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*Clifton upon Teme • The Shelsleys • Lower Sapey*

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100 year old Molly Kirby and her daughter

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**Front cover picture:** Rosemary Hart with her mother Mrs Molly Kirby of Shelsley Kings, celebrating her 100th birthday with her card from HM The Queen

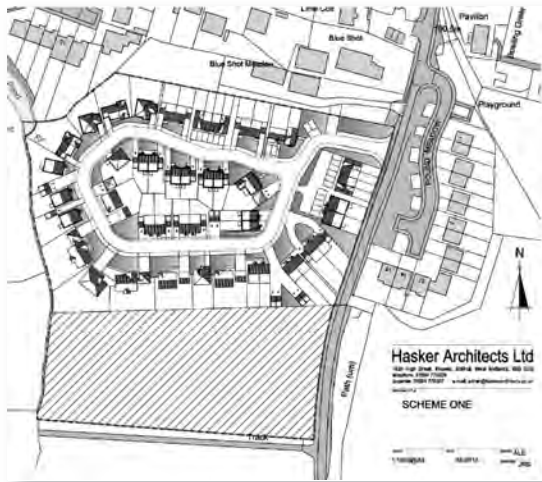
Welcome to the May edition of Teme Triangle. It's lovely to see the blossom flowering and the Valley looking lush, green and welcoming. There's lots going on so take your pick!

First the latest news on housing from Clifton:

## PLANS FOR 50 MORE HOUSES IN CLIFTON

Plans for a further development of 50 houses on Blue Shot Meadow, Pound Lane in Clifton have been circulated to parish councillors.

The Site Promotion Document produced by Greenlight Developments has already been submitted to Malvern Hills District Council and the South Worcestershire Development Plan (SWDP). According to the document, "Clifton upon Teme can accommodate more housing; this level of housing should be substantially more than the 30 dwellings currently being proposed under the SWDP. Blue Shot Meadow, Pound Lane, is the most appropriate site to accommodate a housing development of 50 dwellings on the immediate edge of the village in close proximity to its key services".



Local resident Kate Shrubbs, who led the Clifton's Choice Campaign against the plan to build 30 houses in Hope Lane last year said: "This will come as a bombshell to those of us who live here and have already reluctantly accepted that we are going to get a housing estate in Hope Lane. There will be an outcry if this latest proposal is allowed."

A representative of Greenlight Developments is expected to attend the next meeting of Clifton Parish Council at 7.30pm in the village hall on Thursday, 1st May.

## CLIFTON NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN PRESENTATION

Clifton residents attending the Annual Parish Meeting in the village hall at 7.30pm on Thursday, 15th May, will be given a short presentation by the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group on progress so far and plans for conducting a survey of all parishioners as part of the process of preparing a plan for the village and its environment.

“This is an opportunity for everyone to find out how we aim to develop the Neighbourhood Plan for the parish,” said Steering Group Chairman, Helen Winer. “We need your views and ideas to help us shape and focus the plan and we are looking for volunteers to assist with a house to house survey. We would also welcome assistance and input from anyone who has particular skills to contribute. Please get involved; your opinions will count”.

The next scheduled meeting of the Neighbourhood Plan Group will take place at 7.30pm on Thursday, 22nd May, in the Rowberry Room in the village hall.

## **SHELSLEY FETE AND DOG SHOW UPDATE**

Donations and volunteers are being sought to help repeat the success of the Shelsley Fete and Fun Dog Show this summer.

The organisers of the fete, which will be on Sunday, July 13th at Little Blakes in Shelsley Beauchamp, are asking Teme Triangle readers to think about what they can give to the many stalls.



In particular, the Regional Produce stall will be grateful for soft fruit, garden produce, preserves, cakes and anything else to eat. Stall organiser Rebecca Perry is asking anyone interested to phone or email her at [rebeccaperry25@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:rebeccaperry25@yahoo.co.uk)/01886 812386 or simply turn up on the day and add it to the stall.

