

HOPE AND SHELVE PARISH

Services during November

Sunday 3rd November – All Saints Day Communion at Shelve 9am

Sunday 10th November – Remembrance Sunday Holy Communion at Hope 9am

Sunday 17th November – Morning Prayer at Shelve 9am

Sunday 24th November – Morning Prayer at Hope 9am

Many thanks to all who helped with our Harvest Supper last month, and to all those who attended. The money raised will go to support the work of our local churches. At our harvest services we collected gifts in aid of the Royal Agricultural Benevolent Institution which supports the farming community, and in aid of the Rea Valley Foodbank, which helps local families and individuals struggling with the cost of living. Their needs continue throughout the year, but are particularly felt during the winter months, and as Christmas approaches. There are collection points for donated food in Pontesbury Co-op and at Minsterley Morrisons.

The annual act of Remembrance takes place at the war memorial in Bentlawnt at 11am on Monday November 11th. As the effects of war are seen all too often on our TV screens, it is an opportunity to show our gratitude and respect for those from our communities who have defended our freedoms.

On Saturday 23rd November there is a Winter Tea in the Village Hall from 2.30-4. There'll be tea and cake and some activities and stalls. All ages welcome.

Revd Fran Brealey

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All Saints Church Presents…"A Thousand Years of Worthen"

Richard Tongue delves into the forgotten history of this ancient village, of the Kings and Lords, Renegades and Rogues who passed this way, the famous and infamous characters of the past. Hear the stories of Wild Edric, the Last of the Saxon Warlords, of Mary Anne Talbot, Sailor in the French Revolutionary War, and many other illustrious characters. Take a trip back in time and explore the world of our ancestors.

Saturday 9th November, All Saints Church, 3pm. All Welcome.

HOPE SHOW – 7th September 2024

The October newsletter should have contained a report about the Hope Show, especially to congratulate those who achieved success with their entries, so apologies to them for this delay.

The Show was another great success, with a total of 178 entries in the 48 categories, and 10% of those were from the 16 and under age group; it's so nice to see so many youngsters engaging with a community event. Let's hope their successes spur them to prepare for next year and further events. Once again, David Stacey presented the certificates and trophies in front of a packed hall. Our thanks to all of the Judges and volunteers who made the day such a success.

Unfortunately, two of the classes received no entries and, from the result's table below you will notice that two other classes were not judged because of a Rule, applied only this year, that if there was only one entrant (apart from children's classes) the class would not be judged. Although this rule was adopted for a good reason, reflection tells us that it may deter entrants from participating in subsequent Shows, so the Rule will be discontinued.

The Show results were, as follows:

Hope Show 2024 – Class positions

COOKERY	1st	2nd	3rd	Highly Commended	Number of entries
1. Cheesecake	Tracy Eggby Jones	Clare Bennett	-	-	2
2. 5 x cheese straws	Joyce Graves	Sian Ferguson	-	-	2
3. Victoria Sandwich – 4 eggs	Joyce Graves	Anne Williams	Jean Ellis	-	9
4. Ginger Cake	Fran Brealey	Joyce Graves	Tracy Eggby Jones	-	3
5. Decorated Choc cake	Tracy Eggby Jones	Clare Bennett	Lois Ison	-	4
6. Men only – Lemon Drizzle cake	Zak Zarychta	Charles Price	Ben Holloway	-	7
7. Quiche – any filling	Anne Williams	Debbie Davies	-	-	2
8. 5 x Choc brownies	Katie Squire	Thomas Squire	Clare Bennett	-	4
9. 5 x Fruit scones	Anne Williams	Debbie Davies	Caroline Holloway	-	6
10. Jar of Chutney	Ralph Graves	Sian Ferguson	David Stacey	-	4
11. Jar of Raspberry Jam	-	-	-	-	1 (not judged- Rule 3)
12. Fruit Gin	Ruth Walton	Jonathan Walton	Wendy Jane Walton	-	7
PRODUCE	**1st**	**2nd**	**3rd**	**Highly Commended**	**Number of entries**
13. Heaviest Marrow	-	-	-	-	0
14. Box of 5 Different Vegetables	Wendy Jane Walton	Jess Roberts	Annabelle Stacey	-	3
15. Unusually shaped vegetable	-	-	-	-	0
16. 3 x Beetroot	Tracey Eggby Jones	Ernie Farmer	Doug Boulter	-	3
17. 3 x Tomatoes	Joyce Graves	Ernie Farmer	Wendy Jane Walton	-	6
18. 3 x Potatoes	Bob Evans	John Delves	Jess Roberts	-	3
19. 3 x Runner Beans	Ali Rummey	Annabelle Stacey	Doug Boulter	-	7
20. 3 x Hens Eggs	Mollie Bennett	Doug Boulter	Duncan Bennett	-	5
21. 3 x Carrots	Bob Evans	Jess Roberts	Ernie Farmer	-	3
22. Tallest Sunflower	Ali Rummey (2605mm)	Joyce Graves (1590mm)	Hillcrest Manor Nursing Home (1540mm)	-	3

