

The Dilwynner



A HAPPY NEW YEAR TO EVERYONE

January 2019

Dilwyn's Independent Parish Magazine

Free only to Dilwyn parish households

Geoffrey's Column

Arturo

My Christmas present that year was to be a 6 day riding holiday, 6 hours a day in the saddle in the Gredos Mountains. The Gredos Mountains are about 75 miles due west of Madrid with some of the most beautiful scenery imaginable. But, I had always assumed that if the Good Lord had meant me to ride a horse he would never have invented the motor car. Steps had clearly to be taken.

We had about 5 months to go and so most weekends found the Herdmen on horseback, either in Sussex or Herefordshire.

By May I could sit on a horse without a feeling of complete terror.

Maria Elena runs a superb organization. We were a group of 12 riders and I was assigned Arturo, a fine chestnut. On top of the saddle was a numna, and the whole thing was most comfortable.

For 6 days we made a broad sweep along Cañadas, old cattle trails, of which there are 1,000s of kilometres in Spain. Criss crossing the Tormes river, usually at fords where Wellington crossed on his Peninsular campaign. Clattering into deserted villages at 1,700 metres, with a shutter banging to and fro mournfully in the wind, and a water trough, fountain fed, still working perfectly. It was straight out of "A fistful of dollars" and at any moment we expected to meet Clint Eastwood or hear the famous 3 note trailing whistle.

We made a broad circle travelling perhaps 15 miles a day and at the end one had survived with no broken bones. Arturo put up with his burden stoically, but he had one tiresome habit. He would tread on my foot when I was standing by him. Not once but with monotonous regularity. I put this down to incompetence on my part and tried to keep my feet out of his way.

Every January Maria Elena would come to London and give a party for guests



past and potentially future. Some years later at one of these I was talking to a horsewoman clearly of great experience. She had already been to the Gredos a couple of times, moreover she too had ridden Arturo.

"Tell me", I asked her "did he have any little ways with you." "Yes," she said forcefully "he used to keep on treading on my foot!"

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Remember this is Dilwyn's magazine and it relies largely on the residents of Dilwyn to provide articles and information. So if you have something of interest to share please send it in to the editors (email to dilwynner@dilwyn.com) or pass by hand to any of the team.

St Mary's Church



Services for January

6 th	Evening Prayer	6.30 pm
13 th	Choral Holy Communion	11.00 am
20 th	Morning Prayer	11.00am
27 th	Holy Communion	9.30am

Holy Communion every Tuesday, 10.30am, at Windsor Cottage

CHOIR PRACTICE: 2nd January @ 6.30pm in the church

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Neighbourhood Watch



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To learn more about dealing with Phishing and scams visit the HMRC website.

Not sure? Don't open the door!

Protect yourself from doorstep crime. Be aware of people who turn up unannounced, most genuine callers will have a pre-arranged appointment. If in doubt, keep them out! Doorstep crime can include rogue traders offering home improvement or gardening services, or bogus callers who claim to be the council, police, health carers or energy companies.

Rogue traders may say they are in the area working on another property and they have spotted a problem with your home or garden. They may claim to have materials left over from another job, like paving or tarmac. They may try to pressurise you to buy goods or sign up for services on the spot. Unfortunately all too often they may offer to carry out work cheaply, but charge an extortionate price after the work has been completed.

Bogus callers may claim to be working for the council, water, gas or electric company. They could also say they are a nurse, doctor or even from the police. Bogus callers may say they need to come into your home, or try to get you to go outside. They may try to distract you so they can steal your money. They can be male, female or even children. A pedlar is someone who calls at your door to sell items that they have to offer, This can often include cleaning or household goods. These goods may be sold at an overpriced value. By law pedlars are required to carry a pedlar's certificate, which is issued by the police force in the area they operate.

If you are not sure who is at the door, do not open it. Check the identity of any caller. Confirm who they are by calling the company they work for by using the number from the telephone directory or from one of your bills. Do not call a number provided by them.

If caller does not leave your property when asked to do so, call the police.



