

Footprints

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8th November

There will be an Act of Remembrance in the car-park outside Broadwas Church on Sunday the 8th November beginning at 10.45, with a two minute silence at 11.00 and the laying of wreaths. This will be out-doors, *regardless* of the weather, in order to conform to Coronavirus guidelines. If you attend we will expect everyone to respect each other by “social-distancing”. If you feel you cannot stand for the duration (approx. 30 mins) please bring your own chair. The field by Notts Barn will be open for car-parking on the day.

This will also be an opportunity to make donations to the Royal British Legion as there has been no “door-to-door” collection this year.

11th November

There will also be an Act of Remembrance in the Talbot car-park on Armistice Day at 11.00am

In case the Governments Guidelines alter by then, please check on the Broadwas and Cotheridge Parish Council web-site for any changes.



Church Words by Rev. Canon David Sherwin

Do you remember living through that Corona virus period? Hopefully there will be a time in the near future when we will be able to use that phrase in the past tense and all look back remembering this time and thankfully be able to move on with our lives whilst remembering those for whom it has caused great pain and loss. However we are not there yet and during this time we are asked to remember to keep our distance, to wash our hands and keep safe.

The year has been strange and still is yet there is a cycle to the seasons and to the pattern of our lives that are important for us to remember. During lockdown we have lived through Easter and Harvest, spring, summer and now autumn is her, all have given us something stable during an unstable time.

Talking of stability people have been rightly concerned that just as we have given thanks for the sacrifices made by the NHS and Key workers during this time so too we need to continue to remember those who have given the ultimate sacrifice in wars as we do annually. We will remember them!, and I can confidently say that we will be doing so in our churchyards even if we cannot hold the usual services within our buildings at present.

We will also remember those who have suffered bereavement this year, remembering their loved ones at a slightly smaller 'all souls' service than usual but nevertheless remembering them. It is a poignant moment to remember the 40,000 plus who have lost their lives to Corona virus during these last months.

We also as a church have been and will continue to Remember what our Lord Jesus has done for us in his sacrifice upon the cross and as he commanded us to do in bread and wine, to do this in remembrance of him. We continue to hold services of Holy Communion to which you are invited, though at present we can only offer the bread to the congregation. Through this act we remember that Christ promises to be with us always and is with us in our suffering and as he suffered so he stands with us.

We also remember you all in our prayers and pray for your safe keeping and good health and may God bless you and keep you now and always.

Remembrance Sunday

Due to corona virus restrictions upon the size of gatherings inside a place of worship, namely our church buildings we will be holding our acts of remembrance within the churchyards and surrounding areas of each building. The acts of remembrance will be held across the Worcestershire West Rural Team of Churches, (St. Peter's Martley, St Laurence Wichenford, St. Mary Magdalene Broadwas) each act will begin at 10.45.

We will be making space for the laying of wreaths but will of course make sure this is done with required distancing and safety. As the service will be outside please dress for all weather eventualities.

If you are unable to join us or do not feel you can then perhaps you can do what some are suggesting by gathering on your doorstep and remembering together in that way.

If you wish to know any further information please do contact me.

Below is an announcement you may or may not have heard about. Becky has been our curate in training for three and a half years, curates move on before the end of their fourth year and this news is great news for her as she moves on in her ministry. We wish her well and Gods blessing.

Rev Canon David Sherwin

An announcement from the Bishop of Worcester

The Bishop of Worcester is pleased to announce the appointment of the Reverend Rebecca Elliott as Vicar of the Benefice of Malvern Holy Trinity and St James.

Becky is currently Assistant Curate in the Worcestershire West Rural Team in this Diocese. Prior to ordination, Becky was a Science teacher. She is married to Jamie, who is the Innovation Lead for the West Midlands Combined Authorities, and they have two children, Hannah (17) and Tom (13).

A date for Becky's Institution will be confirmed shortly.

Please remember Becky, Jamie, Hannah and Tom in your prayers as they prepare to move.

ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

Due to Covid 19 there will be **no** poppy collections this year. Should you wish to make a donation please send a payment to Sue Ganderton at : Springwood, Claphill Lane, Rushwick WR2 5TP

Or : Bacs/Online banking to :

Lloyds : **30-11-75** A/c N^o.: **01937121**. Quote ref.: **MDD16**

Next year will be the Legions centenary year so lets make 2021 better than ever.

Stay safe ! - Ed & Sue [R.B.L Knightwick & District]

MHDC – Remembrance suggestions

We are urging residents to remember those who sacrificed their lives in two World Wars, and conflicts since, from the safety of their doorstep.

Malvern Hills District Council has issued advice to local organisers to help them plan this year's events which will be small, socially distanced and invite-only.

Residents are being urged to stay away from war memorials between 10.30am and 11.30am on Remembrance Sunday (November 8) and Armistice Day (11 November) when these services may be taking place.

Instead people are being asked to pay their respects by standing on their doorstep at 11am on both days to join in the national two-minute silence.