FLOWERS	1st	2nd	3rd	Highly Commended	Number of entries
23. 3 X Dahlias	-	-	-	-	1 (not judged- Rule 3)
24. Single Rose	Jean Evans	Debbie Davies	Joan Price	-	6
25. Autumn Wreath - Fresh	Debbie Davies	Joan Price	Mollie Bennett	-	4
26. Green Houseplant	Colin King	Jayne Gunnery	Lois Ison	-	3
27. Vase of Mixed Flowers from your Garden	Joan Price	Wendy Jane Walton	Annabelle Stacey	Joyce Graves	6
28. Miniature Arrangement in an Egg Cup	Debbie Davies	Joan Price	Jean Evans	-	3
CRAFT	**1st**	**2nd**	**3rd**	**Highly Commended**	**Number of entries**
29. Crocheted Item	Ruth Walton	Charlie Procter	Fay Spenser	Debbie Davies	7
30. Knitted Item	Wendy Jane Walton	Fran Brealey	Wendy Carter	-	5
31. Toy – any Medium	Anne Williams	Jayne Gunnery	Ruth Walton	Wendy Carter	7
32. Item of Jewellery	Anne Williams	Jess Roberts	Lois Ison	-	3
33. Wedding Celebration Card	Jayne Gunnery	Debbie Davies	Lois Ison	-	4
34. Item Made from Wood	Wendy Carter	Lois Ison	Anne Williams	Ralph Graves	6
35. Item of Crystal Art	Clare Bennett	Debbie Davies	Mollie Bennett	-	3
ART	**1st**	**2nd**	**3rd**	**Highly Commended**	**Number of entries**
36. Open Class – Any Medium	Wendy Carter	Rosemary Hart	Anna Squire	Lois Ison	7
37. Painting of Bromlow Callow	Wendy Carter	Anna Squire	Anne Williams	-	4
38. An Animal – Any Medium	Wendy Carter	Ralph Graves	Rosemary Hart	Charles Price	
PHOTOGRAPHY	**1st**	**2nd**	**3rd**	**Highly Commended**	**Number of entries**
39. Photograph of a Local Scene	Roger Shore	Kevin Bowers	Ralph Graves	William Roberts	7
40. Funny Photograph	Ralph Graves	Jess Roberts	Pat Shore	-	4
CHILDRENS	**1st**	**2nd**	**3rd**	**Highly Commended**	**Number of entries**
41. 5 & UNDER Picture Made from a Hand Print	Hazel Roberts	Isla Ison	Rosie Puttock	Bertie Edwards	4
42. 5 & UNDER 3 x Iced Biscuits	Rosie Puttock	Bertie Edwards	Isla Ison	Hazel Roberts	4
43. 6-7 YEARS Decorated Cup Cake	Rosie Ison	William Roberts	-	-	2
44. 6-7 YEARS Self Portrait	Rosie Ison	William Roberts	-	-	2
45. 8-11 YEARS Decorated Pizza	Katie Squire	Busy Edwards	-	-	2
46. 8-11 YEARS Garden on a Plate	Busy Edwards	Katie Squire	-	-	2
47. 12-16 YEARS Flower Arrangement	Mollie Bennett	-	-	-	1 (Rule 3)
48. 12-16 YEARS 3 x Homemade Sausage Rolls	Mollie Bennett	-	-	-	1 (Rule 3)

