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### Services for October 2022 for Cressage, Harley, Sheinton and Cound.

#### 2nd October 16th Sunday after Trinity

Cound 11am Harvest Service Rev. Matthew Stafford

Cressage, Sheinton, To Cound

#### 9th October 17th Sunday after Trinity

Harley 11am Harvest Service Paul Trenberth

#### 16th October 18th Sunday after Trinity FEAST OF ST. LUKE

Cound 11am Requiem Mass for John & Hilary Cuffley (see P27)

Rev. Matthew Stafford

#### 23rd October 19th Sunday after Trinity BIBLE SUNDAY

Sheinton 11am Eucharist (TBC)

Harley 4.30pm Evening Prayers Jonny Stevens

#### 23rd October The last Sunday after Trinity

Much Wenlock 9.30am Eucharist Rev. Canon Robert Bull

**Roman Catholic Services:** for details of services ring 01746 762348 St John the Evangelist Bridgnorth

**Methodist Church Services:** The church is located in King Street, Much Wenlock,  
Times of services: 11:00am

Dear Friends,

I always pay close attention to the day a person dies in the light of the Saints who have gone before us, and our Late Queen surrendered her spirit to her Lord and our God on the day when the Church celebrates the Birth of the Blessed Virgin Mary where on that day we pray, ***'Pray for us Holy Mary Mother of God, that we may be worthy of the promises of Christ.'***

Our Blessed Mother and our Late Queen have much in common and I believe they will get on exceedingly well!

Just as Mary said to Gabriel, ***"Behold the maidservant of the Lord! Let it be to me according to your word,"*** entrusting herself to God in bearing the Saviour of the World, the Mother of God & the Church, as well as for some Christians Queen of heaven.

I was reminded shortly after the Queen died that when someone very close to us dies, the trial can go so far as to undermine our hope, especially when the Queen offered so much stability in the midst of instability over her reign.

Rediscovering the trusting of faith and peace of heart sometimes requires having a great deal of patience with ourselves, which the Queen had in abundance. When we need to be comforted, Christ sends the Holy Spirit, the Comforter. And the pain of a separation can be transfigured into a communion that is at one and the same time so mysterious and so indispensable. This was summed up by the Queen in these words: ***'For me the life of Jesus Christ, the prince of peace...is an inspiration and an anchor in my life.'***

As much as we mourn the loss of our beloved Queen and the stability, she has given us over her 70-year reign, we hold steadfast that the Crown endures and the very best of the old reign has been taken into the new with the Late Queen's Son, King Charles the Second. This, for me has taken out some of the sting of instability I felt when the Queen passed and the stability that I have felt after being able to witness on TV for the first time the Accession Rites & Declarations as well as the way he has conducted himself throughout these days of mourning and into the early days of the King's new Reign.

I also have the added confidence and comfort in this harvest season that the harvest has been gathered in for our beloved Queen Elizabeth, the journey ended, the story told, life's tasks finished and neatly bound like a sheaf of wheat. There is and was a roundedness about Her Majesty's life, a sense of completion and fulfilment that she so richly deserved.

May our beloved Queen Elizabeth rest in peace & May God save the King!

With my prayerful good wishes,

**Matthew Stafford** The Reverend Prebendary Matthew Stafford

## VILLAGE LIFE OCTOBER 2022

Mon 3rd		Oil orders	(23)
Wed 5th	Harley	Coffee, Chat & Bowls	(4)
Sat 7th	Cound Moor	Pub Night	(28)
Sat 8th	Wenlock	Male Voice Choir	(17)
Sun 9th	Harley	Harvest festival plus lunch	(4)
Tues 11th	Harley	Parish Council Meeting	(25)
Thurs 13th	Cross Houses	Cressage WI	(23)
Sat 15th	Cound Moor	Harvest Supper	(28)
Wed 19th	Harley	Coffee, Chat & Bowls	(4)
Mon 17th	Harley	Wenlock Young Farmers	(17)
	Cressage	School Parents Evening	(25)
Thurs 20th		Farmers Butty Van	(4)
	Cressage	Gardening Club	(17)
	Cressage	School Parents Evening & Disco	(25)
	Cound	Cound community Group	(28)
Frid 21st	Cound	Flicks in the sticks	(27)
	Cound Moor	Nogging & Natter	(28)
Mon 31st		Oil orders	(23)
	Cressage	Medical Practice News	(6 - 8)
	Cressage	Village Hall news	(16)
	Wenlock	Athletics Club	(17)

