

The Dilwynner

100 Years ago at the 11th hour of the 11th day in the 11th month



 **Armistice** 1918-2018

At the going down of the sun and in the morning, we will remember them.

November 2018

Dilwyn's Parish Magazine

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THE DILWYN CHARITY 2018

Every year, during the Christmas season, a number of events, sponsored jointly by the Choir of St. Mary's Church and Dilwyn Parish Council, take place in support of a selected charity. This year's choice is the **Megan Baker House**, which provides conductive education sessions for children and adults with motor disorders such as Cerebral Palsy, Dyspraxia, Parkinson's disease, Stroke and Acquired brain injury. Through conductive education, participants learn how to manage and deal with the difficulties caused by their condition, to enable them to lead a more independent life.



Please support our fund-raising for this very worthy charity by coming to the Coffee Morning and Carols on the Green, and by supporting the Church Choir when it goes Carol-Singing.

Dilwyn Parish Council



Family Friendly

Bonfire night

Saturday 3rd

November

On Dilwyn School field

From 5pm

BRAZIER FIRES, SPARKLERS,
mulled cider, hot dogs,

Fireworks at 5.30pm



Entry: £1 PER PERSON
Cedar Hall HR4 8JS
Everyone welcome



Coffee Morning



Crown Inn

By kind permission of Maria and Max

Saturday 10th November

10.30 am

Supporting Carols on the
Green and St Mary's Church
Choir's chosen charity:

**Megan Baker
House**



Cake Stall and Raffle



DILWYN Exhibition and Sale

Dilwyn Village Hall



Friday 16th November 7.30pm

Tickets £5 (Please book) to include

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Ghost Stories

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Saturday 10th
November

7.30 pm

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Confit of Duck Leg, Pickled Cabbage, Parsi & Parsnips
Mushrooms Strangouff, Asada Chips
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Services for November

4th	Evening Prayer	6.30pm
11th	Remembrance	10.45am
21st	Morning Prayer	11.00am
25th	Holy Communion	09.30am

Holy Communion every Tuesday, 10.30am, at Windsor Cottage

CHOIR PRACTICE: 7th November @ 6.30pm in the church

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

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Baptist Church, Leominster: 01568-708247

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The Dilwynner always needs items from parishioners to keep the magazine both fresh and interesting. So, we would welcome your articles about any subjects that might interest our readers such as news, events, visits, restaurants, celebrations, anecdotes, times past, etc.

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Bonfire 6.30 pm
Fireworks 7 pm

Entrance:
Adults £5
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Tasty refreshments

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The Story of the Poppy

During the First World War (1914-1918) much of the fighting took place in Western Europe. The countryside was devastated by bombs and the land was turned into mud where little or nothing could grow. However, the bright red Flanders poppies began to grow in their thousands and covered the bleak and barren landscape.

Shortly after losing a friend at Ypres, Canadian doctor, Lt Col John McCrae was inspired by the sight of these poppies to write his now famous poem called 'In Flanders Fields'. In turn, this poem inspired an American Moina Michael, to make and sell red silk poppies which were brought to England by a French woman, Anna Guérin.

The (Royal) British Legion, formed in 1921, ordered 9 million of these silk poppies and sold them on 11th November that year. The poppies sold out almost immediately and that first ever 'Poppy Appeal' raised over £106,000; a considerable amount of money at the time. This was used to help WW1 veterans with employment and housing.

In the following year, 1922, Major George Howson opened his factory and he had but one dream: "to give the disabled their chance." Thousands of wounded soldiers, sailors and airmen were returning from The Great War without the means of earning a living and Howson was sure he could do something about it. Poppies had become popular as an icon of public remembrance through the work of Moina Michael and Anna Guérin. Howson saw his chance and asked Earl Haig (founder of the British Legion) if he could make the poppies for their next Poppy Appeal. Howson decided to set up The Disabled Society with just 6 staff. Within 10 years, the name had changed to The Poppy Factory and Howson was employing over 350 disabled veterans to make the poppies.

The demand for poppies in England was so high that few were reaching Scotland. Earl Haig's wife established the 'Lady Haig Poppy Factory' in Edinburgh in 1926 to produce poppies exclusively for Scotland. Over 5 million Scottish poppies (which have four petals and no leaf unlike poppies in the rest of the UK) are still made by hand by disabled ex-Servicemen at Lady Haig's Poppy Factory each year and distributed by Poppy Scotland.

