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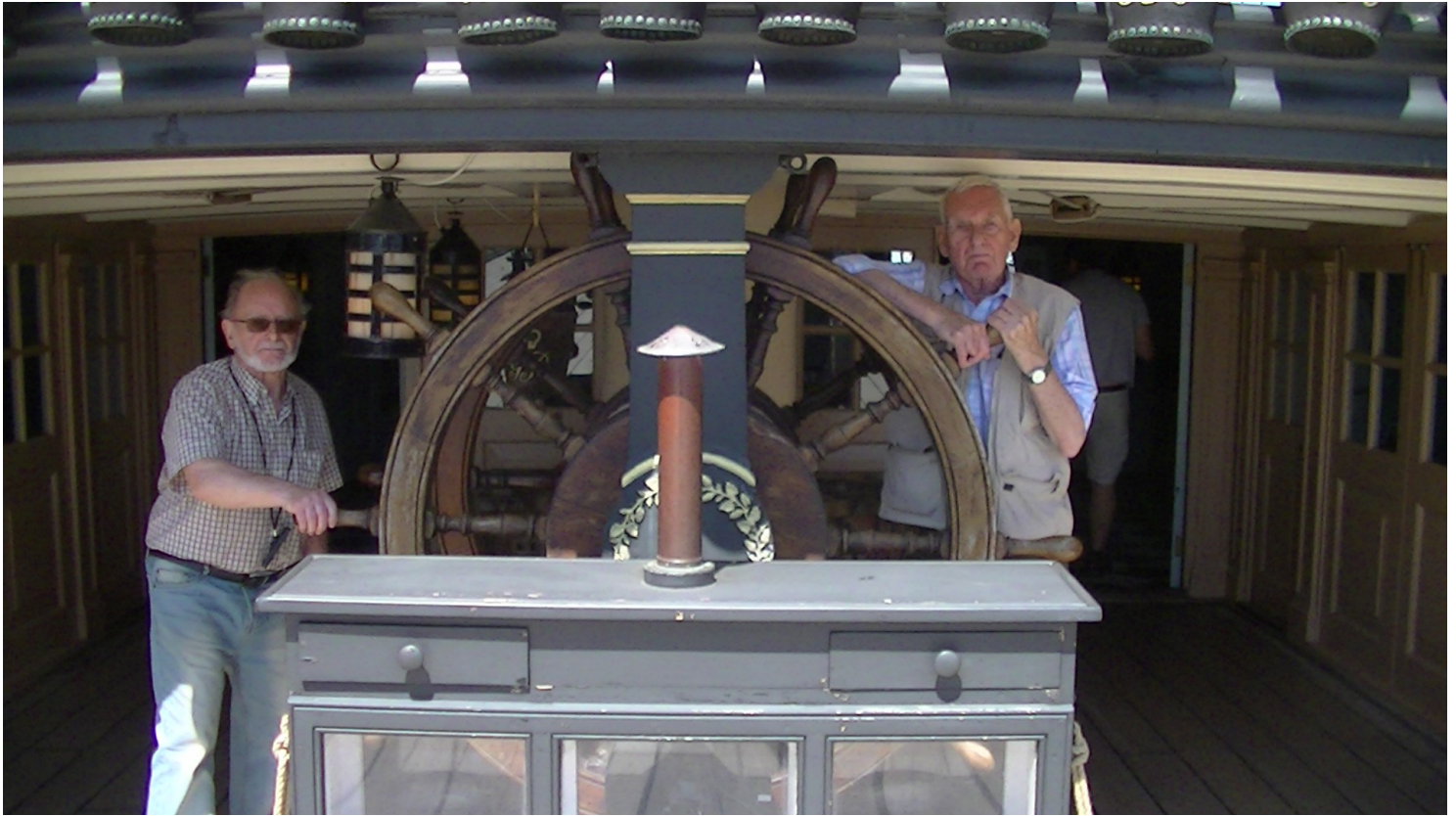
Community Matters Newsletter

Kingsthorpe, Much Birch, Little Birch,
Aconbury & Wormelw

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September 2022



Little Birch Fete



Unfortunately the fete had to be postponed due to the very hot weather. It has been rearranged for Saturday 17th September at 2pm at Castle Nibole.

