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for the this
edition.

Photo of Lower Chedworth by Mike Tovey

Stephen's Letter

Into Battle?

"The people living in darkness have seen a great light; on those living in the land of the shadow of death, a light has dawned. From that time on, Jesus began to preach "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is near!" Matthew 4v16-17

As Remembrance Day approaches, we remember that this year, it is 75 years since the end of World War 2; earlier in the year, we marked the 75th anniversaries of VE Day and VJ Day, in May and August respectively. On those occasions, we remembered the end of a truly global conflict, that resulted in significant loss of life on both sides, and which was very much a war of attrition, as well as of fierce fighting.

Although we now live in an era of peace, rather than war, we are currently engaged in another global conflict - against COVID-19, a war without frontiers, where all of us are potentially under attack. I hope and pray that God will keep us safe from COVID this winter here in Chedworth & District, and also that he would protect us from the fear, anxiety and social unrest that has come with the virus. There is plenty of pain and suffering in our society, albeit in a different way than during the Second World War. And, while World War Two is history, the war against COVID is still very much current - and it's one in which we are all enlisted!

If we stay safe, take sensible precautions - and, above all, continue to pull

together as a community - we will eventually win this war. And in any case, the Christian belief is that the suffering of this world won't last forever. At Advent, we reflect that, even in this mad world, God's Kingdom is coming, and, as we prepare to celebrate Jesus' birth 2000 years ago, we look forward to a time in the future when Jesus will return - but this time to judge this world, and to bring it to a final resolution.

And we can be part of the solution, rather than the problem. If we trust in God, then we will recognise that he created humanity and, because he loves us, he longs for his Kingdom to be established, in earth as in heaven. These things are well worth living in hope for at the current time. How can we do that? By praying for those who are suffering, nearby and far away, standing up against injustice and doing what we can to help those who are in need, according to our means and circumstances.

I wish you good and wholesome reflections on your lives and circumstances in this difficult world, during these solemn Remembrance and Advent seasons.

With best wishes,

Stephen



Church Briefing

Services for November 2020

Sunday 1st November - All Saints/All Souls

Family Communion

10.30 am - Chedworth

Commemoration Service

6 pm - Coln Rogers

Sunday 8th November - Remembrance Sunday

Service of Remembrance

10.45 am - Chedworth

Sunday 15th November - 2nd Sunday before Advent

Holy Communion (BCP)

9 am - Stowell

Family Service

10.30 am - Chedworth

Sunday 22nd November - Sunday next before Advent

Holy Communion

10.30 am - Chedworth

Sunday 29th November - Advent Sunday

Holy Communion

10.30 am - Chedworth

Evening Prayer

6 pm - Coln St Dennis

Service Pattern

From September, we introduced our autumn service pattern. We are continuing to have the weekly 10.30 am service at Chedworth, but we are now having a monthly service in each of the other two parishes - an Evening Prayer at 6 pm on the first Sunday of the month at either Coln Rogers or Coln St Dennis, and a communion service at 9 am on the third Sunday of the month at either Stowell or Yanworth. This will ensure each of our parish churches has a service over a two-month period.

We will continue this service pattern through the winter, unless any further government restrictions come into force. We simply cannot justify scaling the service pattern up any more at this time,

given the rising COVID infection rate and the winter health pressures ahead. There are special arrangements for Remembrance Sunday - see below - and do look out for details of Christmas service arrangements in the near future.

Virtual Resources

We will be continuing weekly Church Messages by video until at least the end of the year. However, despite its popularity, we regret that we will be discontinuing **Looking Up** from the end of October, in order to best use the resources we have over the busy Advent and Christmas season. The situation may change as a result of any changes in government restrictions, so look out for further updates.

Church Briefing

School/PreSchool Update

I am now a TV star! I have been doing virtual worship with St Andrew's School each week during September and October on MS Teams. This has been going well, and the children have hugely enjoyed it! Recently, the school held a Virtual Harvest Festival, which also went down well. We might need to eat actual food, but we can still thank God for our food virtually! And recently, I was able to have a face to face visit to Chedworth Preschool, which was greatly enjoyed by the children.

Small Groups Update

In September, we managed to complete the **Passion Week of Jesus** course that we started back in March this year. This was an in-depth course of theological study looking at the Biblical accounts of the last week of Jesus' life - the church members who took part worked very hard, and I am grateful to the Rev'd Dan Button for leading this course. This was supported by a grant from the Gloucester Diocese LIFE fund. Here we are (in the Village Hall earlier this year:



In October, I have been delivering the **Test of Faith** course, which was so successful in Chedworth last autumn, in the Coln River Benefice, at Andoversford Community Church. And, in November, I am running a short, three session course entitled **Beginning to End**, which will be looking at a Christian understanding of history, with three sessions on creation, incarnation and the last things. This will be on **Zoom at 7.30 pm on Tuesdays 3rd, 10th and 17th November**. Each session will be approximately one hour in length, and will hopefully provide food for thought on cold winter evenings!

Benefice Administrator Wanted!

Following a review with the PCC's, it has been decided that it would be very helpful to appoint a **Benefice Administrator** to help me with the administration required for the running of the three parishes. I very much hope that someone will be willing to volunteer for this important role in our community. If you are interested please contact me and I will forward a brief outline of the tasks involved - Rev'd Stephen,
stephengoundreysmith@gmail.com or on 720392.

Service of Remembrance - Sunday 8th November

Due to the COVID-19 requirement for social distancing, the maximum number that can be seated in St Andrew's Church, Chedworth, is about 60 people.

As the number attending the annual Service of Remembrance in the past has been more than double this number, regrettably it will be necessary to limit the size of the congregation inside the church this year. We will, however, put a speaker at the porch to relay the service for anyone who is willing to join the service outside the church.