The Poppy Factory is located at Richmond and is open to the public for guided tours.

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Dilwyn RBL



November is the month which as a nation, we remember the fallen in all wars. This year we commemorate the 100th anniversary of the end of the First World War. The Royal British Legion is the principal national charity that supports ex-service personnel and their dependants. Our poppy sellers will be calling in the lead up to November 11th. If we miss you, poppies and a collecting tin are on the bar at The Crown. You are always most generous - it is a good cause. Thank you.

Remembrance Service

Sunday 11th November 11.00am @ St. Mary's Church

Members are invited to muster at 10.45am outside the Crown Inn prior to attending the church remembrance service at 11.00am.

Talk: 'Belfast – Streets of Glass'

Tuesday 13th November 7.30pm Speaker Meeting @ The Crown

Joe 'Bear' Hand is an ex Special Forces soldier and will talk about his experiences with the Parachute Regiment and other units through three decades of the "Troubles" in Northern Ireland.

Annual General Meeting

Wednesday 14th November 8.00pm @ The Crown

Members' meeting to receive Officers' Reports, approve 2017/18 Branch Accounts and to elect Branch Officers for 2018/19, followed by refreshments

Hereford Cathedral Remembrance

From Monday 5th to Saturday 10th November at 4:30pm, the names of the county's First World War dead will be read out each day followed by the Evensong service. Names will be read alphabetically. It is hoped that dignitaries and organisations from across the county will be present along with family representatives from the WW1 armed forces.

A Service of Remembrance for the end of WW1 will be held in the Cathedral at 3:30pm on Sunday November 11th when the last 200 names will be read out. The Royal British Legion Union flag and County Standard will be paraded. All are welcome to attend these special services and visit the Royal British Legion 'Field of Remembrance' situated in the Cathedral's Lady Arbor garden.

DILWYN RBL Christmas Card

Available for purchase at RBL meetings, or from Pam Taylor (Old Police Station - give her a call first, 01544 318444). We have a quantity of last year's card ("outside the gates of the Great House") as well as this year's design - "The Crown Inn", both expertly drawn by branch member Len Beach. Price 60p each incl. envelope. Size: 21cm x 14.5cm. See colour advertisement opposite

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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, 4th September, 2018

At this meeting, 10 Councillors were present, with apologies from Cllrs. E. Stilwell and D. Brown; the Parish Clerk, Mr. Gwilym Rippon was in attendance and there were two members of the public present.

a. Public Participation:

- To receive the Police report.
There was no police presence.
- To receive the Ward Councillor's report.
The Ward Councillor notified Council that a member of the public had brought to his attention the speeding of tractors in the village.
- Questions from members of the public:
A member of the public gave a pre-application presentation for Small Breed Farm.

- b. To approve the minutes** of the Regular Council Meeting on Tuesday, 3rd July, 2018.
RESOLVED: The minutes of the above meeting were approved.

c. Information arising from the minutes.

- Cllr. Gerrish reported that the ditch has not been dealt with at Rose Cottage.
- It was unclear if the footpaths had been cleared; however, this will be clarified at the next meeting.

d. Correspondence received:

The play equipment ROSPA had been received.

e. Finance:

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

The Clerk reported the following

Current Account	£ 4798.14
Hub Account	£ 9.64
Crown Account	£32797.49
Total	£37605.27

- 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.

f. Highway matters:

- a) Balfour Beatty: A number of potholes were reported.
Fly-tipping in Haven Lane had been reported.
- b) Work for Lengths-man: The ditch at Rose Cottage.

g. Planning matters

182056: Application for proposed agricultural building to be used as a manure store at Alton Court Farm, Dilwyn, Herefordshire. HR4 8HD. This application was discussed.

RESOLVED: The Council supported this application.

h. Carols on the green

Cllr. Gerrish updated members on proposals for this year's Carols on the Green. It was agreed that Cllr. Gerrish should continue with the organisation.

i. Update on the Neighbourhood Plan

The Neighbourhood Plan was discussed and it was RESOLVED that Regulation 14 be published in the Dilwynner. A six-week consultation on the draft Dilwyn Neighbourhood Plan (Reg 14) will commence at 8am on Monday 10th September and continue until midday, Monday 22nd October 2018.

j. The Crown Inn

It is confirmed that all legal matters relating to the Crown Inn have been finalised and that Maria Franzen and Max Evilio have taken up the tenancy, with effect from the 13th August 2018, on a lease renewable after six years.