Mel Williams will be once again running the hugely popular Bric-a-Brac stall in Jamie and Patricia Marlar's barn at Little Blakes. All donations gratefully received by Mel (01886 812993 and [melanie.j.williams@btinternet.com](mailto:melanie.j.williams@btinternet.com)). And donations/prizes are also being sought, as well as volunteer stall holder(s), for the fete's Tombola. Anyone interested is asked to contact Andy Griffiee ([andy.griffiee@live.co.uk](mailto:andy.griffiee@live.co.uk)/01299 896430).

There will also be a stall dedicated to WWI with special emphasis on the contribution made by Valley residents. If anybody has any artifacts, records, stories, photographs or any other sort of relevant information please contact either Hilda Webb or Johnny Crabbe by 29th June. It could be Home Front or Trenches. Hilda 01886 812223 or [hildacwebb@gmail.com](mailto:hildacwebb@gmail.com) or Johnny 01886 812373 [johnny.crabbe@sky.com](mailto:johnny.crabbe@sky.com)

Meanwhile Iain Patton, impresario of Teme's Got Talent, which will form part of this year's fete, is already working on a line-up of local entertainers in four separate categories - adult, child, family and animals! Please let him know if you intend to take to the stage via his email, [iainpatton@shelsleybank.org.uk](mailto:iainpatton@shelsleybank.org.uk).

The fete will start at 3pm and raise money for the upkeep of All Saints Church in Shelsley Beauchamp.

## **CELEBRATING A CENTENARY**

The Teme's longest-living resident, Molly Kirby has marked her 100th birthday with a tea party, celebration lunch, a card from The Queen and a special peal of the Shelsley church bells.

Mrs Kirby, who was christened Florence May, was born on March 30th 1914 – just four months before the outbreak of the First World War. Sadly, her mother died just 6 weeks later and her 29-year-old father, a carpenter who had moved from Abberley to Barry in South Wales to find work, sent his daughter back to grow up with her grandparents at Hillside Farm.

Molly still remembers growing up on the farm with her many uncles and aunts, drinking lots of unpasteurised cows' milk, eating home-butchered pork and even taking a bottle of cider with her for her school lunches! She moved into Fairhaven on Kingswood Lane in 1932 but had to leave when her grandparents died just as World War II broke out.

Fairhaven was rented out while she went to live with an aunt in Stourbridge who owned a greengrocer's shop before moving on to Hatton, Warwick where she worked for another of her many aunts at the New Inn pub. It was here she met Frank, her husband-to-be who she married when he returned from service with the Royal Navy in the Far East in 1946.

Molly and Frank moved back into Fairhaven where they had their daughter Rosemary and son Peter. Frank died in 1974 but Molly is still lucky enough to live at Fairhaven with her daughter, son-in-law Bernard and her granddaughter Lucy.

The sprightly centenarian is a familiar sight with her eye shade and walking stick as she still enjoys a daily walk along Kingswood Lane and back. She also enjoys going to Wichenford Day Centre once a week and enjoyed a special birthday lunch there with her friends before going to All Saints Church for a celebratory peal of bells.

Asked for the secret to such a long and happy life, Molly says, "I've been very lucky to have a good son and daughter and I've never smoked or drank – apart from the odd glass of sherry!"



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Molly was a founder-member of the Shelsley's Women's Institute, a regular helper at the church fete and she often helped clean the church and arrange the flowers. She remembers picking primroses with her grandmother and putting them all around the church in jam jars.

Bernard and Rosemary Hart hosted an afternoon tea party for family and neighbours to mark the occasion where the Queen's special greetings card had pride of place among the 85 which were sent to this special lady.

### **SHELSLEY WATERMILL OPEN DAYS**

Shelsley Watermill will be open on both days of National Mills Weekend, 10th & 11th May 2014.

The mill will be open from 10:00 – 16:00 on both days with milling taking place from 2pm to 4pm (subject to conditions on the day). Last year there were around 150 visitors over the two days ranging from local families to die-hard mill enthusiasts bent on visiting as many mills as they could over the weekend. Refreshments will be available and souvenir flour in return for donations.

