

# The Dilwynner



Dilwyn's Parish Magazine

## January 2018

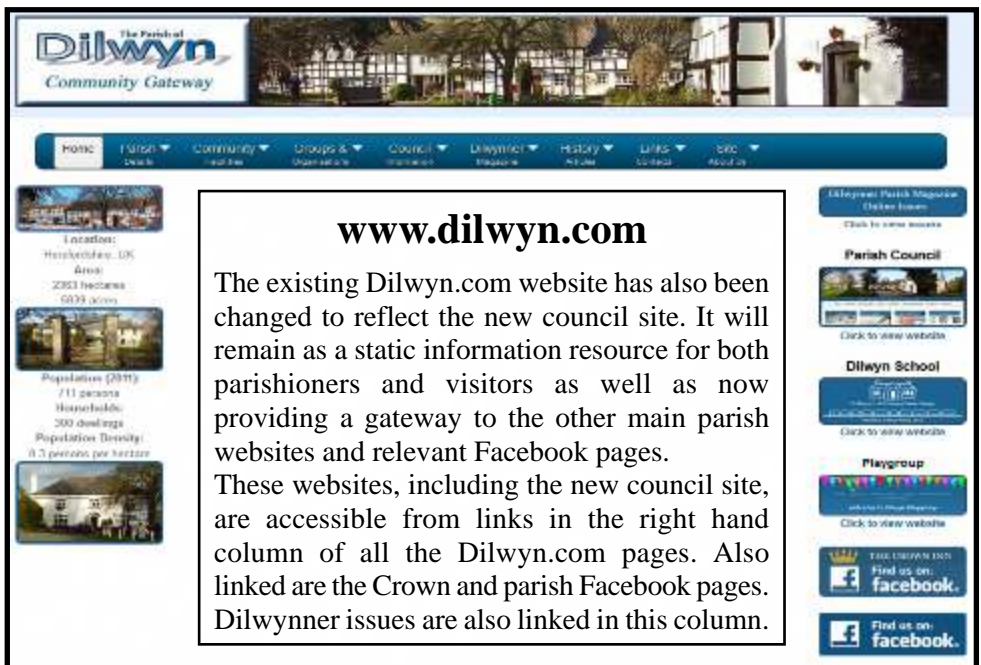
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# Dilwyn Website Changes

Dilwyn's parish council now has its own website and **all** information relating to the council will now appear on this new site rather than on the Dilwyn.com website.





# St Mary's Church

## *Services for January*

7th	Evening Prayer	6.30pm
14th	Choral Holy Communion	11.00am
21st	Morning Prayer	11.00am
28th	Holy Communion	9.30am

**Holy Communion every Tuesday, 10.30am, at Windsor Cottage** (except 26th)

**CHOIR PRACTICE: January 3rd 6.30pm in Church**

**THE LINK:** Copies of this magazine are now available in Church.

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**Baptist Church, Leominster:** 01568-708247

**Methodist Church, Weobley & Leominster:** 01568-612406

**Roman Catholic Church, Weobley:** 01544-318325

## **Dilwyn School Trustees**

### **FROM TRUSTEES OF ST. MARY'S C OF E PRIMARY SCHOOL, DILWYN**

Trustees of St. Mary's are proud to report that the School remained open throughout the recent heavy snows and would wish to congratulate the Principal, Peter Kyles, and his staff for their determination in keeping the School running, as well as the parents who managed to take their children to school despite the extreme difficulties involved. This approach contrasts strongly with the many schools across the country that closed in far less challenging conditions.

*John R. Gerrish, Chair of the Academy Board at St. Mary's CE Primary School, Dilwyn*

# Cedar Club

On Thursday, January 18th at 2.30pm in the Cedar Hall, Gill Bullock will give an illustrated talk about “Land’s End to John O’Groats by Bike”. New members and visitors are always welcome.