### November

Thurs 3rd	Harley Bank	<b>ROAD CLOSURE</b>	(29)
Tues 8th	Harley	Parish Council Meeting	(25)
Frid 18th	Harley	Concert & supper	(5)
Frid 18th	Cound	Flicks in the sticks	(27)
Sat 26th	Harley	<b>HOLMES AND WATSON</b>	(5)

Deadline for the next issue is 15th October Please send your entries by email to [villagel@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:villagel@hotmail.co.uk) If you do not have access to email please phone Brian Oakley on 01952 510546 for the November issue. The Editors reserve the right to edit contributions.

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## **Harley News!**

**Coffee, Chat and Carpet bowls!**

**Wednesday 5th and 19th October 2022**



**10.30am at...**

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All are most welcome... so do come along for coffee or tea, biscuits, carpet bowls and a chat. See you there!

### **FARMER'S BUTTY VAN**

The October Butty Van will take place on Thursday October 20<sup>th</sup> 2022 1030 to 1200 hrs at Oakwood Farm, Longville, Much Wenlock TF13 6DY by kind permission of Derek & Lynette Price



**St Mary's Church Harley Harvest Festival on Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> October 2019 at 11am followed by lunch in the Village Hall Tickets £15**

**Please bring donations of non-perishable food items, blankets etc to the service for**

**The Ark Shrewsbury**

**Please contact Anne Sharpe on 01952 510556 by Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> October for lunch bookings.**



With the absence of the **swap shop** is anybody interested in swapping jigsaws if so, ring Mick Downes on 510616 with enough interest I'll see what we can do.



On the 19th September, the day of the Queen's funeral Cound bell ringers, along with thousands of other ringers in the UK, rang a peal before the State Funeral started. Since at least the 1600's Cound has rung peals for all of the notable events that have happened in the UK. Coronations of James II, William & Mary, Queen Anne etc, plus victories against the French in the 1700's.

The photo shows the ringers; Sheila Knights, Carol Barker, Ann Cooke (church warden), Rex Sartain, Mavis Hunt (Tower Captain), Rebecca Rees and Ken Cooke.

### **Road Closure at Harley Bank, Much Wenlock.**

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## COUND MOOR VILLAGE HALL NOTICES



### Dates for your diary

**Saturday 15th October - Annual Harvest Supper**

7.00pm for 7.45pm start

Booking essential - Please contact Peter & Jean to book your harvest supper (01952 510602).

**Noggin and Natter the 3rd Friday of the month**

**Pub Night the 1<sup>st</sup> Friday of the month**

### Hall Bookings

If you would like to book the hall for your own party or event, please contact Jean (01952 510602).

We also have the Cound Moor Village Hall Facebook page up and running again – please join and check out the latest goings on and see the photos from village hall events.

You can now find us on our website

[cmvh.co.uk](http://cmvh.co.uk).

### **COUND COMMUNITY GROUP**

We have planned coffee mornings at Cound Guildhall for October:  
Thursday 20 October at 10 am.

All welcome. Transport can be arranged for those who need it. We look forward to seeing you.

Sue and Tim Wright [01743 761461](tel:01743761461)

Linda Clutterbuck [01743 761435](tel:01743761435)

Tim Roberts [01743 761257](tel:01743761257)

### **ADVANCE NOTICE**

**Harley Choir's Annual Concert Friday 18<sup>th</sup> and Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> November at 7.30pm in Harley Village Hall. Tickets £12.50 to include supper.**

More details next month.

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You may remember a few months ago we offered members of the Parish the chance to purchase some **subsidised SmartWater kits**.

Alongside that initiative, we've also installed 5 SmartWater signs at entrances to the Village in Cressage which will hopefully act as another good deterrent to crime.

If you'd like to know more about this scheme or purchase a kit, contact Councillor Rob Davies or the Parish Clerk. (see page 2)

# Practice News

October/Nov 22

## FLU & COVID VACCINATION PROGRAMME – AUTUMN/WINTER 2022

Dear All,

We are now making our way fast into Autumn and as the leaves start falling it signals that it's time for the Autumn Vaccinations.