Richard Gallé , Shelsley Water Mill Society

### **CLIFTON ON TEME HUNT POINT TO POINT**

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This year's Clifton on Teme Hunt's Point to Point takes place on Saturday May 17th, with the first of the seven races at 2 pm.



The entry fee is £10.00 per person, with children under 16 free. The course side car park- where you can watch the racing sitting in the comfort of you car also has free entry.

Once again we will be holding a special race at the end of the day, called the "Clifton Challenge". This is for local riders who have not competed in any race, either as a point to point jockey or under Jockey Club rules, plus their horses who again must not have taken part in any point to points or under Jockey Club Rules. This is an optimum timed race, to give everyone an equal chance of winning. So if you feel that this is for you (you must be over 16 and be fully insured) and would like to take part over a steeplechase course (one circuit, missing out the open ditch) then contact the organizer: [emma.carpenter@abberleyhall.co.uk](mailto:emma.carpenter@abberleyhall.co.uk). For all other queries please contact: [alichampion.ptp@gmail.com](mailto:alichampion.ptp@gmail.com)

There will be a fully licensed bar and catering facilities plus several trade stands and entertainment for children.



## WHAT'S NEW AT MILL FARMYARD, STANFORD BRIDGE

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**The Snug beauty barn** is now offering spring/summer pamper packages for bikini bodies and flip flop ready feet! Massage is a speciality and a third therapist will be joining soon offering hot stone massage and body treatments. **Tel 01886 853296**



**The Parlour hair barn** has also had a refurb. Please call in and meet the team for a consultation on a new summer hairstyle or colour. **Tel 01886 853338**

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## Why Celebrate Rogation Day?

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Hark, where my blossom'd pear tree in the hedge  
Leans to the field and scatters on the clover  
Blossoms and dewdrops – at the bent spray's edge

Words from the poem 'Home-thought's, from Abroad by Robert Browning which describes the profound beauty of the month of May with its abundance of delicious rich blossoms.

During May we celebrate Rogation Sunday, when prayer is offered for God's blessing on the fruits of the earth. I think it is fair to say that to many people Rogation Sunday may be thought of as a quaint and somewhat outdated date on the liturgical calendar. After all, most of us turn up at the supermarket to buy food and there it is in abundance. However we who are privileged to live in the rural communities see at first hand the hard work of the farmers, very often battling against the elements to grow the food that often can be taken for granted as it mysteriously appears on the supermarket shelves.

In Clifton we have now for many years celebrated Rogation Sunday actually down on the farm and we shall be doing so again on May 25th, which is Rogation Sunday. This is a wonderful service held at New House Farm at the kind invitation of Ann and Shelia Jones. The service takes place in the barn together with lambs, hens and Sheila's beautiful collie bitch. Also there is the opportunity to walk into the fields to bless the crops and to pray for God's blessing upon the work of the farmers throughout the year. After which hotdogs and drinks are served. A wonderful service for all the family.

So, on this Rogation Sunday we shall be thinking about that bowl of cornflakes we had for breakfast and the lovely bread we had for lunch. Someone grew those crops, someone worked hard to harvest the fruits of their labour. So we will gather on the 25th to give thanks to God for his unstinting and faithful goodness, and to pray for those who struggle to feed their families, and we will remember that the earth God has given us is a unique, precious and profoundly beautiful garden, for which we should be thankful and use to the benefit of all human beings.

So please come and join us at this tradition Rogation service, Anne and Sheila would be delighted to welcome you to New House Farm

### **A message from John Sumner:**

As some of you are aware, I have been under careful observation for prostate cancer over the last 5 years. I had rather hoped that it would go on like this indefinitely, but the doctors are now telling me firmly that I will need treatment later this year.

After various consultations and tests, it has now been decided that I shall have 'the full op' which is radical surgery. This, I am afraid, will mean that I am out of public circulation for 2 or 3 months.