TROPHIES	AWARDED TO
Lord Bridgeman Cup, - for Best Exhibit	Zak Zarychta & Tracy Eggby Jones
Val Gunnery Cup - for Art	Wendy Carter
Ladies' Cup - for Most Points	Anne Williams & Debbie Davies
Men's Trophy - for most points	Ralph Graves
Children's Cup - for most points	Rose Ison & Mollie Bennett
Broadhope Cup - for winner of the most popular class	Joyce Graves
Dyfrig Wyn Llewellyn Cup - for heaviest marrow	(No entries)
Brian Williams Trophy - for most points in all produce categories	Bob Evans & Ali Rummey
John & Patricia Edwards Trophy - for best entry in craft section	Anne Williams

BINGO
Family Fun Night

In aid of
Hospice at Home

FRIDAY 13th December 2024

Doors Open from 7.00pm

(Eyes Down 7.30pm)

Hope Village Hall

Bingo Books
£10 for 6 or £5 for 3
To include a strip of raffle tickets

Donations of Raffle Prizes would be greatly appreciated.

Please contact Clare (790419) or Deborah (891414)

Refreshments will be available on the night

COFFEE MORNING

Saturday 7th December 2023

10.00am – 12.00noon

Hope Village Hall

In aid of Hospice at Home

Stalls: Cakes
Raffle
Christmas Stall
Lucky Squares
Seasonal Refreshments

Donations welcome beforehand, please contact
Clare Bennett – 01743 790419 or Deborah Davies – 01743 891414

WINTER TEA

Saturday 23rd November
2.30-4.00pm
in Hope Village Hall
SY5 0JB

FREE ENTRY!

craft, refreshments, stalls, music, activities for children

Hope and Shelve Churches

Christmas Craft Fayre!

at
Hillcrest Manor Nursing Home
SY5 0DL

Saturday 16th November
10am – 1pm

Mulled wine, hot dogs, tea, coffee & cakes

Follow us on Facebook!

Crafts, Christmas Gifts, Raffle, Bottle stall, Books, Plants, Homemade Produce, Sweet Treats and more!

Heather's Report for October 2024

GREEN BINS

From October Shropshire Council was due to charge all residents £56 per year per bin for the collection of green waste bins. The Council hopes to raise £4m from this charge which will enable them to keep the recycling centres open (although these will be at reduced hours and you will need to make an appointment!).

"Now it transpires that the glue on permit stickers you put on the bin isn't sticky enough so the scheme is being put back to 4th November! You couldn't make it up!

There are countless issues with this scheme: the flat rate charge, the payments system that doesn't work, no monthly charge option, and postcodes not being picked up on their computer system.

The collection of food waste is also supposed to end at the same time, which is bizarre because by law Councils will have to collect food waste from 2026

If you have had problems with any of the above, please don't hesitate to contact me.

CAR PARKS

Shropshire Council agreed in September to sell off some of its car parks. In a measure passed at the last full council in September, leases of 30 to 125 years on 10 car parks are going to be sold to private companies. The Council will then run the car parks on behalf of the buyers.

Having asked for redundancies from council employees, they now find they do not have the money to pay for the 540 employees' redundancies—hence, selling off the car parks.

As we go to press, the Council has still not revealed which car parks will be leased.

NEW HOMES IN CHIRBURY

The developer is now clearing the site and building work should start soon. The aim is to have the homes ready by August or September 2025.

If you are interested please register with 'Homepoint' as soon as possible as there is a 20 week delay in processing applications.

LEIGH ROAD

The B4499, Leigh Road, is due to be closed to allow a new sewer to be laid for a new housing development being built by Shingler Homes on the outskirts of Minsterley.

They indicated this work would take 4 weeks and a full-time closure.

I demanded talks with the developer, Shropshire Highways Permitting Department and local Parish Councils. This would simply not be workable for residents on either side of the closure.

This meeting has reduced the closure to a maximum of 2 weeks with part of the last week being on traffic lights – hopefully. It will only be a 9.30 to 4pm closure with school buses being able to travel through. Residents will have access to their homes and the works should be plated when there are no workers on site outside the closure times. This will happen towards the end of November.

