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September 2016



*Farewell to John and Alice*

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**Our front cover picture shows:**

Rev.d John Sumner and his wife Alice, who will be retiring on 25th September.

**WELCOME** to the September edition of Teme Triangle.

It's been a lovely couple of months and our valley has looked at its best, with plenty of good conditions for haymaking and harvesting. My thanks to our guest editors Jerry Johns and Louise Hutton for taking the reins and producing great magazines all through the summer, as well as keeping our website and facebook pages up to date.

It's not only the editors who have been busy, farmers have been working flat out and so have the fundraisers – we have a roundup of summer events and details of those coming up in autumn.

First, our front cover photo shows John and Alice Sumner who retire this month.

### **FAREWELL TO JOHN AND ALICE**

On September 25th Rev.d John Sumner will be leaving the area after eight years as Rector in our parishes.

John moved to Worcestershire twelve years ago from an all consuming and pioneering ministry in Glastonbury to a job as chaplain at Lazletts Alms Houses in Worcester, and four years later he agreed to take the post as part time minister here, moving into the Rectory in Clifton.

John and Alice have taken a very active part in the local community and John put far more than the two days a week intended into his ministry. However, he has now decided to retire fully and they will be moving to Box, near Bath in Wiltshire.

Alice said; “ We have absolutely loved our time here and it gave us both a new lease of life. We shall continue to play an active and hopefully useful role in church life, and John has already accepted an invitation to come back to officiate at a wedding next year.”

**There will be a farewell buffet on Sun 25th Sept at 1pm in Clifton Village Hall after John's last service in the morning. Everyone in the Benefice is welcome.**

John will not be replaced in our parishes and there are ongoing discussions about ways to keep the Christian ministry alive here.

On 20th September West Worcestershire Rural Team is hosting a meeting at the Cobb House, Wichford to discuss possibilities All those on the church electoral roll are invited to attend. 7-9pm. If you cannot attend but have a suggestion to contribute please email [davidwin56@aol.com](mailto:davidwin56@aol.com)

## **SUMMER EVENTS BRING OUT THE CROWDS**

Local events have been varied and colourful this summer with most of them enjoying good weather. Here are just a few. Photo highlights on page 16 & 17.

**TENBURY AGRICULTURAL SHOW** basked in sunshine and there were plenty of local faces amongst the entrants and the visitors.

Clifton Early Years' Centre contributors included Henry Edwards, Joshua Hill, Georgie Gibbs and Charlie Stevens who all won prizes, whilst Tara Birch cut a real dash on her pony in the Fancy Dress.



### **SHELSLEYS' CONCERT SUCCESS**

A sell out concert in All Saints Church, Shelsley Beauchamp by London capella groups Close Shaves and High Heels raised a total of £1,540 of which £1,020 will go to the Worcester Breast Cancer Haven, and £520 to local churches. Donations can be sent to Candy Connolly, The Hope, Clifton on Teme WR6 6HE.

### **NOVOTON FARM BARN DANCE**

Audience participation in a range of guises was the order of the night at Novoton Farm where Clem and Sue Softly won the prize for best Dukes of Hazard outfits - Sue as Daisy Duke and Clem as Uncle Jessie. A lot of line dancing went on and Tim Lawson's Magic Bars made the event a financial success and they raised £900 for St Mary's Church.



**CLIFTON OPEN GARDENS WEEKEND** in July raised £700 for St Kenelm's Church. Bert and Pat Bradley's garden was voted one of the best

### **WORCESTER MALE VOICE CHOIR IN AID OF NORA PARSONS' CENTRE**

The choir was fantastic as was the soloist and the event, which was a 'full house,' raised the magnificent sum of £835.

### **CLIFTON BROWNIES**

Clifton Brownies sent a 90th birthday card to the Queen; they created it themselves with small groups working together, bringing different drawings together to make the final card.

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## **NEW COMMUNITY MESSAGING SERVICE FROM 1st SEPTEMBER**

The incidence of crime in our area has gone up significantly in the past year and sadly continues. There is a particular increase in burglaries to outbuildings and sheds with farm and gardening equipment being stolen.

The Neighbourhood watch team has alerted us to a new Community Messaging Service (CMS) which begins on September 1st, to which anyone can subscribe to obtain up to date information about local incidents.

<https://www.westmercia.police.uk/cms> and follow the link to CMS messaging.