## The 2018 Programme is :

February 15th	CRIME & INSANITY IN VICTORIAN BRITAIN	David J Vaughan
March 15th	TITANIC – THINGS YOU DIDN’T KNOW	Mike Watkins
April 19th	REMINISCENCES of a CENTRAL AFRICAN POLICEMAN	Rob Lowe
May 18th	Outing	
June 21st	Visit to ST MICHAEL’S HOSPICE	
July	NO MEETING	
August	NO MEETING	
September 20th	ALCHEMY to PHARMACY– MY LIFE IN PILLS & POTIONS	Malcolm Meadow
October 18th	Outing - Mystery Tour	
November 15th	THE SOCIAL HISTORY of AFTERNOON TEA	Eileen Dilley
December 20th	CHRISTMAS LUNCH	

**New members and visitors are very welcome.  
Contact Chris Jennings [319190] or come to a meeting.**



## Dilwyn W.I.



**New members are always welcome**

The Ladies of Dilwyn WI like to dine, no more so than during the run up to Christmas. The seasonal meal we enjoyed at The Corners Inn in Kingsland was appetisingly presented, especially scrumptious to eat and the wine flowed of course. It was a fun evening when we donned festive paper hats, pulled crackers together and laughed a lot at silly jokes. Well, doesn't everyone at this time of year.

This month, we start our 2018 programme in the same way we ended 2017, - by indulging ourselves with a DIY supper at The Old Forge. We have a fun-filled, exciting and varied programme planned for next year and we welcome potential new members, guests or friends on the first Tuesday of each month at 7.30 pm. Perhaps you'd like to join us.

***Pat***



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## Nature Notes



As natural food supplies become scarce, most wild creatures will either be hibernating or spending their time searching for food. Certainly the local bird population have relied heavily on those generous folks who put out peanuts, seeds, fat balls and so on. During the snowy spell in early December, with berries already stripped from the hedgerows, many wild birds had to rely on feeding stations. Our usual 2-3 blackbirds, suddenly became 10-12 blackbirds, all chasing each other and fighting for the best bits. Having seen no starlings at all so far this winter, suddenly a flock of 20 or more appeared. We often have coal tits visiting briefly to take a piece of peanut and fly off with it to eat. This year at least 3 pairs of them have been seen and they are staying to eat, fighting for a place with all the blue tits, great tits and long tailed tits. 8-10 rather large pigeons have been tidying up any large pieces of seed which the other birds have been unable to swallow. Several dunnocks, a dozen house sparrows, several robins, a greater spotted woodpecker and partner, a thrush and a couple of wrens have also been regular visitors. News must have spread that corn was on offer, as one day a large cock pheasant braved the close proximity of people to get his share. A nuthatch and a pied wagtail have both looked for insects around an old dead tree. No sign so far of the sparrow hawk who used to speed through the garden looking for unwary small birds. They are all lovely to see - but it is costing us a fortune!

**AR**



## Weather Watch

### **Dilwyn Weather for November 2017**

Less than 2 inches of rain fell (45mm), continuing the run of below average amounts this year. Our running total with just one month to go, now stands at 25 inches (625mm). November saw reasonably mild weather, with daytime highs ranging from 8 to 15 degrees and averaging 11. Nights varied, with some frosts and occasional mild episodes (average just under 2 degrees). Sunshine came in short bursts and only 6 or 7 days could be considered 'mostly sunny'. The barometer only dropped below 100mb for a 2 day spell, and this brought the windiest weather in an otherwise fairly peaceful month.

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## **Cedar Hall 100 Club**

### **2018 Membership**

Dilwyn Cedar Hall exists to serve the whole community of Dilwyn as a venue for a variety of functions from parties, exercise classes, markets, dances and other fund-raisers. It is a central meeting place for village organisations, be they Playgroup, Young Farmers or Cedar Club.

The 100 Club was set up to help raise money for the general upkeep of the hall and so support all these activities. It costs £12 per year to join and for this you have the chance of winning one of the prizes drawn each month. The first number drawn receives £20, with two further prizes of £10 and there is a Super Draw in June and December when the amounts are increased to £50 and £25.