PLEASE NOTE: The next meeting of the Parish Council will be on Tuesday, 6th November 2018, commencing at 7.30pm in St. Mary's School.



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Parish Council Budget

Budget for Dilwyn Parish Council 2019/2020

	2017/ Budget		Expenditure	Expected	Officer	Committee
	2018	2018/19	to date	expenditure	suggested	budget
			2018/19	2018/19	2018/2019 budget +/-	2019/20
Subs; Insurance;						
Audit; Hall Hire						
SLCC	110	110	0	110	0	115
Insurance	1400	1400	1383	1383	17	1400
Audit Fees	600	600	52	363	237	600
Clerk Salary/Expenses						
Clerk's salary	4312	5800	2792	5584	216	5800
Clerk's Expenses & Admin	1200	1000	1049	1900	-900	1000
Misc. Expenses (Chair)	50	50	0	0	50	50
Training Clerk/Councillors	100	100	0	0	100	100
Governance						
Election costs	100	100	0	0	100	100
Reference books	0	0	0	0	0	0
Village Green (trees and grass)						
Mowing Green (& triangles)	800	800	0	1000	-200	1100
Tree Maintenance	200	200	0	200	0	200
Bench Maintenance	50	50		100	-50	100
Events						
Christmas lights	100	100	0	100	0	100
Firework display	250	250	0	250	0	250
Grants and Donations						
Dilwynner	1000	1000	500	500	500	1000
Dilwyn School						
Dilwyn Play area	100	100	0	150	-50	100
Dilwyn Cedar Hall	60	60	30	60	0	60
Playgroup	100	100	0	0	100	100
Lengthsman	2693	1000	2012	3000	-2000	3000
St. Mary's mowing	350	350	350	350	0	350
St. Mary's PCC toilets	50	350	350	350	0	350
Other Community Grants	250	250	0	150	100	250
Other Expenditure						
Street Furniture – litter bins etc.	100	100	600	600	-500	100
Neighbourhood Plan	500	500	46	500	0	500
Website	600	0	640	640	-640	200
Contingencies and misc.		5000	1636	3000	2000	5000
Additional Business Reserves	3000	3000	0	3000	0	3000
Clock	500	200	200	200	0	200
	18575	22570		23490		25125

Budget Explanation

The year-end is expected to show a small increase in receipts over payments; this is due to a conservative amount being placed into the accounts, which could be used to build up the reserves which at present are still too low for best practice. In monetary terms, the proposed increase is £2300; I would therefore recommend a precept request of £25000. This would give a Council Tax of £82.22p for a band D property, which is an increase of £7.56p (which is less than last year's increase). This would give a monthly increase of 63p per household. The variable used in these calculations is the tax base of £304.05.

Gwilym Rippon, Parish Clerk

Animal Rescue Coffee Morning

On behalf of Hereford and Worcester Animal Rescue we would like to offer our very grateful Thanks to the Crown Inn Dilwyn for hosting a coffee morning for our organisation on Saturday 13th October.

The event was a huge success and raised an amazing £800.00.

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The price had risen unfortunately and was secured at 50.45p per litre , again it came from Beacon Fuels promptly delivering, the prices were, OJ Williams 53.17p, Oil4Wales 53.5p, Watson 50.5p. As a comparison one customer was quoted 59.4p per litre from OJ Williams and that was for 1000 litres, so it shows that we do carry some weight.

The price has been rising and will probably be higher this months order but will still be cheaper than an individual order. The trend has been going up and down, starting at £475 per 900 litres on 24th September and rapidly rising to a peak of £507 on 5th October, staying steady for a few days and slightly dropping to £498 on 18th, it is stable at the moment.

Welcome to the new members again, enjoy your stay, and the Dilwyn Christmas Festivities.

Thanks again everyone and I wish you every happiness.

Pete

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Crown Unplugged Session



“Fiddler on the Roof & the Gas Man”

Giving Something Back to the Community - 18th October 2018

The bar was filled with a lovely attentive audience of 20 plus supporters who had ventured out on a cold October night especially to hear us.