We are sorry if anybody was inconvenienced but we thought it was for the best. We look forward to seeing you on the 17th, when the raffle will also take place. Thank you.



Onward to Victory

or Three Men on a Mission or a new series of “*Last of the Summer Wine*”?

It started when Alison Clarke safely delivered three local men, combined age of 251 years, to Hereford railway station for a journey to Portsmouth harbour via Newport. After a short walk to the Premier hotel, a meal of fish and chips and a nights sleep they were ready to begin their two day mission. Just across the road was the entrance to their objective-the renowned Portsmouth historic dockyard. The extensive dockyard is still in use by the Royal Navy and the modern, enormous Queen Elizabeth aircraft carrier was in port. Three large historic ships, smaller vessels and several museums are open to visitors.

1. The Mary Rose

The remains of the oldest ship, the Mary Rose is housed in a specially constructed, airconditioned building. The Mary Rose was built in 1510 for King Henry VIII when he was just 19 years old. She served for 34 years before being sunk in 1545 whilst defending England from a French invasion fleet. Of the 500 men on board, not more than 35 survived. Lying in the depths of the Solent and raised from the seabed in 1982, she was moved to Portsmouth dockyard and as much as possible of the wreck was preserved on dry land. The Mary Rose and her contents have been meticulously restored, the work being funded by the Heritage Lottery Fund. The museum tells the stories of the battles with the French and of the 500 men who lived, worked and died on board. Some 19,000 items on display, from the huge cannon to small personal possessions of the crew, recovered in one of the most challenging archaeological recoveries of all time. You can listen to the sounds of the past, smell recreated Tudor smells and see the ship brought to life with cutting edge technology, telling the emotionally compelling stories of what life was like on-board before she sank.

2. HMS Victory

The ship is perhaps the most celebrated warship in Britain's naval history. Vice-Admiral Lord Nelson's flagship is presented as she was in her Georgian heyday. You can imagine the atmosphere as the ship and her crew get ready for the Battle of Trafalgar, which took place on 21st October 1805, and picture the sailors and officers working, eating and sleeping and feel the drama and impact of a day that is still very important in British naval history. It is possible to explore every nook and cranny of the ship from the Great Cabin, where battle plans were drawn up, right through to the lower gun deck. This provides a glimpse of what it was like to live and fight in this great ship. Victory has aboard various RN personnel in period costume, also volunteers, taking the part of the Captain and different crew members, who try to answer visitors' questions. HMS Victory is maintained as she was at the time; you cannot fail to be impressed by the sheer size of what was built mainly from oak. With over 260 years of history and participating in six major battles over an unusually long service, the National Museum of the Royal Navy is committed to preserving Vice-Admiral Lord Nelson's flagship. She is currently undergoing the biggest restoration programme in her history, work which started on 24th May this year.

3. HMS Warrior

HMS Warrior was built in 1860-61 in just 18 months - and was Britain's first iron-clad battleship at a time of Britain's dominance in international trade and industry. The ship was powered by steam and/or sail and was the pride of Queen Victoria's fleet. Warrior never fired a gun in anger, she did not need to - it was enough for any potential enemy to know she existed. It is huge-418 feet long and weighs 9210 tons. The ship was so far ahead of any other warship, in design, speed and armaments, that taking her on in battle was out of the question. Painstakingly restored in Hartlepool and back home in Portsmouth since 1987, Warrior is a unique survivor of the once formidable Victorian Black Battle Fleet and now serves as a museum ship, visitor attraction, popular private hire venue and more.

As with the Victory, it is possible to explore all parts of the ship. There are muzzle-loading guns, and breech loading guns. On the upper deck the guns can be moved around to fire at any target. There are four decks; below the upper deck there is the main deck - for officers quarters and the galley, also for the fixed guns. On lower decks there are seamen and marines quarters, eating and bathing facilities, washing machines, and the coal bunkers, twin cylinder steam engine together with the boilers. Similar to the Mary Rose and the Victory, there were RN officers and volunteers on hand to explain what was what. The outstanding character here was the Chief Stoker who would only give his 'stage' name.

Having walked several miles around the dockyard during the two days, the aged trio were glad to sit in the train for the return journey. This provided an opportunity to discuss the eye opening visit and consider future adventures. Several objectives are in mind that hopefully will be completed and described in later reports. However, it will be impossible to equal the exploits portrayed in 295 episodes by the Last of the Summer Wine stalwarts!