Everybody is being most helpful, and as my condition is not particularly urgent the hospital are willing to arrange my admission partly to suit my diary. This means that I will be able to fulfil my obligations up to first part of August, take a bit of holiday to make sure I am fit and well enough for the operation, and then have the time out during the autumn. Precise dates and the precise method of operation have yet to be finalised.

As I will either be in hospital or having to rest up for quite a few weeks, many of the household arrangements that I share with Alice will naturally fall upon her. It is likely therefore that Alice will need to step back from her parish involvements during the same 2 or 3 months that I am off duty.

I do thank everybody for the kind wishes that have been sent to me whenever I have notified committee members and other colleagues about developments. One of the comments was 'the main thing is to get you sorted and well. We will cope.'

With all best wishes,

John

### **Event success**

The Barn Dance in Clifton last month raised nearly £300 for the St. Kenelm's Church Appeal. The next fund-raising event for the church is the Flower Festival and open Gardens weekend on the 21/22 June.



## PICTURES FOR AN EXHIBITION

Do you have a picture or any other artwork by Elaine Dennis? Many local people will remember this talented local artist who lived at Stanford on Teme until her death in December 2009.

She undertook many commissions, many of them of much loved animals, and she was known for her ability to somehow capture the spirit of her subjects. Two admirers of her work, Maggie Wood and Gill Churchill are trying to organize an exhibition of her work to commemorate and celebrate her talent. They are hoping to display her work in the Stanford area this summer.



Success will depend on getting together as many pieces of her work as we can find and people are kind enough to let us display. Great care will be taken with handling and security.

“We realize some people may have pictures but not wish to loan them. We would still appreciate you getting in touch so we can record the pieces and build up as complete a picture of her work as possible,” says Maggie Wood. “We look forward to hearing from anyone in possession of Elaine’s work and will publicise details of the event as soon as they are finalised.”

If you are in possession of any of Elaine’s work please contact either Maggie Wood on 01544 260848 or 07952 972746; [maggiewood99@hotmail.com](mailto:maggiewood99@hotmail.com). Or Gill Churchill on 01886 853240 or 07779 009876; [egchurchill@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:egchurchill@yahoo.co.uk)

### Letter to the Editor

The article on POW brought back some memories about Werner Stawinski, who was also at the camp, married locally and lived at Coppice Cottage. In the early 50s I remember him on his motorbike and sidecar, bringing his accumulator batteries to be charged at Burnhams Garage on his way to work at Shelsley. He was quite a hero, rescuing one of the Holloway brothers from the river because of a runaway tractor. He returned to Germany promising his wife they would come back to visit, but unfortunately they were the wrong side of the Berlin wall and she died just before it came down, so she never got her wish. He came and stayed with us a few times, but the Christmas cards stopped about three years ago. Last year, we had a family stay from Germany, and it turned out that he was Werner’s nephew, coming to see where his Uncle had lived, as he always spoke so highly of the valley and people. If you had to be a prisoner of war, then there must have been far worse places than Clifton to have been sent.

Diane Mann, Pitlands Farm

## **RURAL REELS!**

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## **MEDICAL EMERGENCY- WHAT SHALL I DO?**

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## **CAN YOU HELP TRACK DOWN ANCESTORS?**

A retired Londoner whose ancestors lived in the Shelsleys throughout the 18th century is appealing for help to find out more about them.

Geoffrey Corbett visited All Saints Church at Shelsley Beauchamp in the summer of 2011 in the hope of finding some evidence of his family's life in the Teme Valley. His researches into his family tree indicate no less than 20 members of the Corbett family were born in the Shelsleys between 1732 and 1805. The occupation of some of the Corbetts included a lawyer, a vet, a miller and a draper.

However, Geoffrey believes the majority of them were thought to be seedsmen and 'Garden Cottage' is an address he has for them towards the end of the 1700's. Sadly, he wasn't able to find any family tombstones or memorials nor a Garden Cottage during his visit. Now Geoffrey has sent a donation to the church and asked if any parishioners with a keen interest in local history might be able to help him.