I was joined by Mark Errington (guitar/vocals); Simon (Bear) Addison (autoharp); Jackie Lyness (vocals); Alison Harrington (percussion) and last but by no means least the legendary Worcestershire violinist Arthur Bancroft.

There were occasional vocal covers, numerous original songs and a variety of instrumentals - so basically something for everyone.

While each contribution was welcomed and well received there were perhaps two highlights during the evening which both deserve special mention. The first was an almost unheard of but nevertheless welcome public request for a repeat performance from Arthur for his Fiddler on the Roof medley played towards the start of the evening. I rather suspect this was Arthur's contribution to the overture from the actual West End musical ... he'd held us all spellbound early on in the evening with the first rendition and again towards the end with the requested repeat.

The second such highlight, which finished the evening beautifully, was another request for a repeat of Mark's comedy rendition of The Gas Man which had us all in stitches both times!

As ever my sincere thanks to everyone who took part in the evening, audience and entertainers alike, making it so really special and unique – no two sessions are ever the same and never can be. Thanks to Maria and her team behind the bar for their hospitality and thanks to The Friends of The Crown who originally asked me to play that concert at their local 18 months ago to help with their fundraising events.

The next unplugged acoustic session at The Crown will be on Thursday 15th November at 8/8.30 – hope to see you there!

Valeryan



Weobley Theatre Goers

The trip to see Matilda(matinee) in Cardiff at WMC on Thursday 13th December is going ahead. The coach will depart Weobley Bell Square at 10.30am and there are still places available to book. The cost is £77 which includes a top price ticket in the stalls and coach travel. I am also able to pick up from Leominster bus station, Kingsland Coronation Hall and in Hereford. Please let me know when booking as all pick up points are subject to sufficient numbers booking.

Thursday 24th January. The Jersey Boys at Cardiff WMC (Matinee)£69 per person the coach will depart Weobley Bell square at 10.30am,seats are located in the raised stalls area.Please book now.Tickets are on hold until 17th November.,please pay then to ensure the trip will go ahead.

Thursday 31st January, Blood Brothers (matinee) at Malvern Theatre, £52 per person. The coach departs Weobley Bell square at 12.00, seats are located in the front of the circle. A wonderful chance to see the musical on tour, having seen it recently at Swansea Grand theatre am looking forward to seeing it again, do not miss this fantastic musical on tour. Please pay by 30th November.

To Book any of the trips please contact Justin Lewis on 01568 613836 or email justintourmanager@gmail.com. Please send cheques payable to J.Lewis, 1A Westbury House, Ryelands Road, Leominster, Herefordshire, HR6-8NZ. No cheques will be cashed until sufficient numbers are reached for the trip to run. Please enclose your phone number and email when booking. Many thanks for your support, *Justin*

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Nature Notes

Val Davies rang in to report sighting a Chinese water deer to the west of the village. It is the smallest deer species roaming the UK, I believe. They were brought to England in Victorian times, when colonies were started at Woburn and later Whipsnade Zoo. Some escaped over the years but have tended to stay mostly around The Fens, where conditions suit them better than elsewhere. Clearly, some have gradually found their way to other parts of the country. The adults stand only about 18-22 inches high (45-55cm) and prefer wet or boggy areas where they can hide in the reeds. They are said to swim very well. Perhaps they are following some of our river valleys. Well spotted Val!

Two unusual birds of prey have also been reported. John Jones watched a peregrine falcon, which stopped for a rest in his garden. Perhaps it came from the nest near Symonds Yat, which is the nearest site I have seen them using. Quite unusual to have one so near to people! The other report came from John Huntley who saw and heard a hobby flying over his garden in early September. This bird gave John a clear view of its white cheeks, and then confirmed its identity by giving repeated calls of 'kyo kyo' as it flew over, presumably hunting for insects. These rather musical notes were heard again a couple of days later, when John spotted two of the birds some distance away.

Many thanks for those contributions! More always welcome. E-mail dilwynner@dilwyn.com or phone me on 319262.