Priority for seating inside the church will be given to Royal British Legion representatives and families and representatives of Chedworth Guides and Brownies, leaving 30-40 seats generally available for others wishing to attend the service. If you are not a regular church attender, you should bear in mind that, whilst the current regulations allow for people to attend church, masks must be worn at all time (with some exceptions) and there will not be any singing. Additionally, as hand sanitising will slow down entry for those joining the congregation inside the church, attendees are asked to arrive in good time to avoid any disruption at the start of the service.

I would be grateful if anyone who wishes to attend the service email Simon Colbeck to let him know - simoncolbeck@msn.com. The allocation of spaces will be made on a first come first served basis. We recognise that the yearly Service of Remembrance is an important civic event and is meaningful for many people in our community, but sadly this situation is unavoidable this year.

Advent Windows

This year, Christmas is going to be very different - and James Sleightholme is planning to organise an Advent Windows trail around the village. Householders are invited to transform a window in their home into a Christmas scene. At an allotted time and date, the householder reveals their window. By December 24th, there will hopefully be a trail through the village - one house per day. There have already been quite a few expressions of interest from Chedworth residents, and if you would like to know more, or take part, please contact James at james_sleightholme@yahoo.co.uk.

Prayer Requests

This is a turbulent time. If you have any prayer requests, or would value a confidential discussion of any concerns that you have, please get in touch with me at 720392 or stephengoundreysmith@gmail.com.

Chedworth Community Land Charity

The Chedworth Community Land Charity is a charity whose objective is to provide assistance to people in Chedworth parish facing particular urgent health or welfare needs or financial hardship. The Trustees consist of the Rector and two Parish Council nominees. The Chedworth Community Land Charity has helped various parishioners over the last few years and is able to respond rapidly to any urgent

Church Briefing

financial needs at this difficult time during the COVID 19 crisis. To find out more or to apply, please contact Rev'd Stephen Goundrey-Smith (720392) or Bryan Bowley (720369). All applications are dealt with in the strictest confidence.

Church Covid Requirements

We hope that you have enjoyed a visit to our parish churches, either for a service or for private prayer. Please maintain social distancing when in church for any reason, being especially aware of elderly and vulnerable people, and use the hand sanitiser provided. Face coverings must

be worn in services, unless you have an exemption.

The Church of England's full COVID-19 guidance may be found here <https://www.churchofengland.org/more/media-centre/coronavirus-covid-19-guidance-churches#na>. Here there are also details of national online services of worship, prayer and worship apps for smart phones and devices, and mental health resources. For details of specific requirements for baptisms, weddings and funerals, please contact Rev'd Stephen.

From the Registers

Funerals

"Nothing in creation can separate us from the love of God". Romans 8v39

Shirley Kingaby (nee Holland) - 9th October - St Andrew's Church, Chedworth

Margaret Cargill - 14th October - St James the Great Church, Coln St Dennis

Beverley Sinclair - 16th October - St Andrew's Church, Chedworth

Dates for your Diary

Day	Time	Event	Venue
09-Nov	19:30	Parish Council Meeting	Zoom
11-Nov	11:00	Wreath laying by Royal British Legion	Pancake Hill War Memorial
11-Nov	19:15	WI - AGM & Party	Zoom
23-Nov	19:30	Tennis Club AGM	Zoom
09-Dec	19:15	WI - "Operation Drake; Papua New Guinea" talk	Zoom
14-Dec	19:30	Parish Council Meeting	Zoom
2021			
12-Jun		Coln Valley Mixed Doubles Tennis Tournament	

See www.hillandvalley.co.uk for more dates of events

Recycling Dates

Domestic Waste & Recycling

**Chedworth Area,
Fossebridge,
Yanworth**

**Coln St Dennis,
Coln Rogers**



November 2020

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December 2020

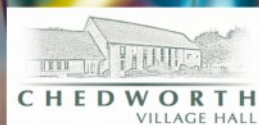
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Chedworth Village Hall

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booking enquiries

chedworthvillagehall.co.uk



St. Andrew's C of E Primary School



Learning to live as part of the wider community.



Our value this term has been community, pupils have been exploring what it means to be part of the community we live in, our school community and other places they belong. We are so grateful to Reverend Stephen Goundrey-Smith, who has adapted to current times and joins us remotely each week to have 'virtual' collective worship. The children absolutely love seeing their peers and Reverend Stephen's highly engaging and informative story telling.

Linked into our value this term, the families and pupils at St Andrew's C of E have been collecting donations for the foodbank, which we will be handing over soon. I am so proud of our school for the quantity of much-needed resources they have collected- it is a humbling example of what it means to be a part of this supportive and caring community.

To celebrate harvest festival, we held a virtual celebration, where all the classes performed a harvest themed song; Reverend Stephen delivered a talk and blessing; and pupils shared some of their work they had created to give thanks to the local farmers.



Virtual Harvest Festival 2020

At St Andrew's we would love to still try and be part of the local community in the coming months and would welcome any suggestions or ideas of how we can support local projects or events.

Learning through an inspiring curriculum.



Hopefully you will have seen our recent activities on Twitter, it is a great source to see the fantastic teaching, learning and exploring that goes on in our wonderful school.

Churchill class (Year 3 &4) have been enthralled with learning about the Aztecs, with a particular highlight of investigating artefacts from The Wilson Museum.

Goldfinch Class (Year 1 &2) have been learning about amazing discoveries linked to space and have particularly enjoyed using primary sources to find out about the moon landings. They are now busily designing and making their own space rockets.

Godolphin class (Year 5 & 6) have been exploring the impact of the Vikings on life today and focusing on developing mental resilience- particularly important at this time.

Keep an eye on our twitter page:
[StAndrewsCofE1](#) 

and school website: <https://www.st-andrewsschool.co.uk/> for a video tour of our school.

