



*The Newsletter for
Clungunford
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THE GUNNAS GAZETTE

**The Clungunford Players
*present...***

DON'T GET YOUR VICARS IN A TWIST!

A FARCE

by Ann Gawthorpe & Lesley Bown

Friday 9 & Saturday 10 March

Clungunford Parish Hall

7.30pm

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Adults - £6 / Children - £3

Box Office:

01588 660 438 & 01588 660 653

Club and Parish Hall News

Clungunford Village Hall..... the South Shropshire Centre for performance!?

The Dancing Club

Friday 2 March 2018 at 7.30 pm

CLUNGUNFORD PARISH HALL

Continue to celebrate over 50 years of social dancing at Clungunford by coming along on Friday March 2 to a heartwarming entertaining live theatre performance of **The Dancing Club** - a new play based on the story of how Kidderminster legends Frank and Wynn Freeman's Dance School inspired a town to keep moving through the traditions of ballroom dance, rock 'n' roll, northern soul and disco. With a legendary rock bands like Led Zeppelin, Captain Beefheart and Mark Bolan playing there alongside classes in the foxtrot this performance is based on the stories of over 100 people who danced at the club over the years.

The writer and director of **The Dancing Club**, Caroline Jester, spent a Saturday night recently at a Club Clungunford dance event, collecting stories from the dancers - so this promises to be an entertaining night out!

With original music by Jon Bates and choreography by Steve Elias the show comes to Clungunford directly from two sold out shows in Kidderminster as part of its West Midlands Tour.

Reservation advised

Tickets available on 01588660152 @ £10 adult; £5 child and special family tickets for two adults and two children £22

PS No dancing involved !

This is a joint production with Arts Alive

Many thanks to all who came along to see the "the sell out" performance of the Protein Dance company on Friday 23 February. A good time appeared to have been had by all - certainly eating tomatoes will never be the same again.

On the Thursday before Protein performed a special version of the show at The Four Rivers Nursing Home in Ludlow, which went really well - and went on to run a second performance at The Meadows Centre in Church Stretton, again with great success.

A special thanks to The Ludlow Food Centre, The Discovery Centre, The Maltings Cafe Clun and Rhos Market Garden Knighton For donating foods and wines to the raffle prizes!

Keys Elizabeth Lyster is making a list of those who have keys to the Parish Hall. This is quite important for insurance purposes. If you have a key (to any of the doors), please make yourself known to Elizabeth, unless you have already done so: her number is 01588 660152

And don't forget do remember that most Saturday nights we have live music and dancing in the hall. For further details of events please see the notice boards at the Parish Hall or around the village or contact me on 01588 660152. *Elizabeth Lyster*, Club Secretary.

Brian Robinson

It is with great sadness that we have to report the passing of Brian Robinson.

Brian and those who have worked for him over the years will be known to many of you as the go-to plumbing and heating engineers for the immediate area. Seemingly, any problem, however intractable, had a solution in Brian's eyes. His skill and knowledge were remarkable.

However, his principal legacy to those of us in Clungunford will be the lasting impact of his influence at the Club and the Parish Hall. It is not an exaggeration to say that without Brian's input and energy over many years the Parish Hall would probably have fallen apart as a structure, and with it his beloved Sports and Social Club. Brian and wife Vera go back to the earliest days of the Club, and Saturday nights became part of their DNA.

When what is now the playing field became available, the Club stepped in to buy it, doubtless preventing it from being developed as housing, and Brian and his team fashioned what we see today - a much envied playing field and bowling green.

At committee meetings, whenever anything needed doing, the eyes around the room would inevitably turn to Brian, who would without complaint volunteer himself for the job. What is even more noteworthy still is that in many cases the need for things to be done never arose, simply because Brian had already done them. Even in the few days since his demise, the size of his contribution has become even more apparent, as the little jobs that we all took for granted (and which Brian did) now have to be done by others.

The efforts of Brian and a few senior members have steered the Club through to the present day, vibrant and

with an encouraging future. It is a local resource to be much admired, and the only reason the present generation has something to build on is because of the effort put in by Brian and others. Brian and Vera are among the longest serving members, and we can only thank them for the time and patience they have devoted to the Club over the years.