The local police have also asked that residents continue to report any suspicious activity in the area by calling 101 (non urgent) or 999 (urgent).

## **CLIFTON ORGANISATIONS' PLEA TO PARISH COUNCIL**

A letter on behalf of six organisations and clubs in Clifton has been sent to parish councillors urging them to reconsider the Parish Council's decision to cease publication of draft minutes of their meetings in Teme Triangle.

The letter, from Clifton Women's Institute secretary, Beth Whittenbury, requested that Clifton Parish Council "will once again allow the publication of the draft and un-adopted Parish Council minutes to appear in the Teme Triangle as soon as possible after each meeting has taken place. There is little point in publishing minutes that are months out of date".

"Not everyone has access to the web site and in the wider farming community and for rural residents, also part of Clifton Parish, the connection to the internet is often poor and unreliable. Many elderly and housebound residents rely on their copy of the Teme Triangle for local news and information. Even those who can get out and about may not find it easy to stand and read a typed copy of the minutes in the Parish Council notice board."

"Between us we have not heard one positive comment to support the withdrawal of this integral part of our local news distribution. Parishioners have been puzzled as to why the decision has been made by their Parish representatives, in particular because the Shelsley draft and un-adopted minutes are still appearing with no apparent difficulty".

"With openness and freedom of information in mind, there should be no problem either with guidelines or even legislation as long as the minutes are headed appropriately that they are 'Draft' and 'Un-adopted'."

The letter was sent on behalf of the Clifton WI, St Kenelm's Parochial Church Council, the Clifton Friendship Club, the Lion Coffee Group, Clifton Bowling Club and the Trustees of Clifton Village Hall.



## **MY WELSH IRONMAN CHALLENGE - SUNDAY 18TH SEPTEMBER 2016 - FOR ED BARRETT**

My name is Emma Carpenter, I live in Upper Sapey and I am married to Richard Carpenter (CarpenterGoodwin, Leominster) and I have 2 beautiful children Harriet (12) and Henry (11). In just over 3 weeks I am taking on the Welsh Ironman in Tenby, considered by most as one of the worlds hardest, two days short of my 47th birthday for Ed Barrett from Bromyard.



Ed's family home is The Noakes, just out of Bromyard on the Leominster road, where his mother and father, Dave and Sally and brother Russ, farm and run the well renowned Riding School. Some of you may also know Roger Benbow owner of Tipton Riding School at Tedstone Delamere. He is Ed's Uncle.

I met Ed when he was 12 years old, when teaching him in the Clifton-on-Teme Hunt Pony Club. I helped him achieve the highest accolade in PC, his 'A Test' and achieve his Teaching Qualifications. Ed always wanted to be a jockey, so I suggested he go down to Devon to my brother Ed Walkers' racing Yard which he runs with his wife 8 times Champion Amateur Jockey Polly Gundry. He had 5+ happy years down there and was very successful, before joining Henry Daley's Establishment on Clee Hill as Assistant Trainer.

Unfortunately, soon into his new job, Ed had a life changing fall whilst riding in a point to point in Devon in April 2015. He broke his neck badly. The progress he has made from being horizontal to where he is now is incredible and a credit to his own determination and hard work. However, he is 27 years old and his life will never be what he thought it would be.

We all know the risks of such sports, but most of us get away with it.

So I felt the need to do something to raise funds for Ed. Anyone who is familiar with Tenby will be aware of the strong winds, rough seas and of course the hilly terrain. I will start by swimming 2 1/2 miles from North Beach, before cycling 112 miles climbing well over 2000 m and then running a full marathon. A huge challenge 2 days short of my 47th birthday but nothing compared with the pain and challenges Ed struggles with on a daily basis.

Every little bit, however small will help Ed towards gaining some independence and setting up home. You can go to my fundraising page [crowdfunder.com/justgiving.com/welshironmanforedbarrett](http://crowdfunder.com/justgiving.com/welshironmanforedbarrett)

Thank you so much for taking the time to read this.

Emma Carpenter and Ed Barrett

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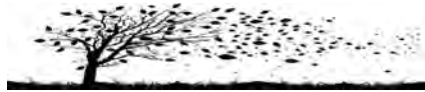


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This is the 69th year of the competition, which takes place by kind permission of the Wildig family.