Alan Barker. Mike Morley, John Penrice

The long hot summer is drawing to a close but there is still plenty happening in the Birches.

King's Thorn and Little Birch Annual Horticultural Show is back for the first time in 2 years on 3rd September.

The Family Fete and Fun Day, postponed due to the very hot weather will now be on Saturday 17th September at Castle Nibole.

This newsletter also features a report by three intrepid "Men on a Mission ", who boldly set out "Onward to Victory" and returned to tell the tale, which may or may not appear later as a TV sitcom.

For those who have been missing Little Birch pantos there will be a chance to shine this year. Auditions are on Friday 16th September.

There is also an opportunity to hear the story of Herefordshire's Viking Hoard on Thursday 22nd September and you can enjoy a pub night at Little Birch Village Hall on Saturday 24th September.

Not forgetting all the regular events, including Coffee and Books, Community Café, Flicks In the Sticks and walks organised by Angela Middleton, voluntary footpath officer. Apologies for any omissions.

I look forward to seeing you at some of the September events.

Elisabeth Taylor, Editor

BOTTOMS UP, EVERYONE!

PUB NIGHT AT LITTLE BIRCH VILLAGE HALL

Bar - Games - Music - Food

**SATURDAY 24TH SEPTEMBER
7:30PM**



Riddle:

I am a three digit number.
My tens digit is five more than
my ones digit.
My hundreds digit is eight less
than my tens digit.
What number am I? see p14

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Letter from Revd Mark

Hi Everyone,

We often have music playing in the background as we work, do the dishes, clean the house etc. It is not that we don't like silence (most of the time!), it is that feeling that the music helps us to get the job done, stops our minds from wandering and helps us complete what we are trying to do.

Working music has a long and interesting history, from sea shanties to the waulking (new word of the week!) of tweed in Scotland to the songs sung by those in slavery in the fields of the southern States of the USA in the 1800s.

We seem to have a deep need for music, from Neanderthal bone flutes to the choral tradition of Byrd and Tallis, from symphonic poems to punk rock.

Music has always been seen as a way speak those emotions that are too deep for words. We can all think of that one song or piece of music that always lifts our mood or reminds us of something or someone now lost to us.

As now, with the internet, we can explore all sorts of genres and types, music from East and West, North and South, what we have to be careful about, though, are those darn algorithms. Yep, Spotify and others listen in and suggest what we might like, but only based on what we have listened too. So perhaps be a little more experimental, a little more daring when you open your music app on your phone or laptop. Branch out, you might find something that lifts you to the heavens!

Revd Mark

September Services

Sun 4th September

Holy Communion at Little Birch 11am

Sun 11th September

Holy Communion at Much Birch 9.15am

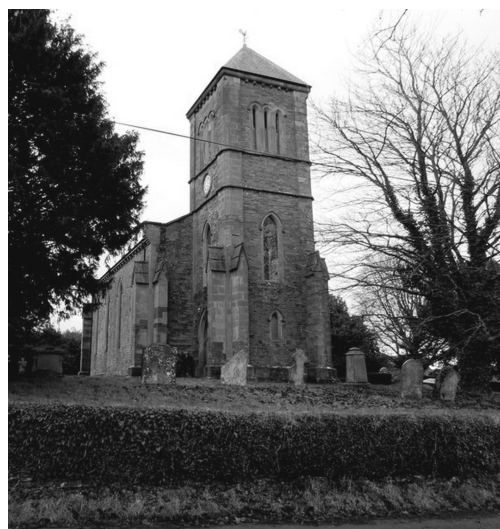
Morning Worship at Little Birch 11am

Sun 18th September

Morning Worship at Much Birch 9.15am

Holy Communion in Traditional Language Little Birch 11am

Pet Service at Llanwarne Old Church at 3pm



PANTO RETURNS TO LITTLE BIRCH

Little Birch Village Hall Drama Group will be performing the Pantomime "Sleeping Beauty" at the Village Hall in January 2023

**AUDITIONS ARE BEING HELD ON THE
16th of SEPTEMBER IN LITTLE BIRCH
VILLAGE HALL**

Up to 12yrs at 7.00pm and all others at 7.30pm

We are not only looking for looking for Actors but for volunteers to help with all the behind the scenes and front of house functions.

