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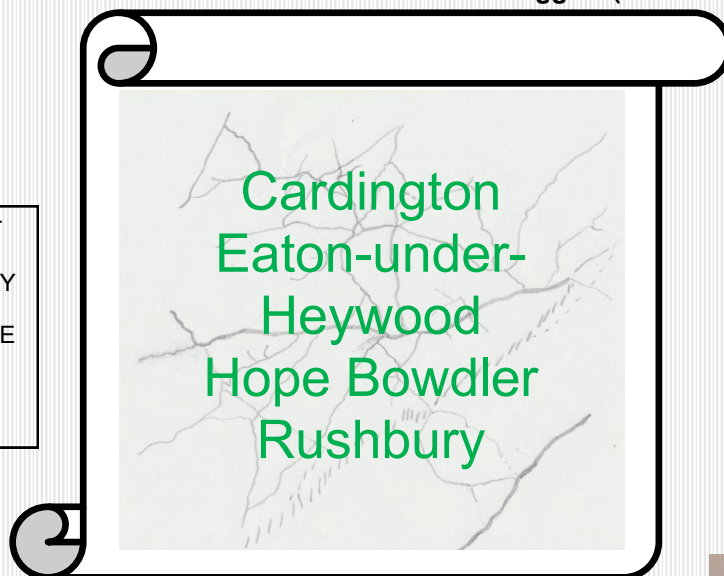
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Cardington News



Wednesday 2nd February
Flicks in the Sticks.

Cardington Village Hall. 7.30pm. £4

OFFICIAL SECRETS starring Keira Knightley, Matthew Goode, Ralph Fiennes, Matt Smith. The gripping true story of Katharine Gun, whose job at GCHQ involves routine handling of classified information, until one day on the eve of the Iraq war, she receives a memo that reveals a dubious intelligence operation. A woman of principles,

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Starring Keira Knightley, Matthew Goode, Ralph Fiennes, Matt Smith

See young
farmer's
report on
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A date for your diary...

Tuesday 1st March

Cardington Parish Council will meet in the Village Hall from 8-9.30pm. During each meeting members of the public have an opportunity to make comments or bring matters to the attention of the council.

All welcome.

Cardington Children's Society

The total amount raised by the Charity box holders last year was £500. Many thanks to all who contributed.

Jane Secret.

Cardington Tote Winners:

December

1st	204	Jane Palmer
2nd	90	Heather Hooper
3rd	61	Brian Tripp
4th	104	Bridget Paling
5th	151	James Mellor

The Cardington Village Hall Lottery January draw has been postponed until February giving those who have yet to pay the opportunity of doing so.

<http://www.cardingtonparishcouncilshropshire.co.uk>

More Cardington News can be found on the website www.cardington.org.uk

CARDINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

Please visit the new Parish Council web site, the address is :-

<http://www.cardingtonparishcouncilshropshire.co.uk>

Eaton-under-Heywood News

Ticklerton Village Hall - toilet renovation project.

The toilets area at the village hall is being totally renovated, with the addition of a new disabled toilet. The committee is pleased to have been awarded a Community Grant from The Midcounties Co-operative towards this project. However if any Honeypot readers would like to sponsor/pay for any element of the project, from a toilet roll holder, or a box of tiles, to a basin, or some taps, the committee would be delighted to hear from you. Where appropriate, Gift Aid would enhance any donation.



Hope Bowdler News

Wednesday 9th February

Flicks in the Sticks at Hope Bowdler Village Hall, at 7.30 p.m.

OFFICIAL SECRETS starring Keira Knightley, Matthew Goode, Ralph Fiennes, Matt Smith..

The gripping true story of Katharine Gun, whose job at GCHQ involves routine handling of classified information, until one day on the eve of the Iraq war, she receives a memo that reveals a dubious intelligence operation. A woman of principles, she feels she can't stand by and watch the world be rushed into an illegal war. She leaks the memo to the press, exposing a vast political conspiracy, and putting herself and family directly in harm's way.

Tickets £4 per head. Tea/coffee, cake and ice creams served during interval.

We look forward to seeing you.



