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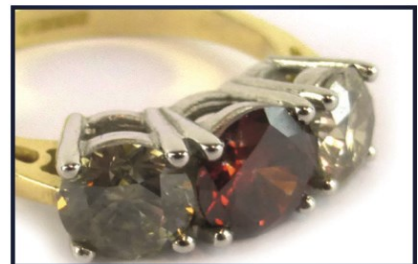
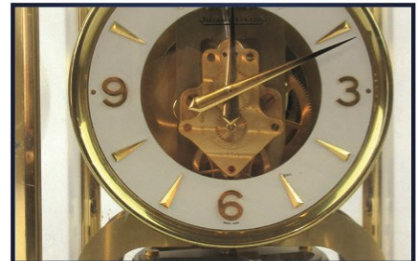


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Welcome to the Winter 2019 edition of the Arley News

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FROM THE EDITOR

Yet again there have been a lot of talking points in the villages since the last edition of the Arley News. It seems that there has been an increase in the number of incidents involving the police: armed robbery, burglary, physical assaults. Whilst this is of concern to the local community, it is reassuring to see the presence of the police patrolling the area. Over the festive period there is always an increase in crime, so please take greater care over Christmas.

A number of people contacted us about the article on “bad parking” in the last edition. They complained that after trying to establish what could be done they found out that currently it was neither the responsibility of Warwickshire Police or North Warwickshire Borough Council. The policing of the issue is waiting for an Act of Parliament to be passed. If an individual wishes to complain about a motoring offence, however, they can report it to the relevant policing authority by using ‘**Operation Snap**’, which is described on page 13.



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Arley Book Lovers have had their first meeting!

On Thursday 17th October 9 strangers met with one thing in common - a love of reading. To break the ice, we started with a cup of tea/coffee and a plateful of biscuits and introduced ourselves to each other. Then we shared our views on the book that had been chosen. It was an inspired choice for the inaugural meeting of a reading group, being "The Guernsey Literary & Potato Peel Pie Society." In no time at all we were all sharing our thoughts on this book, which I think most, if not all, gave a resounding 10/10.

The next book we will be reading and sharing our thoughts on is George Eliot's "Silas Marner." This is very appropriate as 22nd November 2019 is the bicentenary of her birth.

We will be meeting on the 2nd Thursday of each month at 19:30 at The Barn, Old Arley. So the dates for the next few months are:

14th November - "Silas Marner"

12th December - to be chosen at November's meeting

There is plenty of room for more people, so please do come and join us if you are a book lover. Either just turn up or e-mail marilyn.pemberton@yahoo.co.uk or call me on **01676542459** or **07852202353**.

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Mr Gerry Brough 01676 542563

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Arley Parish Council meets on the first Thursday of every month at 7:15pm at Rowlands Court and the minutes of the meetings are posted in the notice boards in New & Old Arley.

The first item on the agenda is always the Open Forum where Parishioners are invited to speak on any subject for a limited time.

If you have an issue you wish to raise you are welcome to attend any of the APC meetings.

North Warwickshire Borough Council Members for Arley & Whitacre area.

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KerryParker@NorthWarks.gov.uk

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Councillor Margaret Bell 0788 5733263

Update from the Parish Council

Hilltop Recreation Ground



Parishioners may have noticed the improvements at Hilltop Recreation Ground. The photographs show the installation of new equipment. A bench, litterbin and easier foot access have also been provided.

The Parish Council would like to thank Pocket Parks Plus Funding for allocating the money to allow us to complete this facility. Sarah Deeming, a Big Local employee, was a great

help in securing this funding.

75th Anniversary of The Ending of World War Two in Europe

During the weekend of 8th to 10th May 2020 a national memorial weekend has been dedicated for this event. We intend to celebrate this at Gunhill Recreation Ground and hope to provide various stalls, entertainment etc. The planning for this event is in its infancy but we will keep everyone informed of the details.

Gunhill Recreation Ground

We have recognised that this facility needs an upgrade for older youth to use. We have asked several park equipment installers to attend this ground and ask them what equipment we need and where it should be installed. We wish to add equipment that adults can exercise on as well. It is the Parish Council's intention to consult to get the best possible facility for us all. Then the task of fund seeking will begin.