If you are interested, or just want to see us in action, please come along and meet the team.

If you require further details, please contact either Jane on 07508 345879 (text messages only please) or David on 07768 150150

Much Birch Church Can you help?

The PCC recognizes that work needs to be done rather urgently on the small vestry and is wondering if anyone in the community would be willing to help voluntarily to wash down the ceiling and walls and/or help with painting the room after 9th September 2022. If you are able to help would you please contact Sylvia Jones on tel: 01981 540980. We would be so grateful for any help.



Jobs for the garden in September Derek Scrivens

What a couple of months! July and August have seen records broken in all ways. The England Women had to dig deep (gardening connection) twice to become European Champions, record temperatures, record drought and then in the Commonwealth Games a record haul of medals with the irony that every time England won a gold medal the anthem was Jerusalem, the last line of which is "in England's green and pleasant land". Just take a look at our gardens and the fields at present. I am old enough to remember 1976, when, after the baking temperatures of that year, it took 2-3 years to get soil structures back to some sort of normality and for some trees and shrubs to recover.

Clean greenhouse and cold frame glass.
Plant new perennials towards the end of the month.
Water greenhouse plants in the morning now so plants don't spend all night sitting in cold water.
Move house plants to a lighter position and reduce watering.
Bulbs – Daffodil, Scilla, Crocus and Hyacinths can be planted in borders and pots.


Harvest Apples and Pears – store unblemished fruits, with stalk intact in single layers, not touching, in a cool, dark, frost free and well ventilated location.
Plant Onion sets.
Sow small quantities of salad leaves and Radishes.

If you are lucky enough to have visits from hedgehogs, put out a little dog or cat food.
Clean nesting boxes, line with straw or wood shavings and rehang them.
Put a net over ponds to prevent leaves falling in.

*The Axe &
Cleaver
Much Birch
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or on our Facebook page



FLICKS IN THE STICKS

at Much Birch Community Hall

Thursday 15 September - THE DUKE (12A)

In 1961, Kempton Bunton, a 60 year old taxi driver, stole Goya's portrait of the Duke of Wellington from the National Gallery in London. He sent ransom notes saying that he would return the painting on condition that the government invested more in care for the elderly. What happened next became the stuff of legend. An uplifting true story about a good man who set out to change the world and managed to save his marriage. *Starring Jim Broadbent and Helen Mirren.*

Tickets £5 (£4 under 16s)
*Please note **new prices** from September 2022*

Refreshments including hot dogs available from 7pm

Tickets available in advance or on the door (cash or card payments accepted) - for further info or to book tickets please email muchbirchflicks@hotmail.com or call 01981 540097

*For further information about films and screenings visit
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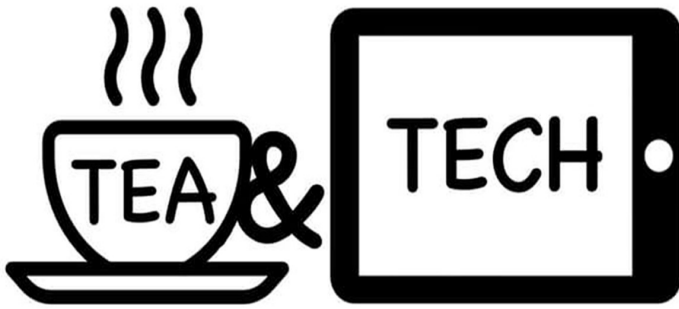
Saturday 10 September
10:00 - 12:30
 and every 2nd Saturday of the month

8 October
12 November
10 December

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I'm Richard, and I offer IT tech support around rural Hereford. I have 25 years' experience of working within technology, supporting a vast range of people, from technophobes to technogeeks!

I aim to specifically support the more senior users within our community, who often appreciate a completely different approach. I won't burden anyone with jargon and will offer only gentle and compassionate support. This can help the user feel more comfortable with tackling technology and lead to a growing confidence. Sometimes, the tech issue might be the initial reason for contact and all that's really required is someone to sit patiently and share a cuppa. I can do that too, I'm a great listener!