**PLEASE SEE PAGE 14 FOR REVD. SAM'S LETTER FOR FEBRUARY.
SEE PAGE 19-21 TO UNDERSTAND WHY IT HAS MOVED.**

Rushbury News

Apedale Amblers

Sunday 13th February at 2.00pm and Tuesdays at 10.00 am.

All our February walks will begin, as above, from the Young Farmers Meeting Rooms car park in Cardington .
Travelling past Rushbury Village Hall towards Longville on the B4371, take the second left past the hall (Gilberries Lane). Continue to the crossroads at the top and turn left. The car park is along a little on the right.
Any further information from Geoff/ Alan on 07947 026540.



Wednesday 16th February

Rushbury & Cardington W.I.

Cardington Village Hall at 2.30pm. The presentation will be "A life on and under the ocean wave" by David Jellicoe.

We always welcome new members so anyone interested in joining our WI please call/email Liz Fullbrook on 07970924507 or liz.fullbrook1@gmail.com or Rachel Neale, telephone 07817 211179

Don't forget you can always **road test** us by joining us for a meeting on the third Wednesday in the month.



Rushbury Tote Winners: December

£40 to Nick Churton
£10 to John Griffiths
£10 to Clem Edwards
£5 to John Walker
£5 to Maire Roche

Monday 21st February

Rushbury Parish Council

The next meeting of the Parish Council is scheduled for Monday 21st February at 7:30pm in The Committee Room at Rushbury Village Hall. In view of the current COVID environment, it is possible that the meeting may be rescheduled. Details will be advised in the Parish Council website. **All welcome to attend.**

If you would like to attend, please contact the Parish Clerk at rushburypc@gmail.com of your interest. This is to allow us to ensure adequate provision of everybody's safety.

If you have any matters you would like to raise with the Council, please feel free to contact the Parish Clerk or any of the Councillors details of which can be found on the Council website.

Rushbury Parish Council Information

Over Christmas and New Year RAF Shawbury have shared a number of posts on social media regarding people getting drones for Christmas .

Received a new drone for Christmas? Fantastic! They are a great piece of amazing technology, but we need to share the air safely and responsibly by following the Civil Aviation Authority Drone and Model Aircraft Code.

Did you know that Point 3 of the Drone and Model Aircraft Code says "Always look and listen out for other aircraft that may be flying below 400ft, such as air ambulances, police helicopters, and low-flying military aircraft."

Helicopters from No. 1 Flying Training School, based at RAF Shawbury, routinely fly down to 100ft in Shropshire and surrounding areas, well below the 400ft maximum for drones.

Help us to all stay safe by being extra vigilant when flying in Shropshire and surrounding areas, and if you can, bring a friend or family member to keep a lookout too.

You can find the Drone and Model Aircraft Code at: [The Drone and Model Aircraft Code | UK Civil Aviation Authority \(caa.co.uk\)](https://www.caa.co.uk)

Find out how we can work together to share the air safely in Shropshire and surrounding areas at the "Drone Section" of: <https://www.raf.mod.uk/our-organisation/stations/raf-shawbury/flying-info/>

www.hugofox.com/community/rushbury-parish-council

Rushbury Parish Council

Coffee Stop

Time is precious..... waste it wisely!

Coffee Stop is open on Mondays 7th 14th & 28th February
at Rushbury Village Hall between 10am & 12 noon, weather permitting.
We are closed on February 21st for half term

Just call in - a warm welcome awaits.



Around and about 000000 News from outside the Four Parishes

Functional fitness MOT falls Prevention event at Church Stretton Leisure Centre

on TUESDAY 22nd FEBRUARY from 9.30am

Around half of all women & a third of all men in England damage their health through lack of physical activity. As we age, we are more likely to be inactive. Falls in older people are common & often devastating. Good strength and balance are fundamentally important to reduce the risk of falling.

Attending exercise classes or defined exercise at home can improve strength & balance.

If you are between 60 and 95 and feel at risk of falling, then come for a Functional Fitness MOT!

Members of Community Resource and Shropshire Council Leisure staff will measure your ability on a few simple tests.

Each test has "normal values" for people of different ages, activity & staying steady.

Places are free of charge but must be booked in advance.