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**The Dilwynner Team wish everyone
a very happy, healthy and successful New Year.**

We are most grateful for all the contributions you send, the poems, memories, photos, quizzes and animal stories. We hope to have 40 pages in the magazine each month in 2019, so do please keep your contributions flowing!

Dilwyn Market & Café

**There will be no Village Market this month.
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New members are always welcome

The Dilwyn WI enjoyed a scrumptious Christmas Dinner at The Crown in December. Maria and Max were most hospitable, creating an extremely warm and cosy atmosphere for us to indulge in festive food and spirits. In January it's back to doing it ourselves with our Make, Bake & Share supper on 8 January at The Old Forge. Of course, in good WI tradition, we always make far too much food, so if you'd like to join us around 7.30pm to sample some of our epicurean cuisine, you'll be most welcome.

Pat

Our programme for 2019::

Tuesday	8th	January	Make, Bake & Share Supper
Tuesday	5th	February	Jewellery Making
Tuesday	5th	March	Textiles & Costumes from China
Tuesday	2nd	April	Flowers for the Summer
Tuesday	7th	May	Modern Day Cocktails
Thursday	6th	June	Bowling & Pizza
Saturday	22nd	June	Strawberry Tea - Open Garden
Tuesday	2nd	July	Life & Times of a Lady Mayor
Tuesday	6th	August	Afternoon Visit to Brobury Gardens
Tuesday	3rd	September	Annual Quiz
Tuesday	1st	October	Hedgerow Medicine
Tuesday	5th	November	Annual Review followed by Cake Toppers
Tuesday	3rd	December	Christmas Dinner



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Parish Council Matters

1. The Dilwyn Parish Council Website: This may be accessed by either:

- *Directly by accessing: dilwynparishcouncil.gov.uk*
- *Highlighted link from the Dilwyn.com community website.*

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 on the above mentioned council website. 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, 6th November, 2018

At this meeting, 5 Councillors were present, with apologies from Cllrs. T. Kyles, R. Brown, D. Brown, A. Brown, J. Lewis and J. Hall; the Parish Clerk, Mr. Gwilym Rippon was in attendance; there were four members of the public present.

a. Public Participation:

a) To receive the Police report.

There was no police presence.

b) To receive the Ward Councillor's report.

The Ward Councillor gave his report, a copy of which will be sent through to the Clerk for inclusion on the website.

c) Questions from members of the public.

There was one question in relation to the high precept. The Clerk replied that there was a need for a suitable unearmarked reserve to cover the higher than normal cost of audit, due to the fact that every year for six years there had been a complaint under audit. The additional cost for this over that period is in excess of £8000.

Several members of the public made complaints of speeding in the village and asked if the Council could contact the police. A complaint was left on the Kington Police Twitter account in relation to speeding.

b. To approve the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting on Tuesday, 2nd October, 2018.

RESOLVED

The minutes of the Regular Meeting on Tuesday 2nd October, 2018 were approved.

c. Information arising from the minutes.

- Cllr. Gerrish reported that the ditch has not been dealt with at Rose Cottage.

d. Correspondence received:

Nothing under this heading.

e. Finance:

- a) To note the bank balances for October 2018.

The Clerk reported the following

Current Account	£ 29837.73
Hub Account	£ 1691.64
Crown Account	£ 1322.82
Total	£ 31852.19

- b) To discuss and approve invoices for payment. Details may be seen on the Parish Council website and village notice-boards. The Clerk was instructed to pay all invoices.
- c) The Clerk reported that he had received a quotation for grass-cutting next year amounting to £1095.

RESOLVED

The quotation was accepted.

f. Highway matters:

- a. Balfour Beatty.

Cllr. Stilwell has put the recently-purchased grit-bins in place. Balfour Beatty have said they would not necessarily fill them!

- b. Speeding in the village.

This was discussed under questions from the public.

- c. Work for Lengths-man:

Village weeds (apparently, he was spraying on the day of this meeting)

g. Planning matters

1. 183149 –

Application for erection of an agricultural building to cover a manure store at Fields Place, Dilwyn, Herefordshire, HR4 8HH.

