

CLEEVE PRIOR NEWSLETTER



NOVEMBER 2013

Church Services for November 2013

- 3rd Fourth Sunday before Advent
11.00am Parish Eucharist Revd Jim Symonds
- 10th Third Sunday before Advent. Remembrance Sunday
10.50am Service of Remembrance Revd Peter Chapman
- 17th Second Sunday before Advent
11.00 am Family Service and “thank you” to all the church
helpers Revd Jim Symonds
- 24th Christ the King. Next before Advent
11.00am Parish Eucharist Revd Andrew Mottram

December

- 1st First Sunday of Advent
11.00 am Parish Eucharist Revd Jim Symonds

Please note that the service on Remembrance Sunday will begin at
10.50 am

During the Interregnum, should you need the ministrations of a Priest or wish to make any enquiries relating to services at the Parish Church, then please contact one of the Churchwardens:

Mr Rod Carless
Arnwood
Mill Lane
Cleeve Prior WR11 8JZ

Mrs Lis Hughes
Japonica Cottage
Main Street
Cleeve Prior WR11 8LG

All Souls Day

At St Andrews church on Sunday 3 November there will be a time for reflection and remembrance of loved ones who have died (whether recently or in the past).

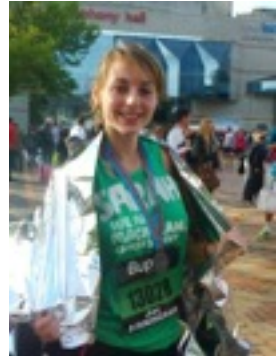
All are most welcome to attend this service at 11am. If you would like someone to be mentioned by name please could you let Rod Carless or Lis Hughes know.

Macmillan Cancer Support

St Andrews PCC would like to thank you for all the support and generosity that we received at *The World's biggest Coffee Morning* held in aid of Macmillan Cancer Support. With all your help we were able to send off to Macmillan a cheque for £401. So far they have received over nine million pounds towards their target of fifteen million

And a big thankyou to everyone who sponsored me to run the Birmingham Half Marathon to raise money for Macmillan Cancer Support. I completed the race in 2 hours and 11 minutes with the help of the cheering crowds! I have raised a total of £800, double my original fundraising target. My fundraising page on JustGiving is still open to donations should you wish to contribute. Visit <http://www.justgiving.com/scarr456>. Thank you.

Sarah Carr



Found

On the morning of 12 October a Bank plastic cash envelope containing a sum of money was found on the village green. If you are the loser, please contact me so that it can be returned to you.

Rod Carless

PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

October 2013

The Council meets on the second Wednesday of each month, except for August, at 8 pm in the War Memorial Hall. If a parishioner has any comments or concerns please contact the Clerk or a councillor.

On 13 November, West Mercia Police will be updating the village on staff changes and current initiatives in Cleeve Prior. Everyone is welcome to attend (8 pm).

There will be an opportunity to meet Sgt Stayte and his team and ask questions, raise any issues etc. This is your chance to have your say.

For more Parish Council News, visit www.cleeveprior.org.uk

CHRISTMAS TREE ORDERS

By the time you read this there will still be almost eight weeks to go before Christmas, but it is time to think about putting in an order for your Christmas tree. On behalf of the Memorial Hall, the Friends of Cleeve Prior will be selling trees and holly wreaths again at the Christmas Fayre.

So that we won't disappoint anyone by running out of trees, please consider pre-ordering one now.

The trees will be of three sizes, small, medium and large, and I would hope the prices will not have gone up too much on last year.

Please email or telephone for more information or to place your order.

Email: mahughes@doctors.org.uk



CLEEVE PRIOR WAR MEMORIAL VILLAGE HALL

cleevepriormemorialhall@gmail.com

Plans are well in hand for our usual activities in November and December, when we hope to provide enjoyment for everyone in the run up to Christmas.

On **Sunday 24 November** we are holding a Bring & Buy sale, from 2 to 4 pm, to fund the Seniors' Lunch, and to collect names of those wishing to attend.

On **Saturday 14 December** the Christmas Fayre will start at 2 pm. Father Christmas has promised to be there, and there will be a variety of stalls, including cakes, bric-a-brac (WI), bottles (PCC), Children's stall (PreSchool), games, and a Raffle. And Christmas trees will be on sale (see separate notice in this Newsletter).