Footnote - the peregrine has made a couple more visits to John's garden - and I narrowly missed it when I called in at John's house. Drat! I do not see those very often. (See more below)

AR

Peregrine Falcon

On Friday 12th October we had a most unusual visitor for most of the day. He/she had visited several times briefly for about half an hour. We noticed it before 11am and watched it for two hours or more looking around everywhere from the fence mostly but flew down once or twice where we noticed it had a slight limp. As it was a very wet and windy day it was bedraggled. Then it landed on the hedge (back to us) eating something. The afternoon was more eventful however, as it had caught a small bird, sat on the hedge facing us and plucking feathers and throwing them everywhere and then feeding on the flesh. It stayed around until evening and flew away. My neighbour and nephew have managed to get a picture of it which we are sure it's a Peregrine Falcon.



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AR

Taize Service

Weobley Parish Church - Advent Sunday 2nd December 4pm.

This service is an ecumenical service of music and prayer drawn from a Christian community made up of brothers from many different countries, who live and worship together in Taize, France. The service reflects the unique but simple meditative singing which is easy to follow. The quiet, candlelit atmosphere lends itself to prayer and silence. All are very welcome.

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Max and Maria

Forthcoming events:

1st November	8.00pm	Hobsons Choice, Sea Shanty Singers
8th November	7.15pm	Pub Quiz in aid of British Legion
24th November	8.30pm	Live Music with Footprints.

Weobley & District Wildlife

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On 4th October Mr Archie Miles, noted photographer and author spoke about "The Ash Tree in Britain - a celebration at the eleventh hour". "Ash die-back" is a disease that is fast spreading across the British Isles... and within about 20 years, probably 99% of all Britain's Ash trees will be gone but we can recognise and celebrate it while we still have it.

At our next meeting, on Nov 1st Sally Clifton (Independent Ecology Consultant) will speak on "Costa Rica: A Wildlife Treasure and Conservation Pioneer", while on December 6th we will hold a "Community Show and Tell". Members/visitors are invited to bring along anything of wildlife interest for either display or to say a few words about. This can be animal, vegetable or mineral, dead, live or photographs. It promises to be really interesting and enlightening event with live music from the "Hop-pickers Feast". Members £2.00 Visitors £3.00. 7.30 at Weobley Hopelands Village Hall.



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The October meeting of the Dilwyn WI and guests was more an evening of sweet indulgence, with the delight being the taste of the deliciously different pies and puddings with which Jane tempted our palates during her demonstration - a night to remember and perhaps one to repeat in the future. We're holding our Annual Review at the Old Forge at 7.30 pm on 6 November, followed by a cheese & wine soiree and a chance to craftily create something Christmassy.

Pat

Bell Ringing Competition



The Hereford Diocesan Guild of Bellringers striking competition held at Dilwyn on October 6th had nine teams from all districts. After all teams had rung it was a close result with team from Church Stretton district coming out as winners. I would like to thank all involved in making it a successful afternoon, the ladies for the teas, the parishioners who made cakes and last the vicar and church wardens for allowing us to hold the event at Dilwyn.

Tony Price

Cedar Club

On Thursday, November 15th at 2.30pm in the Cedar Hall, Eileen Dilley will give a talk about "The Social History of Afternoon Tea".

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World War One Walk

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Parishioners who walk on the footpath crossing the higher ground in front of Henwood and over to Boycefied Farm might have already noticed waymarkers identifying the right of way as part of this walk. This is a remembrance project partly funded by the National Lottery, whereby circular walks from Eardisland's War Memorial are each named after the 13 Fallen from the 1914-18 war whose names are inscribed there.

The Walk through Dilwyn; which includes a bike ride option, is named after John Herbert Davies who lived just outside the Dilwyn parish boundary. He would in all probability have used parts of the lanes and footpaths before he left England for Moose Jaw in Saskatchewan, and later joined the Canadian Expeditionary Force. He was killed in action in Flanders in 1916.

An opportunity to add a second name to part of the Walk could not be missed and Thomas Lambert Hall is the first name on Dilwyn's War Memorial. Plans are in place to add a Pembridge soldier's name where the Walk enters from Dilwyn. Details can be found at www.eardislandmemorialwalks.org.uk.

The project includes a research initiative and it knows something about Thomas Lambert Hall. If any reader can add to the information set out below, please let the project know on research@eardislandmemorialwalks.org.uk.