I can support you with many problems (here's a sample):

- General tips and advice
- Fault finding
- Software support
- New PC Installation / Setup
- Virus & Malware Removal
- Email Troubleshooting & Setup
- Broadband Internet & Router Setup
- Wi-Fi Range Issues
- Software Installation
- Windows Reinstall / Refresh
- Slow Computer Clean-up
- Printer Installation / Troubleshooting
- Backup Advice & Solutions
- Solid State Drive (SSD) Upgrades
- Data Recovery
- Laptop Battery Replacement
- PC & Laptop Upgrades & Advice

If you need a friendly chat over a cuppa, while I sort out your IT issues, please get in touch using the info above.

PIRATES with Alison Allan

Mondays 10.00 am - Intermediate level

11.15 am - Senior Citizens

Wednesdays 9.30 am - Beginner level

7.00 pm - Intermediate level

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Coffee Morning with Book Exchange

Thursday 1st & Saturday 17th September

10.00am - 12.00 noon

Little Birch Village Hall



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King's Thorn and Little Birch Annual Horticultural Show September 3rd

After 2 long years we're finally having a Show!

Everyone is encouraged to participate and enter any flower/vegetable/ produce/ arrangement/ handicraft item that they can. We want to make this year's show the biggest and best to celebrate our Show relaunch.

You will see that there is a Schedule attached at the back of this newsletter – have a good look and see what you can offer to the Show. Any questions please do contact any of the numbers in the Schedule.

Also, you will see that there is a Children's event on the Friday 2nd from 4.00pm. Bring along your children, grandchildren, nephews, nieces – anyone else's children (!) to take part and give them lots of items to enter in the show. They will win prizes and some money.....

So, we look forward to seeing you on **Saturday 3rd September**, in Little Birch Village Hall. In the morning you display your items and then the Hall is open to the public from 2.00pm. Refreshments will be available. If you don't feel you can display anything, come along in the afternoon, meet with friends for a cup of tea and purchase some of the lovely items for sale. See you then.

Lesley Chapman Show Secretary.

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Much Birch Parish Council Meeting

At the Parish Council Meeting held in the Much Birch Community Hall on 7th July the Parish Council discussed and agreed comments on a local planning application. David Irwin, newly appointed Much Birch Footpath Officer, reported on the parish footpaths. David.Irwin13@btinternet.com

A reminder - the Local Area Plan (Core Strategy) for the county is under review for planning and development. Get your views across and help shape the future of the county. Place Shaping Consultation Local Plan 2021 – 2041 – go to: <https://hlp.commonplace.is/>

Dates for forthcoming meetings: Sept 8, Oct 6, Nov 10 and Dec 8 at **7.30pm** at Much Birch Community Hall. See notice boards & website for agendas. All are welcome to attend the meeting and to speak to their representatives.

Much Birch Parish Councillors

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Full minutes of the meetings and information etc. can be found on the Parish Council website following the link.

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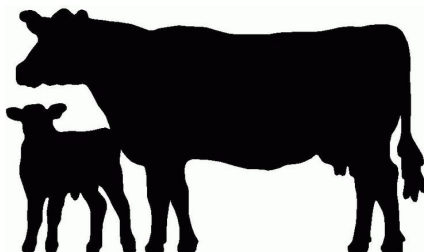
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14th September

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LITTLE BIRCH VILLAGE HALL DRAMA GROUP



Now that the
Covid restrictions have been lifted, the
committee are actively searching for any
established or new residents that would be
interested in joining a team of enthusiastic
people to assist in putting on theatrical
events.

We are looking for ALL disciplines – Actors,
behind the scenes personnel, technical
assistants, set builders, front of house,
wardrobe, prompts, Directors and writers.

If you would like further information please
contact either Jane Bolam (07508 345879),
Bob Barnett (07890 206201) or David
Baldwin (07768 150150)



Autumnal Woodland Walk

A walk of approximately 5 or 10 km through the Whitfield Estate with a lunch of soup and bread

On Wednesday 12th October 2022 at 9.30am for 10.00am start

Walk £10 or Walk and Lunch £15

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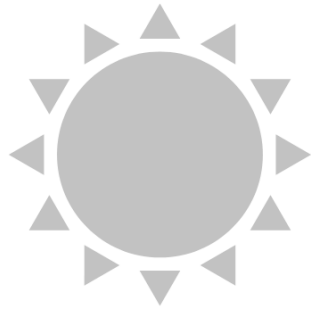