To book your appointment email: Susie.hancock@community-resource.org.uk

Or leave a message on 01743 360641

Church Stretton Rotary News

TOMMY'S WEIGHT LOSS CHALLENGE 2022

Bank Holiday Monday 3rd January was the official launch of Tommy's Weight Loss Challenge at the Mayfair Centre, Church Stretton.

Many of you will be aware that Tommy Conlon has set himself the challenge of losing 10 stones over the next 12 months. Standing on the scales in the Mayfair Centre he weighed in at 31 stones 9 pounds. So the clock has started and the money is already rolling in for the charities he is supporting, Little Rascals and Rotary Charities.

Since Tommy's Challenge was first announced he has had terrific support from many people including Dave Edwards, Shrewsbury Town Footballer, who is helping with his exercise routines, Natalie Hughes from Little Rascals, Amanda Bebbington, a Personal Trainer and all the Rotarians of which Tommy is a member. Van Doesburgs Deli and the Holly Bush Cafe are providing Tommy with subsidised nutritional lunches to help keep him on track – no more packets of crisps Tommy!

If you want to support Tommy his website is tommysweightloss2022.com where you can donate through Just Giving. You can also pop into his shop on the corner of the Burway/Shrewsbury Road if you want to give him cash and a word of encouragement.



Acton Scott Flicks in the Sticks

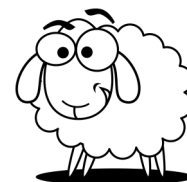
At the time this page was produced the organisers have not fixed a date for a February film at Acton Scott with Flicks in the Sticks. If they decide to go ahead and we receive any further information we will post it on our Facebook page.



Rushbury and Cardington Young Farmers

We had a very successful time at the speaking competition day which was held at Walford College. Every competition we entered we were placed in the top three! Three of our new junior members entered a reading competition and came first! The senior after dinner speaking competition came third! John Lewis entered a situation vacant competition and came first and finally we finished the day off with the choir competition. We didn't all quite know the tune but the judge liked how we sang our favourite carol 'Good King Wenceslas' and we came away with a second in the choir! We were all very happy with the outcome of the day.

Carol singing is a big part of **Rushbury and Cardington** and we always have a brilliant turn out of members to help! We would like to say a massive thank you to anyone that donated this year! The money raised is going towards Shropshire Rural Support and West Mercia search and rescue. We raised a massive £1857.87 ! A very successful carol singing in some not very pleasant weather.



Rosie Woodcock

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News from Shropshire County Council...

NEW WHEELIE BIN FOR RECYCLING CANS, GLASS AND PLASTIC

All householders in the Shropshire Council area can now request an additional wheelie bin for recycling cans, glass and plastic after a meeting of the full Shropshire Council approved an investment of almost £3m to fund the extra bin. The bin – which is optional and free for householders- can be requested online at <https://shropshire.gov.uk/requestmixedrecyclingbin> The first bins are set to be delivered from May this year, starting in the South Shropshire area, before being rolled out across the county. The bin will replace the existing black recycling boxes, and help to increase the amount of waste recycled by providing households with a larger container.

It will also reduce the amount of waste lost to the recycling process after being blown out of the boxes on windy days,

It will make the storage of recycling more convenient for residents, and reduce the amount of bending and lifting for residents and waste and recycling crews.

Important information about your recycling service

You can now order a new bin to replace your black recycling boxes.

The new bin – which is optional – will make it easier for you to recycle your plastic, cans and glass. But it is not for paper and cardboard, please continue to use your blue sack for these materials.

The bin which will have a purple lid is being introduced following requests from residents and will help us all to recycle more.

How to order your new bin
Visit www.shropshire.gov.uk/waste
Please only call us if you cannot access the online request form as we anticipate that our phone lines will be very busy.
The number to call is 0345 678 9007.

When will I get my new bin?
Deliveries will start from **Spring** and will gradually be rolled out across the county over a number of months.