RESOLVED

The Council supported this application.

2. 183726 -

Application for the erection of a free-range egg laying unit with linked corridor to existing unit at Luntley Cottage, Pembridge, Leominster, Herefordshire, HR6 9EH.

RESOLVED

The Council supported this application.

h. Carols on the Green

Discussion took place in relation to the arrangements for the 12th December 2018. St. Mary's Church Choir had suggested support for the Megan Baker Charity, that helps with severe disability and this was agreed.

i. Update on the Neighbourhood Development Plan:

Cllr. Kyles updated members in relation to the current position of the Neighbourhood Plan. Following the consultation, it would be determined whether any amendments to the Plan would be required. It would then hopefully go to referendum in March 2019.

j. The Crown Inn

It was reported that the work required on the roof in relation to the lead flashing had been completed. In relation to work required in the Play Area, following a recent ROSPA report, it was reported that everything had been completed.

Cllr. Gerrish stated that he was going to discuss with the tenants any other work that might be required.

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The next meeting of the Parish Council will be on Tuesday, 8th January 2018, commencing at 7.30pm in St. Mary's School.



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In an optician's window:
"If you don't see what you're looking for,
you've come to the right place."

In a Non-smoking Area:
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On a Taxidermist's window:
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On a Fence:
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about 16000 litres.

The price had actually fallen to **46.95p** per litre nearly 6p cheaper than October, delivery was from Beacon Fuels and again very prompt, The other prices were Watson at 53p and Oil4Wales at 49.5, I could not get replies in time from the other two companies and had to get the order done, Beacon came in at an excellent price and checking on the price structure they were well below average.

As a matter of interest Boiler Juice .com would have been 59.75p per litre, they are not the cheapest as people may think, admin charges are included.

Over the last month the trend has fallen again dramatically with a slow rise and fall on the way, 18th November started at £470 per 900 litres, falling quickly over a period of about 13 days to a low of £437 on 4th December, then rising slowly, levelling off on the way to a price of £450 on the 18th. I am ordering now so the price should still be fair, this month is short because I want to hope fully get a pre Christmas delivery.

Have fun and look forward to the Spring, the shortest day has gone.

Pete

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Thank you, Pete!

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A Cautionary Tale



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It was dark, pouring with rain and John noticed our drains were backed up. We had previously had some problems and so the drain rods came out and John set to work -but to no avail.

The neighbours were consulted and one side was fine but the other side were starting to see problems. It was then that we could see the foul drain in the road was backed up and coming through the manholes.

This was a job for Welsh Water! I have to say the service was excellent -from the initial phone call they kept us informed of what would happen and time scales. The men arrived within the hour and used high pressure hoses to unblock the main drain. The cause of the blockage was the usual build up of fats and in particular sanitary items and nappies.

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Crown Inn



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Mondays – As this is the quietest day for food, the kitchen will be closed. However, the pub will still be open for drinks! For group bookings on this day, please call to enquire.

Pensioners Lunches will be starting this Month once a week on a Thursday 12pm-1pm. Days may change on certain weeks due to availability. We have a shoot lunch on Thursday 24th January, so that week we will have pensioner lunches on Wednesday 23rd. Please call us for more information.

Burns Night will be held at the Village Hall Friday 25th January, with Max cooking the food. Tickets can be purchased at The Crown, so book your space before tickets sell out!

Live Music – We will have live music on Saturday 12th January and Saturday 26th January. Both days from 9pm.

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We look forward to a great start to the New Year at The Crown Inn and we have plenty of plans to keep pushing it forward throughout the year. Hope to see you all soon.

Maria & Max

Why January?



It is generally thought that the name of this month comes from Janus, the two-faced Roman God, who is both looking back to the old year, and forward to the new. He is also the keeper of the doorway, giving entry to January, and exit. from December, the last month of the year. There are some pretty grim images of him, but here is a reasonably friendly one!

Puzzle Page

Sudoku Puzzles

The aim of Sudoku is to complete the entire grid using the numbers 1-9. Each number can only be used once in each row, once in each column, and once in each of the 3×3 boxes. Visit www.sudokuoftheday.com for further tips and help about how to play – and good luck!"