Having said all that, Brian was by any standards a good man. He had a sense of humour, was calm and never morose and was good company. He would offer his advice freely, if called upon. He was a model for us all to aspire to. It is the way of the world that we never tell people to their faces how much they are appreciated, and all we can hope for now is that Brian sensed how much his efforts were valued by us all.

More generally, Brian certainly had an entrepreneurial spirit, and the business he built up at Broome became a significant local employer. Many of the lads who trained under Brian have gone on to have very successful careers as plumbing and heating engineers.

On a cold January Saturday Brian was laid to rest in Clungunford. St Cuthbert's was full to over-flowing. We heard a little of his life in a fine address by long standing friend, John Payne, but we all had our memories of the man we had come to honour. No one will have been more pleased than Brian that later that afternoon those attending the wake through sheer weight of numbers very respectfully drank the bar dry!

The thoughts of all readers will go out to Vera, her sons and daughter and grandchildren at their very sad loss. Although the village has lost one of its stalwarts, their loss is, of course, even greater.

Flicks in the Sticks at Clungunford

Parish Hall

Friday 23 March 2018 at 8pm

Victoria and Abdul (cert 12)

Abdul Karim arrives from India to participate in Queen Victoria's golden jubilee. The young clerk is surprised to find favor with the queen herself. As Victoria questions the constrictions of her long-held position, the two forge an unlikely and devoted alliance that her household and inner circle try to destroy. As their friendship deepens, the queen begins to see a changing world through new eyes, joyfully reclaiming her humanity.

Starring: Judi Dench, Michael Gambon, Olivia Williams

Director: Stephen Frears **Historical Drama**

Friday 20 April 2018 at 8pm

Film Stars Don't Die in Liverpool (cert 15)

Based on Peter Turner's memoir, *FILM STARS DON'T DIE IN LIVERPOOL* follows the playful but passionate relationship between Turner (Bell) and the eccentric Academy Award – winning actress Gloria Grahame (Bening). Liverpool, 1978. What starts as a vibrant affair between a legendary femme fatale and her young lover quickly grows into a deeper relationship, with Turner being the person Gloria turns to for comfort. Their passion and

lust for life is tested to the limits by events beyond their control.

Starring: Jamie Bell, Annette Bening and Leanne Best
Director: Paul McGuigan **Romantic Drama**

Entrance £4.00 Adults £2.00 Children

Licensed Bar, Ice creams, raffle (Donations welcomed), good car parking

Tel: 01588 660727 (Ann) or 01588 660781 (Maureen)
(maureenrooney2012@gmail.com) for enquiries and reservations

We now show all our films with subtitles.

We have an email list for anyone who would like to receive an email reminder each month of information on our forthcoming films including links to trailers and reviews.

If you would like to go on the list, please email: mike@mikeandrewshomeopathy.co.uk with your details.

The Parish Council

I said in the last Gazette that the planning application for the poultry units at Hopton Heath rumbles on. Those of you who have followed the drama will know that it rumbles on further still.

In an attempt to overcome obstacles placed in their way the applicants have revised their plans to include "scrubbers" in an attempt to minimize ammonia output, close boarded fencing round large parts of the site to cut down noise and more tree planting to screen the site, as the latest landscape report they have produced – this is the third – finally admits that the site will be visible from a number of properties and vantage points. It really is a complete mess, but nevertheless the latest proposals will meet with a robust response from your Parish Council.

Individuals have until 5 March to respond to Shropshire Council, and although Mr Maher, who is dealing with the matter for Shropshire, has indicated that he has already "got the message" from the 100 odd objections already to hand, doubtless many people will wish to reinforce their objections, as none of the alterations really make much difference to the principle as to whether there should be development there at all.

The next Parish Council meeting is due to take place at 8 pm on Wednesday 14 March in the Parish Hall. Everyone is welcome to attend. Parish matters before (or after) the meeting may be raised either with me or with our clerk, Brian Taylor (01588 660653: gunnasclerk@sky.com). Jonathan Roberts, Chairman (01588 660673: jonathan.roberts@morgoedestates.com)

(Definitely Not The) Nursing Notes.....