What do I do with my black boxes?
Please keep them – Veolia's collection crews will collect the mixed recycling from both boxes and bins.
Use them for other purposes - for example for storage or planters for the garden. Be imaginative with them!
If you don't want to hang onto your black boxes, please return them to your nearest Household Recycling Centre to be recycled.
Thanks for recycling

To find out more information about recycling please visit:
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Some households may not want a bin due to housing layout or the lack of storage space for the bin. These residents would be able to continue to use their existing waste containers, as will those residents who simply prefer to use boxes.

People will also be able to use their new bin as well as their recycling boxes.

Those who no longer need their recycling boxes will be encouraged to retain and reuse them for different purposes – or take them to a recycling centre to be recycled.

What can go in your purple lidded bin

✓ Yes please
Please put items directly into the container, do not use carrier bags.

- ✓ Aerosols
- ✓ Cans and tins
- ✓ Bottles and jars
- ✓ Bleach, cleaning, shampoo and shower gel
- ✓ Milk, drinks bottles and plastic bottles
- ✓ Tubs and trays
- ✓ Pots
- ✓ Foil

More information on your recycling service please visit:
www.shropshire.gov.uk/recycling-and-rubbish

✗ No thanks
Please do not put these items into your purple top bin.

- ✗ General waste (nappies, black bags)
- ✗ Plant pots & trays
- ✗ Carrier bags
- ✗ Food waste
- ✗ Plastic film
- ✗ Crisp packets
- ✗ Take away containers
- ✗ Black plastic, e.g. food trays

REMEMBER
Paper and card can be recycled by using your blue bag, please don't put it in your new recycling bin

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Many thanks to Rushbury Parish Council for forwarding on this information.

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SERVICE TIMES FOR FEBRUARY

Wednesday 2nd February: 10 am - Holy Communion (no sermon) - Hope Bowdler

Sunday 6th February: 9.30 am - Holy Communion - Hope Bowdler
11.15 am - Family Service - Rushbury
6.30 pm - Evensong - Cardington

Sunday 13th February: 9.30 am - Holy Communion - Eaton-under-Heywood
11.15 am - Holy Communion - Hope Bowdler

Sunday 20th February: 9.30 am - Holy Communion - Cardington
11.15 am - Holy Communion - Hope Bowdler

Sunday 27th February: 9.30 am - Morning Worship - Cardington
9.30 am - Holy Communion - Eaton-under-Heywood
11.15 am - Holy Communion - Rushbury

FROM THE PARISH REGISTERS:

Sunday 5th December - Baptism of Daphne Tearle at Rushbury Church.

Sunday 12th December - Baptism of James Lea at Rushbury Church.

We pray for Daphne and James as they begin their journeys of faith.

Monday 6th December - Funeral of Kenneth Cox at Eaton-under-Heywood Church.

We continue to keep his family and friends in our prayers.

Tuesday 14th December - Death of Sidney Fredrick Hyde of Gaerstone Farm, Hope Bowdler who passed away peacefully at Shrewsbury Hospital aged 89.

Our thoughts are with the family at this time.

Notes from St James', Cardington

	Flowers	Sidesmen
February 6 th	Lesley Iverson	Steven Pennington
February 13 th	Wendy Rogers	No Service
February 20 th	“ “	John McMillan
February 27 th	Jane McMillan	Chris Maydew
[March 6 th]	“ “	

(Flowers usually last for two weeks in Church during winter)

Church Cleaning

February 5 th	Floors	J Tonks, L Iverson, K Smith
February 12 th	Furniture	P Evans, L Pinches, B Norris
February 19 th	Floors	J Hudson, S Akers
February 26 th	Furniture	A Norris, J Watkins

Notes from St Edith's, Eaton-under-Heywood

Flower rota

Phyllis

Cleaning rota

Feb 13th Nicky and Phyllis

Feb 27th Ann and Megan

A NEW YEAR. Let's rejoice. Rosey reached her 80th. Aisha and Sam expect. Great news. Exciting times. We are thrilled for them and the Parish/Benefice.

ADMIRATION for the Rose family. Your publication of 'The Outsider', in honour of Geoff, is a gift. Well-received. A second print is due. Dedicated to displaced children everywhere. Amazing. Proceeds to children's charities.

CANDLELIGHT crib and Carol service brought three generations of three Parish families together amongst many others. Readings from the 'Young Ones'. Appreciated. TY to everyone for your support.

