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*Embracing with open minds; worship, faith, hope and prayer'*

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## **Services**

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-11.00am,**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday Holy Communion 11.00am,**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday Morning Prayer – 11.00am,**

**4<sup>th</sup> Sunday Holy Communion – 11 00am.**

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My dear friends

It hardly seems possible that the summer holidays are once again looming large on the horizon and the summer stretches ahead with endless possibilities and opportunities... things that have only been a dream of past days in the last few years, or denied us because of Covid, now seem within our grasp!

Whether Agricultural shows or Music Festivals, nothing seems off limits as the world learns to live with and alongside Covid for the first time in a number of years. Does this mean Covid has gone away, no, it probably never will, but we cannot, nor should we be so afraid that we hide behind closed doors indefinitely, put a hold on life and all its richness and blessings. This year, BBQ's with friends, weddings without restrictions even holidays in the sun are on the cards if your flight isn't cancelled or long queues at the airport put you off.



For so long we seem to have been living under the grip of fear, fear of the unknown, fear of illness or even worse, and now, this year, we have been released from that fear and we are free, free to enjoy, explore, experience and the song of hope sings in our soul, the darkness has passed, dawn has come.



So as we look ahead to long summer days and endless possibilities, let us reflect on all we missed and valued during the pandemic and endeavour to savour and treasure each and every one, not take people or situations for granted but delight in the precious present and all the blessings it affords us.



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Let this summer, like no other be truly a summer of hope and promise, doing things you haven't done for a number of years, trying things you have never done

before, with those you love and by yourself, don't let having no one to do things with put you off, go for it, and encourage and challenge others to do so too.

Have a great summer everyone, here's to all the blessings it will bring – what is it they say – hope springs eternal, let the seed of hope be sown, nurtured and grown til it produces a good and bountiful harvest



Happy Holidays...

Til next time...

Yours in Christ

*Kathy*

**From the Registers**

**Holy Matrimony:**

***“Those whom God hath joined together”***

Service at S Philip & S James conducted by Revd. Kath Trimby

Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> June 2022

Michael Roberts to Virginia McGrath

**Thanks to...**

all those who helped in any way with the many and various Jubilee activities in June across the Benefice, it certainly was a weekend to celebrate, give thanks and enjoy and even the weather played ball, at least for the main part anyway! See elsewhere in the magazine for more details, but thank you to all, we really couldn't have done it without you!



<u>July</u>	<u>Old</u>	<u>New</u>	<u>Gospel</u>	<u>Sidesmen</u>
<u>2022</u>	<u>Testament</u>	<u>Testament</u>		
3 <sup>rd</sup> Jo Watkin	Habakkuk 2: 1-4		Gospel John 20: 24-29	Lin Hughes
10 <sup>th</sup> Gareth Johnson	Deuteronomy 30: 9-14	Colossians 1: 1-14	Luke 10: 25-37	Gareth Johnson
17 <sup>th</sup> Martyn Jones	Genesis 18: 1-10	Colossians 1: 15-28	Luke 10: 38-end	Martyn Jones
24 <sup>th</sup> Rachel Frank	Genesis 18: 20-32	Colossians 2: 6-15	Luke 11:1-13	Peter Frank
31 <sup>st</sup>	<b><u>Benefice Service Chester Cathedral</u></b>  <b><u>See elsewhere for details.</u></b>			

**Flowers** 3 and 10<sup>th</sup> Elizabeth Lawrence

17<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> Pam Craig

<u>August</u> <u>2022</u>	<u>Old</u> <u>Testament</u>	<u>New</u> <u>Testament</u>	<u>Gospel</u>	<u>Sidesmen</u>
7 <sup>th</sup> Bryan Lawrence	Daniel 7:9- 10, 13-14	2 Peter 1 : 16-19	Luke 9: 28-36	Bryan Lawrence
14 <sup>th</sup> Rachel Beddow	Jeremiah 23 :23-29	Hebrews 11: 29 – 12:2	Luke 12: 49-56	Dave Hinton
21 <sup>st</sup> Jane Wood	Isaiah 58:9 - end	Hebrews 12: 18-end	Luke 13: 10-17	Jane Wood
28 <sup>th</sup> Roy Mansell	Proverbs 25: 6-7	Hebrews 13: 1-8, 15-16	Luke 14: 1, 7-14	Roy Mansell
<b>September</b> 4 <sup>th</sup> Trevor White	Deuterono my 30 :15- end	Philemon: 1- 21	Luke 14: 25-33	Pam Craig

