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The team who organised Shane Connolly's talk in Martley: Brigette Manton, Chair of the Bromyard Flower Club; Dot Milward, the leader of the flowers at Harpley; Candy Connolly, Harpley Churchwarden; Shane Connolly, Lily Fitch from Little Witley; and Rev Jen Denniston.

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Front Cover Picture

*Floral artist Shane Connolly demonstrating alternatives to floral foam
(see report page 14)*

CLIFTON PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

SECTION 106 FUNDING

Housing development in Clifton has brought with it a welcome windfall benefit for local residents in the form of Section 106 funding for the village. Section 106 is a legal agreement between a developer seeking planning permission and the local planning authority, which is used to mitigate the impact of new housing development on the local community and infrastructure.

More specifically, the focus of such funds is on the development of public open spaces which might include general community areas (such as our village green) or spaces for recreation, sports etc.

Clifton Parish Council has been informed by Malvern Hills District Council that a total of more than £280,000 is already available as a result of The Meadows development in Pound Lane and The View opposite Steps Farm.

At a public meeting in March representatives of local organisations were invited to identify early ideas for capital projects that might be suitable to bid for such funds. Arising out of that meeting, a working party, Clifton S106 Support Group, has been set up under the auspices of the Parish Council to provide coordinated information to the community, the Parish Council and Malvern Hills in order to seek value for money for everyone involved.

Chris Hurley, a member of the working party, said: “The early support from MHDC has been invaluable and will help us work with different groups in the parish to ensure that all generations benefit from these funds. There is no doubt that such large sums need to be spent wisely but they do give all of us an opportunity to put in place good projects that will support the village well into the future. The Clifton Neighbourhood Plan will also prove to be an invaluable tool as it already identifies various projects suggested by members of the village.”

More information on Section 106 is readily available on the Malvern Hills District Council website - this link will take you to the main page: <https://www.malvern hills.gov.uk/section-106-funding>

BAN ON PARKING ON CLIFTON VILLAGE GREEN

Clifton Parish Councillors are to take action to prevent vehicles from parking on the village green following complaints from residents.

Mandy Henry said there had been examples of people parking their vehicles on the green while they were in the Lion. There had also been vehicles parked on the green space at the top of Manor Road. "There's no need for it," she said. "The green is a community asset and needs to be protected."

Parish Council chairman John Bowden said he had even heard a rumour that farmers claimed an ancient right to park their tractors on the green. No parking signs are to be erected on the green and the cost of installing bell bollards is to be investigated.

[Draft minutes of last meeting are on pages 8-9]

CLIFTON PRIMARY SCHOOL

DANGEROUS/ILLEGAL PARKING

Clifton Primary School Head, Cathryn Throup, has warned parents that the police will be carrying out spot checks during term time with a view to action being taken to stop illegal and dangerous parking near the school.

In a message to parents, she said: "Despite a recent near-miss collision with one of our pupils, my repeated requests, and the upsurge in concerns from other parents, the tiny minority of parents who stubbornly refuse to park safely for the sake of everyone will undoubtedly receive contact from the police following a recent spot-check. This is because the Parish Council, as well as me, have expressed concern to the police about the danger posed by parents parking on pavement and yellow lines at the front of the school, and on the green itself."

Unannounced spot checks by the police will continue, and the school will follow police advice by adopting the procedure used at a number of other schools, whereby illegally/dangerously parked vehicles are photographed and published in the newsletter.

DISTRICT COUNCILLOR CAROLINE PALETHORPE

LOCAL BUS SERVICES CONSULTATION

Worcestershire County Council is consulting with residents and stakeholders on the draft Passenger Transport Strategy in order to fully understand the contribution that these services make to the local economy and their value in terms of community, health and wellbeing. Click on the link to take part – <http://www.worcestershire.gov.uk/passengertransportstrategy>

The closing date is 13 September 2019.