Heather Kidd
Shropshire Councillor for Chirbury & Worthen
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Free Help to Get Online for Shropshire Residents

Do you feel a little lost using technology? Need help using the internet? Do you feel nervous about using a computer or frustrated about being left behind as everything seems to be online these days?

Getting to grips with the internet means you can keep in touch with friends and family, get up-to-date information and see the latest news, have shopping delivered to your door and better manage your health and finances.

Shropshire Council is supporting residents to learn to use technology safely through **The Digital Skills Programme**. The service has 25 digital hubs across the area for people who need help to use their laptops, mobile phones or tablets. Learning slowly, taking small steps and having the time to practice are keys to success.

The programme is delivered by experienced, friendly digital volunteers based within Shropshire Libraries and local community organisations. Free data and devices are available for those in greatest need.

"I felt left behind and knew I needed to do something to bring myself up to date," said Peter, who has benefitted from the programme. "My digital volunteer was so knowledgeable and patient. His kindness helped me to realise that I knew a lot more than I thought I did. Getting out of the house each week to learn something new gave me a boost and I thoroughly enjoyed my sessions."

For more information visit www.shropshire.gov.uk/computer-skills-for-all email Susie.Hancock@shropshire.gov.uk or telephone 01743 253958.

Shropshire Council funded free digital support is available at:

North
Qube, Oswestry; Oswestry Library; BizEd Projects, Whitchurch; 4 All Foundation, Market Drayton and Cockshutt; Market Drayton Library; G.O.A.L. Wem; Wem Library.

Central
Barnabas Community Projects, Shrewsbury; The Roy Fletcher Centre, Shrewsbury; Shrewsbury Library; Library at the Lantern, Harlescott. Shrewsbury; Bayston Hill Library; Pontesbury Library.

South
Mayfair Community Centre, Church Stretton; Enterprise House, Bishops Castle;
Craven Arms Library; Ludlow Library; Bridgnorth Library; Broseley Library; Much Wenlock Library; Shifnal Library.

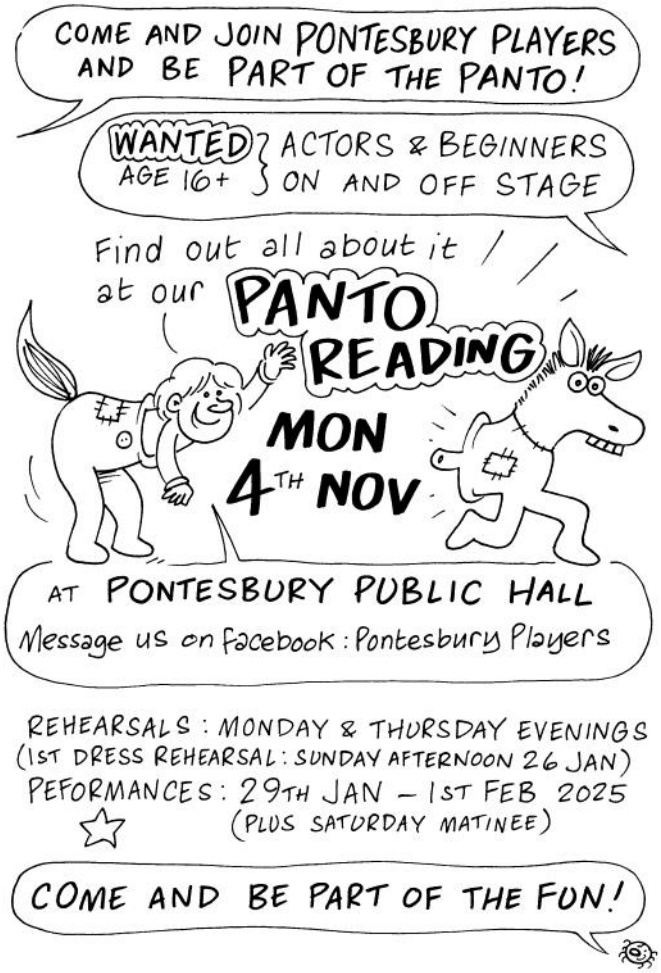
Specialist digital support
Enable: for people receiving support into employment and/or training
Taking Part: for people with learning difficulties
Sight Loss Shropshire: for people with visual impairment.