Christian
ethos and
values



Small class
sizes



Stunning
rural
setting



Wrap
around care
from
8am – 5pm



Only a
15- Minute
drive from
Cirencester



Finding out more about God in creative ways.

For 4-11 year olds

Every 4th Sunday of the month

10.15-11.30 am

In Parish Room at The Vicarage, Chedworth

Phone Sally on 720285 to book a place

sally.smith237@yahoo.co.uk

What a lovely time we had with our enormous pumpkin, kindly donated by Juliet Stainforth; after listening to the story of 'The enormous pumpkin' (a Pre-School take of the traditional tale involving a turnip!) we investigated the pumpkin by scooping out the seeds and getting very hands on with the pumpkin flesh!!! Messy play at its best!!! This is what we enjoy most at Pre-School!!



We also had a visit from Reverend Stephen, the children thoroughly enjoyed singing and finger painting to create a world picture (with apologies sent home for the blue hands and hair!!!!) after thinking about how we can look after the world that God has created for us to live in, we have followed this by creating our display of our whole Pre-School ethos; we care for our families and friends; we share our toys; we use kind words; we have kind hands!

We are also patiently waiting with anticipation as to whether a hedgehog or even two will move into our new hedgehog home, which has kindly been donated by Stan Newman - this has provided amazing learning opportunities for each and every one of us! Also many thanks to Chedworth Farm shop for selling our face masks, we have raised to date an amazing £434.21!! This is far more than I hoped for when I began this project as something to keep me busy over the summer holidays!!!!

For more information please take a look at our website

www.chedworthpreschool.co.uk

Contact Sarah on 07840 370220 or email
chedworthpreschool@gmail.com to arrange a visit!

Remembrance Sunday Service 8 Nov

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY SERVICE 8 NOVEMBER

ST ANDREWS CHURCH CHEDWORTH



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REMEMBRANCE DAY

Simon Colbeck

Wreath Laying Pancake Hill Nov 11

WREATH LAYING PANCAKE HILL

11 NOVEMBER 2020



Simon Colbeck will be laying a wreath at the Pancake Hill War Memorial at 11.00 am on Wednesday 11 November. Everyone is welcome to attend this short dedication.



Miscellaneous musings modern life...

In filling out an application, where it says, 'In case of emergency, notify:' I put 'DOCTOR.'

Member of the congregation to minister: "I didn't say it was your fault, I said I was blaming you."

Change is inevitable, except from a vending machine.

The older you get, the tougher it is to lose weight because by then, your body and your fat are really good friends.

Where there's a will, there are relatives.

Chedworth Parish Council

Councillors still keeping their distance

We are continuing to meet remotely via Zoom which is not ideal but currently unavoidable.

The meetings are open to the public in the same way that regular face-to-face meetings are and there is an opportunity at the beginning of the meeting for anyone to raise any matters or comment on items on the agenda.

In order to join the meeting you need to email me (ros.jess1@btinternet.com) to get the log-in details which will be available in the week before the meeting.

Council fields available to rent

Do you have livestock or horses and need more grazing? If you do the parish council may be able to help.

The two grass keep fields which are adjacent to the playing field have

unexpectedly become available and we are looking for a new tenant.

The field is usually let from the beginning of May until the end of April and we are currently offering the field until the end of April when the tenancy will revert to an annual one. The cost will be £287

In case anyone is not familiar with the fields, there are footpaths which cross them which need to remain unobstructed and the tenancy agreement specifies that the animals kept there must belong to the tenant.

If you are interested in taking on the fields for the next six months with the possibility of continuing from next May then please email the clerk at chedworthpc@hotmail.co.uk.

Developers still hoping for Parish Council help

Centaur Homes, the company which is proposing to develop the land next to the village hall, has asked to meet with the parish council in advance of circulating any proposals.

Councillors have explained that we are not permitted to have private meetings and are unwilling to meet with the developers without the proposals having first been made public.

We are keen to be involved so that we can influence the developer and get the best possible result for the site but the parish council has no mandate to suggest what we would like to see - especially given that we opposed the Planning in Principle application.

Councillors

Ros Jess (Chairman)	01285 720248
David Broad (Vice-Chairman)	

01285 720313

George Broad	01285 720313
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Tony Kingsley	01285 720743
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Alan McLellan	01285 720642
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Ian Morgan	01285 720885
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To contact the Council, email the clerk, Elizabeth Broad (chedworthpc@hotmail.co.uk), or call her on 720313, or get in touch with any of the councillors directly.

For more information check out our website <http://chedworthpc.org.uk>

Chedworth Parish Council

We have urged the developers to make their preliminary proposals public before organising any meetings so that the parish council and villagers have something on which to comment.

Sewing the seeds for better verges

The autumn cut, which involves cutting the full width of the verges, has now been carried out and wildflower seeds are to be scattered to increase the variety of plants.

Councillors were happy with the work carried out by our contractors but have asked them to ensure in future that cuttings are not left in dangerous locations prior to be picked up. We are still negotiating with county highways about taking over full responsibility for the verges.

Highways challenged to do a proper job

Councillors discussed the notorious airfield flood which has been a problem for many, many years.

Once again, a villager has literally had to step in and temporarily clear the drain to allow the water to flow away and we are pressing county highways to do their job and jet the pipe on a regular basis. Last time we asked them to fix the problem they did a quick fix and reported the issue resolved so we are hoping that with pressure from us and Paul Hodgkinson they will add it to a six monthly work programme.

List of missing signs is growing

The council is putting together a list of footpaths which have lost their way marks with the help of a number of villagers who responded to last month's plea

Once we have all the locations we can approach landowners in the hope of getting the signs replaced, so if you know of anywhere that paths are hard to follow and would benefit for a waymark then please let me know.