CHRISTMAS DAY brought yet another family of three generations to celebrate. Renewed pleasure and fun from Ed again. Euan snuffed many candles. TY to you both.

FINAL JOURNEY The Cox family paid respects to Kenneth, bro' to Harry and Geoffrey, in early December. Burial Church Stretton cemetery.

TRIBUTE for SERVICE John B. Gave three days in month for ten years to print Honeypot and the "49ner". This is the magazine of another Benefice. His endeavours ensured profits. Distributed to school, Four Churches and Village Halls. Heroic effort.

We wish also to acknowledge the time and 'legwork' of the deliverers. TY.

ANCIENT door purchased some years ago rests in splendour against the internal Vestry wall. Decisions are pending. PCC appreciate Robert's care for its safety and storage. TY.

CHURCH FLOWERS greet congregants and visitors on numerous occasions. Simple delight. Colour, scent, shape, and texture tantalise our senses. Generations of women, and men, hold this Christian tradition dear. May I venture to interest some of you in 'Faith and Flowers'; the magazine of the Church of England Flower Arrangers' Association? Charity No. 514372. National Secretary Mr L Little, 0208.441.1193. E-mail: secretary@cefaa.org.uk

And **FLORA**, a magazine dedicated to floral activities.

POSTSCRIPT

As an RHS member I welcome their decision to ban oasis (floral foam) from their show displays. It 'melts' when wet. Disintegrating into tiny pieces. These enter landfill, leaching into our agricultural and domestic environments. Thus to the water supplies. Another plastic restricted. I pray the WI and local shows will follow their example.

Keep well. Stay healthy in 2022. Maybe Burwarton will happen? Fingers an' all crossed.
Gwen

Notes from St Andrew's, Hope Bowdler

Flower rota

February 5th Dorothy Landers February 12th, 19th & 26th Carol Davies
March 1st Rosemary Allworth Jean Webb **REMOVE FLOWERS.**

If anyone is unable to do these dates, please can you find another person to do them.

Many thanks to all for all your work throughout the year, especially through difficult times.

Cleaning rota

Feb 5th Anita Pratt and Evelyn Dapling Feb 12th Angela Morris and Sue Koenig
Feb 19th Tricia Bacon and Chrissie Head

Thank you to all who help to look after our church. If you would like to be involved, please contact Ruth on 01694 724919.

Notes from St Peter's, Rushbury

Flower rota - Pedestal

Saturday 22nd January & Saturday 5th February- Ann Price
Saturday 26th February & Saturday 5th March - Alison Themans

If you are unable to do the flowers, please arrange a swap with someone else.

Cleaning rota

5th February - Derek and Ann
26th February - Harry

Thank you for your contribution in keeping our church clean. We are always looking for more help to join the 'team'. Please contact Ann Price on 771636 if you can help.

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Dear friends,

Every winter I watch more films and dramas on TV. I think the darker evenings are to blame. The appeal of spending an evening with a good film while the wind and rain howl outside is too strong to resist. It's even more tempting if a take-away is thrown in for good measure!

This winter has been no different. But I feel like I have started to notice a bit of a trend. Mainly, that some films over-rely on violence to try and be appealing. Now, I know this is nothing new. Sometimes, my favourite films have some violence in them. But to watch James Bond kill somewhere in the region of 50 individuals over one or two scenes troubled me. It was troubling to watch as a 28-year-old used to films; it was even more troubling to watch as a Christian and a priest!

For me, the best films are ones that help us search for truth and meaning in our world. They spark wonder in our minds, speak to emotions in our hearts, and help us ask questions of ourselves and society.

One particular drama over the winter period both inspired and moved me. It didn't rely on big scenes or C.G.I. violence, or even a particularly large budget. Instead, it told the powerful story of a mother's search for truth and justice.

'Anne' tells the story of Anne Williams, whose son was unlawfully killed in the Hillsborough disaster. We watch as she says goodbye to her son on the morning of 15th April 1989. He is going to attend a football match in Sheffield. His favourite team, Liverpool, are playing in the FA Cup semi-final against Nottingham Forest at the neutral Hillsborough Stadium. We don't see the disaster itself. But, watching over 30 years or so later, we know exactly what happens, and we know, tragically, the meaning of her son not returning home that evening.