Beginner Puzzle

9			2		3	4		
	4	8			3			
6	7	3		9	4			
	5		4			2		9
		9	2		5	6		
4		2			7		8	
			5	6		8	1	2
			8			7	9	
	8	1		7			5	

Easy Puzzle

	4		6	2	7		9	
6					9	7		4
				8	5	6		2
	3			7				9
	9		2		1		4	
1				3			2	
8		9	1	4				
7		2	8					5
	1		7	5	2		8	

Medium Puzzle

		1			2	9		4
	4	6						
7			9	4			5	1
	8				5			
2				3				9
			8				7	
5	6			1	3			7
						5	2	
4		7	5			1		

Tricky Puzzle

5			6			9		
	6	9			7		8	
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9	8			2				
	5	3		1			9	
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Dilwyn Weather Watch For November 2018



Three and a half inches of rain (86mm) helped our ongoing year's total for 2018 up to 30 inches (740mm). It was a fairly typical November, with cloud and mists making everything feel cold and damp. Only six days out of thirty could be called 'sunny', with a couple more having a few hours of sunshine. Near the month end, Storm Diane was swiftly followed by even more rain and wind, enough to cause some disruption and our first local signs of flooding. Daytime temperatures averaged 11 degrees and night times averaged 4, the warmest day climbing to 16 and the lowest night falling to minus 4.

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Those attending enjoy the company of others and the chance to round off the walk with a hot drink and a slice of cake in the Queenswood Cafe.

The walks are held each month with a longer walk, away from Queenswood, also held regularly.

There is no time limit to the group, with some regulars having attended for around two years.

Shirley Young, a Social Worker at St Michael's, is one of those who leads the walks.

'There is no pressure whatsoever to talk about your loss; the topic of conversation can range from the weather to your favourite book or TV programme.

'But we find that those who join us build up a friendship with many of their fellow walkers, leading to them returning each month.'

Striders & Strollers is free to take part in, but parking charges apply at Queenswood. To find out more call Shirley on 01432 851 000.

Plant Fair:

St Michael's Hospice Plant Fair, Friday 3rd May and Saturday 4th May 2019, 10.30am-4pm. St Michael's Hospice, Bartestree, HR1A

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Cedar Club

On Thursday, January 17th at 2.30pm in the Cedar Hall, Penny Platts will give a talk about the "History of Cider.

The 2019 Programme is :

February	21st	Tracing Family History	John Turrell
March	21st	Tales of an Evacuee	Kenneth Reeve
April	18th	the Glenn Miller Story	Richard Jordan
May	16th	Outing: Welshpool & Llanfair Railway	
June	20th	Autoharp & Dulcimer	Mike & Rachel Fenton
July/August		No Meeting	
September	19th	Strange Antiques	Nigel Christie
October	17th	Tea	
November	21st	Sly Gin	Duncan Fox
December	19th	Christmas Lunch	

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

Caroline Newton

Retirement January 31st 2019

After 44 years of both NHS and private Physiotherapy I have decided to retire at the end of January 2019. This was a difficult decision to make as I love my work and will miss you all, however the more I thought about it the more excited I got and I now have a long list of places to go and things to do!

I will be recommending Nathalie Cresswell who is a local Chartered Physiotherapist and has worked in Herefordshire NHS and Private Practice. Nathalie is expanding her Private Practice and will be working from her home in Shobdon.

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Thank you all for your support over the years and I wish you all a happy and healthy 2019.

Caroline Newton

Yet Another Life Lesson

In the summer of 1974 I was detached to RAF Biggin Hill, along with my friend Kev, as part of the groundcrew for that year's air display. We were going to be there for 10 days seeing aircraft in as they arrived at the airfield and positioning them on static display, marshalling aerobatic teams and solo aircraft during the practise week and on the day itself. Prior to all of this the first day was spent having briefings, and familiarising ourselves with SO's (Station Orders), where various sections were, SHQ, the mess, NAAFI and so on.