FREE Internet for Beginners **Montgomery Institute, Arthur Street**

Cllr Jeremy Brignell-Thorp will be holding some Internet for Beginners sessions, mainly aimed at older residents who have not yet got to grips with the Internet. As more and more services such as banks go online, it is becoming more important to be able to access the internet. Being able to use the internet is now a really useful skill, whether to access your bank account, to access council services, to find out about community events, or just for keeping in touch with family and friends.

Sessions to get you up and running will take place at Montgomery Institute between 2pm and 4pm on the second Monday of the month. All welcome and there is no charge and no need to book. You don't need to bring anything; the Institute has laptops that can be used, and Jeremy may be able to offer advice on what device would be best for you to get for yourself.


Montgomery Scarecrow Competition & Trail 2024
Sat 26th Oct to Sat 3rd Nov
£2 for a trail map to find the scarecrows and vote for your favourite!
To enter a scarecrow please go to online entry form:
For more info contact 07813 741 687
Trail maps £2 from Bunners & Spar
£5 to enter a Scarecrow
Results to be announced Sunday 3rd November. Prizes will be awarded to the best scarecrows as voted for by the public!


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Message us on facebook: Pontesbury Players
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PEFORMANCES: 29TH JAN – 1ST FEB 2025
(PLUS SATURDAY MATINEE)
COME AND BE PART OF THE FUN!


Severn Hospice
here and at home
Lights of Love
Sun 1 Dec, 4pm
Severn Hospice, Bicton Heath
Scan here to learn more
Please join us for Lights of Love – a time to remember loved ones missed at Christmas
To dedicate a light: pick up a leaflet, visit severnhospice.org.uk/lights or call 01743 236565


Autumn Fayre
Worthen Village Hall
Saturday 2nd November
1-4pm
£2 adult entry £1 children
Apple Press - Bring your apples and clean containers for your fresh apple juice (£)
Shrewsbury Morris Dancers
Face painting by Sonia
Children's Best decorated pumpkin competition
Autumn produce stall
Light refreshments
Guess the weight of Derek's Pumpkin
Childrens activities
Heidi 07846340833

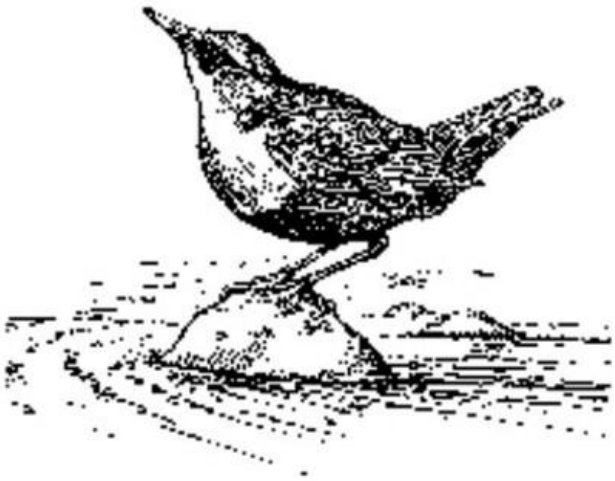
NATURAL ENGLAND

Notes from the hill

The wet weather continues into the autumn and winter, has there ever been a year like it for rain? It is apt that this month's featured species from the Stepping Stones species action plans is a bird that thrives in watery environments, the dipper.

A bird of upland streams and rivers, the dipper is a uniquely adapted bird that is as much at home below the water as it is above it. The dipper has the claim to fame that it is Britain's only aquatic songbird, and this is due to a variety of adaptations such as its strong flipper like wings that allow it to swim in fast flowing water and strong claws that can grip to the slippery underwater rocks allowing it to walk along the streambed. It has extremely dense feathers which give it its plump appearance, and these are extremely well oiled from a large preen gland, which give it a silver bubble like appearance when swimming underwater. It has special flaps on its nostrils to prevent water entering when it dives, and it can alter the shape of the lenses in its eyes to focus above and below the water. Finally, it also has very high levels of red blood cells which stores lots of oxygen in its blood to allow it to dive for long periods.