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LITTLE BIRCH
FAMILY FETE
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Saturday 17th September - 2pm

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strawberries & cream, plant stall, music, bottle
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**Donations for stalls would be much appreciated
contact John Caton 540415**

All proceeds to Little Birch Church



Pub Walk Sunday 24th July

From the village hall we walked along the edge of Aconbury Woods, down Hellen's Wood to the A49 and through fields to the Black Swan in Much Dewchurch. After a drink there we went through St David's churchyard and over Home Farm fields, with ancient grain growing, to Tump Inn in Wormelow. Lastly uphill all the way to Little Birch. A good number of people joined the walk despite threatening rain - well done! (see also pic P1)

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Herefordshire's Viking Hoard

The History group has arranged for Tim Hoverd, Hereford 's Archaeology Project Manager, to give a talk about **Herefordshire's Viking Hoard - Present Day Pillaging.**

Tim will tell us the latest on the story of the finding, theft and partial recovery of stolen Viking era artefacts of gold and silver found in Herefordshire. He reveals the contents of the hoard, its place in history and a glimpse of the investigation leading to its partial recovery and the punishment of those responsible for the theft. The talk will take place on Thursday 22nd September at 7.30 in Little Birch Village Hall.

Entry will be £2.50 and will include light refreshments. This talk was originally scheduled for May but was postponed.

Trouble with Footpaths? Contacts

Aconbury - Mike Leigh 01981 540698

**Much Birch - including Kingsthorpe Al Davies
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Little Birch - Angela Middleton 01981 540377

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Much Birch Community Hall

It is with regret that due to unforeseen circumstances, the Village Market due to be held in the Community Hall on 23rd September 2022 has been cancelled. We do intend to hold the Christmas Market on the 9th December however and we do hope that the Community will support the event.

Little Birch Parish Facebook Group

Find the latest news, events



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and business listings

all in one place. You are welcome to promote your local business, advertise a local event or post news or information of interest to the village and surrounding area.

Search for *Little Birch Parish Group* on Facebook

Much Birch Surgery – Seasonal Flu and Covid Vaccinations

This Autumn, Much Birch will be holding our usual Flu vaccination clinics for patients over 50 and those under 50, with underlying health conditions.

We also hope to be able to provide eligible patients with the Covid Autumn Booster vaccination though are still waiting for confirmation of National Guidance on this. We will let our patients know as soon as we possibly can.

Invitations to Flu and Covid vaccination clinics will be sent out by text message to those with mobile phones. Please ensure our team are aware if you have recently updated your mobile number.

If you do not have a mobile phone number, you will be contacted by telephone or by post.

Diary Dates September

Coffee & Books Thurs 1st Sept 10-12

LBVH

Kings Thorn & Little Birch Horticultural

Show Saturday 3rd Sept LBVH

MBPC Meeting Thurs 8th Sept 7.30

MBCH

Community Café Sat 10th Sept 10-12.30

MBCH

Flicks: the Duke Thurs 15th Sept MBCH

Panto Auditions Fri 16th Sept LBVH

Coffee & Books Sat 17th Sept 10-12

LBVH

Family Fete & Fun Sat 17th Sept 2pm

Castle Nibole

Herefordshire Hoard talk Thursday 22nd

Sept 7.30 LBVH

Pub Night Sat 24th Sept 7.30 LBVH

Parent and Toddlers Fridays 9.30-11.30 MBCH

Table Tennis 1st Tuesday 7-9pm LBVH

MBCH Much Birch Community Hall

LBVH Little Birch Village Hall

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Allensmore Locks Garage

Backney on the garage wall at Market Gardens Cottage

Bridstow on the outside of the village hall

Garway on the wall outside the Garway Moon pub

Harewood End at Harewood End Inn on outside of the pub at the back in the beer garden.

Little Birch on the outside of the village hall

Llanwarne on the wall by steps leading up to the village hall

Much Birch on the outside of the church hall

Much Dewchurch outside Steiner School, first building after the church

Peterstow at the Yew Tree pub

Sellack on the outside of the parish hall
(key code needed)

St Weonards old BT phone box off the A466
between the church and Forge Cottage

Wormelow at the Cricket Club & Carrot & Wine shop

Wilton on wall at the BP garage on the roundabout



Riddle
answer is
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