Thomas Lambert Hall



Thomas Lambert Hall was born at Townsend House, Dilwyn, Herefordshire, on the 14th August 1896. He was one of six children born to Thomas Lambert and Edith Mabel Hall. His Father was a member of the Royal College of Surgeons. Thomas Lambert attended Cathedral Kings School, Worcester, where he excelled as a student (King's

Scholar) and as a member of the School's Officer Training Corps. Living in New Cross in London, Thomas enlisted at Whitehall on the 16th August 1915, joining the 18th Battalion, King's Royal Rifle

Corps, KRRC, (Arts and Crafts), part the New Army. The Battalion had been formed in June that year by Sir Herbert Raphael, Bart., and gathered at a depot on his estate at Gidea Park, Essex. In September the Battalion was taken over by the War Office and moved to Whitley, where, after shifting for two months to Aldershot, it returned to complete field training. Thomas was promoted from Private to Lance Corporal at an early stage.

The Battalion left for Le Havre on 2nd May, 1916. Training continued during movements towards the front and by 28th May the Battalion had joined the 9th Division

in the Ploegstreert Sector (known as 'Plug Street'). The unit was then engaged in two months' trench work which the KRRC Chronicle reports as a 'most enjoyable time'. The Division was instructed to move south on the 15th August to take part in the Battle of the Somme. Later that month it moved forwards while conducting more training, eventually to arrive in Fricourt on the 12th September. Next day it entered Savoy Trench, moving on to Tea Trench on the 14th and taking up battle positions.

The plan was based on the disposition of one platoon from each company advancing in four waves. A setback occurred just ahead of the attack beginning: the Commanding Officer, his Adjutant and both the Signalling and Trench Mortar officers were killed by a single enemy shell. At 0620 hrs. the attack was launched; its objective being to take Flers. Tanks were deployed in support. By 1000 hrs. the objective was achieved with the area cleared of all enemy forces. From all ranks, 103 men were killed, 206 were wounded and 52 were reported missing. Thomas was amongst those killed.

The total British casualty figure for the 15th September 1916 was 29,376.

Corporal Thomas Lambert Hall was awarded the British War Medal and Victory Medal. These were forwarded to his Father, at Townsend House, in 1921, along with a Commemorative plaque, Scroll and Thomas's back-pay amounting to £77.8.

Thomas's body was never found but he is commemorated on the Thiepval Memorial, close to where he fell and, as previously mentioned, is the first name on the Dilwyn memorial.

The full list of names on the Dilwyn memorial at St Mary's Church:

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JOHN POWELL,	Herefd. R	Aug. 6.1917
GEORGE BURTON	Worc. R	Aug.17.1917
WILLIAM VAUGHAN,	K.S.L.I	Sep. 2.1917
CHARLES EVELYN HAYES	2nd Bord.R.	Oct.26.1917
WILLIAM RICHARD MOORE	Herefd. R.	Nov. 6.1917
ARTHUR EVANS,	K.S.L.I.	Dec. 1.1917
BERTIE GOUGH Sgt	16th.Lncrs	Mar.23.1918
THOMAS DAVIES Pte.	K.S.L.I.	Apr.20.1918
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I took up post in the Landing Gear Section dealing with wheels, tyres and brakes of the Aircraft 2nd Line Maintenance Unit as NCO I/c. Over the first few days I familiarised myself with my new surroundings, was seconded, along with 3 others to tend to bar duties (each section had their own 'watering hole') and generally got the feel of the place.

It was traditional to enjoy 'bluey' evenings, Tues and Fri, when the UK flights arrived with our mail from home. These events were hosted by the MC, to which role I had been volunteered, and consisted of welcoming new arrivals, bidding farewell to departees and the clerk distributing the mail once unloaded from the aircraft. It was also customary to invite the crews of the aircraft and other section personnel to these 'parties'. Each member of our section were given 2 tickets to give to whosoever they felt inclined to ask along on these evenings (tickets limited because of fire regulations) in this way we curried favour around the base with the lucky recipients as 'Timmy's Bar' was a desirable venue to be seen in.