On **Tuesday 17 December**, at 12.30 pm, a Christmas lunch is provided for Cleeve Prior Seniors. Please make sure that you let us know if you wish to attend.

Lis Hughes, Chairman

Seniors' Lunch Entertainment: Cleeve Prior Players traditionally provide some entertainment for the Seniors' Lunch. If you would like to take part by doing your party piece - read, sing, dance, etc. - please contact Richard Warner who is co-ordinating the entertainment.



Cleeve Prior Heritage Trust

Millennium Green Working Party, 20 October

WHAT a gorgeous day!! It was warm and breezy and perfect for making inroads on the brambles, hawthorn, blackthorn and other nasties encroaching on the pathways through the coppices on the Green. We also spread some more woodchips on the muddy sections of the paths to keep your feet dry.

So heartfelt thanks to those villagers who gave up their Sunday morning to come and help, namely Alan and Linda, Duncan and Kathryn, Bob (secateurs) Cross, and of course our stalwart volunteers Merlin and Begoña, Graham and Sandra, and Mick Hughes who was dashing off to France that afternoon. Well done all of you.

There must be upwards of 30 people who walk dogs on the Green

Brian Taylor, Chairman

¡Venga, vamos a hablar español!

Spanish classes for adults at Cleeve Prior Memorial Hall starting in January. For more information, contact Liz Mallett de Tamayo

NEWS FROM THE KINGS ARMS

Another month has passed and the Christmas countdown is well and truly on, now taking bookings for party night in December: £19.95 per head for a 3 course dinner, and £49.95 for a four course feast on Christmas Day. Next month we will let you all know the opening hours over the festive period.

We have loads going on over the last two months of 2013.

Saturday 2 November we have Trisha (Dusty Springfield) returning for a night of music and laughter. Bbook your table now.

Friday 22 November will be a sad day as we wish Aussies Peter and Sandra a fond farewell from 6pm with nibbles and drinks. Please find the time to come down and see them.

Wednesday 27 November our Quiz night returns. Book a table early to avoid missing out.

Hopefully the Church will be holding the candle lit carol service. If so, after the service, why not come back to the Kings Arms for an enjoyable drink or two

31 December 2013, our New Year's Eve party night, with a disco of the decades and buffet for your enjoyment. £10.00 a ticket.

Remember, Crib night is back on for any one wanting a fun easy night: 11 and 25 November from 8pm

Look forward to seeing you soon.

Chris and Pete, 01789 773335

**CLEEVE PRIOR PRE SCHOOL
BAGS2SCHOOL COLLECTION
WEDNESDAY 6 NOVEMBER 2013**

By 9am

If you have any unwanted clothing, bedding, soft toys, shoes, hats, belts or handbags – then please bring them (in a bag) to the Preschool from Tuesday

November

Many thanks in advance for your continued support



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Cleeve Prior First School and Cleeve Prior PreSchool

Would like to invite you to their

Autumn Spooky Disco

Friday 8th November at Cleeve Prior First School

5pm – 6.30pm

Admission £2.50 also includes a glow stick and drink

Tuck Shop and Refreshments available, Fancy Dress Optional



News from the School

Our Harvest Service was lovely and I am very grateful to Mr Wilderspin for coming back and leading it for us. All the produce donated by parents was sent to The Vale of Evesham

Christian Centre where it was gratefully received.

Many thanks to all those who supported our book fair - we raised £88 in commission.

As I mentioned last month we are holding our Open Day on Wednesday 6 November from 9am until 8pm. Everyone is very welcome to pop in and see us in action.

We now have a collection box for poppies in our reception area. Please feel free to come and purchase one.

Rather than taking part in Operation Christmas Child this year we feel it is more relevant for our children to support our partner school in Senegal. We shall be very grateful if you are able to donate any of the following items :

Cuddly toy, toothbrush, toothpaste, soap, flannel, notepad, pencils & sharpener, t-shirts, socks, hats, small ball/tennis ball, puzzles, toys, cars, trucks, card games, small jewellery, skipping rope or simple books.

A container will be sent across on the week beginning 11 November so, if you are able to donate any of the above items, we shall be grateful if you will bring them in by Friday 8 November.

Many thanks.