Hilltop football field

We are aware of the lack of changing room etc. at Hilltop football field. We have a sub committee in place to find funding for this, and to contact organisations who may bring this matter to a successful conclusion. We will notify you of any future developments .

Speedwatch

We are about to complete the training for this speed check system and residents should shortly see speed checks being carried out. Please drive within the speed limit at all times.

Arley Parish Councillors would like to wish all our parishioners a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

BIG LOCAL FIREWORK NIGHT

The recent fireworks event was, based on the majority of the feedback received, a great success, with over 300 people attending the event and around 50 volunteers assisting on the day. With only 6 weeks to plan and deliver the event I think the youth group managed to do a great job.



Unfortunately some of the equipment promised didn't materialise so, without some of the gazebos and generators promised, the team had to reduce the number of stalls and attractions on the night.

It was bitterly cold on the night so we decided to bring the firework display forward to 6.30, but was almost 6.45 before they started and unfortunately, due to the amount of rain prior to the event, the field was very boggy in places. We are glad to say only 2 vehicles got stuck and needed pushing out.

When the litter pick took place on the Monday every effort was taken to flatten the areas that had ruts in, and so think there is no lasting damage to the grass.

The project group met on the Monday after the event to review and evaluate their project.

They felt that in response to the amount of positive feedback received they are hoping to do a bigger and better show next year. With extra planning time this would allow for more stalls, food, drinks and possibly they could choreograph the fireworks to music, which might help reduce the noise and reduce any unnecessary distress to animals. For those comments that were not so positive, we'll turn them into "*what we could do better next time*".

The Big Local Events Group will be heavily involved in the planning of next year's event, but the Youth Group will be given the responsibility to deliver the event, and we are sure they will take on the responsibility with the same effort and enthusiasm as this year's event.

Thanks to everyone who attended the event.

Kelly Shemmans,

Chair Person,

Big Local Events Group.



My name is Linda Kelly and I have the great privilege of leading teaching and learning at Arley Primary School. I was appointed as Head Teacher in September 2019 and the time has passed by in a flash. It has been an absolute pleasure to work with the children and staff at Arley and to begin to get to know some of you through the school community.

Much has been happening at school this term. The children have been learning about their own local history through their 'house' team membership and are now able to speak with increasing confidence about: Bassingburn, Alberic, Athelflaed and De Clinton, names that I would imagine are familiar to many of you!

Together with the school community we have developed our overall school vision as we move forward into a new chapter for Arley: new beginnings, endless possibilities! A fabulous vision for life I'm sure you'll agree! Alongside this the 'Arley 8' were democratically agreed, these are the values that sit alongside our vision and set the expectations for success. Kindness, respect, independence, empathy, resilience, honesty, tolerance and positivity. Our children already demonstrate these values and together we are learning how to embed them into our everyday life.

Since September we have celebrated festivals, raised money for charity, introduced a range of new learning opportunities, dressed up as rockstars, in Halloween costumes and in 80's outfits!

We are very proud of all of our children and on Remembrance Sunday our school ambassadors represented us perfectly at St Wilfrid's, both during the service and as they laid a wreath outside the church.

Schools are wonderfully busy, exciting and rewarding places to be, and I believe become even more so when they work together with the community. As I said, I am privileged to be part of the school community and consider it an honour to be able to work with you to bring school and the wider community together. I look forward to meeting you over the coming months and years.

Kind Regards, Linda Kelly, Head Teacher



THE FRIENDSHIP PROJECT



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visit our website at www.friendshipproject.co.uk

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Viv Kelsey

Area Coordinator: Nuneaton/Bedworth & North Warwickshire

viv.kelsey@friendshipproject.co.uk

Join us at Arley Community Centre December 14th 3-6pm for our Christmas Fair

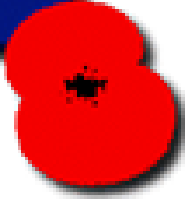
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For further information, please contact: Fred or Gill Guy

Tel: **01676 542105** Email: gillyg17560@btinternet.com

Activities at Rowland Court

Monday 10.00am-3.00pm Stroke Club

Contact Margaret Merrill 02476 736803

Tuesday-Tenants Community Panel

Dates and times to be arranged

Wednesday 2.00-4.00pm Short Mat Bowls

Friday 6.30-9.00pm BINGO

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Your submission will be sent to Warwickshire Police where the evidence will be reviewed by one of our road traffic police officers.