Dippers were chosen by the stepping Stones as a key species in this area because they are indicators of clean waters in our upland rivers. They feed for the most part on caddis and mayfly nymphs which only live in clean, well oxygenated rivers. Pollution and sediment load are key threats to dippers, as can be acidification from large scale conifer planting, but nesting sites are also important and locally there has been some success in putting up nest boxes for dippers. Further details of the work to help dippers can be found on the species action plan which can be found at https://middlemarchescommunitylandtrust.org.uk/



Although dippers are not found on the Stiperstones, some of our actions to slow the flow of water coming off the hill should help reduce high rates of flow which can damage nest sites and reduce low flows which can prevent the birds from feeding.

Back on the Stiperstones we have a new reserve ranger, Anna starting in November, and we are also working with Leeds Beckett University on a project looking at recreational impact on nature reserves. Sam, who is also starting soon, will be working with us on the latter project and will be trialling amongst other things different forms of signage around the site. His main focus will be on the effects of the increasing use of mountain bikes on sites such as the Stiperstones, so he will be particularly interested in talking to any local bikers.

Simon Cooter and the Natural England staff at Rigmoreoak

West Mercia POLICE

Date: October 2024 – Newsletter

West Mercia Police contact numbers
Emergency: 999 **Non Emergency:** 101
Bishops Castle Police Station (not for reporting): 101, Extension 770-4901
Report online: www.westmercia.police.uk/ro/report/
Website: www.westmercia.police.uk

CRIME STATS

Please note not all crimes or investigations are recorded below due to the sensitive nature or ongoing investigations.

CRIME/INCIDENTS TO NOTE REPORTED
CHIRBURY, WORTHEN, HOPE, SHELVE & STIPERSTONE

16th September 2024 – 15th October 2024

CRIME REPORTED	DETAILS	LOCATION	NOTES
Assault x2		Chirbury	Suspect arrested
Harassment		Marton	
Allowing dog to be dangerously out of control causing injuring	Occurred in private dwelling	Worthen	

FIRE SAFETY

HVH has received an invitation from Shropshire Fire & Rescue Service about their Fire Safety Prevention talks for interested groups.

The aim is to reduce accidental fires and to keep us safe in our homes.

