Saturday 28th September

Rural Touring Arts is pleased to present this two-hander play by the acclaimed theatre company Black Liver. It's about a guest house over the course of a single night's stay, including breakfast. The show is fresh and cheeky, with a mix of comic characters, heartbreaking stories, satirical songs, and poetry. The characters have all experienced hardship and found positive solutions or outlooks.

Doors open 7.00pm Performance starts 8.00pm

Tickets £12 each

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GARDEN CLUB



The summer is passing us by very quickly - nights are already drawing in! We had lovely weather for most of July and August, but it was very wet earlier in the year. The gardens have looked stunning: so much colour and everything has grown so rapidly, so now plenty of cutting back and work to do for autumn.

We had a great visit by coach to the Southport Flower Show on Friday 16th August, and it was really good to see new people along with partners and friends of members with us. The Show was held in Victoria Park, and had show gardens, floral marquees, many shops and produce shows. There was a lecture theatre and we were able to sit and listen to some of our favourite celebrities entertain

us. Amongst the teams there were Adam Frost from Gardeners' World, Carole Baxter and George Anderson from Beechgrove Garden, and Martin and Jill Fish (pictured above), who are coming to our Garden Club to speak next year. It was a 'grand day out' all organised by Julie Treharne. Well done, Julie, and thank you once again.

The last trip of the year is to Levens Hall and Beetham Nursery by coach on Friday 13th September. Please join us and book your place asap.

The start of the autumn programme is on Tuesday 10 September, when Don Witton will talk to us about Plants for Pleasure. Guests can attend this meeting at a cost of £5.

We look forward to seeing you all again and planning our winter gardens and enjoying your company.

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Garden Club members at Southport.
From l. Vic Wood, Jo Munnery, John Munnery, Peter Davies, Lesley Anderson and Christine Wyley

ST. MARY AND ALL SAINTS

July and August events and services

Sunday 1 st	8.00am	Holy Communion <i>BCP</i>
	10.30am	All Age Worship
Wednesday 4 th	10.30am	Holy Communion <i>Common Worship</i>
Thursday 5 th	7.00pm	Celtic Evening Prayer
Saturday 7 th	1.00pm	Wedding in church
Sunday 8 th	10.30am	Matins <i>BCP</i>
	6.30pm	Holy Communion <i>Common Worship</i>
Wednesday 11 th	10.30am	Craft & Natter in the Old School
Thursday 12 th	2.00pm	Play and Praise in church
Saturday 14 th	2.00pm	HERITAGE AFTERNOON in church (<i>see below</i>)
Sunday 15 th	8.00am	Holy Communion <i>BCP</i>
	10.30am	Parish Communion <i>Common Worship</i>
	6.30pm	Evening Prayer at Arley Chapel <i>BCP</i>
Sunday 22 nd	10.30am	Harvest Thanksgiving Service
	2.30pm	Forest Church
	3.00pm	Harvest Thanksgiving Service at Chester Cathedral
Wednesday 25 th	10.30am	Craft and Natter in the Old School
Thursday 26 th	2.00pm	Play and Praise in church
Sunday 29 th	8.00am	Holy Communion <i>BCP</i>
	10.30am	Parish Communion <i>Common Worship</i>

The Friends of Great Budworth Church
invite you to their annual 'Heritage Afternoon' in church
Saturday 14th September, 2.00pm – 5.00pm

Programme of events:

2.30pm Talk by Robert Steele

3.15pm Organ recital by Stephen Reynolds

4.15pm Walk around Great Budworth Village and surrounding area (with a little local history thrown in) with The Rev Alec Brown.

Craft Stall Second Hand Book stall Refreshments

Trips up the tower every half-hour from 2.30pm, last trip at 4.30pm (£5 per adult, £2.50 for children 8 – 16 years). Children must be 8 years old and accompanied by an appropriate adult. Places on each trip limited. Owing to logistics and holidays and other events etc we will not be holding the late summer BBQ after the Heritage Afternoon 14th September, nor on 21st September.

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TENNIS CLUB

What an amazing summer of tennis we have had here in the village, at Wimbledon and at the Olympics. We've had some glorious summer days and evenings and members, guests and their families have been enjoying playing. It's nice to see usage of the court increasing. There's something quint-essentially British playing a game of tennis next to a bowling green full of bustling bowlers!