FUNDS FOR LOCAL ORGANISATIONS

Worcestershire County Council's Community Solutions Fund, which totals £145,000, can support parish and town councils, voluntary and community sector organisations, schools and community groups to address local issues and increase community capacity through projects and initiatives that reflect the priorities of the Corporate Plan and help reduce future demand and costs for the County Council. The Council has received some applications but District Councillor Caroline Palethorpe encourages local residents to promote this within their parish and visit the Act Local Website: <http://www.actlocalworcestershire.org/CommunitySolutionsFund> where you will find details of the fund, the criteria and the application form. All applications to be sent to communitysolutionsfund@worcestershire.gov.uk - closing date 5pm on 8th September 2019.

More funding... Councillor Ward Budget Scheme – allocations for 2019/20 will be available from 1 July. Please contact Councillor Palethorpe if you have a small project that needs support. She has previously funded local good initiatives such as Clifton Rovers FC and Teme Triangle. Any allocation could be used alongside other funding opportunities such as the Councillor Divisional Fund, available via County Councillor Ken Pollock. http://www.worcestershire.gov.uk/info/20013/councillors_and_committees/113/councillors_divisional_fund_scheme

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Draft Minutes of Clifton Parish Council meeting held on 4th July 2019

Present: Councillors J. Bowden (Chairman), J. Dawson (Vice Chairman), A. Henry, S. Haywood, J. Collins, C. Haywood and R. Henry.

Also present: District Cllr C. Palethorpe, M. Alexander (Relief Clerk), 12 members of the Public. Apologies: County Cllr K. Pollock.

The Chairman welcomed those present and gave local village news updates.

Declarations of Prejudicial & Pecuniary Interests: None.

Approval of the Minutes of a Meeting of the Parish Council held 6th June 2019: It was proposed by Cllr A. Henry, seconded Cllr Dawson, that the minutes be agreed and signed as a true record. All agreed.

The meeting was suspended at this point to allow members of the Public to address the Council: Matters raised at the meeting – ‘Gym in the Park’ equipment – suggested as a possible use for s.106 funding. Corner of Kenelm Close/Kenelm Rd – Highways report requested re potholes. Noted for Highways ‘walkabout’ planned. Pothole by bin in Manor Road and 30 mph sign fallen over – also noted. Pavements opposite the Lion PH and between The Forge / Clifton School – resurfacing needed – noted as above. S. 106 Working Party – C. Hurley updated the meeting regarding project co-ordination planned. A meeting will be held on 18th July to discuss ideas. MHDC to confirm re. funding available. A webpage is also to be set up in conjunction with Teme Triangle and the PC. It was agreed by the PC to add s.106 to future agendas as a standing item.

District & County Councillors Reports: Reports will be uploaded to the PC website. Matters highlighted at the meeting – County and District Cllr funding shortly to be available for applications; The County Council Community Solutions Fund is also available to fund local projects; The Passenger Transport Consultation is open for comment currently via the WCC website; All asked to report instances of loneliness and isolation locally via MHDC; Rural Broadband Voucher Scheme available – see MHDC website.

Financial & Governance Matters: Cheques received noted - £7.00 & £160.01. Meeting to be arranged with the Scouts & Guides as agreed as the previous meeting – Chairman to arrange. Payments approved as per agenda. Chairman to arrange changes required for cheque signatories asap. Clerk to notify payees. Clerk/RFO recruitment – meeting to be arranged asap to finalise the process - Chairman to arrange. Finance Committee meeting to be arranged asap - Chairman to arrange.

Parish Matters: Community Led Housing: The meeting heard a presentation by J. Wain regarding this initiative – notes were handed out to those present. It was noted that next steps required would be to establish actual need; find an appropriate site for the build; agree a model to follow; form a Community Trust to manage the scheme. J. Wain would be meeting with the MHDC Community

Housing Enabler to discuss these steps and will report back to the PC in due course. There is also a Worcestershire Strategy 'ICOPE'- noted.