### COVID and Flu Vaccines

This year we will be providing Flu and COVID vaccines in large clinics based in William Brookes School. These vaccines will be delivered together as advised by the JCVI. For anyone wishing to have the vaccinations separately, this will be provided towards the end of the campaign in designated clinics. We will be using the Moderna Bivalent vaccine for all those aged 18 years or over, which has action against the Omicron COVID variant. The only exceptions will be those under 18 years of age who will require a Paediatric Dose of Pfizer, and those with true vaccine allergies, who will need referring to a designated clinic in Secondary Care. By the time of reading this some of you may have been contacted by us to book your vaccine, or even had them done. Our vaccine clinic timings are limited by the delivery dates of our vaccines which are beyond our control. We are however endeavouring to hold clinics as soon as possible after each delivery.

For any patients who are unable to leave their house we will be doing housebound vaccines, but we ask that anyone able to leave their home attends a clinic and we will facilitate vaccinations as needed. Our reception team will be contacting those patients who are known to be housebound, however if you are concerned we may not be aware of your circumstances please speak with our reception team. We are lucky to have a very community minded patient population, so if any of you aren't sure about a neighbour or friend, please ask them and help them out.

### Shingles and Pneumonia Vaccines

Previously we have given these at the same time as Flu, however the Pneumonia and Shingles vaccines will now be given in dedicated clinics in the surgery which are being organised by our nursing team. If you are due one of these and not heard from us, then please contact the surgery and our reception team will be able to help.

### Communications

We are aware that you are keen to know about these clinics and are going to do our utmost to communicate this across as many platforms as possible. This will include texting, Facebook, the practice website, the surgeries and local areas and shops. The best way to ensure you hear as soon as possible is to check we have the correct phone numbers and email for you. We will do



## FLICKS IN THE STICKS



This Autumn

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Friday 21<sup>st</sup> October 7.30 pm

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### Future Films

**Friday 18<sup>th</sup> November**

**"Phantom of the Open" with Mark Rylance**

## **Hilary Cuffley Memorial Service and Buffet Lunch: Sunday 16th October**

Covid restrictions in place at the time of Hilary's death meant that sadly we weren't able to fully celebrate her life with the members of the community in Cound. The village community was such an important part of her life and of John's. We are therefore planning a celebration of Hilary Cuffley's life on the afternoon of 16th of October. We will join the 11:00 o'clock service at Cound church, and after that the family will attend a brief interment and graveside prayers.

This will be followed by a buffet lunch in the Guildhall from around 12:30pm. Drinks will be available in the Guildhall after the service, from 12:00pm. If you knew Hilary or John Cuffley and would like to join us in celebrating their lives and time in Cound, you are most welcome to join us. So that we have an idea of numbers, if you'd like to come, please text or ring David Cuffley on: 07710 274646 by Friday 7th October.

We look forward to seeing many of you on 16th October.

David, Robert, Tim and Andrew Cuffley

## **Cound Produce and Craft show** took place on Sunday

4th September with more entries than ever!

Pictured below with their certificates are the joint winners of the Scare Crow Competition. On the left Mike Griffiths who made an amazing Hickory Dicory Doc with a mouse that actually ran up the clock! On the right Ken Cooke who made Little Bo Peep complete with sheep dog and sheep pen but alas the sheep were still lost!



Pictured above is Kate Evans overall Winner of the Show.

The junior section was won by Sophie Cain, who is from New Zealand but on a long holiday here in Cound with her cousins!

The most popular class was, as ever, the longest nettle!

The results were announced, and Cups presented at 3pm and Tea and a large variety of cakes were enjoyed! Over £250 was raised.

The Show and Scarecrow Competition are fun, community events, so do come and have a go next year.

Next year's show date and Craft and Produce competition schedule will be announced in the New Year, remember to note it down in your diary when it is publicised. The Theme for the Scarecrow Competition will be Fairy Tales, so start planning.....

our best to get information to you as soon as possible and as always appreciate your patience and understanding as we continue to develop our vaccination clinics during the Pandemic.