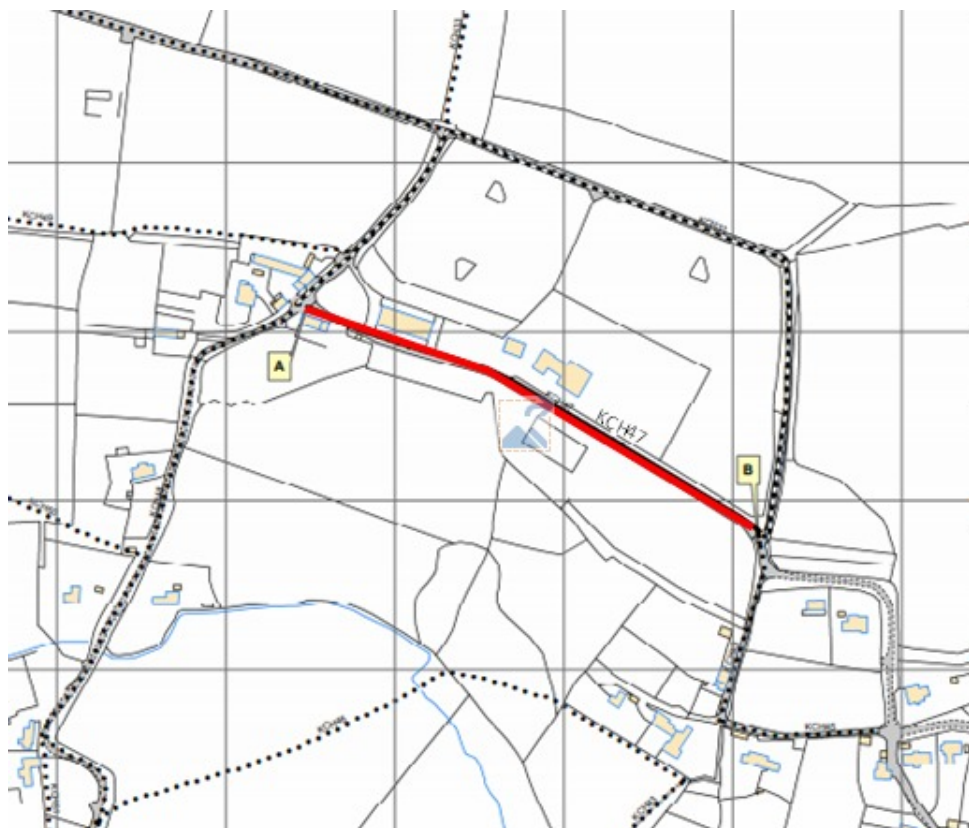
Rendcomb airfield comments forwarded to CDC

The council received a number of comments in response to its request for views on flying from Rendcomb airfield. We received comments which supported the planes as well as those who objected to the noise and all these have been sent to Cotswold District Council which is investigating operations at the airfield.

Footpath closed to allow building works

The footpath which runs in front of Chedworth House (KCH47) has been temporarily closed to allow construction to take place. The closure runs until 31st April and will need to be renewed if the building has not been completed.

The path is closed from point A to point B on the map (right) as indicated in red.



News from our county and district councillors

- The county council tip at Fosse Cross is to be closed for six weeks from 2nd November for essential work.
- Cotswold District Council is changing the way it funds

community projects. They are planning to use Spacehive.com which is a crowd funding website designed to enable councils and businesses to support local projects.

Ros Jess

Chedworth Village Hall

Further Covid-19 restrictions were applied to the Hall as from 24th September. Apart from Pre-school, all regular user bookings are suspended until further notice and one-off events have been cancelled up to the end of 2020. However, on-line bookings are being encouraged for next year and will be accepted on a provisional basis and confirmed when safe to do so.

The Hall currently remains financial stable with outgoings strictly controlled. The Committee has increased its contingency fund and will, if needed, use it to ensure the Hall remains a going concern for as long as possible. The Committee's sincere thanks go to the local residents, the WI, the Rev Stephen Goundrey-Smith and the Drama Group who, since lockdown, have donated over £2,500 to help keep the Hall afloat.

The 2020 AGM has been cancelled (having been postponed from June) due to the worsening Covid-19 situation and need to safeguard members of our local community. All Hall trustees have agreed to remain in post until the next AGM, scheduled for June 2021. Charles Hutton-Potts has joined the Management Committee as a trustee and over the next few months other members of our local community will be sought to serve as casual and coopted trustees up until the next AGM.



Sheila Miles, the Hall's long-standing Bar Manager, retires from the role at the end of October. As a volunteer, she has worked tirelessly over the past 15 years and more, aided by her husband Tony and a small, dedicated band of helpers. Claire Phillips-Holt is currently completing the necessary training and checks required, and is looking forward to take over the position as soon as circumstances allow.

Registered Supporter, , David Peake, has agreed to oversee and work with other interested Hall Supporters to maintain the land around the Hall in a tidy condition. Over the next few weeks David will be contacting those who have already registered their willingness to help and will get things underway. In addition to maintaining the grounds the Hall committee needs help keeping the building and equipment in good order and generating ideas for fundraising. If you're prepared to invest a little of your time and effort to make sure we continue to have a thriving Village Hall to be proud of, please sign up as a Registered Supporter at www.chedworthvillagehall.co.uk.

Double-glazing will hopefully have been installed before the end of this year, replacing the Hall's remaining single-glazed windows. Thanks to the Parish Council and potentially the Chedworth Village Trust, for agreeing to financially support the project. Also, a

permanent CCTV system will be fully operational before the end of October.

*Simon Colbeck,
Chairman, Chedworth Village Hall*

Christmas Cards



Sold in aid of
Friends of St Andrew's Church (FoStA)

£5 per pack of 10

Contact Sue Callard 01285 720468
suecallard324@btinternet.com

(Thank you to Sue Walsh for her Madonna design)





On October 14th the monthly meeting was held on Zoom. 25 Members met and were delighted to exchange hellos.