He can be contacted via email at [gmcorbett@virginmedia.com](mailto:gmcorbett@virginmedia.com).

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## TEME VALLEY WILDLIFE

The spring started off really well this year in the Teme Valley with lots of people reporting sightings of Brimstone butterflies in March. This is one of only a few butterfly species that over winter as an adult. They hibernate away in sheds and out buildings and typically emerge in April & May.

But this year, we had a run of a few warm days at the beginning of March that tempted many of them out early. Early emergences from hibernation can be devastating to a population, as timings are usually associated to coincide with availability of food. Insects (and animals) that come out of hibernation early often have no food available and the population crashes though starvation. Fortunately however, as nectar feeders, Brimstone butterflies were able to make use of the Primroses which were just about appearing at this time too, so nectar was available, although Bluebells, Betony, Knapweeds and Dandelion, all of which are alternative nectar sources favoured by this butterfly, had not yet manifest themselves.

The female lays her eggs on the underside of newest formed leaves of Alder and Buckthorn. Even where these tree species are plentiful, the female will often commit to laying in a very small isolated patch of leaves. The first thing the tiny caterpillar larvae do on emerging from the egg is to move onto the top side of the leaf, where they feed themselves up vigorously, nibbling away at the sides of the leaf, thus belying their presence. The caterpillars, which have a curious habit of arching their back off the leaf when at rest, go through four moults in a short space of time, before pupating and finally emerging as fully grown adults forming a second brood in the mid to late summer. So judging by the numbers seen this spring, there may well be a plethora of Brimstone butterflies around in August this year having received a jump start on the breeding cycle.

Also appearing at this time of year will be the Orange-tip butterfly. This is a butterfly that has not over wintered as an adult, but will have freshly emerged from pupation this spring. The Orange-tip is a predominantly white butterfly, but with, as the name suggests, very distinctive orange tips to the fore wings. At least, the male does. The female of the species is also white, but where the male has orange tips, the female has black tips. Hence she can easily be often over looked as one of the more common white species. The Teme Valley provides a very suitable habitat for the Orange-tip which prefers country lanes, hedgerows, riverbanks, woodland margins, rides and damp meadows. When at rest, the wings fold and show an intricate green and white mottling on the underside which in no way reflects or resembles the upper wing. With such camouflaging and when at rest, this butterfly can easily be overlooked. The female chooses a plant on which to lay her eggs very carefully, alighting on them and tasting the plant with taste receptors in her feet. Favoured plants are Cuckoo flower, Garlic Mustard and Large Bitter-cress. When a suitable plant

has been found, she lays a single egg. Single with good reason, as the caterpillar larvae of this species are cannibalistic. Incredibly, it is believed that a female can detect if a particular plant already has an egg laid on it by another female, thus avoiding laying a second egg on it. The caterpillar larvae will eat the eggs shell and then move to devour the developing seed pods of the flower. This species also goes through a four moult stage, before making a cocoon on an upright stem on which to over winter, before emerging the following spring.

The next indoor meeting of the Wildlife Group is on Thursday 8th May when we welcome ecologist, Dr Mark Robinson from the Canal & River Trust. Mark will be talking about what goes into the creation of a reed bed as part of a water ways restoration project, highlighting the wildlife that take direct benefit from creation of such habitat. The meeting is at Rochford Village 7:30pm and as always, its just £2 on the door where everybody is most welcome.

For Up to date information on what wildlife is being seen in the area, or to give us your sightings, visit us at [www.temevalleywildlife.com](http://www.temevalleywildlife.com) The Wildlife Group normally holds a meeting the 2nd Thursday of the month. All are very welcome. Tel. 01584 781500 or email [danny.arnold@waterwide.com](mailto:danny.arnold@waterwide.com)

### **LOWER SAPEY NEWS Marion West**

In May our Ladies' Bible Study will be with Barbara Raybould on Tuesday, 13th May at 2pm. Church Flowers for May will be taken care of by Jean Yates for the 4th and 11th May, and by Jane Dallow for the 18th and 25th May.