Due to the large volume of submissions received each week, we are unable to update each submitter regarding the outcome of their allegation. However, all submissions are dealt with pro-actively to help reduce risk taking and poor driving on our county's roads.

Any footage submitted through the portal can be used by us to help educate other road users and to advise on case results.

For more information, please go to **www.warwickshire.police.uk/operationsnap** or email **OpSnap@Warwickshire.pnn.police.uk**

Spring Hill Medical Centre

01676 540395



Meet the team

GP Team

Dr L Craggs (female), Dr C Shah (male), Dr H Ali (male), Dr L Pandit– (female)
Dr T Dickson– (male, part - time Mon/Tue)

Nursing Team

Mrs. J Plant. Senior Practice Nurse and Student Nurse Mentor. Mrs. J Crooks.
Practice Nurse. Ms. K Thompson. Practice Nurse. (part time) Mrs. S Welch.
Healthcare Assistant (part time)

Surgery Times

Spring Hill Medical Centre is open on **Mondays to Fridays**

from **8.30-12.30** and from **13.30-18.30** (telephone lines operate from **8.00am**).

Each day the phones are switched to emergency service at **17.30**. When the surgery is closed at **18.30**, patients must contact NHS 111 by calling the telephone number **111**.

The Practice Secretaries are available between **13.30-16.00** Monday to Friday.

Galley Common Medical Centre is open **Monday to Fridays**

From **8.30-11.30** and from **13.30-16.30** (telephone lines operate from **8.00am**)

This is NOT the main Practice Site, this is a Branch Site

When the surgery is closed at **16:30**, patients should ring Spring Hill. After **18:30** patients must contact NHS 111 by calling the telephone number **111**.

Zero tolerance

Abuse and aggression either face to face, over the telephone or on social media will not be tolerated towards any member of staff or the practice. This includes defamatory comments on any social media platform and review sites. The practice takes its zero tolerance policy very seriously and patients may be removed from the practice list. The CCG and police may also be contacted due to the health and safety risk to staff and other patients.

Patient Participation Group Meeting

Due to unforeseen circumstances we are rearranging the 2nd December meeting . The new date is **27th January 2020** from 6.30pm at Spring Hill Medical Centre.

The Practice Manager will be running a virtual question and answer session on **Monday 2nd December** where patients can email her with any concerns or issues.

Patients should email: shareyourexperience@springhillmc.nhs.uk

Secondary Care Referrals

The Practice must advise patients that we are not responsible for waiting times for a patient's appointment after the GP has made a referral. We cannot chase secondary care on behalf of the patient. Patients are to speak to the hospital or the specialist service about the appointment date. We understand that some services have a long waiting list and long waiting times but this is out of the Practice's control.

Medication

It is the patient's responsibility to ensure they do not run out of medication. If you have not had a repeat prescription for medication for 3 months you must make an appointment to be reviewed by the GP. The Practice will not re-issue medication.

Repeat prescriptions (ROP)

As of 1st December 2019 repeat medication will be undertaken by **Prescription Ordering Direct**. This is at the request of our Clinical Commissioning Group and **Not the Practice**. All local Practices are already using this service and it has proved to be very popular in reducing medication waste and unnecessary ordering. Patients will need to ring 5 days in advance to re-order their medication.

Consent can be given to Prescription Ordering Direct (**not the practice**) for family members to do this on patient's behalf. **A leaflet is available from the surgeries explaining the change in more detail, or visit our website.**

www.springhillmedicalcentre.co.uk I understand that there is upset in the local community but patients do need to order their own medication – I have been using the POD for 6 months and I find it very easy and quick.

Protected Learning times (yearly)

These are also known as PLT days - these are once a month and normally held on a Wednesday from 12.30pm to 6.30pm for essential GP and Staff training. We are closed during this time. Patients should be aware of the dates as active signposting is on every Practice door, and on our website, well in advance. The website will have more details on PLT 2020 dates.

LGBT Group for mature ladies

Are you interested in a group that offers support, guidance and friendship? We are two local ladies who feel a social group would help reduce feelings of social isolation, give a safe space for your voice to be heard, create a better sense of community and provide an opportunity to talk about things important to you.