Thank you for your time, and as always take care,

Dr J Harvey

Lead GP for COVID and Flu Vaccine Planning

On behalf of the partners and staff at Much Wenlock and Cressage Medical Practice

### **Staff News**

It is with great sadness that our long serving Senior Partner and much-loved GP, Dr Bailey will be retiring from the Practice on 31<sup>st</sup> October 2022. Dr Bailey has been with the Practice for over 25 years and will be sorely missed by patients and the team at Much Wenlock and Cressage Medical Practice. We hope that all our patients will join the team at Much Wenlock and Cressage Medical Practice in wishing Dr Bailey all the very best in her retirement. During September and October there will be a comments book available at both Practices for patients to leave messages for Dr Bailey should they wish to do so.

### **First Contact Practitioner appointments available now**

Patients can now access a First Contact Practitioner through the Practice. The First Point Practitioner is an expertly trained Physiotherapist who can assess your condition and advise any short-term treatments, suggest things that may help and, if appropriate, refer onwards to our local Physiotherapy department if you may need a course of treatment, or to our Musculoskeletal Clinic.

It is important to know that they are working remotely so this assessment will be over the telephone or video link.

If you were thinking of calling to speak to a GP for the first time about a back or joint problem or something similar that is bothering you, this may be good alternative. Please speak to a member of our reception team if you would like to book your appointment with the First Contact Practitioner.

### **Mental Health Practitioner Appointments**

We are able offer patients face to face appointments with a Mental Health Practitioner at the Practice. Patients with anxiety or depression and who are not currently being treated by a mental health practitioner, can book in for an initial appointment. The nurse is also able to see patients who are on the waiting list for mental health services but have not yet been seen. Please contact a member of our reception team if you would like an appointment with our Mental Health Practitioner. Appointments are available on alternate Thursdays at Cressage.

### **Patient Online Access – Update to Services**

From October 2022 there will be the facility for patients to book routine Doctors' appointments via Patient Online Access. Patients can book face to

face appointment slots or telephone consultations slots online as well as by phone. Please note that when selecting telephone consultations that the location shown refers to where the clinician is based, and patients should not attend the surgery but await a phone call.

Patients with Patient Online Access can also continue to:

- Order repeat medication
- View a summary of your medical records, including immunisation history

To register for online services please see our website:  
[www.muchwenlockandcressagemp.co.uk](http://www.muchwenlockandcressagemp.co.uk) or ask a member of reception.

**ASK THE POD** – you asked the questions, the Prescription Ordering Direct Service answered.....

Q1) As I travel often and am out of the UK for three or four weeks at a time I find it almost impossible to plan my prescription ordering from the new POD service.

*The POD service can provide a holiday issue request of up to 3 months which is usually sufficient to cover most holidays/travel out of the country. All requests for holiday issues are sent to the Practice who have the final decision as to whether this is an appropriate request. POD will ask for your departure and return dates and how much current supply you have. With this information they are able to work how much of an additional supply you would need to cover your holiday and enough for your return to be able to place a routine request.*

Q2) POD will not issue prescription's unless you have seven days or less medication and I imagine this must cause problems for a lot of people.

*The seven day rule has been agreed between Practice and POD to reduce potential wastage, avoid patients having excess medication in their homes and to help reduce the effects of supply chain issues. As stated above POD will issue up to 3 months medication, subject to approval from the Practice, if there is a need such as a holiday request. There can be some leeway, in exceptional circumstances, to allow ordering up to 10 days in advance.*

Q3) The ordering of repeat prescription when you only have 7 days of medication remaining is not long enough. Experience shows it can take anything up to 4 days to place order and 4 days to dispense.

*Seven days allows 48 hours for the GP practice to authorise the prescriptions and 48 hours for the Pharmacy/Dispensary to dispense the medication which should be sufficient time.*

Enquiries can be made through patient services on 01952 580407 – Email via [stwccg.patientservices@nhs.net](mailto:stwccg.patientservices@nhs.net) . Emails can also be sent directly to [shropshire.pod@nhs.net](mailto:shropshire.pod@nhs.net)

Monday 17<sup>th</sup> October and Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> October – Parents Evenings 3.30-5.30pm

Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> October – School Disco – 6.00-8.00pm

**Would you like to find out more about our school...?**

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**Tracey Cansdale, Headteacher**

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[christchurchcressage.co.uk](http://christchurchcressage.co.uk)



#### **Eunice Lewis “Noon”**

Eunice very sadly passed away on the 9<sup>th</sup> August 2022 aged 94. Noon lived in the village approximately 70 years. She was very well known and a very much loved lady. After being in Brierfields Nursing Home for 8 years, she passed away peacefully in her sleep. The family would like to thank everybody for their cards and thoughts.  
Rest in Peace.