Some interesting facts from medicine as practised years ago.

Trepanation is a fancy word for drilling holes in the head. This is actually the oldest surgical procedure known to man, dating back to the time of cavemen,

when humans had been intentionally knocking holes in their skulls. Historically trepanation was most commonly used as a treatment for curing seizures and migraines. But surprisingly, having a gaping hole drilled in the skull, usually without any anaesthesia, did very little to help people's headaches or brain issues.

How to stop sneezing in 1664

"In Neezing, there is a sudden sending forth of Air with more force and noise and a shaking of the whol Body.... Palliate the Nostrils, with the Vapor of warm water, and anoint them with Butter, Milk, Oyl of Gourds, Poppies, Henbane and with the White of an Egg and Mucilages. All fresh.... Press and rub the Ears and Eyes and pul the Nose, rub the Palate with the Finger and Comb the Head.... Holding of the breath as it cures the Hickets, so doth it Neezing, if the Nose and Mouth be stopped. Also frightening will cure Neezing, as soon as Hickets"..... Really?!!

"Counter – irritation" made no sense in theory or practice, but did allow befuddled doctors of medicine's Heroic Age to feel useful, and that counts for something. Using a type of scalpel, a doctor would slice open an "issue". Into the large gash he would insert foreign objects, usually dried peas or beans, to promote proper infection. He would then re-open the wound – often every day – to make sure it didn't heal. Some doctors used a hot iron instead, or "caustic," a blistering agent made of strong acid. Patients sometimes registered "fear and trepidation," and the prestigious medical journal *The Lancet* discouraged blisters of more than a foot square.

Now do you think things "were better years ago" ??

Sister B

PS.

According to data analysis, one in twenty Google searches are for health related information.

Microsoft Research defines *cyberchondria* as "the unfounded escalation of concerns about common symptomatology, based on the review of search results and literature on the web."

The 100 Club

Winners for January:

1. (£60) Simon Bywater
2. (£30) Christine Tinker
3. (£15) Jonathan Starkey

Winners for February:

1. (£60) Caroline Pierotti
2. (£30) Lesley Knowles
3. (£15) Ann Hunt

If you would like to join (£5 per month by cheque (minimum 6 months) or even better by standing order), phone Maureen Rooney (01588 660781) or Mike Jones (01588 661145) or Jim Bason (01547 540782).

The Slow Ladies

Thursday 29 March Bringewood - an easy walk. Meet in Car Park at 9.15am. Pub lunch.

April: date to be confirmed (possibly Thursday or Friday 26 or 27) To be confirmed with Elaine, as she will lead it.

Please let me know if you wish to join us. We are always pleased to welcome new faces and feet to our walking group. *Pauline Mattison* 01588 660596

In The Garden

A cold day in Clungunford and I'm indoors looking out at the flurries of snow which might be the first outriders of what weather forecasters, borrowing their writing style from the *Sun* (Whatever that is! And I'm sure I don't know!) have given the emotive name of 'The Beast from the East'. Or they might just be a few flurries of snow which will soon die away without lingering too long. I certainly hope that is going to be the case.

When I was a boy gardener working for the local parks department, in the warmer climes of London admittedly, this was the time of year for tidying up jobs like cutting back the dead growth on herbaceous plants to expose the new shoots hidden below, so the warmer weather would stir them into bursting into life anew. Or pruning Hybrid Tea or Hybrid Perpetual roses now that the worst of the winter was over. Except that it isn't this year. Not if 'The Beast from the East' is to be believed in.

I've gone ahead anyway. We get so many of these weather warnings thrown at us these days, I tend not to take much notice of them anymore, but just carry on regardless with what I intended doing anyway. So I've pruned my Raspberries and Loganberries as intended, because that was the time to do them, trying not to wonder if by the time you read this, they will be under six feet of snow.