Despite being pre HSE our first 'serious' briefing was from the airfield fire section. We were billeted in 9 man caravans as the permanent accommodation could only cope with a certain amount of extra 'bods' and the lecture was taken by an RAF Regiment sergeant, who set about his task with gusto and forceably imparted to us the gravity of the information he was sharing about fire regs in the caravans, not drying laundry on the heaters, no smoking etc. etc. There were other briefings but none delivered so pointedly although they took up all of Monday, so after tea we went to wind down with a pint, with our new found chums from various other stations, relishing the proper work the following day.

Tuesday we actually spent meeting our Senior NCO's and being given the run down on arrival times of the aircraft starting on Wednesday, then the real job would begin. On that day, after breakfast, we found our way to the hut on the airfield, that would be our office for the next 8 days, and from this location we marshalled several types of aircraft from several different Air Forces around the globe. Most of the types were familiar, as the majority were RAF but there were exceptions as Belgian, Dutch, German, Italian, goddam yanks- you get the picture, followed each other to this great wartime station. During the day we heard 'vague rumours' of a small domestic fire that had occurred somewhere on the unit which had briefly piqued our interest , quickly disappearing when no substantial information was forthcoming. The day passed and soon it was 1700 hours and playtime ended, we headed for tea. In the mess there was a certain buzz of excitement and as we sat at table, amid murmurings of the earlier fire circulating the room, we

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discovered, that although all reasonable care had been taken to alert us of the consequences, a caravan had indeed been burned to the ground that very day. Armed with this terrible news we hardly tasted tea as we cleared our plates in double time in order to leave and offer our heartfelt condolences to the unfortunate occupants of said caravan. On arriving at the site of the burned out shell our sympathies rapidly dissolved and despite our best endeavours we erupted into gleeful, almost maniacal laughter.....the caravan that had been destroyed was the temporary residence of 9 firemen from RAF Scampton. It took a great deal of willpower to stop ourselves joining hands and dancing around it. Fortunately it had been empty but it did transpire that a damp towel left drying on the heater was the source.

Before we left for our own units there was an end of display party thrown in one of the flying clubs after the weekend of displays. All personnel had been duly invited and we made our way across the airfield, 7 up in a Spitfire (Triumph and not Supermarine) not recommended, particularly as I was on the bottom.....I would like to point out that at no time did we take to public roads but have no doubt that the C.O. would have cared little for that had he known!!!!

Going into the Club we discussed the possibility of pulling and scanned the area for likely targets; we soon realised even in our brightly coloured, penny round collared shirts and dungarees it would not be our night, once the aircrews in blazers, complete with team badges, smart pressed trousers had picked off the cream of the ladies and the NCO's had sorted through the best of the remains, we were still behind the firemen who dazzled the girls of our own age with their tale of woe....what's that about who laughs last.

Hiz Nibz, Ron.



Cedar Hall 100 Club

2019 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.

Burns Night

Yes clansfolk it's nearing that time again to check your tartans, sharpen your sgian dubh and press your flashes, haggis, highland park and hairy knees to enjoy along with Rabs prose. **Friday 25th January** at 7.00pm in the **Cedar Hall** and only one place to get your tickets call 01544 318579 speak to Julie or myself or leave a message and reserve yours. Usual choice of main ...Haggis or Salmon pick your preference and state which when booking your ticket. I am looking forward to seeing old faces and hopefully a few new on the night. Max is your chef this year and the bar is provided by The Crown so we can all enjoy the music, poetry and merriment. Posters are on display in the Cedar Hall and Crown so, as the man said, book early. In the meantime have a wonderful Hogmannay.