#### **Cressage, Harley & Sheinton Parish Council**

**Dates for future Parish Council meetings that will be held in Harley Village Hall for the foreseeable future:**

**NOTE: The September meeting was cancelled.**

**11th October 2022**

**8th November 2022**

**13th December 2022**

**10th January 2023**

**14th February 2023**

**14th March 2023**

**11th April 9th May 2023 Annual parish and Council meeting**





## News from Christ Church C.E. Primary School

### Preparing, Sowing, Growing

#### Special Days...

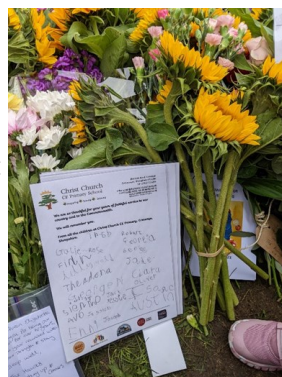
The start of a new school year has marked some special days at Christ Church in the first few weeks of term.

We enjoyed celebrating Roald Dahl Day in September by dressing up as our favourite character and enjoying a special lunch full of Roald Dahl linked food. Year 1 to Year 6 have been to the theatre to watch David Walliams' Demon Dentist production. Oak Class have been to Concord



College to take part in some great sound wave experiments to help their physics understanding. All this, and getting back into normal everyday routines, welcoming new children, and new members of staff.

Marking the death of Her late Majesty, the Queen was a special, if extremely sad event. The children had so enjoyed the Platinum Jubilee events and getting their special books and so it was fitting that we were able to fly our flag at half mast and have a special commemoration and hold a silence. We were so proud of our youngest Reception children who joined in with this so well, given it was their first week of school. Thanks to one of our school families who laid tributes at Windsor, we were able to leave a note of condolence signed by all the children and staff at Windsor Castle.



#### Events in October

*We try to let you know about events which may cause traffic/parking in the village and always remind parents to park considerately.*



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Shortly before the meeting, held on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> September began, came the news that HM Queen Elizabeth II had died. Our President Josephine paid tribute to the Queen, and reminded members that she had been

President of Sandringham WI. We then sang our anthem Jerusalem before holding a minute's silence in her memory.

The meeting continued with SFWI business and opportunities to take part in a number of events being held throughout September and October.

Guest speaker was Megan Morris Jones, founder of Cuan House Animal Rescue who told of the history and development of the charity from a tiny remote Scottish island to its present site just outside Much Wenlock. Sick and injured wild animals and birds are brought to be nursed back to health before being released back into the wild as close as possible to the site where they were found. We were moved and most impressed by what Megan had to say.

Next month is our AGM and Members supper. For that meeting on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> October, and for the following two months, we will meet in the Cross Houses Community Centre. Celia, VP asked that Josephine pass on our thanks to the Cound Moor Village Hall Committee for allowing us to meet in their hall over the last eighteen months.

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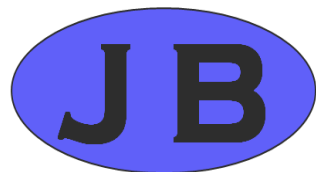
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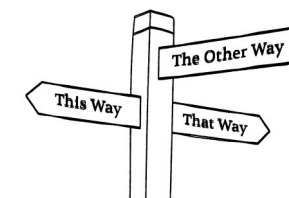
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Marie Instan who is the Chair of the Committee has spent an enormous amount of time trying to get the insurance company to accept full responsibility but alas they will only accept responsibility for replacing the floor, not for replacing the pipework under the hall because the pipe does not service the hall. Before we can start work on the floor, which will be paid for, we must replace the pipework and then the flow of water will resume to the Old Hall Pool and into the river.

The Committee needs to raise money for this work to be done so we are appealing to all of you to help us. The sooner we can get the floor sorted the sooner we can re-open and all the many users from the Gardening Club, the Tuesday Talks, WI, Bingo and various private bookings can use it once more.

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