If you would be interested in attending a regular group please get in touch to let us know your availability and ideas for activities and venues.

Call Sarah from Big Local on 07939510344 or mail sarah.deeming@wcava.org.uk



Enough is Enough !

Below is a copy of the correspondence sent on 12th November 2019 from Phillip Mason, Chairman of Over Whitacre Parish Council to Monica Fogarty, Chief Executive Warwick County Council

FORMER DAW MILL COLLIERY SITE

Dear Monica, this is an open letter written on behalf of Over Whitacre Parish Council, in conjunction with the local residents action group LAWRAG.

LAWRAG is an established charity community group, which has been pursuing the restoration of Daw Mill since its closure. It has a huge following and its work is supported and sponsored by many local residents, parish town and borough councils and the two MPs in the area. Over Whitacre Parish Council and LAWRAG were Rule Six parties at the planning enquiry and supported North Warwickshire Borough Council .

It is now over six years since Daw Mill Colliery closed and, despite a planning condition requiring restoration, the site owners continue to ignore or reject conciliatory approaches from your mineral planners. The Environment Act of 1995 required your Council, as the mineral planning authority, to impose restoration conditions on all existing mines and quarries operating at that time .

Following full consultation and the agreement of the site owners, these conditions were imposed under the powers vested in the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) Order 1995

On 7 March 2013 Daw Mill colliery closed, requiring restoration to be implemented, but this was not considered immediately expedient because of the submission of a planning application for commercial redevelopment to North Warwickshire Borough Council

In March 2014 the site owners (UK Coal) were put into administration, but as part of a major restructuring their property division, Harworth Estates were allowed to purchase the Daw Mill site from the Crown for £5000.

We attach an extract from an email from Harworth CEO, Owen Michaelson, dated the 14th November 2013. This is confirmation of the commitment made to the Crown at that time:

Harworth Estates is fully aware of the site condition on the site, is “buying with knowledge”, and understands the legal obligation to comply with the restoration obligations if the mineral planning consent is enforced by the mineral planning authority.

On 31st October 2014, confirming knowledge and acceptance of the restoration obligation, the original planning application was amended to exclude warehousing and assert a very special need for a rail served industrial site. On 25th August 2015 the applicant further amended the application to an "either or " outline application asserting a Network Rail / Cemex use. On 4th November 2015 the "either or " outline application was refused by the North Warwickshire planning and development board, with a record public attendance hearing the Chairman herald

the unanimous decision as a victory for localism.

Upon instruction from the board, the Borough Council sent the following request to your mineral planners "that your Council now formally opens discussion with the new owners to discuss the detail of a final restoration scheme, and also that you formally now consider the matter of enforcing the planning condition. "

Your mineral planners initially opened discussions with the site owners Harworth Estates, but upon appointment of Gateleys Solicitors these stopped . On 25th April 2016 an appeal was submitted, again it was considered not expedient to enforce the approved restoration scheme

For the first time the appellant claimed the restoration obligation was a nullity . They made this claim the key to their appeal, hoping to establish that the base line for considering impact of redevelopment on the openness of the green belt was a despoiled industrial site, not a restored site as established by the planning condition. They also falsely claimed at the enquiry that your mineral planners have never made contact requiring restoration .

The highly regarded Enquiry Chairperson, Mrs. Maloney, considered Harworth's case over an 11 day enquiry and subsequently recommended to the Secretary of State that their appeal be dismissed. Lawyers acting for the Secretary of State were satisfied that the recommendation of the Enquiry Chairperson was correct in all regards and upheld her decision.

Harworth Estates then sought a Judicial Review. High Court judge, Mr Justice Holgate, considered Harworth's submission for a judicial review in the High Court and dismissed it as being " a case without merit". Harworth Estates then made application to the Court of Appeal.

Two principal considerations have been rigorously tested: the site is Green Belt, and the site is subject to an enforceable restoration condition upon closure of the mine.

Needless to say, public opinion was delighted at this result, most especially as it had been endorsed by the second highest court in the land, and felt confident that the owners would now have to honour their commitment and restore the site. Their initial jubilation, however, is now beginning to wane and what is observed by them as reluctance by the County Council to issue enforcement proceedings against the owners. Additionally, strong rumours abound that Harworths are now seeking high level discussions with you, to obtain support for alternative uses.