The hall committee would like to thank all those of you who have contributed towards the 100 Club during the past twelve months and congratulate all the lucky winners.

***We hope you will continue to support this good cause by completing the slip overleaf and we also welcome new members who wish to join for the forthcoming year.***

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taken out by one person or family.)

Cheques payable to **Dilwyn Cedar Hall** please.

Name(s) .....

Address .....

.....

*Please return form and cheque to Sue Thomas, Cloverhurst, Dilwyn  
or to the post box at the village hall by 10th January 2018.*

# Herefordshire Wildlife Trust

## Weobley & District Branch

**‘Moles’ by Rob Atkinson, Thursday 4th January at Weobley Village Hall.**

Our first talk of the new year is all about Moles. This will not be about the various ways to exterminate these fine creatures but will be an appreciation by Rob Atkinson, author of Moles in the The British Natural History Series. This should be a great evening and for those that can't get enough of these splendid animals, Rob will be selling copies of his book! Anyone wearing moleskin trousers will be asked to remove them at the door.

The date is Thursday 4th January the time 7.30, and the place, Weobley Village Hall. A donation of £2.00 is asked of Trust members while for visitors it is £3.00 including free tea or coffee. Further details, if required, from Branch Programme Secretary Alan Biggs on 01432 830353.



## Burns Night

It's that time of year again... party party paaaaarty! Christmas barely over and Rab's nicht oot is upon us. This year the proposal is to host Burns night in the village hall as demand is high and The Crown can only accommodate limited seating.

As usual the evening of **25th January** is earmarked for the festivities, a Thursday, and, as usual, if guests wish to wear a piece of tartan about their person it would make for a telling tribute to the great man.

Posters will appear around the village, Crown, Village hall, notice boards etc, to remind you all but the evening starts at **19.00 for 19.30 seating**, a bar will be provided and a top chef will prepare your supper.

Obviously there will be a wee nip of something special in and around the proceedings and plenty of music, poetry, laughter and general chat. Traditionally, in Dilwyn, we have local contributors who pen their own compositions either with a Scottish flavour or perhaps an anecdote from a Scottish holiday.

So feel free to record your thoughts and entertain us all with your efforts.

**Tickets can be reserved from Ron on (01544) 318579.**

### MENU

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*or*

*Salmon*

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# Parish Council Matters

**1. The Dilwyn Parish Council Website:** A new website is in the process of being set up for the council and access may be gained from the existing Dilwyn.com Community Website or directly by accessing [dilwynparishcouncil.gov.uk](http://dilwynparishcouncil.gov.uk). Full details on access are to be found on page 2 of this magazine. It should be noted that a considerable amount of work still needs to be done to bring the new site fully up to date.

**2. The full, approved minutes of Dilwyn Parish Council meetings, as prepared by the Parish Clerk, are published regularly on the Village Notice Boards and the council's new website, [dilwynparishcouncil.gov.uk](http://dilwynparishcouncil.gov.uk). What follows here summarises matters of particular interest and any decisions taken at a specific meeting.**

## **The Regular Meeting of Dilwyn Parish Council held in the St. Mary's CE Primary School, Dilwyn on Tuesday, 7th November, 2017**

At this meeting, 10 Councillors were present, with apologies from Cllrs. A. Brown and T. Kyles. The Parish Clerk, Mr. Gwilym Rippon, and the Ward Councillor, Mark Cooper were in attendance; there were 4 members of the public present.

### **a. Public Participation:**

To receive the Police report.

There was no police presence; however it was reported that there had been a battery stolen.

The Ward Councillor presented his report.

To receive questions from members of the public.

There were no questions from members of the public present.

### **b. To approve the General Parish Council meeting on Tuesday, 3rd October, 2017**

**RESOLVED:** The minutes of the General Parish Council meeting of 3rd October 2017 were approved.

### **c. Information arising from the minutes.**

The War Memorial: The Clerk reported that he had been in contact with the War Memorials Trust and the suggestion was made that the views of residents be sought regarding possible additions to the inscriptions. In addition, the views of Churchwarden Tom Hawksley and of the Dilwyn British Legion's Secretary David Fowler were being canvassed.