Over the course of the drama we are taken on a journey through grief and anger, through the breaking down and the establishing of relationships, through betrayal and disappointment before, finally, arriving at the truth. Along the way, there is an unceasing desire for justice. This desire for justice exposes institutional corruption, smear campaigns, and the question of ethics in the press. But, importantly, this quest for justice comes from normal people and their love for each other and their families.

Normal people, as prophets of their time. I use the word prophets, because a prophet is someone who speaks truth to power, usually in the face of resistance or persecution.

The Bible is full of prophets. They are normal people who God chooses to speak truth to power, even if the cost is great. They expose the failings of structures that exploit the poor, go to war unnecessarily, and oppress the weak. They declare God's intentions and plans for His people; plans that are often at odds with the societies in which they live. Prophets like Isaiah, Micah, or Jeremiah come to mind. But there are many others too; scattered throughout both the Old and New Testaments.

And, I believe, we too are all called to be prophets. We, as ordinary people, can point to extraordinary truths; that love triumphs over hatred, community defeats division, and hope drives out despair. We can do this even in the smallest of ways. But, collectively, we can change the world. Ordinary people, called by God to do extraordinary things.

Your friend and priest,

Sam

There was no LETTER FROM HEREFORD available this month. Editors.

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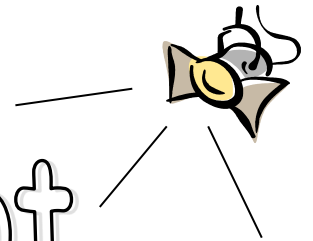
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Spotlight on..... The Honeypot



A new year, and we are happy to be welcoming a new look to the Honeypot team. You may remember I announced in the November edition that now we have sold our family business and Andy, my husband, has retired, we are hoping to spend more of our time travelling and helping with childcare for (and just visiting) our family. In order to do this, I need either to drastically reduce the time I spend on producing and editing the Honeypot or give it up altogether. In particular I also gave notice that I will be unavailable to produce the double edition for December/January in November 2022. It is therefore essential that we either expand the team and divide up the workload, or someone new needs to take over completely from October onwards. I am delighted to announce that we are **part-way** to building such a team, with one of our team, Shirley McNicol, increasing her involvement, and Sally Western, (see page 20) *a soon to be new resident*, offering to help with the Facebook page. **However we still need to strengthen the team further before I can commit to carrying on.**

The size of the editor's job is huge, and at least one more person is still needed to ensure the continuation of The Honeypot. You can help out in some way whatever level your skills are, and I am happy to teach the necessary skills to anyone willing to learn. If you could find time on 1-2 days once a month (and perhaps a little more occasionally to cover sickness or holidays) you could help to reduce the editor's load by taking on a section of the Honeypot. **It is a very rewarding job and we are a very happy team. Do come and join us!**



My name is Shirley McNicol. Many of you will already know me as I have been a resident within our parishes for 45 years. Do look out for me—I am often to be seen out walking or riding my bicycle around the parishes.

I am now going to edit the Church pages for The Honeypot.

I am Secretary to the Parish Church Council for St James' Cardington, (I used to live in Cardington, although I am now living in Wall-under-Heywood) and I have been Head of Collation for the Honeypot (when we used to print the Honeypot ourselves) and now sort out the distribution of printed copies to each parish. Andrea and I have worked very closely together to keep the Honeypot going during Covid.

It seemed to be a logical step for me to volunteer to edit all of the church pages, as I was already organising the service information and Cardington rota entries and notices.

I can type and I can write (you will have seen one or two of my articles in the Honeypot over the last few years) but my computer skills are very limited. However I am willing to learn and Andrea is willing to help. This month sees the first of my efforts, which we worked on together and I am pleased with what I have learned already. I have learned to copy and paste, (I have been typing everything in full up to now) and have learned how to easily resize and respace what I paste in.

If I can do it, so could you!

