



Shirenewton

Parish Magazine

May 2018

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## FROM THE VICARAGE

Dear People of the Parish,

A few years ago, if memory serves me, there was a film – The Love Bug – which featured a certain car model and the lives of the passengers it conveyed.

Just the other week the same vehicle producer provided the transport for Sandra and I on what should have been a fairly routine trip within this area. Here, any similarity ends.

In the original, smiles and laughter abounded. In the real-time, real-life copy barely a comment was exchanged between the occupants without a snarl, acrimonious comment and festering criticism. In short the car was a pig to drive. It declared itself to be automatic in the transmission department and to feature an automatic cut-out when stationary at a road junction, roundabout, traffic jam – you get the picture !This, in fact, was just an excuse to describe near-death experiences on a multitude of occasions when propelling power was nowhere to be seen (or felt) when broadside to an articulated truck who's driver appeared to be mouthing words to the effect that I should perhaps consider speeding up a little, old chap, and emphasising his declaration with finger gestures I could not comprehend. Certainly I had seldom seen such a display since the Diocesan Conference. Or else one was in danger of being catapulted into the rear of a stationary vehicle with terminal velocity. Even this, however, was a poor second to the commentary from my wife who suggested that I had – at the most – the maximum of one brain cell operational, had never even attempted a driving test and, as a favour to fellow motorists, should receive urgent mental treatment at a psychiatric institution, the key to which should be then thrown away.

Such, I imagine, is an easily comprehended analogy of the married condition.

Yes, it has to be admitted that the planning of this trip left a bit to be desired i.e. we had not familiarised ourselves with the car, where we were going or, indeed, the point of it all.

I was reminded (says he in 'Wayside Pulpit' tones) of the biblical statement: *I am the way, the truth and the life.*

Most of us spend our youth messing around and only come to The Way later on. By *the way* I refer to the direction that seems best to suit us as we attempt to navigate through this world. In the Old Testament God reminds some know-it-all that *My ways are not your ways*. And so, I assume, there is no such thing as 'one size fits all'. Each of us finds a passage through life which fits the best on a personal level. However, the scriptural assertion *I am the way...* introduces the idea of an alternative life, one which Paul outlines in *Colossians* by stating the following: *'...seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God'*.

Here, one retains individuality in keeping with the uniqueness with which we were created. For entry into this world we have a trusted guide – Christ himself - and he will manifest himself as *the way, the truth* (else we are seduced by arrogance, delusion and the like) *and the life* (an existence that lasts for eternity, fellowship with God, no less).

As I said in a recent address, I suppose this is why *In my Father's house are many rooms...* In other words there is enough space for each individual. It is only if we thought and acted in an identical way that one large room, as it were, would be sufficient.

All a bit heavy, isn't it? Especially when I am still smarting from Sandra's wounding observations and I can't fully shake off the feeling of what if she is correct?

With every good wish and blessing.

Julian E LI White  
(Rector & Vicar)

## **200 CLUB**

The winners of the 200 Club draw for March are:

1. Emily Slater
2. Lynn Prosser
3. Roy Raikes May
4. Bob Grattan

The winners of the 200 Club draw for April are:

1. Holly Sykes
2. Bob Millar
3. Rob Miller
4. Roy Raikes May

Would winners please contact Graham Lambert at [200clubshirenewton@gmail.com](mailto:200clubshirenewton@gmail.com).

If anyone would like to be in the 200 Club for the 2018-19 year, or have not yet paid there their subs, the cost is £10 per number and there are 10 draws per year. First prize is £40, second £30, third £20 and fourth £10. Please contact me on the above email address.

## **With Thanks**

I would like to say thank you to all my friends and neighbours in both Mynyddbach and Shirenewton for all the cards, good wishes, support and help in recent weeks.

The service at Langstone Park on the 16th of March was a fitting tribute to David who meant everything to me and so much to so many others

Lynne Prosser

## Shirenewton Plant Stall



At last year's Fete we had a few disappointed customers who didn't get to us early enough to get what they wanted, so this year we are offering you the opportunity to pre-order bedding, begonias, geraniums and fuschias (subject to availability).



Why not get the Plant Stall to plant up your hanging baskets?

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Competitive rates - all proceeds to the Church.  
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## Earlswood Newchurch West Memorial Hall AGM Earlswood Hall

Thursday 10th May at 8:00

Please come along to support the old hall.

Hopefully there will be coffee and biscuits.