**Flowers** 7<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> Roy Mansell, 21<sup>st</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> Linda Jones.  
September 4<sup>th</sup> Isobel Lewis



### **Stop Press!!**

Just at time of going to press we have heard we have managed to secure an Orchestra from our link diocese in Germany for an evening concert on Tuesday 7 August probably at 7pm who are over visiting for a few days and playing at various locations around the Diocese whilst they are here. They will be playing at Morton. More details will be announced as we have them,

but save the date and it will be advertised in pew sheets, posters, Facebook and the website or contact Revd Kathy for more details. I hope you will save the date and come along to hear and support.

## Morton Church Flower Rota

Over the years the flower rota for Sunday services has diminished so much it has become more reliant on a small number of people supplying and arranging them, it would be very helpful if there was a list of people who would kindly offer to supply flowers or purchase flowers to decorate the two small vases at the side of the alter every now and again, the more people on the list means it does not fall on the same small group each month, if you are willing to arrange or donate flowers please contact Jane Wood 01691 839564 to talk about your thoughts on any way you can help.

## Summer of Hope...

### Some ideas...

- To kick-start your holidays why not come up with something each week to do to bring hope to you, friends or family even to stranger,
- why not in this Jubilee year, celebrating the Queen's Jubilee bring hope to the church, or charity of your choice by checking behind sofas, in coat pockets etc and put any and all coins featuring the Queen's head in a jar and at the end of the summer give it to them, a little can make a lot of difference
- do something to aid the environment and planet, see elsewhere in the magazine for ideas on that
- have a 8 week focus for prayer, Hope (3-9 July), Love (10-17 July), Resilience (18-24 July), Service (25-31 July), Faith (1-7 August), Joy (8-14)



August), Family (15-21 August) and Hope again(22-28 August)

- why not plan a mixture of prayer and activities that focus on these areas? The possibilities are endless, so go to it, plant, nourish and grow hope this summer and let it truly be a summer of hope!



### **Sofa Club and Dementia Activities**



During the summer, most people's minds are fixed on holidays, lazy, hazy days in the sun, BBQ's and more besides, few if any give a thought to those who might so desperately need a break but are often unheard, fall on

deaf ears, or not even thought about. Living with someone who has dementia, isn't always easy and often puts a strain on the closest relationship, tries the most patient of people and yet is borne often to breaking point as there is a feeling of somehow falling short and the rest of the world continues it's business, enjoys its days out, trips and weeks away, when perhaps all a carer might want is a couple of hours just to meet a friend for a coffee!

And what of those couples who were regular worshippers in church/social club or more, who stopped going as behaviour was an issue, or what was once familiar is now a strange and scary place. And the church/community maybe once in a while thinks 'we haven't seen such and such for a long time', or will pray for them, but when was the last time of contacting, visiting, offering to sit with for those few hours, encouraging to come to church or whatever and trying to be more understanding, friendly and work towards being more inclusive, embracing of all, loving and welcoming all God's children? Let's make this a Summer of Hope, put things in place, commit to changing things and behaviour, attitudes, even physical things in our buidlings to bring a beacon of hope, light and love to those who are often, unseen, unheard, often forgotten and yet often the most isolated. Together we can



make a difference, whether members of Sofa Club or not, each and all can make a difference. Will you be the voice for change, will yours be the ear that hears, will your hands and feet be the ones that act?

And in the meantime, Sofa Club continues to meet in the coming months...