Church cleaning is for Angie Dallow. As usual, huge thanks are due to all the willing helpers who keep our church clean and beautiful. On the same subject we shall be having a Churchyard Clean-up on Wednesday, 14th May from 5.30 pm, followed by a strategy meeting to work out how we shall continue this work on a regular basis. Lots of coffee and biscuits of course!

On May 25th Harpley's Green Man, Jeremy Griffiths will be conducting one of his fascinating walks around the village to collect herbs which we will then take back to blend our own unique de-toxifying meal in church! Don't miss-out.

Research on World War One continues apace. We now need something to display it on! Does anyone have access to display/exhibition boards, through schools, village halls or businesses, which we could borrow from August to November this year – or part of that period? If so, do please let Marion know (01886 853 249)



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**Abbreviated Draft minutes of Clifton upon Teme Parish Council Meeting held on 3rd April at the Village Hall.** All councillors present plus Mrs J Dale (Clerk) and 5 members of the public. Apologies were received and accepted from District Councillor G Farmer.

**Public Question Time:**

A parishioner expressed concern that the Playing Fields did not have a postcode. He requested that a post box be installed by the Pavilion to allow a postcode to be allocated. He also is concerned about the nomination of "Community Assets" which should be part of the Neighbourhood Plan and requested that the Parish Council write a formal note to the NPSG. Concern was expressed about the road condition on the B4202 Clifton Hill. He requested that Councillors use the road prior to the next meeting and report back. The issue of the number of cars parked on the junction at Hope Lane is causing concern. Dog fouling on the playing field was raised – note in Teme Triangle and letters to neighbouring houses. **Minutes:** The minutes of the meeting held on March 6th were approved and signed accordingly. District Councillor Reports: A brief email of apology was read out from Cllr G Farmer. Correspondence: MHDC – Invitation to Health & Social Care Debate 16th April – noted. WCC – Parish Council conference – 30th April – Cllrs Bradley and Winer to attend.

**Correspondence for circulation:**

Clerks & Councils Direct, Proposed new Financial Regulations inc Online banking, Agenda for Parish Council conference, Invitation to join Rural Sounding Board, Countryside Voice, MHDC Press Release re SWDP, WCC Parish Conference Agenda, Minutes of Scout Hut Committee meeting.

**Progress Reports:** Ham Bridge Visibility – ongoing; The Pound – ongoing; Hollands Mill – To be inspected shortly. Ood Road drainage (Ref 6011676) – will be looked at by WCC when surface water is reduced. Hollybush Lane Landslip – has been referred to Structures Team to investigate. Footpath warden – Cllr Bradley has this in hand – ongoing.

**Finance:**

- Payments were agreed as detailed on the schedule (previously circulated) excluding WCC payment for salt.
- The request from the PTA for sponsorship was discussed at length with The Chair of the PTA. Cllr Bradley proposed, seconded

by Cllr Winer that Parish Council donate £250 at this point.

- Audit paperwork received from Grant Thornton – Audit date 16th June 2014 (information only) - noted
- To consider quotations received for renewal of electricity supply for pavilion. After discussion Cllr Pound proposed, seconded by

Cllr Balch that a contract with Opus Energy be taken out as there would be no increased cost implications.

**Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group:** The amended Terms of Reference for the NPSG were approved and signed accordingly. Proposed Cllr Bradley, seconded Cllr Balch – all in favour.

**Parish Council Website:** Cllr Pound and the clerk had met with Mrs Higgins and had re-negotiated a price based on both Martley and Clifton upon Teme Parish Councils taking up the offer. Cllr Pound proposed, seconded by Cllr Balch that we proceed on this basis if Martley is in agreement.

**Clerk's Urgent Decisions:** Removal of fallen tree brash by football pitch. Planning 5 Old Road – Council support application. CILCA registration completed.