### **d. Correspondence received:**

It was reported that the hedge opposite the Coach House was overgrown; the Clerk reported that he had contacted Stephen Challenger at Hereford Cathedral who stated that the matter was not the responsibility of the Diocese. However, on reflection that view had now been reversed and the work would be put in hand.

### **e. Finance:**

To note the bank balances for October 2017.

The Clerk reported the following

Current Account	£9595.20
Deposit Account	£ 63.64
Hub Account	£4211.14
Total	£13869.98

*(Cont .....)*

The bank balances as circulated were noted.

To discuss and approve invoices for payment. The Clerk was instructed to pay all invoices. Full details can be seen on the village notice-boards.

**f. Highway matters:**

Balfour Beatty. It was reported that there had been no progress regarding the potholes at Venmore Road. The ditch at Rose Cottage still needs attention; it was suggested that this might be a task for the Lengths-man.

**g. Planning matters**

**1. 173612:** Application for a proposed cover to cattle handling area at Bidney Farm, Dilwyn, Herefordshire, HR4 8JQ.

RESOLVED: This application was discussed and the Council offers no objection to the application.

**2. 173613:** Application for a proposed cover to existing silage bunker at Bidney Farm, Dilwyn, Herefordshire, HR4 8JQ.

RESOLVED: This application was discussed and the Council offers no objection to the application

**3. 173533:** Application for a proposed alteration to access at The Pantiles, Dilwyn, Herefordshire, HR4 8EU.

RESOLVED: This application was discussed and the Council offers no objection to the application.

**4. 173877:** Application for Proposed extensions at Headlands Cottage, Pembridge, Leominster, Herefordshire, HR6 9EJ.

RESOLVED: This application was discussed and the Council offers no objection to the application.

**5. 173828:** Application for the proposed conversion of redundant agricultural buildings to holiday accommodation, together with associated landscaping at Pitch Farm, Dilwyn, Herefordshire, HR4 8JH.

RESOLVED: A site visit would be arranged.

**6. 173829:** Application for the proposed conversion of redundant agricultural buildings to form holiday accommodation together with associated landscaping at Pitch Farm, Dilwyn, Herefordshire, HR4 8JH.

RESOLVED: A site visit would be arranged

**h. Carols on the Green:** It was requested that as many Councillors turn up as possible.

**i. The Village Website**

This was discussed, The Clerk reported that he had been in touch with VisionICT and had set up a dummy website for members to pass comment on. Cllr. I Brown stated that there was funding from the transparency fund which was accessible via HALC.

RESOLVED: That the proposal for this website be accepted and that the Clerk should explore the possibility of funding.

**j. Update on the Neighbourhood plan**

A full update was given as to the current position regarding the Neighbourhood Plan. It was suggested that the 'Community Right to Build' could be involved regarding possible development at the Crown; this would be discussed at the next meeting.

It was agreed that a special informal meeting of Councillors should be arranged with the NDP group, together with the representative of Data Orchard, in order to discuss the progress made to date.

**PLEASE NOTE:**

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be on Thursday, 4th January 2017 at 7.30pm in St. Mary's Primary School.

## Carols on the Green

Just as in 2013, Carols in Dilwyn this year was different! For the third time in its history, 'Carols' could not be sung on the 'Green' because of the remaining heavy snow and also rain. Undaunted, Annabell and Callum agreed to run the event in the Crown and so we had 'Carols in the Crown' - and, once again, what a success it turned out to be. With Karen Hoare on keyboard, many of the most popular carols were sung with gusto by those packing into the bar area. There were some delightful musical items by the children of St. Mary's Primary School, and the Cedar Hall '100 Club' super-draw produced three very happy winners. Sadly, it was far too wet for Father Christmas to use his sledge but, nevertheless, he battled through the snow and arrived on time to distribute presents to all the children. While the singing was going on, delicious hot dogs were on sale and everyone enjoyed the opportunity to chat with a glass in their hands in a warm and cosy atmosphere.