**July 14 – 'Rainbows on a Rainy Day' Activity in Llanymynech Church Hall at 2.30pm**



**July 28 – 'Jesus friend for All' Short Service in Llanymynech Church Hall at 2.30pm**

**Only one meeting in August...**

**August 11 – 'We're all going on a Summer Holiday' Activity in Llanymynech Church Hall at 2.30pm**

### **Didn't we have a lovely time, the day we went to...Chester**

At the end of July, we have another of our 5<sup>th</sup> Sundays, there are 5 this year, so rather than one church having two services, or being reliant on the weather for an alternate service outside, we in the Border Benefice are going to have a kind of Summer outing/Busman's holiday, call it what you will, we will be going to visit another church to join them for Worship on 31 July. Chester isn't too far so we won't have to get up at the crack of dawn and spend half the day on the bus, and their Morning Eucharist is at 10.30am, so there would be a pick up of people in Llanymynech as there are places for people to leave their cars and Trefonen as the same applies, and dropped back to those places later in the day. Finer details of cost and exact timings are still to be finalised at time of going to print but the thought is the pick up will be approx 8.30am and we will hope to be back about 4pm at a cost of £10 per person. The idea is we will join them for morning worship, if we can, maybe get someone to do a little tour if possible of the cathedral, and then are free to go and find some lunch of your choice,



or bring a packed lunch and enjoy in the park or down by the river – the choice is yours! There will be a list at the back of each of the churches, for you to add your name if you would like to go, if you haven't already and more details will be available in the pew sheets and announced as they are firmed up. For more information then please contact Revd Kathy 07944504330 or [kathpant@aol.com](mailto:kathpant@aol.com)

## **Summer of Hope – For our Environment and Planet**

As has already been mentioned, July and August are being designated a Summer of Hope, when we, as individuals, families and more might commit to doing something or kick start something that in a small way or a large can and will make a difference. Why not then when there is no school, long summer days and light nights focus your summer on creating hope for the environment, for the planet and is a fun way of using all your extra time in a positive and productive way. Listed below are some things you might engage in, or challenge yourselves to but there are many other things too, if you don't fancy any of these. Don't be put off, or fall at the first hurdle, hope sometimes a little time to ignite and to see the effects of so stick with it!

...Family Cooking, may not sound very exciting but find some child friendly recipes, talk about the source of the food and what might be involved to source and cook it and if alternatives could be used that were and are more environmentally friendly



... Virtual Field Trips, plan somewhere you want to visit and visit online, saves on queues, uncertainty and carbon footprint, it broadens horizons, fills a rainy day and saves the planet

...Review need for single use plastics in packed lunches, do a survey of how many used and find alternatives, including supermarkets available refillable water stations in store. Make into a friendly competition

...Eco crafts challenge pick a subject and use recycled materials to create it

...Geocaching Challenges. This is a treasure hunt using GPS enabled devices combining technology and outdoor activity.

... Plant something, anything from pots to gardens; flowers to vegetables, can enjoy the fruits of as well as reducing carbon

...Energy free -zone challenges choose a time period when an hour is chosen to have no power, no devices, no tv and more for all the family, and encourage creativity and physical activity. Feed imaginations and save energy

If none of these appeal, then why not undertake a 30 day challenge where each day of a month you challenge yourself to recycle for a day, not use the car, eat vegetarian and so on, numerous 30 day challenges on line or work out your own.

Whatever you do, grow and nurture hope in and for our planet.

### **Bryn Offa School**

Even though the start of the Summer Term signals we are just two thirds of the way through the year, we are starting to plan for the new academic year starting in September. Some of this work involves around getting the school ready for the new children and some of the work getting the children ready for the school.

We have been delighted to be able to restart the visits we do for the new children to get them used to the school. In the Summer Term we have three dates for the new children to come and spend some time with us prior to them starting in September. They will start by coming for an afternoon session as this is slightly shorter than the morning session. The week after their afternoon session we have them in again for a morning session and staying for lunch and then after a short gap they are back in for a full day in school.



Bryn Offa continues to be a popular school in the area and in



September we are expecting to welcome approximately 24 children into our Class 1. The normal intake number we have is 20, but we have pushed that a little higher due to demand. With some additional children expecting to move into the area we could have 144 children with us in September. As

the majority of school funding now is based on pupil numbers, this puts us in a good position of Bryn Offa remaining a popular and viable school.