**Lengthsman's Duties:**

- To consider duties for April – hedge between footpath and BP hut to be tidied up for access.
- To approve and sign contract for 2014-2015 - completed
- Participation in "pilot" proposed by WCC - noted
- WCC had verbally confirmed that they are in favour of the proposal to share a jetter with adjoining parishes and would be prepared to make a financial contribution. Council requested that the clerk write to Cllr Pollock to see if he felt able to make a contribution from his Divisional fund. The Lengthsman to obtain formal quotations for the purchase of a jetter.

**Councillors reports:**

Cllr Bradley reported that Outreach had carried out tree work and left the boughs on the verge.

Cllr Bradley reported that there was rubbish in the youth shelter. Mr Thompson agreed to clear.

Cllr Crump reported sheep worrying at top of hill climb.

Cllr Pound reported that the playground had been inspected and the report is awaited. Several minor items require attention. He also reported that Whitbourne were well advanced with their Neighbourhood Plan.

**Next Meeting:** The next meeting will be held on Thursday 1st May at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

### **Dog Fouling**

At the recent Parish Council meeting the subject of dog fouling was raised. It was reported that people are using the Playing Field and Football Pitch to exercise their dogs. Dogs are only allowed on the footpath across the playing field and then they must be on a lead and the owner must clear up any mess. It is an offence not to do so. PLEASE BE A RESPONSIBLE DOG OWNER AND CLEAR UP AFTER YOUR DOG.

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The Annual Meeting of the Parish Council will take place immediately after the above meeting and parishioners are also invited to attend. As always there is an opportunity for the public to ask questions of the Parish Council. Agenda for the meetings will be available on the website at <http://www.worcestershire.gov.uk/myparish/>

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Clifton-upon-Teme 01886 853248.

Two Homebase 30L Cream Peddle-bins with brushed  
metal finish lids. £30.00 each or both for £50.00



Fellowes A3 Mars Laminating Machine. £30.00

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1 and 2. In good condition. £45.00.



Tel: 887898 (Martley)

Please contact Sue Johns (s.johns@virgin.net) to give details of items  
wanted or for sale.

**HERBS OF HARPLEY SPRING DETOX WALK**

Sunday, 25th of May 2:30-4:00pm Starting at the Church  
Join Harpley's Green Man...Herbalist Jeremy Griffiths, in a walk around our  
community to identify and gather our healthy native herbs which we will take  
back to the church and blend into our own unique detoxifying meal.  
Remember to bring your wellies, plenty of enthusiasm...and your taste  
buds!...Prices £3 pounds for adults...children till 16 years free.  
For more information contact: Jeremy Griffiths on 07852663001 or write to  
tgm.mobileherbalist@outlook.com or Candy Connolly  
candy@shaneconnolly.co.uk or phone 01886 853248.

**POUND THE BOUNDS**

On 4th May 2014 the folks of Rock will be holding the 14th year of Pounding the  
Bounds. Experienced walkers can tackle the entire parish boundary of 25miles,  
while there are other walks of 18miles, 12miles, 9miles 6miles (guided and  
independent) and even a 3mile treasure trail for the youngsters.  
Raise funds for Midlands Air Ambulance through your entrance fee. Registration  
£8 for the 25 & 18 mile walks. £6 for the 12, 6 and guided walks or £3 for under  
15's payable on the day.  
CONTACT: Henk Buzink on 01299 832496  
or email: hands.buzink@btinternet.com