In the garden, hopefully not under that six feet of snow, look out for the heart-shaped leaves and blue or violet scented flowers of *Viola odorata*, the Sweet Violet, flowering from February until April, and then again in autumn if you're lucky. *Brian Taylor*

Postcard from Africa

The changes in Southern Africa continue apace. Following the downfall of Robert Mugabe in Zimbabwe last December, January has seen his neighbour and co-tyrant in South Africa, Jacob Zuma, get his come-uppance. Not before time, many advocates of justice and good governance will say. Zuma was elected to the leadership of the Africa National Congress – the political party that has led the country since the end of apartheid – in the early '90s, elected mainly by people from the rural areas on the promise of increased prosperity, more jobs and redistribution of land. Little, if any, progress has been made in any of these fields. The urban population was more sceptical – they saw a man who was known as an expert manipulator and who had a virtually insatiable greed. He already had eight wives and countless children but continued with extra-marital liaisons and had a very cavalier attitude to HIV/AIDS, which at the time was rife in the country.

On ascending to the Presidency, he very quickly began to feather his own nest on a grand scale. He spent millions of Rand from public funds, making improvements to his own home which he claimed to be an "official residence". The luxury swimming pool he had installed was there as a water reserve for the fire brigade, in case a fire broke out! (He may have taken a leaf out of the books of one or two UK MPs who claimed expenses for similar outrageous pieces of work, such as refurbishment of a duck house.) However, corruption moved up a gear with the arrival of the brothers Gupta, from India, businessmen who inveigled their way into Zuma's confidence and began to have a huge influence on the South African economy. It is alleged that they became so powerful that they were able to have Ministers dismissed if they did not co-operate with them. It is thought but not yet proven that they stole tens of millions of Rand from government coffers and moved it outside the country. It is to be hoped that due process will now be allowed to go ahead, without government interference and more light will be shed on all of this. Zuma is facing around nineteen corruption charges, so the truth should come out somewhere along the line.

The new president, Cyril Ramaphosa, is a politician whose pedigree dates back to the liberation struggle. He was a close friend of Nelson Mandela and had been a contender for the presidency at the time that Zuma was elected. Like politicians anywhere, he has a difficult juggling task to manage, to keep different interest groups and factions on his side. Zuma still has a lot of support within the South African parliament, especially from those MPs who benefited from some of the crumbs off his table, so his skills as a negotiator and deal maker will be seriously tested.

Now that these two men have gone, who will be next? One leader long past his best-by date is Joseph Kabila of the Democratic Republic of Congo. According to the Congo's constitution – which he was a signatory to – his term of office came to an end more than a year ago and there should have been new elections. These didn't happen and over the past few months there have been violent protests and demonstrations across the country, calling for the constitution to be respected. In the north-east of the country, in Ituri province, inter-ethnic conflict has resumed on the back of the political inertia in the capital and hundreds of people have been killed and thousands more displaced. A tragic situation that we hear very little about here in the UK. Unfortunately, the DR Congo does not have a good history of democratic change: Mobutu Sese Seko clung onto power for years, amassing a huge personal fortune while he was there until a rebellion led by Joseph Kabila's father, Laurent-Desiré, force him to flee. Laurent-Desiré was himself later assassinated – there is a lesson there that Joseph needs to learn! *Rob Rees*

From the Vicarage

.... well I wonder how many of you escaped! Not many, I suspect! This winter with all the horrific bugs around has

brought people very low, including me! And, I don't know about you but I am still feeling a bit like the dregs of humankind! In some ways the image of grovelling in the dust of Ash Wednesday is one many of us can readily enter into at the moment.

So here we are at the beginning of Lent already and in need of healing, restoration, and revival. The good news is that these 40 days are not only meant to be about self denial, rigour and grappling with temptation, but, as for Jesus, they were a time of preparation and equipping for his ministry ahead.

Last Sunday's reading was the climax of the story of Noah with the scintillating sign God gives after the great flood as a seal of his commitment to humankind: the rainbow; his promise to watch over the wonderful world He has made, now washed clean and never again to destroy it. This encourages us to explore that relationship, sealed once more in the life, example and sacrifice of Jesus, who comes to pave the way for us to become His rainbow people. So I started pondering rainbows.