The magazine would also really benefit from someone new with more up to date skills than myself coming forward to take the magazine on to the next phase of its life either independently or working with me. I am entirely self-taught, and my skills are basic and out of date. I do have ideas which might help make production of the magazine easier, but don't have the skills or knowledge to achieve them!

Andrea

If you are interested, email for more information: honeypoteditor@outlook.com

OUR FACEBOOK PAGE....

Do take a look at our Facebook page. You might notice one or two changes....

We now have a new administrator helping with our page, Sally Western. She is trying out one or two new ways of making our page work better for us.



When you share a Facebook post to us it may not appear on line immediately. Don't worry about it, that is because it has to be authorised by one of the page administrators first.

Hello my name is Sally Western and I've offered to help the Editor with the Facebook page for **The Honeypot**. My husband Shaun and I have recently bought a house in East Wall. We are both from Shifnal, Shropshire and have two boys Samuel and William along with a lively Springer Spaniel! Our hobbies are Trail Running, Horse Riding and spending quality time with family and friends, normally enjoying good food and wine!

My day job involves organising Newport Agricultural Show and I am looking forward to supporting our local community by helping with social media, which when used correctly is a super communication tool giving instant current information.

Hopefully I will get to meet some of you in the near future.

Those of our readers who use Facebook may have noticed that Sally has started to include items from our back page calendar. We hope that this may trigger a reminder to those of us who sometimes forget to attend something that we had been interested in as well as highlighting the event itself.

In these difficult times, Facebook can also be useful for publicising changes to events previously organised. In fact Facebook was a really useful tool for us in the early days of Covid when we were all in lockdown, and enabled us to spread the message to find your magazines in local drop boxes, and later that **The Honeypot** was moving temporarily online. This month we unfortunately had to announce the cancellation of the Rushbury Pop-up-Pub due to the current situation with the Omicron variant. Sharing such messages to your friends can be a very useful tool. **If you have changes to an event, or a last minute event you are organising, please share a Facebook post, message us, or if you are not on Facebook, email the editorial team.**

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YOU MIGHT NOTICE SOME CHANGES TO THE USUAL LAYOUT OF THE MAGAZINE FROM TIME TO TIME. Now Shirley is compiling all of the church items, it makes sense for practical reasons for Revd. Sam's letter to sit within the Church pages. However, sometimes, the layout of the magazine will suggest a better place for it, and so the editor may move it, often back to the front page. This may also apply to other pages occasionally. This change will make it easier for other people to help.

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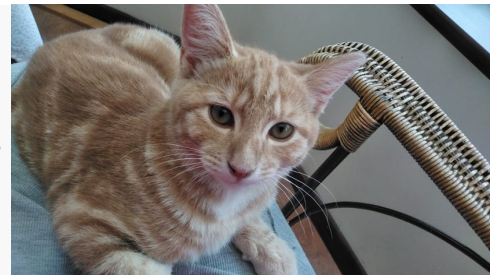
Well, I've been here a week now and the accommodation is quite good. I was rather sad at leaving my mum and siblings behind and the ride in the car in that cage affair was very frightening, but mum and her friend made a big fuss of me when we arrived and by evening I was beginning to feel at home.

Of course as we kittens know we can be rather over active and mischievous as the following few days were to prove. Mum's ankles are beginning to resemble a pin cushion and sometimes she shouts but I'm not sure if she's hurting or enjoying herself. Apparently she used to enjoy eating her breakfast in peace while reading or doing a crossword, I'm afraid I soon put paid to that, she was dusting before eight this morning. Something unheard of she says, I think she is hoping for a nap after lunch -- we'll see about that...

I've had a few little accidents (oh, not what you think- I can use my dirt box like a pro!) No, I mean knocking things off the window sills like photo frames for instance, and earlier this morning the telephone came crashing to the floor! I didn't think I'd touched it.

Anyway I'm quite tired now having been quite active this morning so I'll go and have a nap, on mum's chair of course!

Jenny Rose, on acquiring a very mischievous kitten who was quite a challenge



FROM OUR FACEBOOK PAGE....



It's all about the weather.....

Top: Catching up on posting some of the lovely photographs sent to me before Christmas.....

The unusual and extreme weather conditions at this time also created some amazing sights and photo opportunities.