Play Area Incident: There had recently been an injury to a child on the slide at the play area. The slide has now been cordoned off and the Clerk has been liaising with the parent involved. Previous history of the site was noted together with a H&S Inspection undertaken in the past 12 months. Due to a change of Council however, and the need to have a comprehensive report of the condition of all play equipment following this incident, the Clerk recommended that a full RoSPA report is conducted which would also be compliant with insurance requirements. It was proposed by Cllr Bowden, seconded Cllr A. Henry, that a RoSPA inspection be arranged asap and that an annual inspection by RoSPA is also undertaken. All agreed – Clerk to arrange. It was further agreed that weekly inspections of the play area are required – Cllr C. Haywood and the Clerk to arrange asap. District Cllr Palethorpe will also notify the family concerned of the agreed actions.

Tennis Court: It was noted that this is a PC asset but needs some repairs to make it fit for use by the public. Algae on the playing surface also needs to be removed. The court should be locked up whilst awaiting repair. A site visit is needed asap to assess repairs required – Cllrs Bowden and Dawson to progress. Parking on the Village Green: Cllr A. Henry raised concern regarding vehicles parking on the Village Green. A report had also been received from the School Headteacher regarding recent incidents with parents. Cllr Bowden agreed to speak with the School and persons concerned. The Clerk was asked to investigate bell bollard options/costs. The Council also noted concerns regarding Hope Lane - HGVs and on street parking / Manor Road. Short term options for the Village Green agreed as notices in the Teme Triangle and placed in the notice board / Village Green signage – Cllr R. Henry to progress.

Planning Matters: Notifications: 19/00698/AGR – prior approval not required for a lean-to equipment store for agricultural purposes at Field Cottage, Church Rd, Clifton upon Teme. 19/00562/FUL – approval of variation of cond. 18 & 19 of 16//01596/FUL to allow new footway to be constructed narrower than 2m in width and to remove cycle way provision on land at OS 7113 6189, The Village, Clifton upon Teme. 19/00689/HP – approval for the erection of two-storey extension and removal of existing garage at Warwick Ridge, Old Road, Clifton Upon Teme.

Councillors Reports & Items for Future Agendas: Cllr A. Henry – dog fouling on next agenda. Bin at the Recreation Ground – MHDC has agreed the location and Clerk to order a new bin in dark green. Cllrs Dawson & C. Haywood – approximate costs / options have been obtained for new notice boards. Cllr Bowden to speak to WCC Countryside Service re the map board to see if any funding is available. Further discussion required before any order is placed.

Next meeting to be held Thursday 5th September 2019 at 7.40 pm.

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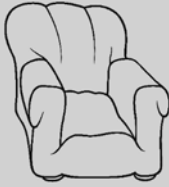
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COMMUNITY LED HOUSING

Clifton Parish Council heard a report by local residents John and Ros Wain who had attended the launch of the ICOPE (integrated care for older people) strategy for Worcestershire, one of the aims of which is to reduce the occurrence of avoidable situations which lead to hospitalisation or care.

At the conference John had made the point that Clifton was gaining around 100 family homes “with no consideration for the needs of those who remain, often alone, in property which is a burden to them at best and a danger at worst. This often happens because there is no suitable alternative accommodation in a rural community where such people have their roots and support systems and where they may wish to remain”.

This prompted a visit by the Community Led Housing Enabler for Malvern Hills, Kim Barton, who talked to local residents and explained that currently there are funds and support available for communities who wish to develop accommodation providing integrated care for older people. The first steps would be to establish evidence of need and to identify suitable, available land.

John Wain said: “The question for the people of Clifton is - is this something that we feel worth pursuing while community led housing projects are being encouraged? If so, are there people out there prepared to help realise it?” He can be contacted at jcandrwin@yahoo.co.uk or by private message on Nextdoor.