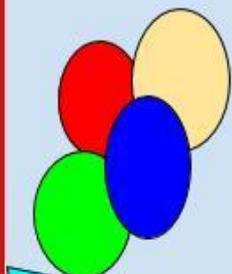
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# Shirenewton Church Big Summer Fete

9th June  
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the family



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coconut shy

Refreshments

Plant Stall

Ice Cream

Games

Candy Floss

Bottle stall

Pimms tent

Army display

Cakes

Recreation field

Help with setting up and taking down always gratefully appreciated. If you are able to help, contact Tony on 641261 or [tony.prout@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:tony.prout@hotmail.co.uk)

## CHESS CHAMPIONS



Huge congratulations to George who came 1st in the U8s Welsh Major Chess Championships and Ben and Dylan who came 1st and 2nd in the Under 9s Welsh Major Chess Championships. All three boys, together with Frankie, will represent the school in the Welsh Primary Schools Championship coming up soon!

## EISTEDDFOD



We had a delayed Eisteddfod this year due to the heavy snowfall on St David's Day. The children enjoyed competing in a wide variety of competitions including painting, model making, creative writing, handwriting, singing, recitation, cookery and several different musical instruments. Walt was crowned the Bard of the Eisteddfod, Lauren was the highest point scorer and Usk house were the overall winners. Bendigedig blant for sharing your wealth of talent and excellent sportsmanship and camaraderie throughout the morning.

## CLASS BLOGS

Check out what else we've been up to on our website: [www.shirenewton.monmouthshire.sch.uk](http://www.shirenewton.monmouthshire.sch.uk)

## CRIW CYMRAEG

Diolch yn fawr iawn i Criw Cymraeg for making leeks and selling them together with daffodils and raising a massive £130.29 for Marie Curie.

## WILDLIFE WIZARDS



Amelia, Carys, Hannah and Alfie are our wildlife wizards who won the first round of the wildlife quiz organised by Magor Marsh, competing against some local schools. They are looking forward to the second round in a couple of weeks.

## NETBALL MATCHES



Our netball team have been extremely busy this term having played against all four of our cluster schools and in a Monmouthshire Tournament.

Come & join us on **TUESDAY 27th MARCH 2pm** at our "**Young at Heart Community Club**" in the school hall ...

You will be working with pupils doing some art and craft activities and knitting; with entertainment from the Eisteddfod and Easter Assembly. Please contact school if you have some free time on your hands and would like to be part of this club: 01291 641774



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Big Sky

Fallen Temples

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**The Ha Ha's**

## THE MISTAKES WE ALL MAKE.

Rick Hayes

Many times in our lives we look at resolutions to a problem, this can be both at work and at home. We look at resolving an issue and then move on. Many times we try to resolve issues with others without trying to reconcile ourselves with them.

The dictionary meaning of both are: Resolution is a formal act of solving or ending a problem or difficulty. Reconciliation is the process of making two opposite beliefs, ideas, or solutions agree. formal the act of solving or ending a problem or difficulty formal the act of solving or ending a problem or difficulty

It is worth noting that reconciliation focuses on relationships rather than resolution which focuses on the problem.

In the Bible we are told Jesus said in Matthew 5:23-24 (NIV), <sup>23</sup> *"Therefore, if you are offering your gift at the altar and there remember that your brother or sister has something against you,* <sup>24</sup> *leave your gift there in front of the altar. First go and be reconciled to them; then come and offer your gift."* Although this message was aimed at the people of the time, it is still relevant to us today. We need to seek reconciliation with each other before we can resolve any issues we may have.

Look at the piece of scripture, it specifically says, 'Be reconciled with them.' It doesn't say, 'But first try and resolve the problem.' In business reconciliation is sometimes referred to as 'getting buy-in', from the stake holders. Remember stake holders are those effected by whatever at all levels, not just the management team.

A lot of my work involves reconciliation, where I try to have people face their problems in life. In marriage it can involve the couple reconciling their differences, the things that caused them to drift away from each other. They can't look at resolving unless they both agree and reconcile their differences.

Then there are those who are addicted to something or other. These people need to find reconciliation of the cause of the addiction, we can then start of the process of resolving the addiction, but unless they want to end the trap they face themselves in, there is no point even trying to resolve the issue.

My darling wife is blessed with the art of reconciliation and resolution, where she suggests something she always has the knack of convincing me through reconciliation that it was my idea/thought in the first place. Once I have grasped the idea we move on to the resolution process, where the idea she implanted into my mind gets carried out. In short she says and I do!

When one is trying to reconcile, one has to have a lot of patience, again my darling wife displays her patience to the extreme. She will suggest to me the reconciliation process, and step away. She might hint again over the next few months, but eventually the resolution process will be underway, and I feel great because of course it was all my idea. Only joking by the way, this doesn't happen often. Usually she and I are on the same wave length and get things done as a team. I do happen to drag my feet when the reconciliation has the solution of me undertaking a task where I am about to get rid of something I feel fond of. I am sure we can all relate to that.