## Services for MAY

day	month	Lower Sapey (Harpley)	Clifton	Shelsley Beauchamp	Shelsley Walsh
3rd	Saturday		3.00 pm Messy Church		
4th.	<b>May 2012</b> 2nd after Easter	10.30 am Morning Prayer Pat Snelling	8:00 am Holy Communion Rev. Andrew Bullock 10:00 am Morning Prayer Rev. Andrew Bullock	11 am <b>Quiet Service</b> Alice Sumner	<b>2.30pm Baptism</b> Rev. John Sumner
5th	Monday		10.00 for 10.30 am Push Chair Praise		
11th.	3rd. after Easter ☐	10.30 am Methodist <b>Communion Service</b> Rev. Anne Smith	10.00am Holy Communion Rev. Adrian Graesser		6.30 pm Evening Prayer Pat Snelling
18th	Easter 4	9.00 am Holy Communion Rev. John Sumner	8.00 am Holy Communion Rev. John Sumner 10.00 am <b>Christian Aid Service</b>	11:00 am Iona-Style Service Beryl Robson ☐	
21st	Wednesday		7.30pm Time for TIME OUT		
25th. ☐	<b>Rogation</b>	10.30 am Fourth Sunday Service Jen Denniston	<b>10.30 am Family Rogation Service at New House Farm</b>  6.30 pm Evening Prayer Pat Snelling		8:00 am Holy Communion Rev. Richard Tweedie
29th.	<b>Ascension Day</b>	<b>7.30pm</b>	<b>Deanery</b>	<i>service at</i>	<b>Martley</b>
1st ☐	<b>June</b> Sunday after Ascension	10.30 am Morning Prayer Pat Snelling	8.00 am Holy Communion Rev. David Sherwin 10:00 am Matins ☐	11.00 am Valley Praise Des Robson	8:00 am MAC service Pat Snelling
Clifton Rectory: 01886 812 483					
Churchwardens :					
<b>Clifton</b> Barbara Seeley 01 886 812 763		<b>The Shelsleys</b> Brian Elvins 01886 812 446 briansedgley1@btinternet.com		<b>Lower Sapey:</b> Candy Connolly: 01 886 853 248 cconnolly111@googlemail.com	
<b>Bold type:</b> indicates a change from the usual pattern of services <i>Italic type indicates: "subject to confirmation"</i>					

# CALENDAR

## MAY

- 1 Clifton Parish Council meeting, VH 7.30pm
- 3 Coffee Morning, The Old House, Clifton, 10am - 12noon
- 3/4 Shelsley Walsh Hillclimb
- 4 Rock Pound the Bounds walk
- 4 Bluebell Ride, Wichenford 10am
- 6 Shelsleys Annual Parish Meeting, VH 7pm followed by Annual Meeting of the Parish Council.
- 7 Clifton Friendship Club: Rosemary Prosser From Tights to Trousers VH 2.30pm
- 10 Clifton Primary School May Fayre: 1.30-4pm
- 10 Clifton Friendship Club's coffee morning, 24 The Village
- 10 Rural Reels film: Gravity Clifton VH 6.30 for 7pm
- 10-11 Shelsley Watermill open 10am-4pm
- 11 Pensax Spring Walk, VH 11am
- 11-17 Christian Aid Week
- 14 'Heartstart' Training, Clifton VH 7.30pm
- 14 Lower Sapey Churchyard clean up 5.30pm
- 15 Clifton Annual Parish Meeting, VH
- 17 Clifton Point-to-Point, Poswick Farm, Upper Sapey 2pm
- 17 Shindig Bowjangles Clows Top VH, 7pm
- 18 Clifton Treasure Hunt (St. Kenelms)
- 21 Clifton Friendship Club AGM VH 2.30pm
- 22 Neighbourhood Plan Group Clifton VH 7.30pm
- 25 Rogation Sunday Service, New House Farm.
- 25 Scrummy Stuff Market, Clifton VH 2pm-4.30pm
- 25 Herbs of Harpley Walk
- 31 Shelsley Walsh Hillclimb

## JUNE

- 5 Clifton Parish Council meeting, VH 7.30pm
- 7 Rural Reels film: Saving Mr Banks Clifton VH 6.30 for 7pm
- 13 Volante Strings concert, Stanford Church, 7.30pm
- 14 Rural Reels film: Jean De Florette Clifton VH 6.30 for 7pm
- 28 Clifton WI coffee morning

## JULY

- 8 Shelsleys Parish Council meeting VH 7pm
- 12 Martley YFC Ball, Noak Farm, Martley
- 13 Shelsleys Fete 3pm



*Molly Kerby listening to her special peal of the Shelsley church bells.*



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