Sarah Newbury



We would like to invite you to our

Bingo Night with Fish and Chip Supper on

Friday 22nd November

5.30pm at Cleeve Prior First School

All proceeds will go to Cleeve Prior PTA

Please contact the school office for more details

You'll uv `erd of Ambridge – well Cleeve has a tale or two to tell!



Friday 8th and Saturday 9th November 7.30pm – Cleeve Prior Memorial Hall

Tickets £10 to include a Fresh Roast Pork Bap with apple sauce
and stuffing – yum!!
Cash Bar and Raffle

The Players' profits will be donated to the
Worcestershire branch of the Soldiers Sailors
Airforce Families Association, SSAFA

Tickets from Gina Carr, Lis Hughes, Susan
Mortimer, Georgie Roberts, Mary Sylvester
and Ron Taylor



Doors open at 7pm

JOSEPH THE MUSICAL

There is still a chance to take part in Joseph next spring (27 – 29
March)! We are looking for more adults to take various parts.

If you would like to find out more, please contact Richard Warner.

A reminder for those who have not yet bought their tickets!!

SATURDAY 23 NOVEMBER at 7.30.pm

In St Andrews Church, Cleeve Prior

The LAUDA CHAMBER CHOIR

With a programme of CHORAL MUSIC by ALLEGRI, VICTORIA, BYRD, PALESTRINA, BRITTEN as well as one or two lighter items.

Tickets, £15, include an interval drink and finger food in the village hall after the concert where there will be a cash bar and a chance to meet the choir.

LAUDA includes some of the best choral singers in the West Midlands many of whom also sing with Ex Cathedra. John Cotterill and the choir will be returning for their third appearance in St Andrews following two very successful concerts in 2012.

Tickets (reserved by row) are available from: Rod and Annette Carless, Lis Hughes or June Taylor.

Another reminder

Pershore Choral Society, in conjunction with the Worcester Philharmonic Orchestra, will perform
Beethoven's Symphony No.9
(The Choral Symphony)

On Saturday 16 November in Pershore Abbey
at **2.30 pm**

(please note, this is an **afternoon** performance)

Several village residents sing in the Choral Society,
and Ron Taylor has kindly offered to handle ticket enquiries



100th Birthday

Annie Mortimer, who lived at The Mill House with David and Susan for 16 years, celebrates her 100th birthday on 31 October at Greenhill Park Residential Home in Evesham. This recent picture shows her talking to a visiting snake.

Women's Fellowship

We had an interesting meeting, learning about Phoenix Trading, the various items they sell, including cards, stationery, ribbons and boxes, all designed by people in this country and everything printed here. Emma Baker was a very good speaker. We were able to select and order items.

Our next meeting is Tuesday 5 November at 2.15pm in the Tea Room .

Meryl Holdbrook

NWR

The October meeting at *Conifers*, the home of Sandra, was interesting and enlightening. Members brought pictures, photos and objects personal to them, explaining their provenance. We covered history, geography, literature, social history, anniversaries and childhood memories, all of which

entertained us into the very late evening. Thankyou Sandra for your generous hosting. A very pleasant and interesting meeting.

Tuesday 12 November brings us to the annual Telephone Trail. Please meet at *Arnwood* at **7.30 pm**, as telephone lines open at 8 pm promptly. Visitors and new members are very welcome. As always, please bring a plate of food to share when the quiz finishes. Apologies to Annette on 773357.

NB: If you have not yet paid your subscription or for the theatre tickets, please bring cheque books. *Sue Taylor*

BIDFORD AND DISTRICT HISTORY SOCIETY

Please join us on **Friday 15th November** at **St. Laurence's Church Hall**, 7.30pm, for an enjoyable "in costume" talk by Kevin Hicks of "The History Squad" on the subject of "A Soldier in Wellington's Army".

Kevin will guide us through the life and times of a soldier during the Peninsular Wars (1808-14) and the Napoleonic Wars, culminating in the Battle of Waterloo of 1815.

Free refreshments are served afterwards. Visitors are most welcome. Our charge is £4.50 each visit for non-members. Free admission for visitors aged 18 or under. For details, contact Lisa Lear or visit www.bidfordhistory.org.uk.

Researching family history

My name is Rob Turner and I am trying to find out about members of my family who lived in Cleeve Prior in the early 1930s. I believe their cottage was in a terrace and was called Cartref at the time. My

grandfather was William, known as Bill or Pop Turner, and worked for a market gardener called Edwards. His wife Doris (Grinnell) gave birth to my father, Bernard Graham Turner (who would have been 82 in October 2013), and uncle, Peter (2 years younger), who lived here as young children.