In addition to being a popular school, Bryn Offa continues to be a very happy and subsequently stable school in terms of staffing. We do have a rare retirement at the end of this year when Mrs Dibbins will be leaving us after many years as the Class 1 Teaching Assistant. I'm sure that many of you will know Mrs Dibbins either through the school or community and will wish her well in her retirement. The only other member of staff we will lose for just under a year will be Mrs Maxfield, who will start her maternity leave in the Summer Term and be back at the end of the Spring Term 2023. We have a great teacher organised to replace Mrs Maxfield for the year and we are in the process currently of advertising and interviewing for the replacement for Mrs Dibbins. Replacing such great members of staff, whether permanent or temporary has not been easy because it is the staff that make Bryn Offa what it is.



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Summer term is always a busy term – school trips, camps, sports days, summer fetes, school leavers productions and tests and assessments etc. Both teachers and pupils are ready for the holiday only a few more weeks to go. Have a great summer. Til the autumn term...

Mr Thompson

Headteacher

## School Leavers Gifts

Later this term, that is before the end of July, in each of the schools we will be making a presentation to each of those children who are leaving their local primary school and heading up to High School come



September. For the last number of years we have always made that gift a Bible to help steer them on the next stage of the journey. Some, we know, may never be

opened but we gave them as we never knew, and there may just be something, one day that makes a difference and leads them to it. Since the pandemic it has got harder and harder to take in, in sponsorship the aforementioned Bibles and has left the Benefice account to make up the shortfall. This year because of the cost of living, inflated prices on all sides and no chance of that reversing in our lifetimes, we thought maybe it was unreasonable to expect people given all of that to sponsor a Bible for £10 each so this year we are still giving a Christian gift to use and be there in times of adversity, but all things children and young people will need and use in their education going forwards – so we are asking now for donations of £5 to cover costs and the gift will include a pen and pencil with a Biblical text, a little notebook and bookmark with a Spiritual text and a gospel tract to go along with. Enough to carry onwards and hopefully mean something to the recipient. There is still a list to all your name down at the back of each of the churches and the presentations will happen before the end of the school year. For more information contact Revd Kathy 07944504330.

## Morty's Squeekbook Page – Jubilee Joy for Morty & Ted

‘C’mon Morty, get up, they’ll be here in a minute!’,  
‘Yes, yes, I’m coming, I don’t know why You’re  
fussing, I know they hadn’t met for a long, long  
time, but they are meeting monthly now, just  
because Janet asked us specially if we would like  
to come...’ said Morty, ‘Yes, she did and it would



be rude not to, when she went to all that trouble’ replied Ted. ‘You’re just thinking of your belly as always, there will be sandwiches and cake, sausage rolls and...’ Ted’s mouth was watering, as in his mind he pictured a plate laden with goodies and him laying on his back having scoffed the lot, full but very, very happy... His pleasant daydream was abruptly ended with Ted announcing, ‘They’re here’ and with that, a flurry of activity ensued, with friends old and new gathering, noisy chatter filled the air and the food was every bit as delicious as Ted had imagined, he may not initially have thought he would enjoy a party to celebrate the Queen’s Jubilee so much but he did, and it was every bit as good as he had dreamed. ‘and it’s only just begun’ said Morty, almost knowing his thoughts and breaking into them, ‘there’s a whole weekend starting now, but work first and then enjoyment later’ Ted couldn’t help but wonder what was coming, and how much work would be involved, he’d missed everyone greatly, more than he would publicly admit but he had also enjoyed not having to do much, and what there was to do, he willingly let others do...

He didn’t have long to wait... ‘Now Ted, I know you have got lazy and I have given you a sitting down job, but it is vitally important you get it right so pay attention!’ Ted, knew when Morty meant it, so he pricked up his ears and listened as Morty explained to him about the windows and how treasured photographs and other memorabilia of Jubilees gone by, the royal family and people’s precious memories of school days, church outings and family celebrations would be brought in, ready for the exhibition, and he must carefully log everything, along with his friend Janet and then Revd Kathy would place them in the areas they needed to go, in preparation for the staging the next day. Ted settled down to his task, determined to do it right, they were counting on him. At the same time, some of the flower ladies were carefully arranging a posy in their windows already covered in red, white or blue, and Hazel was hard at work pumping up balloon of the

same colour, ' I wonder what.. oops no time for wondering, the first person was coming, time for that later, to work...'