The Wrekin as an island taken from Cardington Hill the Sunday before Christmas (Martin Hughes)

and 'Stoneacton Lake' from the same spot giving the illusion of a tree lined lakeside. Chris Brandon

Bottom: an ash tree felled by Storm Arwen. Peter Steggle



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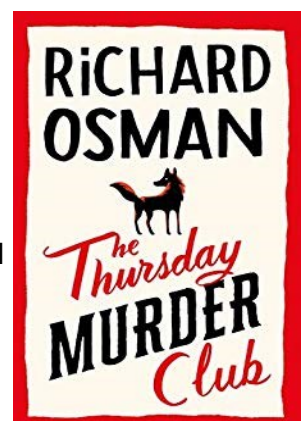
The Thursday Murder Club by Richard Osman

Four septuagenarian murder investigators join forces with a rookie police detective to try and solve a brutal murder.... or two. This witty and at times poignant read is filled with intriguing characters.

When a property developer they know is murdered in his own home, the Thursday Murder Club set to work to solve the crime. Elizabeth, Ibrahim, Joyce and Ron are all residents of a luxury retirement village in the south of England who have come together through a love of investigating unsolved police cases. Together with a keen newby police detective and her world weary partner, the A-team of Coopers Chase are a force to be reckoned with.

Claire Davis Green

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Something to make.....

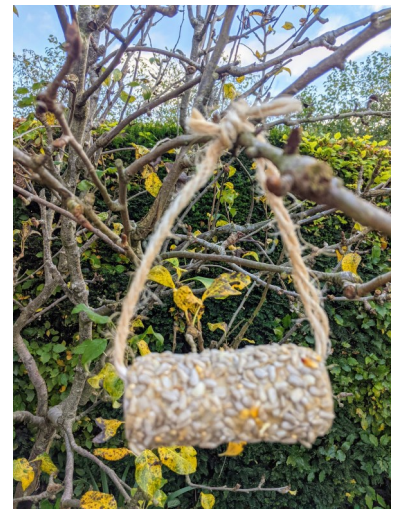
Did you take part in the RSPB Big Garden Birdwatch at the end of January? How many birds did you count? Why not lend a helping hand to the hungry birds in your garden on these cold winter days and especially, nights.



Make your own bird feeder.

Spread peanut butter all over the inner from a toilet roll tube and roll in birdseed or leftover breadcrumbs.

Either pop it over a branch or thread through some string and hang in the tree.



News from Little Acorns of Rushbury



Little Acorns had a lovely run up to Christmas with a delicious Christmas lunch (complete with crackers, party hats and Christmas jumpers), and we even found Father Christmas in Forest School!

Sadly, Storm Arwen blew over our tipi – all tidied up now and we hope to reinstall it soon.

It is lovely to be back for the Spring term and we are now looking forward to some warmer weather and the spring flowers!

Our outdoor stay and play sessions take place on Tuesday mornings at 9.30am. If you would like more information about this or our pre-school please contact Elaine by e-mail info@littleacornsrushbury.org.uk or visit our website www.littleacornsrushbury.org.uk



Christmas dinner



Look who we found in forest school



Storm Arwen damage

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FEBRUARY

- 2 Wed Flicks in the Sticks. *Official Secrets*. CVH. 7.30pm. p3
9 Wed Flicks in the Sticks. *Official Secrets*. HBVH. 7.30pm. p3
10 Thu **DEADLINE DATE FOR COPY FOR SEPTEMBER PARISH MAG TO REACH THE EDITOR**
13 Sun Apedale Amblers. Young Farmer's Meeting Room, Cardington. 2pm. p4
16 Wed R&C WI. CVH. 2.30pm. p4
17 Thu The Butty Van. Court Farm, Gretton. 10.30am-12 noon. p13
21 Mon Rushbury Parish Council Meeting. CR RVH. 7.30pm. p4

MARCH

- 1 Tue Cardington Parish Council Meeting. CVH. 8pm. p3

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The rainfall at Ticklerton in November 2021 was 37mm and in December 2021 was 138mm. The total for 2021 was 1015mm. April was the driest month (27mm) and January was the wettest (155mm).

Claire Nicholson.

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