Enough is Enough!

Our community would welcome an update as to the position being adopted at county level, and seek assurances that enforcement notices will be issued without delay .

We are encouraged that while you were the Joint Managing Director (Communities), you were the lead on preparing "Warwickshire County Council's Minerals Plan" This policy document is commendable, establishing the need for the restoration and aftercare of mineral sites in the County. We too are supportive of a net gain in biodiversity for former mineral sites, which is underpinned by the implementation for the policies DM1, DM2, DM3, DM4 and, in particular, policy DM9, reinstatement, reclamation, restoration and aftercare.

The undersigned would therefore very much welcome the opportunity to meet with you personally in order to fully explain our concerns and the importance of ensuring implementation of the approved restoration plan..

Phillip Mason, Chair of Over Whitacre PC. Ross Jones and Graham Stirrop, LAWRAg.

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ARLEY AND ANSLEY BIG LOCAL UPDATE

We Need You!

Big Local is all about doing things locally, that work for local people who live and work in the Big Local area. For us to be able to do great work in the community **We Need You**, the community, to support us and help prioritise what's important to the people who live here. There are lots of ways you can get involved, from joining groups where you can have your say, helping out at events and getting in touch to talk to us about your views and ideas. We would love to get to know more of our local residents and businesses to see how we can support you in making Arley and Ansley an even better place to live! We would like to hear from everyone about what's important to you. We are keen to talk to anyone with a skill to share, story to tell or an idea for a community project. We are also looking for residents who would like to help out with marketing, working with young people and helping to organise events so get in touch and chat with one of our team to find out more. We will also be at the Christmas Fair at Arley Community Centre on 14th December from 3-6pm.

Community Chest Grant Scheme

Arley and Ansley Big Local have a Community Chest Grant Scheme for individuals to apply for up to £300, and community organisations up to £1,500, for projects that will benefit local people and make a difference. Businesses can now apply for up to £5,000 to improve services and products, and community assets can apply for up to £5,000. We are now open for applications and would love to talk to you about your project or idea. We are here to support you through the process. Please get in touch with Sophia or Sarah for more information and applications.



Citizens Advice Service

Arley and Ansley Big Local have been working with North Warwickshire Citizens Advice to provide advice and information to our local residents. Sessions are free and are held in all three villages regularly, on a rotating basis, every other week at Springhill Medical Centre, and alternate weeks at Croft Mead and Arley Community Centre. Last session for 2019 is 17th December with January dates coming soon.

	Springhill Medical Centre	Croft Mead Communal Room	Arley Community Centre
December 2019	10th	3rd	17th

Contact us:

Website: www.leysmillionaires.com Email: nwbiglocal@wcava.org.uk

Arley Women's Institute



What a busy month September turned out to be. Thanks to the help and guidance from jewellery maker Tina Jary, from Hoar Park, we all went home with a lovely pair of earrings, designed by ourselves.

A few of the Arley WI ladies had a great fun time at the council organised Big Day Out in Old Arley. We sold cakes, jam, had a 'guess the sweets in the jar' and promoted our WI to the local community.

We entered into the spirit of things with the occupation themed 'scarecrow' weekend. Some of the ladies used recycled rubbish to make a scarecrow in the style of a 'Recycling Officer'. All in all they did a great job, and the Big Day Out and the scarecrow weekend was a great success.

Also in September eight of us went to Planters Garden Centre near Kingsbury for a lovely afternoon tea. We tucked into delicious sandwiches, cakes, cream scones and as much tea or coffee you could drink. Nothing was too much trouble for the waitresses. We had a lovely afternoon.

In October Helen Woodhouse had her first ever-speaking engagement on Pyrography. Helen went through some of the history and explained how she learnt to use a soldering iron to burn pictures into wood. We designed a box of our own and had a go at drawing with the iron. To round the evening off we had a cup of tea and piece of cake, not just any old cake, but a Marks and Spencer's cake!

On Tuesday, 3rd December we have our bring and share Christmas buffet with Viv Kelsey talking about the Friendship Project.