Our summer tournament, the Cussons Shield, has been played throughout the summer. The format is mixed doubles, with partners drawn, and each pairing playing three or four matches against others in their group. The top two pairings from each group will go forward to play at the grand finals day which this year is being held on Saturday 7th September 2024, when the semi-finals and final will be played. Everybody is most welcome to come and join us and enjoy afternoon tea in the picturesque bowling green pavilion. The day will begin at 10am. Let's hope the good weather will continue!

However, the fun does not stop just because the autumn nights are drawing in! Our next tournament, the Shepherdson Shield competition, will take place during the first weekend in October. We will then once again be looking forward to the annual dinner, with the Great Budworth Bowling Club, which will be held in the village hall. For more information about both these events please contact social secretary Joany Deakin 07484714321.

If you have been inspired by Wimbledon or the Olympics, or just want to come and enjoy the village facility, contact our membership secretary Richard Chandler 07933 087560 to have a chat about membership. The court is also available to hire for a visitor's fee, if you have guests or fancy a game. It is a fantastic village facility and one that is there to be appreciated by all.

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SCHOOL 100 CLUB DRAW

August Winners

1st: No. 20 Alan Ford
2nd: No. 11 Stuart Lowe



Members enjoyed the July Garden meeting in Linda Wyers' lovely garden. Prosecco, straw-berries, scones and shortbread were on the menu and the garden was a delight. After a tour around the garden we sat in the conservatory and were



Members in Linda Wyers' garden

given a talk by Tamara Gunn on Failsworth Hats. The Failsworth Hat Company was established in 1903, so they have a long and very interesting history. Tamara brought lots of different hats - classy, posh and practical - and we loved trying them on. Linda and Tamara were thanked and each was presented with an arrangement of flowers.

The August meeting was a visit to the Alice in Wonderland-themed minigolf at Hartford Golf Club, when members had a very sociable evening on the 18 hole golf course. Great hilarity and laughter erupted on the greens and the joint winners were Margaret Weedall and Siobhan Sweet, each with a score of 53. We recommend the course, which suits all ages, as a great place to spend family time together.

The next meeting is on Wednesday 4th September in the Parish Hall at 7.30pm, when Jackie Mafi will give us another of her talks. This time it is called 'How it all Began'. Jackie, a high-powered business woman, has been to speak to the WI before and we look forward to hearing her again. Visitors are welcome. Tea and cakes will be served afterwards.

June Wilkinson

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Applications should be made in writing to Caroline Constable, Parish Clerk, by email to greatbudworthparishclerk@gmail.com or in writing to The Parish Clerk, Parish Hall, Smithy Lane, Great Budworth, CW9 6HL.

Please provide a short overview in support of your application, such as the experience and knowledge that you can bring to the role. The Parish Council will consider all applications. Applicants will have the opportunity to give a short introduction to themselves if they wish to at the next Parish Council meeting scheduled for Monday 9th September.

The Small Print:

Applicants must be at least 18 years old and a British citizen or an eligible Commonwealth or EU citizen. They must also meet at least one of the following four qualifications:

- 1) be registered on the electoral roll;
- 2) have occupied, as owner or tenant, land or other premises in the parish during the whole of the past 12 months;
- 3) their main or only place of work during the past 12 months has been in the parish;
- 4) have lived in the parish or within three miles of it during the whole of the past 12 months.

A SUMMER AFTERNOON OF MUSIC

The Ice Cream Farm was thronged with villagers and visitors - and the sun was shining! It was the afternoon of Sunday 28th July and the air was filled with the music of The Cinnamon String Quartet playing music by The Beatles, Dvorak, Stevie Wonder, Taylor Swift, Haydn, and ABBA. Katie Shepherd from Westage Lane and her friends from the Halle Youth Orchestra, Rosa, Mary and Esme, were rewarded with enthusiastic applause. A collection for the National Deaf Children's Society raised £562.



Year 6 School Leavers Party



For the last 8 years Nid Peters has kindly opened up her home, pool, hot tub and gardens for the Year 6 School Leavers to celebrate their last day of primary school. Also providing refreshments and snacks, Nid does this of her own volition and asks for nothing in return - her wonderful generosity and hospitality have meant that each year the children mark this major milestone with the absolutely best party and create very special memories of the occasion.

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DON HAMMOND – an appreciation



A service was held in the Parish Church on Saturday 6th July to honour the memory of our own Donald William Hammond. Don was a larger than life figure: his contribution to our village over the nearly 40 years he lived here is hard to overstate.