Then I heard Moby singing "We are all made of stars". Astrophysicist Carl Sagan, in his work *Cosmos* wrote: "We are all made of star stuff. We are a way for the cosmos to know itself." "The nitrogen in our DNA, the calcium in our teeth, the iron in our blood, the carbon in our apple pies were made in the interiors of collapsing stars. We are made of starstuff." ... But this idea is not so new!! Jesus entered into the dirt and grit of our humdrum world, taking on all the hues of human weakness and challenge, to help us to transform the stuff of our lives into something purposeful. that dirt and ashes back into stardust .. or maybe even rainbow dust.

Through Lent this year there are several things happening in the Benefice to help us reflect on this process. On Monday evenings in Clungunford, meeting at Abcott Manor, there is a group exploring the implications of climate change on our lives and how we can help limit the changes in our own way. And on Wednesday evenings in homes around the Benefice we are gathering for times of simple prayer, listening and reflection (all welcome, contact me or the office for details). Then in Holy Week, St Cuthbert's has a special service on Palm Sunday; various services around the Benefice during the week where we trace Jesus' movements on that last week of his life (including a very quiet time of reflection at St Mary's Bedstone on Good Friday at 6pm), culminating with Easter Sunday, when we celebrate in each of the Churches in the Benefice, Jesus doing his ultimate star turn!

Prayers that those of you who are still feeling very earthbound may soon find yourselves emerging into light and renewed life and a touch of resurrection as we see signs of spring emerging and the days lengthening. *Annie and Red*

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Parish Church News

Should you need more information about services, events etc. or about receiving the Deanery magazine, please contact Gordon Schofield: 01588 660158 or Michael Jones 01588 661145

SERVICES at CLUNGUNFORD in the Middle Marches Benefice for March and April 2018. Please note that the services below will be at St Cuthbert's unless otherwise stated.

Sunday 4 March	No service at St Cuthbert's	Holy Communion, at 11.15 am at Hopton Castle
Sunday 11 March	10.00 am	Family/All Age service. Mothering Sunday. Lay led. Posies for All. Refreshments will be served after the service
Sunday 18 March	10.00 am	Morning Worship. Lay led Service of Praise. Refreshments will be served after the service
Sunday 25 March	10.00 am	Palm Sunday with Holy Communion. Led by Rev Annie Ballard. With coffee etc. after the service.
		Please check the Deanery Magazine for details of other services at other churches during Holy Week
Sunday 1 April	10.00 am	Easter Communion. Led by John Daniels. With refreshments afterwards
Sunday 8 April	10.00 am	Family/All Age service. Lay led. Refreshments will be served after the service
Sunday 15 April	10.00 am	Morning Worship. Lay led Service of Praise. Refreshments will be served after the service
Sunday 22 April	11.00 am	Communion service. Led by Rev Annie Ballard. With coffee etc. after the service.

Sunday 29 April No service at St Cuthbert's Benefice Service at Hopton castle at 10.30 am

Greetings to all who live in Clungunford Parish and to those who have links with St. Cuthbert's! Many of you will realise that St. Cuthbert's is extremely dependent on volunteer help for services, as well as for many other tasks. In April there will be the Annual Parish Meeting - on the 17th April at 7.00 p.m. at the Church. Please consider coming to that meeting, to see what is going on. We would welcome new members to join the PCC (the Parochial Church Council), but also people who would offer some help with a wide range of activities.

At the meeting last year, I indicated that I would serve as Church Warden for another year, so my resignation will be confirmed at the coming meeting in April. I have been most fortunate in having Michael Jones, also fulfilling the role. His contribution has been most excellent and greatly appreciated. I hope that someone will be prepared to take on this office, to serve with Mike.

There are several meetings and activities listed below to which you are invited. You will be most welcome! Many thanks to all those who have made so many valuable contributions over the last years. There are many unsung heroes! With thanks and good wishes,
Gordon

Easter lilies Should you wish to have Easter Lilies in memory of loved ones, arranged for Easter Sunday, please contact Isabel Jones on 01588 661145 or Philippa Rollason on 01547 540214 by Tuesday the 20th March. Many thanks!