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Quiz Answers (p. 37)

1. Jean Alexander
2. Muhammed Ali
3. Andrew Sachs
4. In the brain
5. Antelope
6. Apple
7. Clare Balding
8. Trinity
9. T. John's
10. Jack Vettriano
11. Mona Lisa
12. The Scream
13. Great Dane
14. Kit
15. One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest
16. Four
17. Greg Lake
18. Lawnmower
19. Rihanna
20. Katy Perry

Weobley & District Wildlife

On Thursday 6th December 34 members and friends of Weobley and district branch of Herefordshire Wildlife Trust were treated to a delightful evening of show and tell and music by Hop Pickers Feast and seasonal refreshments too. Mr. Ian Wren and his two stalwart musicians played so ably it was a real pleasure to hear them. Sean Kingston was the first to participate in the show and tell. He showed photos of a badger taken by his son age 13 years who had been given his first camera. One of the photos was full frontal and of such good resolution that many of us would have liked to say we had taken it. Graham Saunders followed with an illustrated talk on the tree, Ginkgo Biloba which can grow to 30 metres high with leaves of two lobes hence its name. Fossils have been dated to 2 hundred million years ago. It can survive cold and heat and being slow growing often lives for two and a half thousand years. There is one in Chelsea Physic Garden and a beautiful specimen grows in Kinnersley Castle grounds. It is widely used in herbal medicine as it improves circulation and is therefore used for angina and vascular dementia. Robert Williams showed six photographs and spoke of Aymestry Limestone, its place in the geology of N.W. Herefordshire and the people who published books about it. People like Rev. Thomas Taylor Lewis, an able naturalist interested in rocks and fossils who was vicar of Bridstow near Ross on Wye. Sir Roderick Murchison with his friend Sedgwick set about establishing an understanding of the geology of Wales in 1831. Murchison named the Silurian system after an Iron Age tribe, the Silures, and published his seminal work on the subject in 1839. He also had dealings with Thomas Andrew Knight who lived in Downton Castle and was the author of the Herefordshire Pomona. Finally Robert showed us a photo of Kirkidium Knighti, a marine fossil which is set in the wall of Aymestry church in a block of Aymestry limestone. It is dated to over 400 million years ago. Charles Overton showed photos of carnivorous plants. These grow in nitrogen deficient soil in full sunlight. These insect eating plants catch their prey in three different ways, pit fall trap, mechanical trap and fly paper trap. They are temperate loving and grow outside happily to various heights. The Venus fly trap, *Dionaea Muscipula* has trigger hairs which require 2 touches to effect closure. How does this plant time and sense it's reaction to touch? Dave Burr spoke and illustrated the topic of two fish which are found in the river Wye. The shad is a relative of the herring and comes to the river to spawn. The other, a sea lamprey was not a very beautiful fish. It has one nostril and one eye, is parasitic and uses its head to shift stones to prepare his redd. He will cooperate with other males to move larger stones or small rocks. Hedley Boyce was next with a tale of the owl nesting box given him as a retirement present. This was eventually inhabited by a pair of tawny owls which hatched a brood. These owlets became used to Hedley working in his garden and fledged successfully. Ian Sterry showed some delightful photos of the birds in his garden thus ably demonstrating the pleasure to be gained by studying the bird life close to home. Mary Stevenson moved with her husband to Eaton Bishop a few years ago and the beauty of the place made a great impression on them both. The view from her back garden is fantastic especially with a rainbow. Simple things like a cross section of a thick branch of purple beech, a field of potatoes tilled and earthed up and the shine of the rain on cobbled stones of an old stone path gave much pleasure. Lewis Goldwater was our last contributor. He is a reserves officer and our contact at the Herefordshire Wildlife Trust. He spoke of the importance of water to all age groups and the various ways and places volunteers can work for the trust.

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Onside's Volunteer Manager, Claire Watkins, said "Our volunteers give their time, their passion and enthusiasm, this role is very worthwhile and rewarding."

Volunteers are ordinary people of all ages and backgrounds they just need to be good listeners and have some time to give. We also have further opportunities with advocacy, mentoring, café and book shop volunteering available.

If you can picture yourself in the role of an Onside volunteer please call Claire Watkins - Volunteer Manager on 01905 27525 or email claire.watkins@onside-advocacy.org.uk to find out more. This type of volunteering is flexible to fit with your life and circumstances. Free training (throughout the year) is provided and all expenses paid.