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### CLIFTON WI MEETINGS AND GREAT CLIFTON BAKE OFF

#### September

13th 7.30pm Speaker Matthew Harris on Aspects of the Civil War  
17th GREAT CLIFTON BAKE OFF! Entries from 12 - 1pm  
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#### October

11th 7.30pm Speaker John Bowden on Grand Central Station -  
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20th Theatre Outing to "South Pacific"

### MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING 28th September

You are invited to the Macmillan Coffee Morning at Pensax Thrift Shop on Wednesday 28 September between 9am and 11am. (Pensax Village Hall is on the B4202 Clows Top to Abberley road.)

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Thanks to the continued support for the annual coffee mornings held across the country, Macmillan can ensure that nurses have more time to provide more emotional, practical and financial support to people living with cancer because no-one should have to face cancer alone.

### **KEEP FIT CLASSES IN THE SHELSLEYS' VILLAGE HALL**

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### **MHDC CHAIRMAN'S HIKE FOR HEALTH**

The new Chairman of Malvern Hills District Council, Councillor John Raine, will be passing through Clifton and Shelsley Beauchamp in the course of a ten mile 'Hike For Health And Happiness' walk around the area on Saturday, 3rd September.

Councillor Raine, who took over from Barbara Williams in May, has been a district councillor for 16 years and his four-day walk around the Teme Valley ward is aimed at promoting awareness around mental health issues. He has chosen Link Nurseries as one of his chosen charities for his year of office, but will also be supporting a group of other mental health charities that have roots in the district, under the banner of Mental Health Deserves Cash (MHDC).

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# Roundup



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# Church Matters

with Alice Sumner



“One of the advantages of being a vicar's wife is that people confide spiritual things to me. The number of amazing little stories, each one unique, has strengthened my own faith. I too have doubts and questions but have been encouraged by others' stories.

It's the number and overall similarities between these incidents which, for me, prove that there is indeed a Spiritual Realm and an Afterlife. The number of shared experiences are too many and too various to have been made up.

One incident involved Mr Spot, my dog, pricking his ears and wagging his tail at an empty corner of the room, while my husband John prayed with a dying gentleman. When his wife opened her eyes she said she had "sensed" a "presence" precisely where Mr Spot has been staring. She had not seen the dog's behaviour so, when I told her she felt comforted that an Angel was there for her husband.

I have been told of several similar experiences. Animals obviously have more 6th sense than us, or we merely dismiss ours with our human Rationale?

The other thing I've learnt is about attitudes to our five Teme Triangle church buildings. I have taken part in events around the villages meeting a cross section of you. It seems to me that whatever individual attitudes to Church are, you'd like our churches to survive....That is really encouraging.

Many of us love History; our historic churches are worth saving. But also places gain ambience over time. In Belsen no birds sing; in churches, where prayers have been said, many find real solace.

As we prepare to leave this lovely place, I go with two encouragements. Firstly that there is a Holy Spirit to watch over you; and secondly that our five lovely churches will survive!”

Alice

Jean Crabbe, who was for many years Treasurer of All Saints' Church in Shelsley Beauchamp died last month. There will be a Thanksgiving Service at All Saints' at 2.15pm on Friday 9th September

## LOWER SAPEY NEWS with Marion West

What a wonderful summer musical evening we enjoyed at Shelsey Beauchamp church in July topped off with nibbles and fizz in the garden and chat and catch-up with friends during the interval! Lovely!

On Saturday 3rd September we look forward to our by now traditional Big Breakfast at St Bartholomew's Church. We hope to see many old and new friends, it is a good value occasion costing only £5 for adults and £2.50 for children. All in aid of our lovely church upkeep! Do come along, it's great fun!

On the 20th September WWRT are hosting a meeting at the Cobb House to discuss possibilities for the forthcoming interregnum. All those on the church electoral roll are invited to attend. This is timed for 7-9pm.

The next **Parish Meeting** is due on 8th September at 8pm at St Bartholomew's Church. All parishioners are encouraged to attend and have a say on what is going on in our lovely country parish.

On to **Ladies Bible Study** afternoon which will be on 13th September at 2pm with Suzanne Richards.

Mobile Library visit will be on 9th September at 10.20am and 9.40am.



### NOTICES

Church cleaning for September will be in the capable hands of Margaret Griffiths.