Throughout the afternoon a steady stream of people came and went, excitedly talking of their photos and of the exhibition and the days coming up, the flowers filled the windows, the pulpit was readied for the final touch and the last flowers were added to the font...

As the door was locked, the church waited expectedly and Ted and Morty were excited and talked late into the night, sleep wasn't easy come by that night, they could hardly wait for the next day, they were part of the exhibition team and every part of them twitched in anticipation....

The sound of the key in the door mobilised them, they'd been up early, they did sleep but they were ready, washed, dressed, fed and now raring to go.. and boy did they go, Revd Kathy put each to work in an area, the men outside, (with a little help from Lin and Lizzie to supervise, but don't tell them that!) were on flags and bunting, Janet dressing those funny things, that Ted and Morty later discovered were borrowed from the bridal shop in town and were called manequins in beautiful but old, wedding dresses, Sandra was on displaying photos of the decades in the windows, Revd Kathy (boss lady, must keep on the right side of her!) was on the extras – pulpit, cabinets, font and checking everything was just right, she gave Morty and Ted the boards up by the organ to do, the church events, trips, special services etc and the royal books to display too) Everyone set about their tasks happily, and in no time it was coffee time, a quick break and before you knew it lunch arrived. Morty's nose was ferociously twitching, he could smell chocolate cake if he was not very much mistaken. His nose hadn't misled him, when a scrumptious



looking chocolate cake appeared with a lit birthday candle on it, simultaneously Ted and Morty remembered it was Lizzie's birthday, 'Oh what a way to spend your birthday, hard at work here in church', 'Who cares,' said Morty, 'I wouldn't mind either, if I got to have delicious chocolate cake!' They all tucked in, and knew Lizzie didn't mind, no one did, it was nice to be doing something again for the church to bring people together and celebrate, and they were all enjoying that as they gladly went back to work. By 5pm, exhausted but pleased with how it all had come together, everyone knocked off for the day, there may have been one or two words with differing opinions spoken by siblings, there may have been one or two ideas that needed to be adapted, other ways sought along the way, but that was and is life and if it is worked at then, it can come good in the end, and all was well that ended well.

Ted and Morty fell into bed that night but the day had been so full and so busy and there was so much to see and look at in the church their heads were buzzing and they couldn't wait until people saw it and were looking forward to the next day and the special service, so had another short night, talking and chatting about it all, they couldn't remember how long it had been since they had been buzzing like this!

Early the next day while Morty's loud snores almost shook the rafters,



Ted looked at it all, from the red, white and blue balloon arch over the gate, enticing people in, to the wedding dresses in the sanctuary, there was so much to see, it looked fantastic, everyone had played a part and contributed, flowers, memorabilia, photos, skills, time and more and this was a celebration of it all, he just hoped people

came...



The church was cleared and cleaned, it was ready... now it was time to enjoy, to remember, celebrate and worship, Morty and Ted were expectant, all was in place – the choir, the special celebration cakes with the special pictures on them all, the teas laid out, the Regalia lined up on cushions for the procession, the anticipation was almost tangible.

With the sound of a fanfare (digitally re-mastered from the Coronation Service itself) the service began, and what a service of pomp and ceremony, the choir sang anthems written for Jubilee the procession of the Bible and Oil, Spurs and Sword, Armills, Royal Robe, Orb, Sceptre, Ring and Crown it was all here. Morty and Ted watched in fascination as each item was brought and laid on the altar until the appropriate part of the service. After swearing an oath and the symbolic anointing, Ted held his breath, 'Would Lizzie remember to play Zorba the Greek, no, that's not right, that was what Lizzie nicknamed it, now what was it called?' Ted just remembered it was Zadok the Priest when sure enough the sounds of it wafted across the church. Ted was relieved, so far everything was going according to plan. The service unfolded with each item of the regalia and at each section Ted & Morty along with others of the congregation committed themselves to those roles and duties following the example of Elizabeth our Queen all those years ago. Morty and Ted could feel it was building to a crescendo in the crowning & enthroning and an emotional singing of the National Anthem. The service concluded with one final commitment and a sending out. Morty looked at Ted, tears welled up in his eyes, 'that was fantastic' he said, 'so moving, I shall never forget it!'