The Arley WI meetings for the beginning of 2020 are as follows:

Tuesday, 7th January - Games night with Rene Sykes

Tuesday, 4th February - Meat cooking demonstration with Add Durst

Tuesday, 3rd March – Our Birthday Celebrations

The Farm Shop at Hoar Park

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Christmas Day Meal



Dear Friends

**Will you be on your own on Christmas Day – or do you know of someone who will? If so, you/they are invited to join with Nuneaton Community Christmas Lunch group who are organising a Christmas meal.
(a vegetarian option will be available, please indicate on the form)**

Christmas Day Lunch will be at:

**Newtown Community Centre,
Newtown Road, Nuneaton
Warwickshire, CV11 4HG
Telephone 07835045479**

**The event will take place from 12:30pm until 3:30pm (lunch is at 1:00).
Places are limited, but we extend this opportunity to you if you are alone,
and over 16 years of age, to join us on this Special Day. No alcohol.
If needed, transport can be arranged.**

**Please fill in the form on the next page and return it to the
Reception Office at Newtown Community Centre as soon as possible,
as places will be allocated on a first come first served basis.**

The church office is open 9:30 – 12:30 Mon to Fri.

Yes, I would like to join you for Christmas Day Lunch

Name (please print).....

Address.....

.....

Postcode.....

Usual telephone number.....

Contact phone number on Christmas Day.....

Age..... Male ☐ Female ☐

Transport needed (less abled): Yes ☐ No ☐

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Can we keep you details for contact? Yes ☐

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(e. g. wheelchair user) we should be aware of in order to make your day
special - continue on the back of the form if necessary.**

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GUN HILL ALLOTMENT ASSOCIATION

This has been a very successful year on the allotment:

- * We won third best site in the North Warwickshire Allotment Federation's annual competition
- * We won the judge's award for most improved site to recognise the hard work that members of the committee had put in to improve the look and feel of the allotments. Of special note is how we planted the orchard involving the local community.
- * Tony Ellison won the award for best plot on site; congratulations Tony!

On Saturday 5 October, several members got together to build 2 raised beds. The following weekend a few more members came together to fill the beds ready for use. A third bed will be built during November.

The beds will be rented out on a first come first served basis; they are ideal for anyone who has limited time or finds it hard to dig but still wants to grow vegetables, fruit and salads. They are 19 feet by 6 ft (114 square feet).

A bed this size will easily feed a family for most of the year, if you plan your planting well. As soon as one crop is finished, have something ready to replace it.

If you are interested on renting a raised bed, they will cost £10 a year (£5 rent and £5 membership). There is also the cost of a gate key for the first year only which is a further £10; this is refunded to you if you return the key should you decide to leave.

Now is the ideal time to take on an allotment, to prepare it ready for the spring. Winter digging is vital to allow the frost to break up the soil to make it easier for sowing seeds. If you are interested in taking on a raised bed or plot contact Ian Wood on **07917 620480**.



Greetings from the Wesley Chapel, Arley

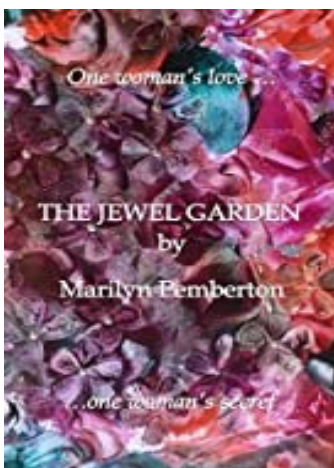
As this is my first article for Arley News, I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself. My name is Jane and I am married to Andy and we have two children who live in Kent. During the last 12 months I have been asked to be the minister at Wesley Chapel, Arley and, as such, I look forward to meeting you. It has been great to get to know some of you already during this past year.

As a church we are looking forward with great excitement to the coming year, as we will be celebrating our centenary - 100 years in the village! We have already been asking anyone who has memorabilia to help us with our history project which will be on show during the weekend of 4 and 5 July. We do hope that you will be able to come and join in the various events that we have planned throughout next year as we celebrate this big milestone in the life of the church and this community. We will be sending out information on all these events at the start of the new year.

As I write this, we are almost half way through November and my thoughts invariably stray towards Christmas. Everywhere we look the shops are crammed with every kind of decoration and gift imaginable. Yet the greatest gift that was ever given, was born over 2,000 years ago. When Jesus, the light of the world, was born, the angels declared, 'Glory to God in the highest, and on earth, peace good will toward men [sic]'. This joyful message remains the same. As we look to an uncertain future with Brexit looming ahead of us - whether we voted to leave or remain - and with the world facing great unrest, the message of Christmas is just as relevant today as it was then. Amongst all the bad news we hear, day in and day out, the news of Jesus and his love for each one of us, is the greatest news we will ever hear.