If anyone wants to lay a wreath or poppy cross on a war memorial then they are encouraged to do so at other times to suit them between 6 and 11 November.

People are also encouraged to print off the official poppy picture from the Royal British Legion website and display it in their window, in return for a donation to the charity. Poppies can also be bought online.

W.I.

Trafalgar Day!

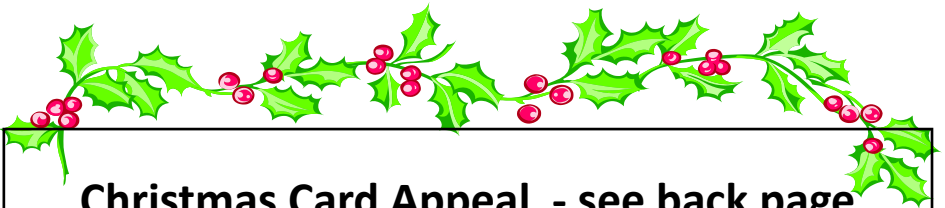
Broadwas WI held their Annual Meeting via Zoom which was a first for us. We had 10 members present and our Adviser, Patience Broad, dropped in. We carried out all the required business and Heather Dale was duly elected President for another year. Barbara Lloyd is our Secretary and Stella Chapman is Treasurer supported by Sylvia Birch, Val Steele Jay Popplewell and myself on the committee. Thanks were given for all our work over the last year. We are a happy group who enjoy challenges and socialising and generally being active, knitting, reading or just chatting.

Before lockdown, our Skittle Team did well, playing 5 matches and winning 2 of them but enjoying the challenge and having fun. Those balls just don't go where you want them to go! Our star players were Val and Glenys.

Looking back over the year it has indeed been very different from other years in that meetings had to be cancelled but we did, however, manage an afternoon picnic on the lawn by the Village Hall, which was thoroughly enjoyed. It is good to meet up with friends. We have communicated via email and phone calls. What a difficult time this is. We are planning more interaction for the coming months.

We have planned a Festive meeting for December 9th at 2pm, via Zoom and suggest that members attend wearing a festive hat. More details will follow.

Susan Reeve



Christmas Card Appeal - see back page

All the Charities we have donated to over the years have been struggling with fund raising during the pandemic, but I think I will stick to the rota that has been running for many years. So, this year it is the turn of the County Air Ambulance to receive from us. Please give as generously as you can.

Change to Footprints Distribution

As you are aware Footprints has not been delivered during lockdown although Peter has continued to produce monthly editions that are available to read on the Broadwas and Cotheridge Parish Council website. I hope you have been able to access these but if not I can fully recommend you have a look at the site. It is full of lots of good local information and can be found at www.broadwas-cotheridge.com

During this period we have been looking at how the delivery of Footprints should operate as lockdown restrictions ease and we have decided to try and steer as many people as possible towards reading each edition on-line, as opposed to having a paper copy delivered to the door. There are a number of reasons for this as outlined below.

To help the environment - Each year we use around 15000 pages of A4 paper and we would like to reduce this amount

To reduce costs - The cost of producing 'Footprints' is approximately £1600 per annum funded by advertising income, and grants from Knightwick & Doddenham Parish Council, Broadwas & Cotheridge Parish Council and Lower Teme Valley Parochial Church Council. In view of the current financial climate we would like to help by reducing our costs and level of grant applications.

To reduce the number of deliveries - Our team of dedicated volunteers is not getting any younger and a number would like to retire. It is very difficult finding replacements so we would like to ease the team's burden by reducing the number of delivered copies.

To embrace the modern age - During the difficult times this year, many people have substantially increased their computer usage and knowledge (although maybe not yet to the extent of their children or grandchildren!) and are quite adept at reading newspapers, magazines, reports and all manor of items on-line so reading 'Footprints' is merely an extension of that.

We should like you therefore, if you are able, to stop having a paper copy delivered. However, we are completely mindful that due to a number of reasons including lack of internet connection, poor broadband speed, no computer etc some of you cannot access Footprints on-line so we will continue to deliver a paper copy to those who require it. To enable us to identify those of you who wish to continue with a paper copy and thus enable us to estimate the number of copies to be

printed, we would ask you please to complete the enclosed 'Request for Paper Copy' form and return it to the person who currently delivers your copy or direct to me. It is essential you do this otherwise your delivery will cease with the December issue. I am also listing below a number of potential frequently asked questions that may be of help.

F.A.Q.s

When will the change occur?

We will continue to deliver the November and December copies to all households but from the January 2021 edition we plan to deliver only to those who request it.

What do I need to do to continue receiving a delivered paper copy?

Please ensure you complete the enclosed request form and return it to the person who delivers your copy, or direct to Footprints, c/o Malvern View, Broad Green, Broadwas, WR6 5NW

What if I use a computer but still want a paper copy?

We understand that there are those who like to read from a paper edition but we would request that you try and print your own copy either in full or in part from your computer. If this is not possible you can, of course, still receive a delivered copy if you request one.

What will happen to 'Green Pages'?