FRIENDS OF CLIFTON SCHOOL

The Friends of Clifton School are delighted to announce that the total raised at this year’s Summer Fayre was an amazing £2,347.13. They will announce in the autumn term how the monies raised this year have been spent and what fundraising plans they have for the forthcoming year. Thanks are due to the volunteers and staff who helped run the stalls and to parents for their generous donations in the lead up to the fayre, and to the children who performed splendidly to open the show. Finally, a huge thank you to Jacqui Rowe as she steps down as Chair after three years in the role. This position remains vacant and elections to fill it will take place in the autumn. Anyone interested in joining the team can contact any member of the PTA. Jacqui remains on the team as Treasurer.

FLORAL FOAM BAN IN CHURCHES URGED

Clifton's Shane Connolly, the internationally-renowned floral artist whose work has featured at many Royal events, is encouraging churches throughout Worcestershire to seek alternatives to floral foam with flowers or floral displays.

In a talk to representatives of many Worcestershire parish churches and Worcester Cathedral in Martley last month, Shane said: "Floral foam is not biodegradable, it's a product of the petrochemical industry, a plastic. We don't need it, especially in churches. Plastic is a great invention, but it's the disposal of it that is the problem."

He explained that even the latest floral foam products are not fully biodegradable because they contain micro-plastics which attract toxins. "Sustainability is what I am trying to encourage, especially in churches," he added, predicting that floral foam will be banned within five years. "We need the major producers to invest fully in compostable, plastic free alternatives as soon as possible."



SHELSLEYS GARDENING CLUB AUTUMN MEETINGS

The Shelsleys Gardening Club has a good programme organised for the autumn, meeting in Clifton village hall at 7.30pm; visitors are always welcome.

Wednesday 11 September: Talk on *Canals* by Roger Butler who is extremely knowledgeable on this subject.

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The next meeting of the Teme Valley Wildlife Group is on Thursday September 12th at 7.30pm at Stoke Bliss and Kyre village hall, WR15 8RR. Tony Simpson will give a talk entitled *An introduction to moths*.

LUTE DEMONSTRATION IN SHELSLEY

On Friday 8th November Roxana Gundry will be in Shelsleys' village hall at 8pm lecturing and demonstrating the lute, an old musical instrument which she talks about all over the world. She introduces and plays a variety of lutes, from medieval times to the Baroque era. Alongside the music she will discuss the history of the lute and talk about the iconography of the various instruments, showing contemporary images and introducing some of the poetry dedicated to the lute. Who did write Greensleeves? What is a theorbo? Is a mandolino the same as a mandolin? Why not come and find out! Make it a date in your diary.

Church Matters

by Janet Hann



I thought that writing this piece would be simple. Clear cut. I have just returned from an amazing experience of Armenia and Georgia, two countries in the Caucasus that I have wanted to visit for some long time. But my thoughts are anything but clear cut.

The adoption of Christianity as the state religion of Armenia took place in 314 AD and Georgia followed soon after in the next century. Both countries have great love and respect of their Christian heritage, their ancient churches and monasteries are revered and have become the foremost landmarks on the fast developing tourist routes.

Being a committed Christian I was looking forward to seeing these ancient holy places that have survived the ravages that the centuries have visited upon them. They are still revered, at each site there will be most likely be a priest or monk taking care of them and administering to any parishioners or visitors, perhaps taking a baptism, giving advice or comfort. There are few decorations inside these churches but a picture or portrait of St John Chrysostom features in many of them. He was the 5th century Cleric who still features in our prayers today. But, much as these sacred monuments are truly holy, there seemed to be an absence of the local population worshipping there and that's not because they had migrated to local churches – local churches seemed very few and far between.

I think we have the same problem in this country, we have some of the most beautiful cathedrals and parish churches that you could find anywhere. They were built by people who wanted to confirm their love and faith in God and the Trinity. But it is the people who make a church. There doesn't even have to be a building, St Chrysostom's prayer invites that when two or three are gathered together in God's name, then God will be there to listen and grant their requests in accordance with His will.