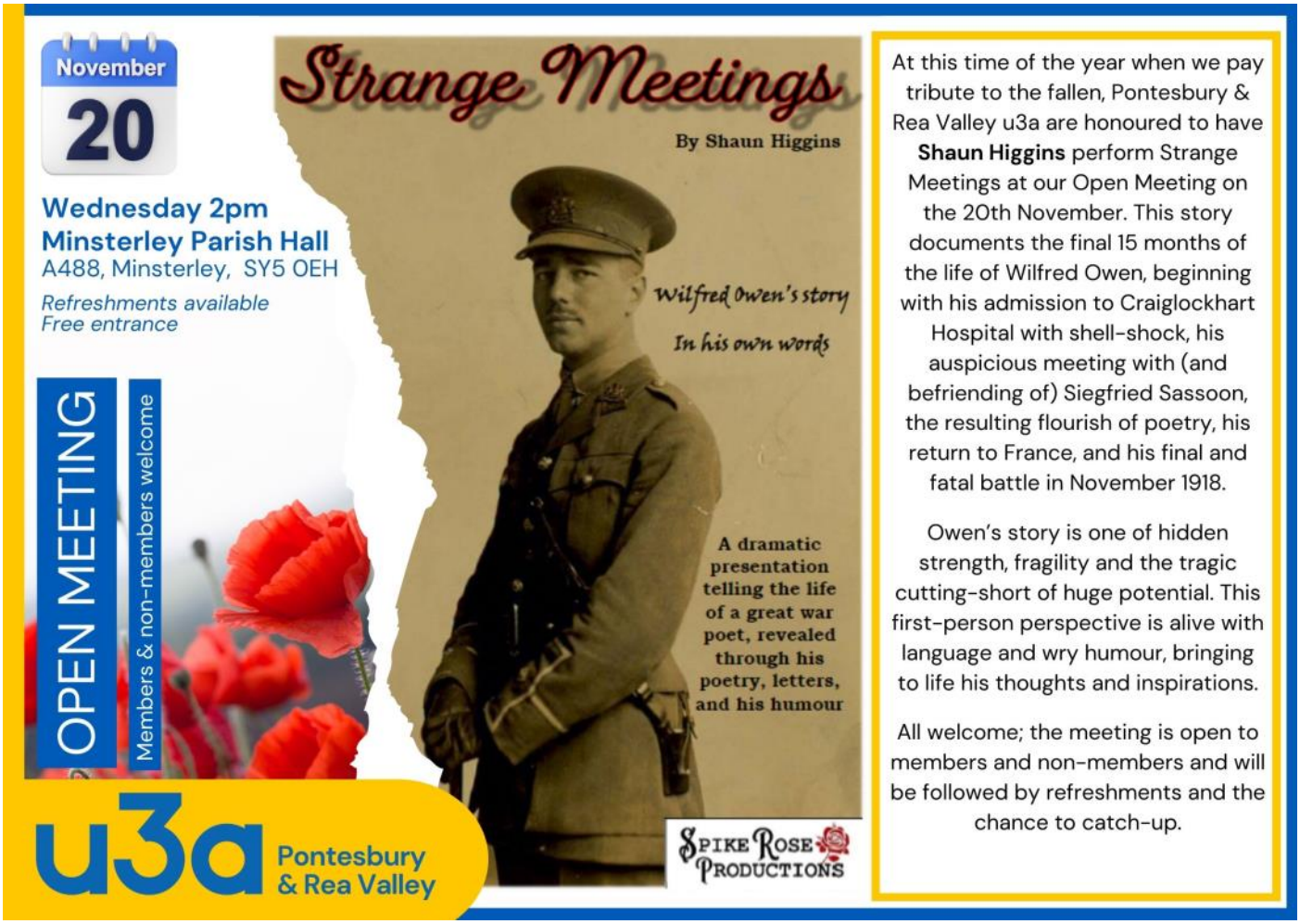
The talk would last about one hour but could be customised to particular needs or time and would be held at HVH or at one of the Fire Stations, with a tour included.

If anyone is interested in partaking of this offer, please contact Barry at barry@hopenews.uk or see me at HVH at a Wednesday Community Lunch.

In the meantime, SF&RS have provided this QR Code for you to try their online home fire safety check. Once completed, you will receive a personalised fire safety action plan to help keep you and your household safe from fire.



Heather does talks about hedgehogs at schools, brownies, cubs etc., as well as Adult groups like WI. Any groups that would like to know about hedgehogs, what Hokey Pokey do and how you can help these amazing little animals. If you think your school or group would like Heather to do a talk please contact her to set up a time and day. Limited spaces this year so get in quick for dates!



The **Sabrina Mobile Library** visits Hope Village Hall on Route 3, alternate Wednesdays,

Upcoming dates: 13th and 27th November from 1pm to 1.50pm.

We have a map of all our routes and stops on our website here:
https://www.shropshire.gov.uk/libraries/mobile-libraries/

Last Free Health Check for 2024

The Shropshire Council Community Outreach team offer mini health checks throughout the community. These health checks give Shropshire residents a better understanding of their health as well as an opportunity to discuss any concerns they have regarding their health and wellbeing. The team are able to inform residents what help and support is available, empowering residents to take the next step in improving their own health and wellbeing.

Visiting Hope Village Hall between noon to 1.50pm on **20th November**

For further information, please email: CommunityOutreach@shropshire.gov.uk

Shropshire Hills National Landscape

www.shropshirehills-nl.org.uk

Shropshire Hills National Landscape Team
Unit 5 Drovers House, The Auction Yard, Craven Arms, SY7 9BZ
telephone: 01743 254740, email: shropshirehills-nl@shropshire.gov.uk

Shropshire Hills Conservation Fund Open for Applications

The Shropshire Hills Conservation Fund is a small grant pot to support practical projects that help to conserve, enhance and raise awareness of the Shropshire Hills National Landscape.

The Fund supports projects to deliver practical conservation work in the Shropshire Hills and/or educational and awareness-raising activities relating to the Shropshire Hills and its conservation, especially involving young people.