In the business meeting members were asked for future ideas of future meetings between us all, only six can meet at one time. Suggestions are local walks and members ringing others for a friendly chat. The November meeting will be on Zoom and there will be a short A.G.M in which the new President will be voted for. Another member for the Committee is needed. Hopefully there will be a volunteer or two.

Another item discussed was the Scrapbook, this is being updated and information is needed from 1965 -- 2020.

Community and Family Celebration photographs would be good to place in

the Scrapbook. Please if you can help please contact the Secretary, Mick Marsh. A large thank you for this.

The Talk was from John Butterworth who spoke about a Hotel with a famous guest list. He had worked as a Journalist on the Shrewsbury Chronicle and had become very fond of the Historic Lion Hotel. He decided with the help of archive news from 1772 to piece together the History of the hotel.

He took us through the centuries with interesting tales of the Characters that had visited the building.

From John 'Mad Jack' Mytton MP for Shrewsbury in the 1820s to Benjamin Disraeli, MP 1841 - 1847, plus tales of William IV in 1803 dancing in the famous Ballroom.

1837 Charles Darwin stayed at The Lion before boarding a Stagecoach to go to HMS Beagle as Ship Naturalist on the famous journey.

The importance of the Stagecoach era was described excellently as was the Historical events from 1817 until 1861 when the last Stagecoach was sold at the back of the Lion.

John emphasized the importance of the Royal Mail with its delivery via the Stagecoaches.

Another famous guest was Charles Dickens with an actual date of visit,

August 12th 1858. The Bedroom is now very famous and keen Dickens followers are queuing up to book it.

John finished by encouraging the members to buy his book.

The talk was enjoyed by all and he was given a round of applause from everyone.

The next meeting is on Zoom on November 11th at 7pm for 7.15.
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING and a QUIZ.

Carol Bailey.

Fire in church

The town's fire prevention officer was conducting a health and safety course at the local church. The officer said to the minister: "Now imagine this: it is a Sunday morning and you have a number of people, spread socially distanced, throughout your church building. Some are in the choir stalls, some are in the kitchen, and some are in the nave. Suddenly, a big fire breaks out. What are the first steps you would take?"

The minister thought carefully for a moment. "Really big ones," he said.

Rooms

When the vicar moved his family into the large Victorian vicarage, a member of the congregation asked the young son how he liked his new home. "It's great," the little boy replied. "At last I have my own room, Mike has his own room, Jemma has her own room, and Bobby has his own room. But poor Mum is still in with Dad."

Noah and the Ark – 2020 version



In the year 2020, Noah was living in England when the Lord came unto him and said, "Once again, the earth has become too wicked to continue. Build another Ark and save two of every living thing. You have six months before I will start the unending rain for 40 days and 40 nights."

Six months later, the Lord looked down and saw Noah weeping in his garden, but no Ark. "Noah", He roared, "I'm about to start the rain! Where is the Ark?"

"Forgive me Lord", begged Noah "but things have been difficult. I needed Building Regulations approval because the Ark was over 30 square metres. I've been arguing with the Fire Brigade about the need for a sprinkler system. My neighbours claim that I should have obtained planning permission for building the Ark in my garden because it is a development of the site even though in my opinion it is a temporary structure, but the roof is too high.

"The Local Area Access Group complained that my ramp was going to be too steep and the inside of the Ark wasn't fully accessible. Getting the

wood has been another problem. All the decent trees have Tree Preservation Orders on them and we live in a Site of Special Scientific Interest set up in order to preserve the Spotted Owl. I tried to convince them that I needed the wood to save the owls - but no go!

"When I started gathering the animals the RSPCA sued me for intending to confine wild animals without the proper paperwork. The County Council, the Environment Agency and the Rivers Authority have ruled that I can't build the Ark until they've conducted an Environmental Impact Study on your proposed flood. The Trade Unions insist that I can't use my sons to build the Ark; I can only employ members of the Shipbuilding and Allied Trades union. Finally, Customs and Excise have seized all my assets, claiming I am going to attempt to leave the country illegally with endangered species.

"So, forgive me Lord, but it will take me at least another ten years to finish this Ark."

Suddenly the skies cleared, the sun began to shine, and a rainbow stretched across the sky. "No need for me to destroy the world after all," observed God. "The government has the matter already in hand."



Cotswold Crafts - Roofing

Stone slates are an integral part of traditional Cotswold buildings and contribute to the vernacular architecture and the overall beauty of our landscape. H.J. Massingham in "Wold Without End" says "Cotswold buildings-where else in England are there so many beautiful buildings to the square mile?-carry the epic of the limestone into new measure" The laying of the slates in diminishing courses from eaves to ridge in an overlapping pattern combined with the effect of weathering and lichens, produces subtle patterns and shades on roofs that contrast with the stonework . William Morris of Kelmscott Manor said that the diminishing sizes and the overlapping pattern of Cotswold stone roofs "gives the same sort of pleasure in their orderly beauty as a fish's scales or a birds feather"

The Romans used stone slates during their occupation of England and examples of their slates have been found at several Roman Villa sites, including Chedworth.

Originally most Cotswold buildings had straw thatched roofs, especially in the north of the Cotswolds where more arable crops were grown and there was a plentiful supply of good quality long straw. Thatched roofs require a steep pitch roof of an angle of at least 45 to 50 degrees to make sure there is adequate rainwater run-off. The large overhang at eaves ensures water is thrown clear of the supporting walls and window and door openings. From the

C17, buildings were being roofed with stone slates. There were a number of factors influencing the change, including the fire risk with thatched roofs, the "Great Rebuilding" that occurred between 1570 and 1640, increased prosperity especially the Cotswold wool trade and the diversion of capital and resources from ecclesiastical to secular buildings following the Dissolution and Restoration.