Don contributed to so many other ventures and had many interests. He was a unitary councillor for many years and chaired our own Parish Council for a couple of periods; for some years he chaired the Church Restoration Fund; he was a non-executive director of Halton Hospital; Chairman of Tatton Constituency; he founded and helped organise all the Big Boys events and also founded, with his first wife, Carole, the Wine Tasting Society.

His niece, Chrissy, delivered a moving—and humorous—eulogy to her uncle. She told us that Don’s mother taught both her sons how to cook—a skill that Don developed into the excellent culinary experiences that many of us enjoyed in his company. At school, Don became friends with Edward Bootland, whose first wife, Hilary, described Don as Edward’s ‘go-to friend’: he later extended that friendship to her, becoming her business mentor.

Don was a serial entrepreneur and business angel: with a flying pig as his logo, he set up and invested in a wide variety of businesses here and overseas, ranging from flooring and medical devices, to short film production (including one which won a BAFTA) and even a breakdancing troop. He loved the variety and was comfortable taking risks.

Don and Carole lived in the village happily for over 30 years. After Carole’s death, Don found a new lease of life with his second wife, Karen. The couple married in September 2017 and for the next few years enjoyed a series of adventures together, on cruises, safaris, wine tastings and visiting far-flung friends. All this in addition to trips to the races, the opera, galleries and fine restaurants.

In summary, Don was a man who lived life to the full. He will be very much missed in this village of ours.



Kathleen Hickson

Kathleen Hickson, who died in June, was an active member of both the village bowling team and the WI. Born in 1936 at Feldy Oak Farm, she wished to remain there until she died, which her daughter, Lynn and son, Kevin, ensured after she was diagnosed with bone marrow cancer and was told she had just six months to live. Kathleen enjoyed seeing all seven of her grandchildren and the many visitors who came to cheer her up. At the end of her life she received help from the Macmillan nurses four times a day and greatly appreciated all they did. She would have been thrilled to learn that a total of £710 was raised for Macmillan Cancer Support in her memory. *(See below—you can help, too!)*



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Ladies' lunch in September

September's lunch will take place on **Thursday 19th** at **The Jolly Thresher, in Lymm**, at 12.30pm.
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A meeting of Great Budworth Parish Council took place on Monday 1st July. The following is a summary of the key matters that were discussed. Full minutes of the meeting will be available on the village website in due course.

The meeting was opened by the Vice-chair, Cllr. Wilkinson, who announced the resignation of Cllr. Hammond, both as Chairman and as a parish councillor. Cllr. Wilkinson and Cllr. Culver were then unanimously elected as Chairman and Vice-Chairman, respectively.



A resident asked about pot holes. The Clerk advised that CW&C lack of funds meant that generally only patching was being done, but High Street was scheduled to be patched w/c 8th July, after which, if further work is needed, the PC can ask for a full re-surfacing.

Reports are being received that the gate onto the school playing field is still being left locked after school has finished and the PC had still not been given a key. A letter was to be sent to the school and the vicar.

The Lower Pump House:

CW&C and the Drinking Water Inspectorate have advised that signage does not remove liability and the only option may be to 'restrict the flow'. Bill Anderson had sent a report that stated that the water could be treated, but at a cost that might be prohibitive. The Clerk to contact CW&C for further testing. She also advised that a tile had slipped from the roof and there was now a hole in it.

Sale of land behind Upper Pump House: The sale was progressing.

Crownest Lane:

Members of the PC met with the owner of Boxhedge Hall, Mr Latif, on the 6th June, and relayed to him residents' concerns regarding the cutting down of trees, work done on the lane and the gates. Mr Latif stated that he only cut down diseased trees or those threatening to fall on his property and the gates were a temporary measure in order to secure his property. He stated that Highways had visited the lane and were happy that he reinstated a hard surface as the previous one had deteriorated underneath vegetation. He advised that at present he had no plans to develop his land, but that if he did, he would be governed by planning laws.

The Clerk reported that she had contacted Highways regarding the extension of the resurfaced lane into the hedgerow line but the response was that it was necessary as the lorries delivering material had been slipping and running into the hedgerow.

Westage Lane:

The Clerk had contacted Aston-by-Budworth PC in April about the potholes and had been advised by its Clerk that Cheshire East reported that the road is not in need of repair, but that it will be put on their 'future rolling programme for Level 2 patching'.

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Defibrillator:

The current pads will expire in February 2026. Although the unit is working and the battery does not currently need replacing, a new unit may need to be purchased in 2026. It was agreed that an item would be added to the 2025/2026 budget to cover its replacement.

The next meeting will take place on Monday, 9th September, in the Parish Hall, starting at 7.00pm.



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