So we in God's gift of this beautiful Teme Valley should value our heritage too, our churches are our heritage but perhaps even more importantly is the fellowship of all those who live here and worship within them - or join together with God and our fellows in worship wherever we may be.

PATRONAL FESTIVAL AND SONGS OF PRAISE.

Everyone at St Kenelm's would like to thank all the groups who put on such a wonderful show of flowers for the Patronal Festival in July. Once again, as with the trees at Christmas, they were so very varied and beautifully arranged. The Songs of Praise was very well supported and the weather was kind if a little windy; David did well to hold on to his music. We should thank Alan for supporting David and we are sure it will be an Event that will be repeated.

As you may guess the Cream Tea 'went down' very well, thanks to all who helped with this and to Pat, whose knitted scarecrow certainly drew compliments, and to Roz Wain for her Clifton Scene magnets. Once again thank you to everyone who made the weekend such a success. This was an event for the whole village and it certainly proved to that. God Bless.

Just a reminder, folks, that the Big Sing is on Saturday December 7th this year and we will be around in good time to give out trees etc.

Barbara Seeley

THE DROVERS OF CLIFTON HISTORY TALK

The Friends of St Kenelm's are holding their second History Talk on Friday 13th September in St Kenelm's church at 7.30pm.

The first talk last year was very successful and this year the talk will be about the History of the Cattle Drovers and their life and times as they drove their cattle from Wales to market in Worcester, passing through Clifton on their way. The talk will be given by Peter Walker and Heather Rendall. Refreshments will be served. Entrance £6.00.

STOKE BLISS PLOUGHING MATCH

This year's Stoke Bliss and District Ploughing Match will take place on Saturday 28th September at Underhill Farm, Collington, from 10am until 4pm. Entry Adults £3, children free. More details and schedule can be viewed on the website: www.stokeblissploughingandhomecrafts.org or telephone Hazel Farrant 01885 410510



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LOWER SAPEY NEWS

August has been a strange midsummer month, weather-wise but a productive time in the villages. The police Smart-water marking events should deter the villains from helping themselves to expensive farm and garden machinery. Lets hope it makes a big difference.

It is always fun to meet up with friends around the parish at the many organised events. This brings me, of course, to remind everyone that our BIG BREAKFAST is due again! The date to remember is Saturday 7th September at 10 'til 12 noon. The usual delicious barbecued full English breakfast! Same low price of £5. Do come along and enjoy the extras including a cake stall so that you can take home something delicious for tea!

NOTICES

Ladies Bible Study will meet on Tuesday 10th September at 2pm with Marion West. New friends are always welcome to join us.

CHURCH HOUSEKEEPING for September is in the hands of Margaret Griffiths; thanks Margaret. (Incidentally, I wonder if everyone knows that we at St Bartholomew's are 'gender neutral' and so if any gentlemen feel so inclined they will be welcomed with rejoicing to the group!)

SEPTEMBER SERVICES AT HARPLEY

1st September. Morning Praise with Pat

8th September. Methodist Service

15th September. Sadly, still no service on the 3rd Sunday

22nd September. Circle Service with Jill

ALL SERVICES START AT 10.30.

Marion West

ALL THE QUEEN'S HORSES AT UPPER SAPEY

Heather Edwards is giving a talk on *All The Queen's Horses* at Upper Sapey village hall on Friday 27th September at 7.30pm. Tickets, including a glass of wine, £8 from Heather 01886 853519 or Tina 01886 853130. All proceeds to St Michael's Hospice. Heather spent many years working at Windsor Mews looking after the Queen's horses, riding out with Her Majesty and travelling with the horses to other Royal Palaces.

TEAM RECTOR'S REPORT

Autumn has arrived, all too soon we may say, yet there is something special and a beauty about all the seasons. The colours in autumn can be particularly amazing causing us to see things from different perspectives and we are all the richer for that.