But the night wasn't over, guests had been invited, namely couples who were still together in life and marriage for over 60 years and local businesses had been invited to sponsor a bouquet, (many thanks to Sweeney Glamping, Agritel, J Roberts & Sons & W E Prices for sponsoring) to mark and celebrate that along with them. Helen Edwards, of Sweeney Glamping did the honours to Les & Margaret Griffiths, to Maude & John Blurton via their bridesmaid Margaret, Pauline and



David Swain & Ron and Muriel Jones was to be sent to them the next day, and Morty turned to Ted and said, 'that was a lovely idea, did you see how delighted they were to receive them?' 'Yes, I did, but there's more, listen!'



Revd Kathy was now talking about another celebration we were marking, those who had had baptisms in the church during this special Jubilee year and Gareth Johnson of David Davies & Sons, presented two commemorative Jubilee moneyboxes to Eleanor and Nancy Frank via other members of the family as they were tucked up in bed! 'Ooh, how lovely, I kept my Jubilee mug in the cupboard and still have it,' said Morty to Ted, 'they can keep their moneyboxes safe too and treasure them'

Revd Kathy was still speaking so Morty quickly shut up and listened as she invited Janet to present the last gift to Rob & Joan Edwards who were celebrating 58 years of marriage that day, a marriage that too had happened in that church but Janet, their cousin had missed it so was making up for it now! Just as they did 58 years ago, Joan & Rob



were invited to cut the special cake together and they did, and cake as enjoyed along with tea. 'All in all a great night' said Ted as he fell into bed exhausted, 'lie in, in the morning', 'not likely said Morty, 'the exhibition opens tomorrow and people will be coming and going all weekend, and we are on duty' 'Oh' said Ted as he fell asleep almost instantaneously.

For Ted, the morning came too quick and Morty had to shout him a good few times before he even stirred but the smell of freshly brewed coffee perked him up, and a bowl of cereal later, he felt able to face the day. Revd Kathy & Lizzie came in to dress the remaining mannequin with the Coronation Regalia, Lizzie switched on the projector and slideshow of photos for people to watch when having their cuppa and Victoria sponge having had a good look around at the exhibition and they were ready...

The weekend passed in a blur as different people came and went to the exhibition, and to join Ted and Morty on being on duty, serving tea and cake, provided by kindly volunteers and Ted declared each and every one delicious, as he declared himself, Chief tester, and once passed by him decreed that they could be served to others! He even managed to squirrel sneaky pieces away for later, at the end of every session the church was open, muttering to Morty 'It was a shame to waste it!'

Morty particularly liked the rousing Songs of Praise service on the Sunday morning, he liked a good sing and found it fascinating to hear about why they were the Queen's favourites and reflected her life of duty and service. 'I loved the prayers' he said to Ted after the service, 'we don't make enough of our hymn words and they were so appropriate to today, don't you think?' 'O, I do' agreed Ted, 'And I

thought the massive wedge of cake afterwards, was fantastic!’ said Ted. ‘You would!’ answered Morty.

Reflecting after the final open session of the exhibition, when a good few folks had come through the doors and had been so taken with it all, having a place to meet and chat with people they hadn’t for so long, both Ted and Morty thought the whole weekend had been a true celebration of the Queen, of the life of Morton Church past and present and of being able to come together again, work together, all add and contribute something and was a celebration they would talk about and remember long into the future. ‘Definitely a case of many



hands making light work’ said Morty, ‘I prefer to think of it as , with God and a willingness to work together in a single aim and purpose, nothing is impossible, and who knows what might be next, I can’t help wondering’ ‘What indeed?’ said Morty ‘ But I bet they’ll be

something just wait and see’

Thanks to any and all who made it all such a memorable few days not just for Morty and Ted but everyone...