Let's now look at the church, how often are we as the church trying to bring in resolutions to stimulate growth with the church. Organising various events and initiatives to try and become more relevant with the local community. We have seen it so many times, where a resolution is offered, but have we ever gone out into the community to see if any reconciliation is needed before we endeavour

to offer resolutions?

If we go back to the Bible passage, how often have we needed to leave of gift at the altar and go and be reconciled with our brother and sister? How many times has the corporate church been in need to doing this?

As a group we are trying to reconcile the local church with the community around us, and long may that continue, and long may the Lord give us the strength to keep up our actions and works of reconciliation.

Please remember Mathern Church is open every Wednesday evening from 7pm until 8pm. This is to offer people a time of quiet, and also if desired a time for healing prayer, or for someone being there to listen to the needs and hurts of others.



**SHIRENEWTON  
VILLAGE MARKET  
DATES FOR 2018  
PLEASE NOTE NEW MARKET  
HOURS 10.30 – 12.30  
19<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2018  
16<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2018  
21<sup>ST</sup> JULY 2018  
AUGUST 2018 – NO MARKET  
15<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2018  
20<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2018  
17<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2018  
15<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2018  
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# SHIRENEWTON COMMUNITY COUNCIL

## Extracts from the minutes of the April 2018 meeting

### URGENT

#### Vacancies on the Community Council

There are still three vacancies on the Council – two for co-option in the Shirenewton ward and one in the Mynyddbach ward.

It is important that these vacancies are filled by local residents who are interested in the surrounding community and wish to join the Council – **if that means you** - please contact the Clerk (details below).

#### **Planning applications considered –**

##### **1. DM/2018/00324 Red House Farm, Old Road, Penywaemawr, Usk** Outdoor riding arena (20 x 40 mtrs).

Council noted that Red House Farm comprises some 7 acres at Penywaemawr for the owner's residence and the land the subject of the application is sited well away from the road and presently used as part of the grazing and turnout for the owner's horses. The application is for a menage 40m x 20m for the owner's domestic use for horses to improve their winter care. There is already adequate stabling and no additional buildings are proposed.

Council recommended approval of the application, subject to any additional lighting to be unobtrusive in the open countryside.

##### **2. DM/2018/00421 Barn Farm, Bluebell Road, Earlswood** Remove existing UPVC Conservatory and replace with a Green Oak Building.

Council noted that Barn Farm lies just off Bluebell Road. The site slopes down away from the road and affords views across the Castroggi valley. There is an existing conservatory or basic construction including a polycarbonate roof. No dimensions were given but the drawings imply the replacement conservatory will be of similar size with better quality materials and the roof will be tiled and pitched to match the existing two storey extension.

Council recommended approval of the application.

##### **3. DM/2018/00424 Porthcerrig, Crick Road, Shirenewton** Proposed single storey rear extension to enlarge kitchen and add floor over garage to accommodate two bedrooms.

Council noted that Porthcerrig sits across almost the entire width of its rectangular plot. The existing garage will have two new bedrooms above, making 5 in total. No additional parking is proposed and street parking is not an option. The house on the plot to the left of the garage (as viewed from the road) is paired in the sense that it too has an attached single storey building which reaches to the boundary. Were the adjoining owner to add a storey to his building at the boundary there would be an impact on the availability of light on that part of the Crick Road which is already compromised by the wall of the house opposite.

Council recommended refusal of the application due to the following:

- a) inadequate parking arrangements;
- b) the proposal would be detrimental to the street scene unless the proposed new roof line above the garage (shown as 6691 on the plans) were to be angled back to avoid a potential terracing;
- c) difficulty with the building/maintenance of the proposal due to limited space between properties.

### **Other items of interest**

**Annual Grant availability** – please note that application forms are now available for local organisations to apply for grant aid from the Community Council's 2018/19 budget. The closing date for applications is 30 June 2018 with decisions being made at the Council meeting in July. Please contact the Clerk for an application form.

**Best Kept Village Competition 2018** – Council decided to enter the competition again this year. As we need to rally the troops arrangements will be made to have a 'Tidy Up' day during the last week of May, prior to the start of judging, which will take place between 4 – 30 June 2018. Marks are given for the appearance and condition of the village, village hall and playing field, war memorial, churchyard, bus shelters and surroundings. The condition of hedges, fences, walls and verges is also taken into account, as well as the tidiness of flower and vegetable gardens, outhouses and sheds. Bonus marks are given for the general appearance of the village, noting the absence of litter and refuse dumps. BUT marks are deducted for unsightly areas.