From September 2024 we have 2 rounds of funding available:

We can support activity over this winter. Projects must be completed by March/April 2025.
We can support year-long projects to start in April 2025 and complete by end of March 2026.

Grants range from £500 to £2,000. Grants can be of up to 75% and match funding can be made up of in kind and volunteer time contributions as well as cash. Further information about the Fund and how to apply is on our website, search Conservation Fund - www.shropshirehills-nl.org.uk. Or email stephanie.hayes@shropshire.gov.uk, or telephone 01743 254746.

The Conservation Fund is administered by the Shropshire Hills Landscape Trust. The funding is from Friends of Shropshire Hills subscriptions, the Millichope Foundation, Moonshine & Fuggles, and individual contributions.

"The Marches Choir present a Baroque choral and orchestral feast – Saturday 23rd November.

The choir, together with the Marches Sinfonia and virtuoso soloists, will present Handel's 'Zadok the Priest', performed at every coronation since 1727, alongside a variety of works from Vivaldi, from the Winter movement of the 'Four Seasons', with David Gregory (violin) playing the dazzling solo, to 'Dixit Dominus', a choral work of great vivacity and energy, typical of Vivaldi's style, with urgent rhythms, dynamic melodies and often startling harmonies.

St John's Church, Bishops Castle, 7.30pm.

Tickets £15 (children and students free) from 07806 433394, online via www.ticketsource.co.uk, or on the door."



MURDER IN THE VILLAGE HALL SHOCK!



Long Mountain Players present 'Death by Radio!', a murder mystery play, on Saturday 30th November at 7.30pm.

Set in 1940s wartime, the action takes place in Worthen Village Hall, where a live radio play is being broadcast. One of the cast won't live to see the end of the play, but who will it be? You, the audience, will be invited to turn detective to identify the evil murderer!

The evening includes a Fish & Chip supper. Tickets cost £15 and are available at Londis.

Our resourceful wartime team have managed to source drinks for the bar (but don't ask where they came from!) Cash only please. Sorry, this is NOT a 'bring your own' event.

We will have some surprise entertainers and you are invited to help us create the wartime atmosphere by dressing in 1940s costume, with a prize for the best outfit!

Children over 12 only, please. Please take your seats by 7.20pm.

FREE

Do you have an event to promote?

Anything for sale or wanted?

A regular group meeting?

Group activity?

Community information?

We usually have space to include posters or a mention about the above for no charge.

Just email details to:

editor@hopenews.uk

Or:

enquiries@hopenews.uk



The Shropshire Foundation, organisers of the 2024 Shropshire Best Kept Village Community Competition have announced the winners are **WORTHEN & BROCKTON!**

It appears that the judges were especially impressed by our enthusiasm and commitment to the competition. This was never meant to be about 'chocolate box' villages, although we certainly have some pretty special locations around the two villages. The main focus for the competition though, was such factors as the level of community spirit, cohesion & involvement, communication and range of facilities, all of which we do incredibly well on for such a small community.

Free Events at Enterprise House in Bishop's Castle- November

Thursday 14th November - 10.20am - 1.00pm at Enterprise House

Let's Do Business in Bishop's Castle

Come along and talk informally about your business, or business plans and benefit from FREE one to one advice and tips from our local business specialists and advisors from the Marches Growth Hub.

Friday 15th November - 10.00am - 1.00pm at Enterprise House

Cost of Living Drop-In.

Come along to our FREE informal drop-in and find out ways to reduce your cost of living, get practical tips and advice on how to save money on your bills, get details about social tariffs and what support you may be entitled to. On the spot health checks will also be available. Run in conjunction with Shropshire Council and other partners. Includes the **Friends of Library Coffee Morning.**

Thursday 28th November at Enterprise House

FREE Marketing Workshops from the Marches Growth Hub

9.30am - 12.30pm - Attract your dream customers and build an Unstoppable Marketing Plan Workshop*

1.00pm - 4.00pm - Supercharge your Social Media Workshop*

** Workshop places need to be booked in advance*



STRENGTH & STABILITY CLASS
FOR AGES 60+

Tuesdays 9.30am—10.30am at Minsterley Parish Hall

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