Cotswold stone slates are made from two stones, Forest Marble and Stonesfield Slate, both of which are oolitic limestone. Forest Marble is split by hand very soon after being extracted from near the surface of the ground, usually at a small quarry. Traditional, it was thought that the slates should be split within a few days of being extracted, while they still retained their natural moisture or quarry sap. As the stone lay near the surface, they were called "presents" because it seems as if they were a gift collected by Cotswold inhabitants! Stonesfield Slate is the name generally given to frost -split stone slates originally produced near the village of Stonesfield in west Oxfordshire. The stone in rough block form was extracted and put out on the surface to become "frosted". The resulting slate was much thinner and more regular than the rougher "presents" and was used on the more prestigious roofs such as those of the Oxford colleges. Good quality stone slates laid by skilled roofers are generally considered to have a life of 100 years,

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and in some cases, considerably longer, some are thought to be 200 to 300 years old. The weathering of stone slates tends to be more severe on the west and south aspects, exposed to the prevailing winds.

There is documentary evidence of the production of slates in the Guiting Power and Eyford areas in the twelfth and thirteenth centuries, it was one of the sources of income for the Knights Templar who had large land holdings in the area.

The stones were normally cut to size at the quarry using a slate cutter and sorted into groups depending on their size. There were local variations in the names for the various sizes such as "short pricks", "long batchelors", "long fourteens", "small wibbutss", "long becks" etc. A wooden slate rule, known as a whippet-stick about 2 feet long with a nail or screw at the head corresponding to the nail hole in the slate would be used for this purpose. One of the main functions of a stone slate roof is to throw water well clear of the main fabric. Before the introduction of gutters, it was vital to project the eaves as far as possible. So the largest slates between 24 and 30 inches were fixed here in a double eaves course. These were called "cussoms", the next course being "followers". The smallest called "short cocks" were the most common, available in large numbers and used on the highest part of the roof

slope. Along the ridge, sawn stone crests are used.

Thatch could be worked round changes of direction such as dormer windows or corners in the roof. When stone slates replaced thatch, these rounded forms were no longer possible. Skilled roofers developed techniques where the roof could turn through some angles. "Swept valleys" is one such technique, the slates were reduced in width and turned the corner in a seamless curve. At the valley, specially cut slates to a triangular shape known as "valley stones" would be arranged one over the other to form a gentle curve to the roof. Therefore avoiding the need for a lead valley gutter, as lead was not readily available in the Cotswolds and was expensive. In some areas, this technique is called "galetting". "Swept valleys" are one of the best examples of the slatters art.



A swept valley- Anchor Cottage Coln St Denys

The slatters skill can also be seen in the capping of external bread ovens and the circular roofs of round dovecotes.

Stone slates are heavy, some typically weigh up to 46lbs. This is a considerable load for a timber roof to support. This is why the lighter slates are placed at the ridge, which coincides with the centre of the span, therefore imposing less load at this critical location. Some Cotswold roofs sag, reflecting the use of "green" oak which was much easier to work than dried seasoned oak. As the timber dried, the timber shrank and cracked; loaded with stone slates it would often deform because the timber was still "soft" These deformations remained and were permanent, but the buildings are still in place! Furthermore, the roof curve enables the slates to knit more closely and reduce the risk of lifting by the wind, particularly on high exposed buildings.

The method of fixing stone slates was achieved by one, or sometimes two, wooden pegs driven through a hole near the top of the slate. The slatter would find a thinner point in the slate and carefully with a pointed hammer, called a "slating pick", breaking through to form an hour-glass shaped hole. Today, drills are used. Usually oak was cleft to form a peg and this was driven into the hole until it was firm, the pegged slates then being hung over the batten. In the early C20th, iron nails were used, today copper nails are used. Moss, or in some places hay or straw was placed under the slates to keep out draughts and snow, this was carried out by a "mosser". In more prestigious buildings, the underside of the laths were plastered or

torched with hair mortar which would last for many years.

Roofing/tiling was, and still is a separate part of the building trade. In medieval documents, in company with men who worked in other roofing materials such as thatch and wooden shingles, tilers were called co-operators. In 1212 masons and tillers were to receive the same daily wage of one and half pence per day, freemasons received double that amount.

With the construction of canals and railways, Welsh slate became an economic alternative to Cotswold slates. Welsh slate could be split into slabs of more uniform thickness and size and was much thinner than the laboriously made and costly Cotswold slate. Welsh slate was also lighter so the roof timbers could be substantially smaller and the roof pitch could be less. The introduction of corrugated tin and corrugated asbestos sheeting, also had an impact, and these materials were increasingly used on farm buildings. I can recall several farm cottages that had been reroofed in tin, a reflection of hard times in agriculture before the Second World War.

Where stone roof slates have decayed, the options in the case of a Listed building are limited, as the planning authority will require their replacement with natural stone slates. This represents a major capital outlay, especially in the case of Listed farm buildings with large

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roofs, albeit that at times some conservation grants have been available. Often approximately 25-50% of the slates can be reused but that still means sourcing replacements. At one time there was a plentiful supply of second-hand slates salvaged from redundant farm buildings and dwellings that had been reroofed in alternative materials. The reduction in demand for new natural slates saw a decrease in the number of quarries producing slates. However, the supply of second-hand slates is now very limited and this has encouraged an increase in quarry production. There are currently five Cotswold quarries producing slates, including Tinkers Barn Quarry at Naunton. Imitation slates, which are less expensive than stone slates, have been produced for many years and whilst the quality has improved, because of the casting process used to produce them, they do not have the infinite variety of size and texture of natural stone slates and rarely have a realistic colour. The increased value of weathered stone slates has seen an increase in the theft of natural stone slates from farm barns and churches, including several in this area.