I would like to take this opportunity to invite you to come and share with us this Christmas to hear about the good news of Jesus. On 22nd December at 6 pm we will be holding our Carol Service to which you are all warmly invited as we celebrate the birth of Jesus, and we join with the angels to declare 'Glory to God in the highest, and on earth, peace good will toward men'.

May you all have a peaceful and joyful Christmas, God bless you, Jane



Marilyn Pemberton, who has started the Arley Book Lovers (see page 4), has published 'The Jewel Garden' which is available on Kindle Unlimited, or to buy from Amazon.

Wesley Hall Methodist Church Arley
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1920 – 2020



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Our special weekend will be on
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Knit and Natter - 1st Saturday of the month from 10.am till 12.00 noon

Arley Book Lovers - 2nd Thursday of the month from 7.30pm till 9.30pm

Community Dining Club - 3rd Tuesday on the month 5.30pm to 7.30pm



WESLEY HALL ARLEY METHODIST CHAPEL

Rectory Road, Old Arley, Coventry. CV7 8FR

Rev Jane Braund – **01676 533737**

Sunday Service at 10.30am

MONDAY

9.00am – 10.00am – **MOVE IT OR LOSE IT!** Exercise class. Contact Gaye – **07432708303**

5.00pm – 6.45pm – **GEM CLUB.** Join us for relaxation and gentle exercise based on the movements from T'ai Chi.

TUESDAY

7.30pm – 8.15pm – **PILATES** with Gaye.

WEDNESDAY

10.00am- 11.00am – **KEEP FIT** Contact Pat - **07939204469**

THURSDAY

1.00pm – **COMMUNITY WALK** **Every week** come rain or mostly shine, we meet and walk in the local area for about an hour. On return to Chapel, we socialise with a cup of tea and refreshments.

2.30pm - 4.00pm – **First Thursday** of every month – **POP IN** Whether you have been on the walk or not, come along for tea, gorgeous cakes and a chat.

For any information about the above and enquires about room hire, please contact Joyce Lea on **02476 392376**.

CHRISTMAS CAROLS by CANDLELIGHT

SUNDAY 22ND DECEMBER at 6.00PM

Followed by tea and mince pies

ALL WELCOME

CORRECTION .In the 2019 Autumn edition of the Arley News it stated that Gaye Perks had raised £400.00 by taking part in a 26 miles charity bike ride. In fact she cycled 60 miles. We apologise to Gaye

Rev. John's Jottings

This edition of the community magazine will cover three significant events in our country's calendar - a major general election, Christmas and the start of the New Year. Also, we have recently commemorated Remembrance Day.

November has normally been the month of annual remembrance for wars past and present. Why is remembering so important? One reason is because mistakes of the past should not be repeated. Sadly, however, history often repeats itself and we never seem to learn. How many wars are going on at the moment around the world? There are at least 40 active conflicts of major proportions happening at the moment. Will they ever end, we may ask?

I don't think there has ever been a period in history without a war going on somewhere.

So, it is important to find ways of justice, reconciliation and peace. Perhaps some reasons why conflict prevails are because of prejudice, power struggles, and a failure to put ourselves in other peoples' shoes. Really, none of us are perfect.

It's not long until Christmas when we will be remembering the message of the angels to the world at the birth of the Christ child – 'Peace on earth, good will to all people'. One of the great Christmas carols, written at the time of the American Civil war, includes the words:

Yet with the woes of sin and strife, The world has suffered long;
Beneath the angel-strain have rolled, two thousand years of wrong;
And man, at war with man, hears not the love-song which they bring;
O hush the noise, ye men of strife, and hear the angels sing.

So, amidst the clamour of noises and voices seeking our attention, especially at a time of an election, may Christmas bring us time to listen to the message of the angels, 'Peace on earth, good will to all'. And may the New Year bring echoes of the words of the poem:

And I said to the man who stood at the gate of the year:
"Give me a light that I may tread safely into the unknown."
And he replied: "Go out into the darkness and put your hand into the Hand of God.
That shall be to you better than light and safer than a known way."