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## **TEME VALLEY WILDLIFE by Stephanie Mcroft**

My knowledge of birds is limited, but whilst contemplating a subject for these lines I have been struck by a beautiful and quite relentless birdsong in my garden. Carolling and swooping in inventive melodies and trills, it has assailed my ears through the open windows of the house. On more than one occasion I have ventured out to scan the branches of the birch tree, the source of the singing, but despite looking high up and then peering into the lower greenery I have been unable to see the songster. Eventually I enlisted the help of my husband, a keen singer himself, and armed with binoculars he went outside to look into the tree. He reported that the only bird that he could see was a goldfinch.

We are lucky to see lots of goldfinches, sometimes up to a dozen at a time. When we first came to the Teme valley the most numerous birds in the garden were, by quite a way, chaffinches. Many greenfinches visited too. Over the last half a dozen years these two species have declined, an infectious disease has apparently been the cause, and the goldfinches seem to have taken over their niche. But what pretty birds the goldfinches are! Golden-brown with red and yellow highlights, no wonder a group of them is known as a charm.

At one time they were widely kept as cage birds, attractive both to look at and to listen to. In fact they were so popular that protecting them in the wild was one of the first priorities of the Royal Society for the Protection of Birds when it was formed in 1904. But why do some birds, such as the mistle thrush, sing from a prominent high point, and others sing from the camouflaged depths of greenery? Maybe the goldfinch's hidden singing spot reflects its choice of nest site. Typically it nests at the end of a horizontal or down-sweeping branch that ends in plenty of twiggy growth. The latter provides dense foliage to hide the nest from sight and the thin twigs at the end of the branch stop bigger birds standing on them to threaten the nest.

My garden is not the only place I have seen these birds lately. An exhibition to celebrate 500 years since the death of the celebrated mediaeval painter, Hieronymous Bosch, has at its heart his most famous work, The Garden of Earthly Delights. In it is to be found a most beautiful rendering of a goldfinch. It was apparently frequently used in religious works, especially in those of a devotional nature, and only doves were more likely to be depicted.

The next meeting of the Teme Valley Wildlife Group is on Thursday 8th September, when we welcome Mike Glyde who will be talking on British bats. The meeting is at Rochford Village Hall at 7:30pm and as always it is 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) or visit our Facebook page. The group normally holds a meeting on the second Thursday of the month. All are very welcome. Tel. 01584 881397 or email [zeunie@hotmail.com](mailto:zeunie@hotmail.com)

## DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S FUND

District Councillor Caroline Palethorpe has invited bids from local organisations and good causes for a share of the £500 Ward Budget Scheme fund she holds for projects in her Teme Valley ward.

"I provided £170 from last year's budget to Clifton Parish Council for the purchase of safety mats for the Play Area," she said. "I have been allocated £500 again for this financial year and have already spent £135 on a revolving bookcase for Hanley village hall and their book club."



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## **DRAFT ABBREVIATED MINUTES OF THE SHELSLEYS PARISH COUNCIL**

### **MEETING HELD ON JULY 12TH 2016**

**Present:** Mr C Roberts, Mr D Styles, Mr B Hart, Mr D Bates and Mr T Taylor  
District Councillor Mrs Caroline Palethorpe and Mrs J Speyer (Clerk)

**Apologies:** Mr J Stinton, Mr M Whitefoot and Mrs C Warren (accepted). Dr K Pollock, Mr W Sutherland (received late).

**Declaration of Interest:** Councillor Bates for Village Hall item 13

**Minutes:** The minutes for May 10th were approved as a true record and signed.

**Public Question Time:** None. **District Councillor's report:** District Councillor's report. Councillor Palethorpe introduced herself, giving a little about her background. There is £365 available for her to spend, the defibrillator was identified as a possible item.

With online reporting becoming the norm, the Chairman asked if the Parish Councils could retain a direct line to MHDC. Councillor Palethorpe said enquiries could always be put via her.

The full report will be available on the My Parish part of the WCC website (see below).

The **Lengthsman's** worksheets were inspected and approved. He had reported to the clerk that the signs on the Cheltry bend had still not been replaced, neither had the metal Stanford Bridge sign which had been stolen some time ago.

The services of the Lengthsman were unanimously praised.

**WCC reports on Highways Matters.** The metal post at the end of Pard House Lane, which has twice previously been reported to WCC, is still in the middle of the junction.

The road surface at Pard House Lane is being damaged by water ingress. Highways Sign Clearance, road signs continue to be cleared of vegetation.