This will continue to be produced and available on-line and also be inserted into delivered paper copies.

How do I access 'Footprints' on-line?

'Footprints' is available on the Broadwas and Cotheridge Parish Council website www.broadwas-cotheridge.com and by selecting the 'Footprints' tab on the home page.

I'm quite forgetful; can I receive a reminder each time Footprints is uploaded to the website?

Yes, please send your email address to paulreeve100@gmail.com and we will inform you each month.

What happens if we move house?

Please let the person who delivers your paper copy know or if you are reading on-line please email me. New occupants will be contacted.

If you have any other queries please do not hesitate to contact me on 01886 821322 but I thank you for your help and cooperation.

Paul Reeve

Distribution Organiser



Upbeat at Broadwas



Broadwas Croquet Club is tucked away in the Teme Valley on the border of Worcestershire and Herefordshire. We're a lively and competitive Club with four full-sized lawns and 55 active members.

This year a dry Spring followed a very wet Winter which made lawn preparation difficult, though not half as difficult as the ensuing Covid 19 pandemic. We could have caved in; put up the shutters and stood back until things settled down, but like other Clubs, that's not the Broadwas way, so we persevered with getting the lawns ready using our own skills and the expertise of a local contractor. Having received excellent advice and guidance from the Croquet Association we found ourselves back in business by the third week in May with an exhaustive sanitisation regime but without the use of our pavilion and toilets and with all competitions, both internal and external, cancelled.

We also introduced a new lawn booking system under the eagle eye of our Club Captain & Secretary John Guy, so as to control lawn usage and record when each member was playing. A side benefit of this system is that our members are now spreading their use of the lawns over a greater proportion of each week.

In January we had embarked on an ambitious membership development programme mainly through local newsletters and Parish magazines. This generated plenty of interest but then the pandemic struck. Rather than disappoint prospective joiners we kept all their contact details and promised to re-connect when things improved. The moment isolation was lifted we honoured our promise, whereupon we welcomed 38 visitors from whom 28 prospective members emerged. They all attended taster sessions and in the end 18 of them actually joined as full Club members. To introduce these new members to the Club and make them feel welcome, we appointed a New

Members Secretary, Mary Dryden. Our sincere thanks to Mary for carrying out this important role in such difficult circumstances.

In parallel with all the other events of this year, our President, John Steel and our Chairman, Stuart Smith had been making formal approaches to Sport England for funding to create and kit out a new fifth lawn. Sport England provided us with a generous grant and we thank them both for the grant itself and for their support throughout what turned out to be a pretty rigorous application process. The new lawn has provided very welcome extra playing space that has helped to accommodate both new and existing members within the playing limits imposed by Covid19 safety requirements.

In all, life in the Broadwas Croquet bubble has been very different, but we're more than managing. In fact, one of our Club Coaches, Jeff Faulkner, has instigated and run a very well organized and successful internal league Golf Croquet competition for the benefit of new and existing members that has brought out the best competitive instincts in everyone.

So what next for Broadwas Croquet Club? Well we intend to remain upbeat but watchful for the future. If we can, we aim to play right through the Autumn - elements and pandemic permitting. But, most important, we plan to keep in close touch with each other over the Winter by enjoying our monthly Croquet Club Breakfasts that proved so popular last year – taking all the requisite precautions, of course.

So don't be surprised to receive another upbeat report from us here at Broadwas next Spring when hopefully we'll be looking back on Covid19 and looking forward to a new season of Croquet and to playing the game that offers so much fun and fellowship to us all.

Chris Croft

Broadwas and Cotheridge

Parish Council Meeting November 9th 7:30 pm

A recent Parish Council Meeting was ‘Zoom Bombed’. Inappropriate video images were shown.

To make for a more secure meeting the Parish Councillors are asking you to register using the following link below.

Each month there will be a fresh link. You can register in advance for the November meeting using this link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZEpcuitpzIiH9dBSCZtsBahqBQvK8QQtHjs>

This link is also on the Home page of the parish website <https://www.broadwas-cotheridge.com/>

Just click on the word **Register** which appears in red and is underscored.

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting, a ‘Click Here to Join’ link and your specific pass code!!!

Don’t leave it to the last minute.

You can register days in advance to secure your seat at the centre of things!

Church Services for November 2020

November 1st

10.30am Morning Worship - Broadwas Church

3.00 pm Martley - Memorial Service (sorry by invitation only)

November 8th - Remembrance Sunday

10.45 am Act of Remembrance – Broadwas Church

November 15th

November 22nd

10.30am Holy Communion – Broadwas Church

November 29th

4.00 pm Advent Service - Martley Church

Village Information

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Email : parishclerk@broadwas-cotheridge.com

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Village Hall

Broadwas – Geoff Winkworth 01886 821470
Bookings only : 01905 312456 [new number]
www.timesaversconcierge.co.uk

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Croquet Club – John Guy 01905 748192
Royal British Legion – Sue Ganderton 01905 422711
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to whom the enclosed cheque is payable

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