A few years ago, my firm took over the management of an estate that included a fine range of Listed farm buildings. During the first few months of our involvement, there was very wet weather, after which the colour of the roof of a stable block turned progressively lighter. On investigation, it became apparent that a few years

earlier, a builder had reroofed with poor quality imitation slates that he had soaked in cow slurry and not natural slates as instructed. The defective slates were removed and replaced with natural stone slates, an expensive exercise. Do check on the provenance of your slates!

Traditionally Cotswold roofs were well maintained and kept free of moisture holding moss which accelerates the deterioration of the stone slates. Scrapping roofs was a common maintenance practice but less so nowadays, possibly on the grounds of cost. Some consider this a false economy as regular scrapping can preserve the life of stone slates.

John James Hissey travelled through the Cotswolds in 1908 and in his book "A Leisurely Tour in England" wrote "The Cotswold type of house appeals to me on account of its honest construction, lastingness and simplicity. It is both built and roofed with stone; its walls are delightfully thick, so that the interior is warm in winter and cool in summer; its roof of thin split stones sized down from the top to the eaves (the smallest being at the top) makes the loveliest covering possible to imagine, for those stone slates form a mosaic of many greys, ranging from cool to warm; nor are they laid with a machine-like monotonous regularity as are the blue slates or red tiles of a modern building, and their rough surfaces encourage the growth of gold and silver lichen, further enhancing their charm. The old builders

understood the importance of a roof and they took pains to make it beautiful, and they made it high pitched to throw off the rain and the snow. A roof emphasises the shelter that a home gives to a man"

Chedworth has a long tradition of skilled craftsmen, from those who built the original dwellings, farm buildings and the church to those who now maintain and improve the buildings.



Martin and Hannah Jewell and the team from Hill and Valley Builders reroofing Blakemoor Cottage Chedworth in the autumn..

The old slates were removed and sorted, approximately 25% were sound and re-used. New natural stone slates were obtained from Tinkers Quarry Naunton.

Robert Young



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Your Gardening Tips for November



As we move towards the end of a year when gardeners will have probably spent more time tending and cultivating than ever before, is the time to put the garden to bed for the winter.

- Feed and water your garden birds and keep some wood and leaf piles for the hedgehogs.
- Continue to clear up fallen leaves from lawns and borders regularly to make compost. Best shredded through the mower or blower/shredder to help break down the leaf structure and add manure!
- Cover brassicas against pigeon attack, but be ready to lift the netting if snow is forecast!
- If you are not clamp storing root vegetables for the winter, keep some in the ground as parsnips especially improve with frosting.
- Insulate vulnerable plants in outdoor containers with fleece hessian or bubble wrap.
- If not already done, tie grease bands around trunks of fruit trees against winter moth damage.
- Prune roses to prevent wind-rock, and clear away fallen leaves to prevent black spot.
- Plant tulips, and this your last chance to plant winter bedding plants such as wallflowers, forget-me-nots, primulas and pansies.
- Keep weeds in check. Mulch with compost, and where space allows, cover the ground with a membrane to suppress weeds. Check for slug eggs.
- Cut down faded herbaceous perennials and ornamental grasses. This still time to lift and divide overgrown clumps of herbaceous perennials.
- Lift and store pelargoniums, dahlias, cannas and tuberous bedding begonias.
- Mature dahlias can be left to overwinter in the ground as long as temperatures do not fall too far below freezing point. Cut down to the base this month and protect well with a thick layer of mulch.
- Still time in early November, to sow broad beans, winter lettuce, garlic, onions and spinach for early cropping next year. Plant winter

lettuce in your used grow bags in the greenhouse.

- Plant bare rooted raspberry canes, either summer or autumn fruiting varieties, from now until February
- Divide rhubarb plants once dormant.
- Prune apple and pear trees over the winter until February, but leave plum trees until the summer to avoid silver leaf fungus attack.
- Deciduous hedging can be planted bare rooted, throughout the winter, but best when the soil is not too hard. Guard against squirrels and deer gnawing the bark.
- This a good time to plant roses, avoiding areas where roses have previously grown.
- Shrubs normally pruned hard in the spring, such as Buddleja, Cornus and Lavateria, can be cut back by half, to prevent wind rock and neaten their appearance.
- If lawns need to mowed, set the cutter 1.5 inches above the ground to avoid stressing the grass. After the final mow, clean and dry the mower and drain the fuel will go sour.. Service the mower!
- Clean out water butts, as they will soon fill up again, but be careful to drain any with taps if deep freezing weather is forecast, to avoid the tap joint cracking.
- Do not apply fertilizer in the garden as will not be taken up by plants
- Cover temporarily unused ground with a membrane or black polythene to prevent nutrients being washed away and rogue seeds settling to germinate.
- Hopefully all those who wanted it have had enough 'HORTSOC' compost to last until the spring when another delivery will be ordered