B4203 There have been two incidents which have been added to the list of known accidents.

**Planning: MHDC decisions.** 16/00214/CLE Kingswood House. Approved.

15/01616/CLE Land at Kingswood for continued use of holiday chalet. Refused.

There were concerns at the green netting, which has been left at the above site.

**Clerk's report on urgent decisions.** Planning. The Clerk in consultation with Councillors submitted the following planning details.

16/00627/HOU Little Blakes. Recommended approval for the works in the barn but concern was expressed about the alterations to the front of the property.

16/00707/HOU Rose Cottage Kingswood. Recommended approval.

**Finance:** The following requests for payment were agreed.

Clerk's salary and expenses. Lengthsman's invoice £528 Internal Auditor £60 HMRC PAYE £49.80

The Bank Mandate was completed with the further details as requested by the Bank of Ireland.

Current Bank Balance £9910.62

**Audit:** The internal auditor signed the annual return and found the accounts to be in order.

### **New Mill Bridge:**

There is a large amount of debris around the piers, which needs to be removed. The saplings previously reported to the Environment Agency are still there. The surface of the road and paths at the bridge needs attention. Clerk to enquire.

### **Correspondence and Consultations:**

All items were either emailed to councillors or were available to view at the meeting.

The Clerk had received no responses from members to any consultations. Foodbank, Clerk and Councils Direct, Clifton upon Teme Draft Neighbourhood Plan, Malvern Hills Parish News Update.

**Village Hall Management Committee:** The insurance certificate was inspected.

There are various fund raising activities in the pipeline.

There have been problems with updating the Village Hall page on the Teme Triangle website.

**Councillors' Reports items for next agenda:** The Chairman reported on his attendance at a recent planning meeting at MHDC, which is experiencing problems due to a lack of staff.

For next agenda, surface condition of lane leading to Redhill. Progress on Broadband. Pard House Lane and Village Hall accounts.

**The meeting concluded at 8.40 Date of the next meeting:** September 13th 2016:

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11th.	Trinity 16	10.30 am Methodist Service Mr Bob Jackson	10.00 am Holy Communion Rev. Jan Fox  3 - 5 pm Messy Church		Evening Prayer 6.30 pm Pat Snelling
12th	Monday		10.30 Push-Chair Praise		
21st	Wednesday		7.30 pm Time for TIME OUT		
18th.	Trinity 17	10.30 am Circle Service Jen Denniston	8.00 am Holy Communion Rev John Sumner  10.30 am C.O.M.E Service and Baptism Rev John Sumner	11:00 am Quiet Service Beryl Robson	
25th	Trinity 18	Please go to Clifton	10.30 am Farewell Holy Communion Rev John Sumner (with Canon David Sherwin)  6.30pm Compline Barbara Seeley	Please go to Clifton	Please go to Clifton
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## CALENDAR

### September

- 3 Big Breakfast at St Bartholomew's Church, Harpley 10am.
- 8 Parish Meeting Lower Sapey St Bartholomew, Harpley 8pm.
- 8 TV Wildlife meeting Lower Rochford 7.30pm  
Mike Glyde on British Bats
- 13 Shelsleys' Parish Council Meeting VH
- 13 Clifton WI meeting:  
Matthew Harris Aspects of the Civil War VH 7.30pm
- 13 Bromyard Art History Group begins. Conquest Theatre Bromyard  
10 am.
- 17 Great Clifton Bake-Off, Clifton VH 12noon - 3pm
- 17 Stoke Bliss Ploughing Match, Thornbury Court, Thornbury
- 17/18 Shelsley Walsh Hillclimb
- 19 Quiz The Lion Clifton 7.30pm.
- 20 WWRT meeting Cobb House Wichenford 7-9pm
- 25 Farewell to John & Alice Sumner, Clifton VH 1pm
- 26 Stanford History Group, Stanford Bridge VH 7.30pm
- 28 Macmillan Coffee Morning Pensax Thrift shop 9 – 11am.

### October

- 1 Auction Sale Whitborne Village Hall 2pm.
- 11 Clifton WI meeting:  
John Bowden Grand Central Station VH 7.30pm
- 20 Clifton WI theatre outing to South Pacific

### November

- 8 Clifton WI Annual Meeting VH 7.30pm

### December

- 13 Clifton WI Christmas Cheer Alan & Alana Cooper VH

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