Updates from the last PCC meeting of January 2018:
*An asbestos box, within the organ has been removed, with professional help, and an estimate for further essential repairs will be forthcoming.
*Additional work is necessary to the lightning conductors, to meet test standards.
*The boiler has had to have work done on it, since the Christmas period and more consideration to its reliable functioning is necessary.
*The waste water tank has had to be emptied as a result of excess water being discharged from one of the wash basins in one of the toilets.
*The church will take up group membership of "God's Acre", whose team has put in much effort in the churchyard area.
*The Parish Hall had requested support for its plans for the hall and this was given unanimously.

*Appreciation from the food bank in Craven Arms, for the donations, had been received.

*The Quinquennial report had been received and circulated to the PCC. Jane Chamberlain, our Architect, will visit St.Cuthberts on the 6th March, to discuss the report and recommendations. (see notice below)

*The APCM will be held on the 17th April at 7.00 pm at St. Cuthbert's.

Tuesday 6 March Afternoon Tea, with Jane Chamberlain at 4.00 pm at St Cuthbert's. Jane is our Church Architect and she will be coming to discuss her report on the church, following her inspection. She will meet with the PCC, but others who are interested are invited to attend. It is important that we have an idea of numbers, so please RSVP to either Mike 01588 661145 or Gordon 01588 660158, if you would like to come. Thank you!

Mothering Sunday Service Sunday, 11th March at 10.00 am. This will be a Lay led service with posies for all! Refreshments will be served afterwards.

Coffee Morning Introducing "LAMB" on Saturday 24th March. Presentation, explanation and questions at 11.00 am. Refreshments served from 10.15 am. - with a 'Bring and Buy'. Many of you will have supported 'LAMB' by participating at the Curry Evenings at the Parish Hall.

EASTER DAY - SERVICE AT 10.00 am on the 1st April. A service of Holy Communion, led by Rev.John Daniels. Refreshments will be served after the service. There is no 'official' Easter Egg competition this year, but anyone who brings a decorated egg, or a decorated Easter bonnet, will be rewarded!

Ride and Stride Presentation Day Sunday 8 April
Angela and Roger Hughes, who organise the "Ride and Stride" event for Shropshire, will be coming to present certificates to the splendid 'Riders' and 'Striders', whose efforts put Clungunford at the top of the list for fund raising for 'The Historic Churches Trust'
We raised £2,025. Sincere thanks have been expressed to all the supporters and sponsors. Everyone who supported the event in any way is invited to come to this 'awards' ceremony, which will begin at 10.00 a.m., with a short service, the presentation of certificates, followed by refreshments - appropriate for such a celebratory occasion! Further details from Simon and Gordon.

Material for the next edition

Material for the next *Gazette* should please be with us by **23 April**. Email to gunnagazette@aol.com or deliver to Clungunford House (black box in porch)

Cuthbert's Kitchen

.....is the theme for this year's Holiday Club at St Cuthbert's Church. It will take place every afternoon from Monday 6 til Friday 10 August. A variety of art, craft and sporting activities will be on offer each day and the club is open to all school age children. Put the date in your diary now!

A poem from Robin Bywater

"The Cowshed" describes the Heath Farm ca 1950.

The cowshed

The cowshed had little to be proud about;
in the corner of the yard, discretely hidden by the manure heap
it deserved to be shielded from view;
No drainage, water or window glass.
The ceiling was dusty hay
supported by rough wooden spars with gaps for the unwary.

One cow chose not to "let down" her milk
so I share the udder with her calf
It has prehensile tongue, voluminous slobber and surprising strength;
We agree to divide the proceeds.

Barn cats sit demurely by the battered milk trough
waiting to be fed;
They are recognisable by running nose, running eyes
and running away
I keep them amused with occasional squirts of milk in their direction
They are torn between the joy of the milk and the indignity of the impact.
When the trough was empty their feral life was resumed.