Alpha

Talking of seeing things from different perspectives the 'Worcestershire West Rural Team' of Churches and our 'Churches together' team, of which we are a part, are running the internationally accepted Alpha Course, a course exploring the core aspects of what we believe as Christians from knowledge and experience. Don't be put off by the word course, the evenings will include food, video input and discussion in small table groups that inevitably will help in seeing the Christian faith and message from new and personal perspectives that many, including myself, have found really helpful.

For some it has helped in strengthening their faith, for others they have found a new life through what they have learned about God and his people.

Alpha will run on Wednesday evenings at Martley village hall from the 18th September until the end of November. If you are interested in knowing more please to contact any of the clergy it is open to all.

Harvest

Autumn is also the time of harvest and we once again give thanks to God for the fruits of the earth and those who produce it for us. We will be of course holding Harvest festivals and suppers during the months of September and October to which you are warmly invited.

Rev. Canon David Sherwin

St. Kenelms Clifton Harvest service followed by supper Sunday 13th October 6.00pm

St.Bartholemew's Harpley, Harvest Service followed by refreshments, Sunday 20th October 3.00pm.

All saints, Shelsley Beauchamp, Harvest Service, Sunday 13th October 5.00pm, followed by Supper at Village Hall. With The Archdeacon of Worcester.

Further information about any of these events. Canon David, 01886 888664

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September 2019**

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	10.30am	Morning Prayer	St Bartholomew, Harpley
	10.30am	Holy Communion	All Saints, Shelsley Beauchamp
Tuesday 3rd	9.00am	Morning Prayer	All Saints, Shelsley Beauchamp
Wednesday 4th	10.00am	No Pushchair Praise	St Kenelm, Clifton
Sunday 8th September Trinity 12	10.30am	Holy Communion	St Kenelm, Clifton
	10.30am	Methodist Service	St Bartholomew, Harpley
	6.30pm	Evensong	St Andrew, Shelsley Walsh
Tuesday 10th	9.00am	Morning Prayer	St Kenelm, Clifton
Sunday 15th September Trinity 13	8.00am	Holy Communion	St Kenelm, Clifton
	10.30am	COME Service	St Kenelm, Clifton
Tuesday 17th	9.00am	Morning Prayer	St Bartholomew, Harpley
Wednesday 18th	7.30pm	Time for Time Out	St Kenelm, Clifton
Sunday 22nd September Trinity 14	10.30am	Circle Service	St Bartholomew, Harpley
	6.30pm	Evensong	St Kenelm, Clifton
Monday 23rd	9.00am	Morning Prayer	St Kenelm, Clifton
Tuesday 24th	9.00am	Morning Prayer	St Andrew, Shelsley Walsh
Sunday 29th September Trinity 15	6.00pm	Hymns and Pimms	All Saints, Shelsley Beauchamp

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CLIFTON FRIENDSHIP CLUB COFFEE MORNING

Saturday, 19th October, the Clifton Friendship Club coffee morning and table top sale will be held in Clifton village hall between 10.30am-12noon

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

September

- 5 Clifton Parish Council meeting, VH 7.40pm
- 7 Coffee morning, Shelsleys VH 10am - 12.30pm
- 7 Big Breakfast, St Bartholomew's church, Harpley 10.30am-12noon
- 7 An evening's entertainment of music, Hanley VH 7.30pm
- 8 Teme Valley Market, Talbot Hotel, Knightwick 10.30am
- 10 Clifton WI: Asian cooking demo with Sheela Udeshi VH 7.30pm
- 11 Shelsleys Gardening Club: *Canals*, Clifton VH 7.30pm
- 13 History talk, St Kenelm's church, Clifton 7.30pm
- 18 Alpha course starts, Martley VH 7pm
- 21 Coffee morning, St Kenelm's church, Clifton 10am-11.30am
- 21 Film: *Bohemian Rhapsody*. Hanley VH 7.30pm
- 28 Stoke Bliss Ploughing Match, Underhill Farm, Collington 10am
- 29 Hymns & Pimms, All Saints church, Shelsley Beauchamp 6pm