Thanks are due to all those who worked so hard to make the evening a success and the Parish Council is particularly grateful to Annabell and Callum for allowing us to use their facilities (with all the furniture movement required) and for providing and cooking the hot dogs at cost.

The money collected, together with that from the earlier Coffee Morning, and by the Choir of St. Mary's Church on their several carol-singing evenings will be sent, in due course, to the 'Pancreatic Cancer Research Fund' to help in the treatment of this awful disease. Full details will be published in the February Dilwynner.

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St Michael's is asking their supporters the important question of how they would like to be updated with news and developments.

If you would like to keep in touch and be kept informed about Hospice news, please visit their website [www.st-michaels-hospice.org.uk](http://www.st-michaels-hospice.org.uk) or phone on 01432 851 000 to let them know how you would like to be contacted (post, email, SMS or phone).

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# Crown Inn

## January Update



Hello and happy New Year to you all.

We are continuing to progress really well with our pool, darts and crib teams which is always great to hear. Come on Team Crown!!

Due to the snow we had Carols on The Green in the pub which was excellently attended. A big well done to the choir and guitar players helping everyone get into the Christmas spirit.

Congratulations to everyone who won a prize in our Christmas Draw. To those that didn't win this time remember there's always next year for a chance to win great prizes.

Thank you to everyone that attended our New Year's eve party to bring in the new year with us. It was great to see everyone dressed up as heroes and villains.

A date for the diary:

Saturday 3rd February 2018 6-9pm curry night by a guest chef.

A choice of curries to suit everyone served with rice and a popadom/naan for £5.95 per person. Booking essential.

Best wishes, The Crown Inn Management Team.



## Crown Acoustic Drop-in Sessions



The musicians' acoustic drop-in sessions organised by Valeryan at the Crown on every third Thursday of the month have now become an established event on their calendar. **The next session will be on the 18th January 2018.**

### Cedar Hall Hire Rates

*Daytime sessions £30*

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*Fund Raising Events,*

*Funerals. 4Hrs*

*Evening Party £70*

*Children's Party £30*

*Village Group Meetings £15*

*Wedding Party £100*

#### *Hire items*

*(Tables, chairs, crockery, cutlery etc.)*

*Set of: 1 table & 4 chairs - £5*

*4 cups, saucers and cake plates - £1*

*4 dinner plates and cutlery - £1*

*Hire of Staging £25*

#### **Bookings:**

**07772 796718**

**Chair: Richard Thomas**

**01544 318541**

# Litter Lolly Brigade

On a crisp afternoon on Thursday 23rd November, 6 children from the primary school and Dilwyn Preschool were having great fun, running around the school playing field, doing a bit of “litter picking”. The Beavers in Weobley had tasked some of their members to do something to ‘help save the planet’ and a tidy up of the field seemed like a good place to start. So the little ones were offered the incentive of a lolly pop and set to work.

Whilst having fun and filling a bag with rubbish (of which there was quite a lot) William noticed something unusual in amongst the dead leaves. On closer inspection, it was a white rock with 2 red poppies painted on it. On the back was written, ‘POST A PIC ON FACEBOOK @ HEREFORDSHIRE ROCKS, THEN RE-HIDE ME.



I thought the rock was one from a school that had been featured on Midlands Today.

As a Remembrance project, the children from a local school painted stones and put on them the name of any relative, or friend of the family, who had been involved in a conflict, from WW1 to Afghanistan.

The school address was also painted on the stone, with a request that it be returned. The pupils then hid the stones and ‘as in war,’ some returned and some didn’t. The ones that were returned to the school were then made into a memorial to commemorate the forces and sacrifices made, which I, personally, found very moving!!

However, back to the stone which was found on the playing field...