Simon Colbeck

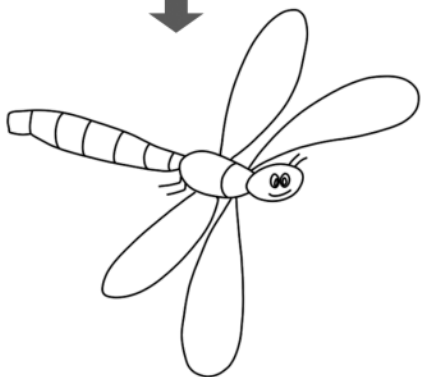
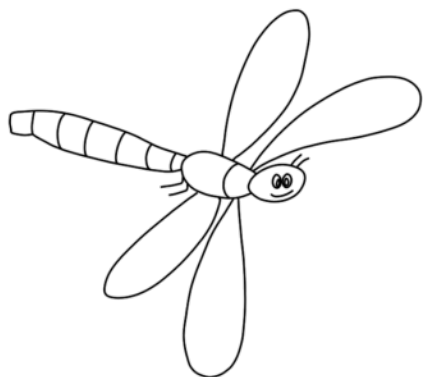
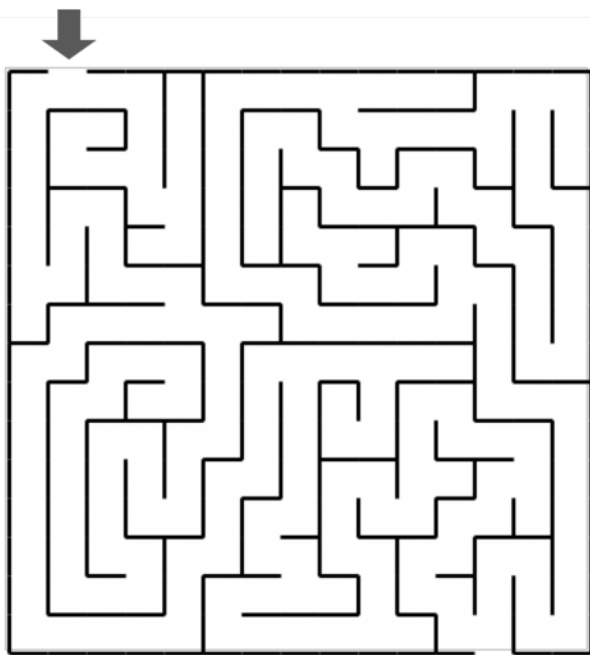
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Don't worry

A little boy was told that he should try and be good, and that he could ask God for help with this. So he prayed: "Lord, please make me good, if you can. But if you can't, don't worry about it. I'm having a real good time like I am."

Dragonfly Maze

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Hill & Valley Tennis Club

NOTE FROM THE CHAIR

Normally at this time of year we would be looking forward to holding our AGM upstairs in The Seven Tuns where we would combine business with pleasure and enjoy a delicious two-course meal and a chance to socialise with other members before our meeting. Unfortunately, in the present circumstances, that is not possible this year and as we now have to hold our meeting virtually we have decided to move the date of the **AGM to Wednesday 2nd December 2020.** Further details on how to join the meeting on Zoom will be sent out to members nearer the time.

In the meantime as winter approaches wrap up warm, keep fit and keep safe whilst getting plenty of fresh air and fun on the tennis courts!

Please check our website for full details of all that the club has to offer
www.clubspark.lta.org/HillandValleyTC

COACHING with James Morris
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Adult Group Coaching (Members only)

This is now only running on Fridays
4.30-6pm for Intermediates.

Tuesday Sessions are no longer running due to a change in James' availability and the lack of uptake for the Beginners

class. We are looking at running an Intermediate session on Wednesdays please see the website for details.

Juniors After School Programme (open to non-members)

Wednesdays

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3.15 - 4.00pm

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4.05 - 5pm

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6.05 - 7pm

Fridays

YELLOW - School Year 8 - 13
6.00 - 7.00pm

Please contact James for more information about coaching on 07592 440514 jamesmorris7@aol.com

Details for all the following activities are on the website
www.clubspark.lta.org/HillandValleyTC

Men's Night on Monday evenings.

Ladies Night on Thursday evenings.

For those interested in more competitive play you can still enter the tennis ladder which is running until the

Hill & Valley Tennis Club

end of November and is proving to be great fun.

We are currently competing in the Over 60's Ladies Winter League and the Stroud Mixed Doubles Winter League.

If you would like to know more about the club and any of the activities please do get in touch.

Rosemary Scott-Smith

Chair

hillandvalleytc@gmail.com

PERSPECTIVE FROM A YOUNG PLAYER

I hit my first tennis ball aged 3 with John Robson when he visited the Chedworth Pre-School with some tiny rackets and a big bag of sponge balls! I quite enjoyed this and joined his weekly coaching sessions here at Hill & Valley Tennis Club.

Come the winter months John suggested we explore the indoor tennis centre at Oxstalls in Gloucester. I didn't look back from my first group session, I progressed into the Academy at the centre where I trained up to 12 hours plus a week. I competed regularly all over the country and was part of the county training squad up to age 13.

I am now 16 and at Hartpury College studying P E and Sports Science.

Congratulations from all of us at the Hill & Valley Tennis Club to Joe Kenning who has just passed his LTA Level 1 Coaching Assistant Course. We wish him continued success as he progresses to Level 2 and are delighted that he is now able to assist our coach James Morris. Hopefully his story will inspire more people to encourage their children to pick up a racket and take advantage of all that tennis has to offer.

Having been coached for so long, I am now looking to qualify as a coach myself and I recently attended an LTA Level 1 Coaching Assistant course. This ran over three weekends down in Beaconsfield. The course covers many aspects but mainly how to prepare, organise and deliver fun, inspiring and progressive tennis sessions which can be adapted to all ages and abilities of children.



For my exam I had to take a themed lesson I had prepared. The lesson included a warmup with exercises to develop fundamental movement skills, a main skill - the volley with technique and tactics when playing the game and a fun competition element.

I passed Level 1 and am now preparing to take my Level 2 coaching exam

starting in November and completing
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*Joe Kenning
Cloud Cottage
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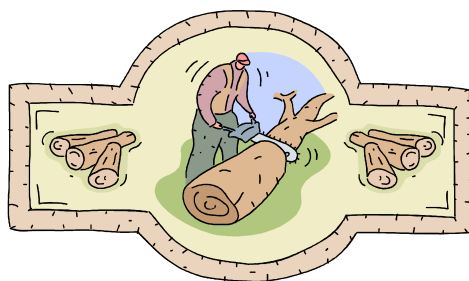
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