I had started my tour at the beginning of November and around the end of that month thoughts were turning to Christmas and how we would celebrate. I was aware that station standing orders stated that no fraternisation was permitted with the personnel from the island of Goa who ran the laundry on the base. I had felt their inclusion may be beneficial to them as they, like us, were thousands of miles from home and approached my flight commander to ask if we be allowed to invite them to one of our functions over the festive period, he was in favour but ultimately the base C.O. would have to approve and my 'boss' would broach the subject with him on my behalf. We were granted permission with the proviso we would invite the good people of Goa to an exclusive evening with only our own section personnel present. We readily accepted the terms and set about preparing for the night, the Friday before Christmas chosen. On this particular evening it was agreed that nobody would go to the mess for the evening meal and in these circumstances our rations could be used to entertain our guests, a vehicle was dispatched to pick up steaks, salads, potatoes and cold sweets. We had collected driftwood from around the shore several days before to fuel our BBQ and had caught South Atlantic mullet to offer an alternative to meat, restocked the bar so all was set. We luxuriated in a glorious evening, enjoyed our food and made our guests part of our 'community' a complete success, we had two more such events and from then until March, when I ended my tour, each and every time we took our laundry in we were greeted with smiles and cries of 'Hello Timmy Bar man'. We all made some lovely friends that night and I hope it still continues.

Hiz Nibz, Ron.

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“They Shall Not Grow Old”



Created exclusively with original footage from the Imperial War Museums' film archive and audio from BBC archives, director Peter Jackson brings the First World War to life in a way never seen before. Using the voices of the veterans combined with original archival footage to bring to life the reality of war on the front line for a whole new generation. Footage has been colourised and transformed with modern production techniques to present never before seen detail (as demonstrated in the above still picture).

It is due to be shown on the BBC on Armistice day, 11th of November, but the time is still to be confirmed. A documentary not to be missed.

You can see a trailer, stills and a Peter Jackson interview here at:

<https://www.1418now.org.uk/commissions/new-film-peter-jackson/>

For the Fallen By Laurence Binyon

With proud thanksgiving, a mother for her children,
England mourns for her dead across the sea.
Flesh of her flesh they were, spirit of her spirit,
Fallen in the cause of the free.

Solemn the drums thrill; Death august and royal
Sings sorrow up into immortal spheres,
There is music in the midst of desolation
And a glory that shines upon our tears.

They went with songs to the battle, they were young,
Straight of limb, true of eye, steady and aglow.
They were staunch to the end against odds uncounted;
They fell with their faces to the foe.

They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old:
Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.
At the going down of the sun and in the morning

We will remember them.

They mingle not with their laughing comrades again;
They sit no more at familiar tables of home;
They have no lot in our labour of the day-time;
They sleep beyond England's foam.

But where our desires are and our hopes profound,
Felt as a well-spring that is hidden from sight,
To the innermost heart of their own land they are
known

As the stars are known to the Night;

As the stars that shall be bright when we are dust,
Moving in marches upon the heavenly plain;
As the stars that are starry in the time of our darkness,
To the end, to the end, they remain.

November Events Diary

Date	Event	Time	Venue
Thu 1st	Hobson's Sea Shanty Singers	8.00pm	Crown Inn
Sat 3rd	Village Market & Cafe	10.00am	Cedar Hall
Sat 3rd	Family Bonfire Nght	5.00pm	School Field
Tue 6th	W.I. Annual Review	7.30pm	Old Forge
Tue 6th	Dilwyn Parish Council Meeting	7.30pm	School
Thu 8th	Pub Quiz in aid of Dilwyn RBL	7.15pm	Crown Inn
Sat 10th	PC Charity Coffee Morning	10.30am	Crown Inn
Sat 10th	Ghost Stories Night	7.30pm	Crown Inn
Sun 11th	Anniversary Remembrance Service	10.45am	Church
Tue 13th	Dilwyn RBL Talk	7.30pm	Crown Inn
Wed 14th	Dilwyn RBL AGM	8.00pm	Crown Inn
Thu 15th	Cedar Club Meeting	2.30pm	Cedar Hall
Thu 15th	Unplugged Music Session	8.00pm	Crown Inn
Fri 16th	Art Exhibition (Ticketed see Page 3)	7.30pm	Cedar Hall
Sat 17th	Art Exhibition (Entry £2) 10.00am to	4.00pm	Cedar Hall
Sat 24th	"Footprints" Live Music	8.30pm	Crown Inn

St Mary's services can be found on [page 4](#)

Cedar Hall 100 Club Draw

October: 1st Eileen Steward £20
2nd Eleanor Wellings £10 3rd Marie James £10

Absolute deadlines for December Dilwynner copy are:

20th Nov for very small items and also regular items

18th Nov for new and non-regular large items.

Normally we expect to receive copy much earlier than these dates

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