I think the idea is to get people out and about and looking around. Apparently this particular stone had been found and re-hidden by one of the Dilwyn pupils some time



earlier and I have since heard of another one, painted gold with “9ct” written on it found in Leominster and re-hidden also near to Dilwyn school.

Anyway, a good job was done by William, Pippa, Freya, Verity, Teddy and Alice on clearing the playing

field of rubbish and, as can be seen by the photo, they all enjoyed their lolly pops! (Thanks Jim!)

Jo Slayman

# Lucy Farrell in Concert

## St Mary's Church

### Saturday 27th January at 7.30 pm.

### Tickets £10 to include warming refreshments!

### Tel 318145

<https://www.facebook.com/events/501699706875681/>

For those who missed the excellent “Gluepot” band at the Cedar hall in November; this is another opportunity to see their very talented and award winning female singer Lucy Farrell. Lucy has personal connections with the village and we are very fortunate in having such a brilliant folk artist come to us, rather than have to visit a major venue to see her.

*(The following information is taken from her web site).*

A winner of 2017 BBC Radio 2 Folk Award Lucy Farrell is at last embarking on the solo career so many have been hoping for, since first hearing her exquisite renditions of traditional ballads and quietly moving original songs.

As one fourth of The Furrow Collective, Lucy is the current recipient of the Best Group prize following the release of their widely acclaimed Wild Hog LP, earned during an immensely busy and creative time in which she contributed to the raved about return to form that was the Eliza Carthy & The Wayward Band's Big Machine album and tour, and also saw her final shows with the Emily Portman Trio with whom she'd sung, sawed and played viola for many years. An inveterate collaborator, the news that Lucy is to take centre stage in her own right comes as a welcome surprise to all those who've been entranced by her haunting and quintessentially English voice, subtle and instinctive musicianship and her ability to connect emotionally with an audience.

Lucy Farrell first enchanted fans of traditional music when she began performing as a duo with fellow Newcastle Folk Degree graduate Jonny Kearney (with whom she first played in Dilwyn). Invited to become the regular opening act for The Unthanks, Lucy & Jonny's blend of wry and lovelorn tales with exquisite interpretations of English, Scottish and American ballads saw them frequently outselling the headline act at the CD stall.

As well as Lucy's fruitful partnership with singer and songwriter Emily Portman and the award winning harpist and singer Rachel Newton, she has also written, performed and recorded with numerous bands and projects including Dark Northumbrian, Gluepot, a star-studded live tribute to Norma Waterson, and also formed her own group Ogres. Although she's rejected the conventional career path, Lucy has become one of the most in demand musicians and vocalists on the young folk scene.

Signed to the impressively visionary Hudson Records, Lucy Farrell has returned to the traditional folk songs that have remained at the heart of everything she's done. These are the ballads that inspire her own compositions, but in their own handed-down beauty and strangeness tell fantastical stories beyond our imaginations. And in her voice they bewitch anew.





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# Geoffrey's Column

## The Wigmore Ghost

In 1974 I made my first foray into real estate - Steppes House in Wigmore. It is the brick and timber house on the left as you head North to Leintwardine, opposite what now describes itself as "The Oak" gastropub, but was then the Royal Oak. Actually the food is very good there. In those days it was run by John & Mary Artingstall and was the provider of most liquid refreshment to us.

Steppes House has a 14 C. cellar and the rest is 17 C. using timbers from the Civil War reduction of Wigmore Castle with, unusually, a brick infill. Our predecessors, who were antique dealers, had restored it beautifully, leaving us with a fine corner cupboard in which they had placed a 17/18 C. slipper found under the floorboards.

Sadly we only ever used the house at weekends, dashing up from London, often with friends. One morning at breakfast Cynthia on her first visit casually said: "I saw your little old lady last night." Hilary and I were a little surprised, but then Roger, who was a regular, told us he had often seen her, but had never mentioned it!