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Puzzle Page

Quiz

1. Famed for her headscarf and curlers in her most famous role.
2. Who could "float like a butterfly, sting like a bee"?
3. Born in Berlin he was best known for playing a Spaniard.
4. In which human organ would you find the hypothalamus?
5. What type of creature is a kob?
6. 'Ariane', 'Parkland', 'Sandow' and 'Elton Beauty' are types of which fruit?
7. Whose first novel is entitled The Racehorse Who Wouldn't Gallop?
8. What is the name of the character played by Carrie Anne Moss in the Matrix Films?
9. What is the capital city of Antigua and Barbuda?
10. Who painted The Singing Butler?
11. How is La Gioconda better known?
12. Which picture by Edvard Munch has been the target of several high profile art thefts
13. In terms of height, what is the world's largest dog breed?
14. What is the term used for a baby ferret?
15. Which Jack Nicholson film was based in a mental hospital?
16. How many strings does a violin usually have?
17. Which musician believed in Father Christmas?
18. Which gardener's item was invented by Edwin Beard Budding in 1830?
19. What is the better known stage name of Robyn Fenty?
20. Who rose to fame in 2008 with the release of the single I Kissed a Girl?

Answers are on page 31.

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Tricky

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Easy

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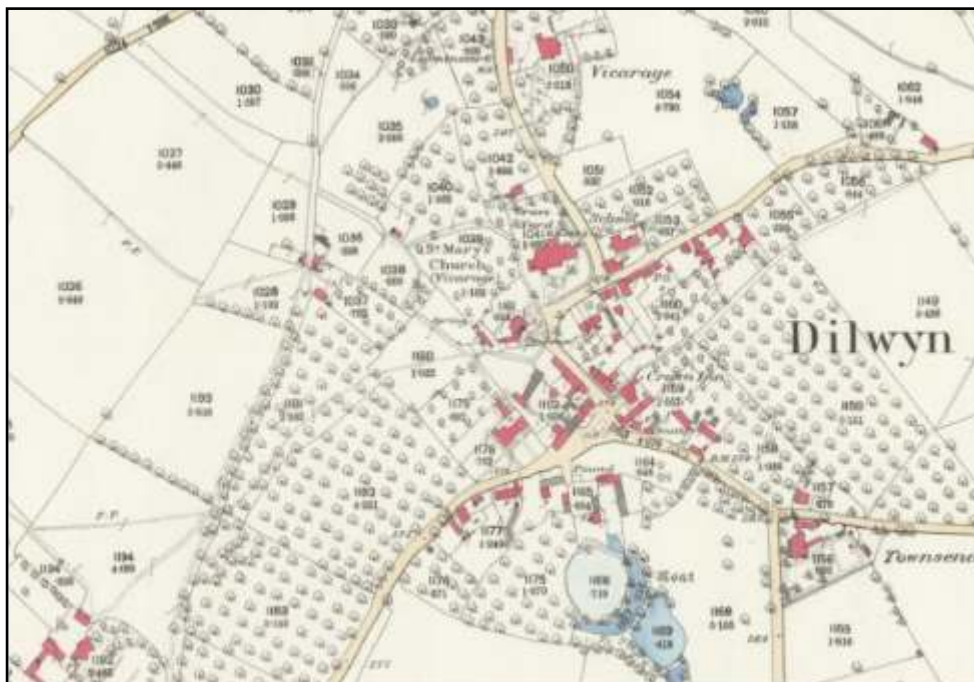
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January Events Diary

Date		Event		
Tue	1st	New Year Hunt Meet	11.00am	Crown Inn
Tue	8th	Parish Council Meeting	7.30pm	School
Tue	8th	WI Meeting	7.30pm	Old Forge
Sat	12th	Live Music	9.00pm	Crown Inn
Thu	17th	Cedar Club Talk	2.30pm	Cedar Hall
Fri	25th	Burns Night	7.00pm	Cedar Hall
Sat	26th	Live Music	9.00pm	Crown Inn

St Mary's services can be found on page 4

Cedar Hall 100 Club Super Draw

December 1st Andrew Key £50. 2nd Anthea Alexander £25
3rd Richard Thomas £25

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