Adjoining the gloomy cowshed, the pitch dark "calf-skit"

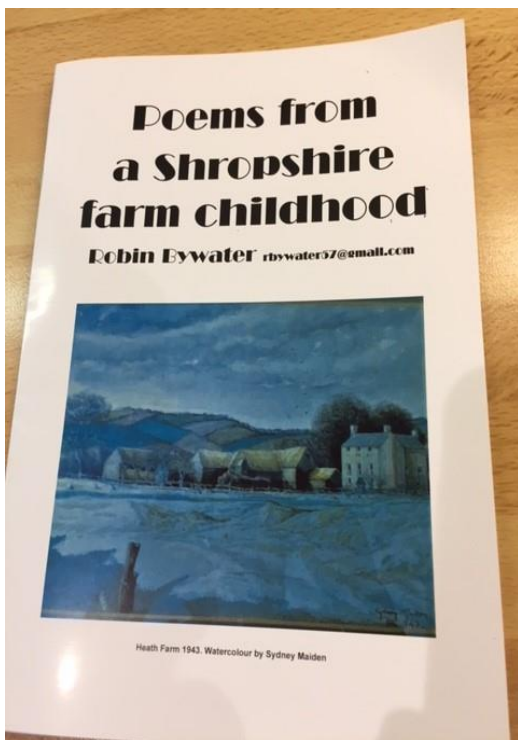
This windowless hole reduced calves to carcase in just a few hours.

They were born full of vigour only to die in darkness
It depresses me still to recall.

Milking complete I release each neck chain.
Cows are eager to leave now milking is done;
If short like me, a matador stance is required
so that horns miss by millimetres
as the cows swing their heads towards field and
freedom.

Robin Bywater 2018

Poems from a Shropshire Farm childhood



Robin has gathered together some of his poems into a booklet being sold in aid of Parkinsons UK. It is thoroughly to be recommended. It is available on the counter in Tuffin's Garage at Craven Arms at £2.00 but may well sell out quickly. If you have difficulty in sourcing a copy, drop *The Gazette* an email and we may be able to help.

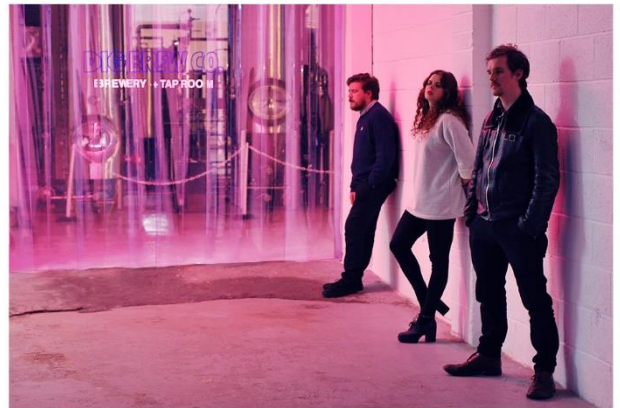
The Marches Choir

On Saturday 21st April The Marches Choir, conducted by Alistair Auld, will perform Brahms' exquisite and emotional German Requiem in Bishops Castle. The 80-strong choir are well supported by the Marches Sinfonia (leader Ann Tupling) and talented operatic soloists including Nicholas Morris (Baritone).

The Sinfonia orchestra will also delight with performances of Mendelssohn's Hebrides Overture and Violin Concerto, with Ayla Sahin as violin soloist.

The venue is St John's Church, Brampton Road, Bishops Castle, SY9 5AF at 7.30pm. Tickets are £10 (children and students free) from 01588 650448, or on the door.

Clun Valley Jazz



Rearranged from 2 March to 14 April because of the weather we present Juggernaut, a Birmingham based trio, led by pianist Piera Okando. Incorporating soundscapes and open passages with grooves and structured bass lines, the band bring exciting new influences into the modern piano trio. They recently recorded their debut EP. Take a listen here.

<https://juggernaut.bandcamp.com/releases>

The evening takes place at our Shropshire Hills Discovery Centre in Craven Arms. Our fantastic auditorium once again offers a unique atmosphere to enjoy an intimate evening of great jazz. Dinner will be available before the performance starts. The restaurant will serve Shropshire Lamb Curry with Basmati rice or a Butternut Squash & Spinach option with all ingredients locally sourced.

Call the centre on 01588 676060 ASAP to avoid missing this very special live jazz performance.

Doors/bar service open 6.45.

Dinner Served 7.15/8.00

Son et Luminaire 2017 Royal Academy of Dramatic Art 8.10

John Hellings interview with musicians 8.15

Jazz Performance 8.30/9.15 9.30/10.15

For all other information email us

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Looking forward to seeing you all on Saturday 14th April