These words present a challenge to us - whose hand do you hold through life?

The poem reached its first mass audience in the early days of the Second World War. Its words remained a source of comfort to the Queen for the rest of her life, and she had its words engraved on stone plaques and fixed to the gates of the King George VI Memorial Chapel at Windsor Castle, where the King was interred. Queen Elizabeth, the Queen Mother was also buried here in 2002, and the words of "The Gate of the Year" were included in a reflection in her funeral order of service.

I hope you may join us in one of your local churches. You are sure to find a hand of peace and friendship awaiting you – you are warmly invited!
With all good wishes, Rev. John



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and

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Holy Communion 1st and 3rd Sundays

CHRISTMAS IN ARLEY SUNDAY 15th December

Christingle Service St Wilfred's at 9.00am

Carols by Candlelight St Wilfred's at 6.30pm

FRIDAY 20th December - Carol Service St Michael's at 5.00pm

TUESDAY 24th December - Midnight Communion St Wilfrid's at 11.30pm

CHRISTMAS DAY - Holy Communion St Laurence's at 10.30am

SUNDAY 29th December - Joint Benefice Service St Wilfrid's at 10.30am

*Church Contacts: Rev. John Langlands 024 7667 5236
or 07588 664962 jlanglands@sky.com*

HOW ABOUT BREAKFAST?

**Why not pop in to the Community Café at the
Community Centre for a cuppa and a chat,
or maybe breakfast or a sandwich?**

The café is open every Wednesday-09.30 to 11.30



The Leys Millionaires'

LANTERN TRAIL

Saturday 14th December

Lantern procession // Carol singing // Refreshments

You are all invited to our annual Lantern Trail

Please remember to wear warm clothes and suitable footwear, some of this year's route will go through Daffern's Wood. Children must be accompanied by a responsible adult. Be sure to bring your lanterns and torches with you on the night, no naked flames please.

After walking the trail we shall finish back at the Community Centre for refreshments and carol singing.

Meet at 4:30pm

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The Container Gardener

Well, what's happened to the weather? I've lived in the village for nearly 20 years and never seen that much water about. There was so much it totally changed my plans for the coming months. The soil is so saturated I have dug up most of my root vegetables to reduce the chances of them rotting in the ground; they are not as big as I would have liked, but some is better than none. Before the rain came, I dug the ground ready for the frost to break it down for next year's crops, but now it looks like I hadn't done it; if the weather changes I will start again. I have delayed planting any bulbs, broad beans or peas, I feel if I do it now they will only rot in the ground. Time will tell if the ground will be OK to plant out my new gooseberries and currant plant. All I can do now is to wait to see what the weather does. Wishing everyone a Happy Christmas and a good growing season next year.

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Jujitsu juniors 6.30-7.30pm
Jujitsu seniors 8.00-9.15pm

Tuesday

Tweeters 10-12
Family History 10-12
Jelly Beans 12.30-3.20
Youth Drop-in 4.15-5.15pm
School year 7+

Wednesday

Community Cafe 9.30-11.30
Jelly Beans 12.30-3.20

Thursday

Jelly Beans 12.30-3.00
Jujitsu Seniors 7.30-9.15pm

Friday

Arley Play and Stay 9-11.30
Ages 0-5
Jelly Beans 12.30-3.20
Code Club 4.15-5.15pm

Saturday

Sunday

Church Service 10.30

St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church

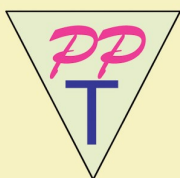
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08.30 Sunday Mass at 08.30

12.00 Mass on Holy Days of Obligation

Mass on Christmas Day at 08.30

The Parish Christmas Bazaar will be held at St. Anne's Catholic
Primary School, Camp Hill Drive, CV10 0JX.
on Saturday 7th December from 11-14.00



Pat's Personal Training



Holidays or special events coming up, training for a sporting event?
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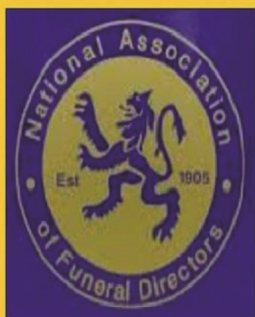
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