If anyone has any memories of the family, I would be very pleased to hear from them at robturner5@icloud.com. Thank you.

CLEEVE PRIOR GOLF SOCIETY

Des journées à l'extérieur*

Nine intrepid golfers left the Vale on Sunday last, braved the M40, 25, 26 and 20 amidst torrential rain, heavy traffic and road works, to be ready for the early morning shuttle under the channel.

A short trip on the other side brought us to Le Touquet for our first round of golf at Le Foret. The sun shone, the scores mounted and the competition was keen. After compulsory refreshments we checked into Le Manoir (our hotel) and enjoyed an excellent dinner. The next day's golf at La Mer started off pleasant enough but the rains came to dampen our last six holes. That was all forgotten as we repaired to Le Touquet town and Chez Perard for a wonderful fish dinner, enlivened by a brilliant demonstration of *franglais* by one member.

Had we believed the local forecast we would have headed home the next morning, but we persevered and had a lovely morning's golf in sunshine at Hardelot Les Pins before heading back to the tunnel.

A most enjoyable break which can be thoroughly recommended for value for money, the golf and the hotel.

Mick Hughes

*away days

Bidford Area Community Choir

Wherever you are

A concert to raise funds for our new GP surgery
St Laurence's Church,
Saturday 16 November, 7.30 pm

Tickets £7.50 on the door or from any choir member
(Under 16s free)

Cleeve Prior Ramblers

I had not been on a ramble for quite a long time and I was really looking forward to getting back into the habit. I couldn't have had a better re-introduction than the walk arranged by Chris and Marina on Saturday, 19 October 2013. First of all it was a little bit shorter than normal (four miles—though the last mile seemed a long one to me!), secondly it was mostly level and local (Welford) and, thirdly, the weather was nigh on perfect for walking.

We parked in the car park of 'The Bell', all 19 of us plus three dogs. Most of us on the walk probably thought that we knew Welford well, as we drive through it often, but this walk took us all through the hidden network of footpaths around Welford, and its near neighbour Weston-on-Avon.

In Weston we visited All Saints Church where records go back to 1283. This church is still within the Diocese of Gloucester as the Welford

area was part of Gloucestershire until being transferred to Warwickshire in 1931. We had our coffee break on the banks of the Avon before re-entering Welford. We then made our way to the bottom of the village and onto the banks of the Avon again, where some of us were lucky enough to see a kingfisher near the weir.

Of course - being Cleeve Ramblers - we soon found our way back to the Bell where they had no problem seating us at a table for 19, and serving us with a delicious lunch. Thank you Chris and Marina for such an interesting walk which we all enjoyed.

Andrew Taylor

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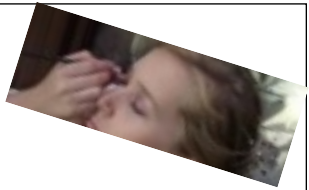
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VILLAGE EVENTS

held in the Memorial Hall unless otherwise stated.

Date	Event	Time	Organiser
NOVEMBER			
Wed 6	Open Day	from 9 am	School
	Bags2School	by 9 am	PreSchool
Fri 8 & Sat 9	Stories of Cleeve Prior, from the 1900s to the 1950s	7.30 pm	CP Players
Wed 13	Tea Shop & Lending Library	2.30 pm	
Sat 23	LAUDA Concert in Church	7.30 pm	R Gardener and friends
Sun 24	Bring & Buy for Seniors' lunch	2 – 4 pm	Mgt Cttee
Wed 27	Tea Shop & Lending Library	2.30 pm	
DECEMBER			
14 Dec	Christmas Fayre	2 pm	Mgt Cttee
17 Dec	Seniors' Lunch	12.30 pm	Mgt Cttee

The WCC Mobile Library calls at two stops in the village on Tuesday 12 November: 11.05 – 11.20: Mill Lane; 11.25 – 11.55: The Close.

200 Club winner, October
£25, Barry Sheen

Neighbourhood Watch

cleevenighbourhood@gmail.com is the place to report any suspicious cars or people in the neighbourhood. You will not be required to give your name or details.



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