October

- 3 Clifton Parish Council meeting, VH 7.40pm
- 6 Quiz, Lion Inn, Clifton 7.30pm
- 7 Stanford History Group lectures start, Stanford VH 7.30pm
- 8 Clifton WI: *Dogs for Good*, VH 7.30pm
- 9 Shelsleys Gardening Club: *The Winter Garden*, Clifton VH 7.30pm
- 19 Clifton Friendship Club coffee morning, VH 10.30am-12noon
- 19 Film: *A Star Is Born* Hanley VH 7.30pm
- 23 Pensax Thrift Shop, Pensax VH 9am-11am

November

- 7 Clifton Parish Council meeting, VH 7.40pm
- 8 Roxana Gundry: lute demonstration, Shelsleys VH 8pm
- 12 Clifton WI AGM: *And Before I Die* VH 7.30pm
- 13 Shelsleys Gardening Club: *Shrawley Woods*, Clifton VH 7.30pm
- 15 Film: *Fishermen's Friends* Hanley VH 7.30pm

December

- 7 Annual Big Sing – carols & canapes, St Kenelm's, Clifton 7pm
- 11 Shelsleys Gardening Club, Clifton VH 7.30pm

AWARDS FOR LOCAL LONG SERVICE LADIES

Two Clifton ladies have both been awarded Women's Royal Voluntary Service medals for more than 15 years service to the community. Marie Thompson and Ann MacBryde were presented with their WVS medals last month (*opposite*). The WVS medal is awarded to those who complete 40 duties per year for 15 years.

HANLEY VILLAGE HALL EVENTS

Saturday 7th September - *Downside Up* will be playing. Corinne Frost with her cello and Stephen Warner on double bass, guitar and ukulele. 7.30 pm start, £10.00 per person to include drinks and nibbles.

CINEMA CLUB:

Sat 21st September 2019 - *Bohemian Rhapsody* with 1970s food. Starts at 6.30pm for food and film, 8.30pm film only

Sat 19th October 2019 - *A Star is Born*. Film starts 7.30pm

Fri 15th November 2019 - *Fishermen's Friends* with fish pie and peas. Starts at 6.30pm for food and film, 8.30pm film only

Fri 17th January 2020 - *Green Book* 7.30pm film only

Sat 15th February 2020 - *Finding Your Feet* - film 7.30pm

Sat 21st March 2020 - *The Guard* - to celebrate a late St Patrick Night with food. 6.30pm start for food and film, 8.30pm for film only

Sat 18th April 2020 - *Swimming With Men* Film 7.30pm

Sat 16th May 2020 - *Lunchbox* with selection of curries. 6.30pm start for food and film, 8.30pm film only.

Admission is by a suggested donation of £10 for film and food, or £5 for film only on the food evenings. Booking essential with Trace on 07972183164. Otherwise it is £5 to see the film, with a glass of wine. Contact Trace Stuart-Allen 07972183164

PENSAX THRIFT SHOP

Pensax Thrift Shop will be holding its last session on Wednesday 23rd October, 45 years since it first opened in 1974. Although the Thrift Shop has offered somewhere to buy and sell bargains of many kinds, it is a struggle to keep open each week at Pensax Village Hall.

Current customers who have items entered for sale at the Thrift Shop will need to collect any money owing to them and anything unsold on or before Wednesday 30 October, after which what remains will be passed on to charity shops in the area.

LONG SERVICE LADIES

Abigail Hurrell, Operations Manager, Royal Voluntary Service, presenting long service medals to Ann MacBryde and Marie Thompson (see report opposite).

(below) Marie Thompson





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