## **WI**

Meetings of PANT WI at Pant Memorial Hall at 7.15 pm  
**August -Outing**

**September meeting TBC**

## MORTON CHURCH 150CLUB

Well jane and I have served our first year of running the 150club, after all the difficulties changing the names on the bank records, we now thing we have it running smoothly. We would like to thank everyone who has helped along the way and would like to ask if the people who were kind enough to collect subscriptions from friends and family if they would mind collecting this next year's subs of £12 per number bearing in mind everyone who is paid by the end of July will be entered into the one-off draw for £70

Congratulations to the winners of the June draw

First prize Mrs S Johnson

Second prize Mrs Rhian Thomas

Third prize Abby and Harry Lawrence

### **4Cs June 28th**

There was a good assortment of cakes and scones accompanied with welcome cups of tea and coffee on this final Tuesday of June. Outside the weather was rather chilly and not very 'summery' and looking like rain so we were pleased to spend time with 'catch up' whilst sampling the delicious delicacies on offer. Thank you for your company and support.

**Our next meeting is on Tuesday 26th July @  
10.30am**

## NEWS FROM PANT MEMORIAL HALL

There is a lot going on in early June when this is being written – due to the magazine deadline most of it is ‘we’ll tell you what happened next time!’

Works include:

- building the ‘plant room’ for the hot water tank, solar panel inverter and batteries
- building an adjacent cupboard for cleaning equipment, to make access easier for both hirers and cleaner
- refurbishment of the old bar area with new worktop, lighting, glass wash sink and sink for the cleaner
- preparations for the centenary fair on June 25<sup>th</sup>; we hope you all had a great time...

As well as managing all this (sometimes a full time job!) volunteers touched up the paintwork and filled holes left by the upgrades – thank you to all those who give their time for our community building. We always welcome anyone wanting to get involved in whatever way – you can see more information on our website, or get in touch with the information below.

We are still waiting for the batteries and some controls, but all daylight events at the hall are now powered at least in part by the sun, and the hot water tank is a good energy store. Until the batteries arrive, spare energy goes out to the grid so we are doing our bit for others too.

Thank you to our grant funders for making this possible: People’s Postcode Lottery and the National Lottery, and to all who play both games.

Meanwhile the hall has been in use for most evenings and some weekends, and we are delighted to welcome back family events. We now have a colourful set of cups, plates and bowls for use by children (or anyone!) so bring on those birthday parties!

The hall is always 'one hirer at a time' and we continue to space out our hirers. There are plenty of windows to open and cleaning kit provided, as well as our regular professional clean. Covid-19 cases are still very high, so please be kind to other hall users by following our guidance. **In particular we ask that you do not enter the hall if you have covid (or any other infectious disease).** We accept cancellations up to event start time and you will be fully refunded if this happens; just keep us informed.

All the information you need about our hall, its facilities and the timetable is on our website – please look there first as it saves a lot of time for everyone. We are volunteer-run by people giving up their spare time, so we appreciate your help, kindness and patience.

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The hall is run entirely by volunteers - we will get back to you as soon as we can.

## **Morton Quiz July/August Quiz**

1. What colour head does a male Mallard have?
2. Which religion is the Notre Dame in Paris affiliated?
3. What cargo did protestors dump into Boston Harbour in 1773?
4. Mary Queen of Scots spent most of her childhood in which European country?
5. What is the most sold flour if Walkers Crisps?
6. Siam name changed to which country?
7. Typically, what is the strongest muscle in the human body?
8. To a single decimal point, how many kilometres are in a mile?
9. If all the states in the USA were placed in alphabetical order, what would be first and last.
10. How many elements are there in the periodic table?
11. What does the button AC on a calculator stand for?
12. Which UK city is 'Banksy' from?

Answers for June Quiz:

1. 21st April 1926. 2. Edward Earl of Wessex  
18th March 1964
3. 12
4. Third cousins - both great great grandchildren of Queen Victoria.
5. 1977, 2002, 2012
6. Henry Herbert, 7th Earl of Carnarvon.
7. St Georges Chapel.
8. Elizabeth Alexandra Mary Wilson.
9. Malta
10. Praise my soul the King of Heaven.  
And The Lords my Shepherd.

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