The baby - now 41 - came along. In laws were 15 miles nearer to London and so inevitably in 1980 the house was sold. However we have both had a great affection for the place and sometimes stop and peer over the fence. We haven't yet been arrested or attacked by a fierce dog! About 10 years ago we were caught in the act by the then owners. We explained that we had once owned it. "Oh" they said "Were you ever aware of anything?" They told us that when going into the kitchen they often felt that someone was touching them.



*Geoffrey@10DPG.com*

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delivered within three days which means so much to the syndicate. This was better than our experience of late with one supplier delivering one month overdue to one member. The other prices were Oil4Wales 43.5p and Watson 42.9p. Another two companies just did not respond to me, and, as the price was rising, I had to make the order promptly. Apologies for the increase but as you all know it is beyond my powers to control the world market. Never the less we do get the best price for such large quantities.

We had two new members again. Welcome to you both. Enjoy your stay, the benefits and have a warm winter.

The price trend per 900 litres has seen a considerable increase since the 16th November, starting at £395, dropping for two days on the 24th and then climbing all the way up to £426 on the 15 December. I will have made the order on the 16th to get it all delivered before Christmas. I hope I will have obtained a good price before any further rises. Incidentally the major rise in price happened when we were all snowed in, typical of someone rubbing their hands at the severe weather.

We will be back to normal in January with the order cut off date being back to the 20th of the month. Have a great 2018.

*Pete*

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# Winter Arrives

On the cover of the December Dilwynner issue, in a tongue in cheek homage to the “Game of Thrones”, we warned that ‘winter was coming’. How prophetic that turned out to be! On Sunday 10th of December we all awoke to a blanket of snow covering the parish and the surrounding countryside.

It continued to snow all day Sunday and into Monday resulting in an accumulation of 200mm or 8 inches in old money. Monday night saw temperatures plummet to minus 13 degrees centigrade resulting in village roads like a skating rink on Tuesday. Fortunately, the thaw started from Wednesday through to the weekend.



*Focus on*

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*Answers at foot of this page*

1. What is the world's largest land mammal?
2. Rio de Janeiro is a city in which South American country?
3. Which Middle Eastern city is also the name of a type of artichoke?
4. With which sport is Silverstone most associated?
5. Nostradamus was famous for making what?
6. In mythology, Romulus and Remus were brought up by which animal?
7. What is the main source of vitamin C?
8. Insulin is commonly used to treat which condition?
9. The first atom bomb was dropped on which Japanese city?
10. What is dermatophobia the fear of?
11. The Velocipede was a nineteenth-century prototype of what?
12. Which is Britain's oldest Sunday newspaper, published for the first time in 1791?
13. What was the middle name of Wolfgang Mozart?
14. What is the art of stuffing animals for preservation?
15. The term bhp is used when describing motor vehicle power; for what does it stand?

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# Events Diary

Date		Event	Time	Venue
<b>January</b>				
Mon	1st	New Year Hunt Meet	Morning	Crown Inn
Tue	2nd	W.I. Meeting	7.30pm	Old Forge
Thu	4th	PC Meeting	7.30pm	School
Thu	18th	Cedar Club Meeting	2.30pm	Cedar Hall
Thu	18th	Acoustic Drop-in Music	8:30pm	Crown Inn
Thu	25th	Burns Night (booking req'd)	7.00pm	Cedar Hall
Sat	27th	Lucy Farrell Concert (booking req'd)	7.30pm	Cedar Hall

## February

Sat	3rd	Curry Night (booking req'd)	6 - 9pm	Crown Inn
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St Mary's services can be found on **page 3**

## Cedar Hall 100 Club Draw

<b>December</b>	1st	Beryl Abley	£50	<b><i>Membership forms for 2018 can be found on pages 9/10 Please return by 10 Jan 2018</i></b>
<b>Super</b>	2nd	Len Beach	£25	
<b>Draw</b>	3rd	John Jones	£25	

### **Absolute deadlines for February's Dilwynner copy are:**

20th January for very small and also regular items

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