Last year Shirenewton scored well, but lost the award to Llanfair Discoed, Do you think we can do better than that this year? Of course we can. It will mean everyone in the village helping, not only with their own gardens, plant pots and hanging baskets, but also by being aware of their surroundings and taking care of the public parts of the village - the entrances to the village, weeding and clearing verges and footpaths and picking up litter near your home.

Planting troughs will take place in mid-May and if you are able to donate plants, they will be very welcome. If you can help with planting or would like to sponsor a trough, please let the Clerk know, offers will be gratefully received. Shirenewton has entered this competition for several years and scores well because residents are proud of their attractive village and take care of its environment. Let's make a special effort this year and aim to walk away with the Best Kept Village prize.

**Coffee Morning** – the next Community Council coffee morning will be held on Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> April at the Village Market in the Recreation Hall. You are welcome to come along and raise issues or just meet and talk to your local councillors.

Dates of future meetings – The Annual Meeting followed by the ordinary meeting on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> May 2018 at 7.30pm at Shirenewton Recreation Hall. Also Monday 4<sup>th</sup> June, same time and venue. Members of the public are welcome to attend and may speak with the Council for the first 15 minutes of each meeting.

Find more information in draft copies of the minutes on the Community Council notice boards. Previous approved minutes of meetings can be found on the Council's website [www.shirenewtoncc.org.uk](http://www.shirenewtoncc.org.uk)

Contact the Clerk to the Community Council - Mrs Hilary Counsell

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SHIRENEWTON LOCAL HISTORY SOCIETY  
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We had a full house for our March meeting the speaker for the evening was Naylor Firth who gave us a talk entitled 'Monmouthshire Oddments II'. Naylor's research into local history is second to none, full of academic detail but also full of humorous facts as well.



Our April talk (Tuesday, 24<sup>th</sup> April) will be entitled the 'Raglan Archive' given by the County Archivist Tony Hopkins. The County Record Office has obtained part of Lord Raglan's collection when it went up for sale earlier last year. Tony Hopkins will be telling us about the treasures that are to be found in this collection. In May we are intending to visit the County Record Office to view some of the contents of the Raglan Archive.

We will be visiting St Michaels Church, Llanfyangel-tor-y-Mynydd on Saturday, 28<sup>th</sup> April, meeting at the church at 2.00 pm. The church warden Dr Ray Howell will be there to give us a talk on the history of the church. Three other churches in the benefice will be open as well, Llanishen, Trellech Grange and Llansoy churches will be open to visit between 10.00 am and 4.00pm.

Dates for your Diary:

Sunday, 6 <sup>th</sup> May,	Beating the Parish Bounds meeting at St Thomas a Becket Church at 2.00 pm
Monday, 14 <sup>th</sup> May	Archive Meeting at the Recreational Hall between 2.00pm-5.00 pm
Tuesday, 29 <sup>th</sup> May	Visit to the County Record Office Tour to start at 2.00 pm

**Everyone welcome**

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# FLYING FOR LIFE!

## MAF AT THE 2018 SHIRENEWTON FETE

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## Flying strong when the ground shakes

When a massive 7.5 magnitude earthquake shook Papua New Guinea (PNG) on 26 February 2018, our MAF team were immediately at work, flying in and out of the disaster zone bringing aid to the people of PNG.

Vaughan Woodward from MAF's Disaster Response Team helped co-ordinate our emergency efforts: 'When we received news of the quake, we immediately contacted our team in PNG to check they were all safe. And then we began to look for ways to help other people who might be impacted. The day after the earthquake we sent



up one of our aircraft on a three-hour aerial survey flight, where we flew over the affected areas, getting photos so we could gauge the scale and the size of the devastation.'

Once this information was circulated, it enabled the Australian Government to deploy a large C-130 aircraft with significant humanitarian aid cargo and PNG Defence Force helicopters were able to distribute this aid to the villages who were most affected.

MAF aircraft were also important to the relief effort, carrying out medical evacuation and smaller cargo flights taking food, water and items for shelter to earthquake-stricken communities.

The work of the MAF Technology Services team proved invaluable too, as they took calls on the high-frequency radio network we operate in PNG, gathering information about the community needs and then passing it on to the Defence Force to help them prioritise their deliveries.

Vaughan sums up MAF's response: 'MAF has been part of the fabric of PNG for over 60 years and we exist to show the light of Christ. Between our aircraft and our radio network, we can reach the most isolated people in remote communities. We have the right tools to help PNG in this time of need.'

### Pause for prayer

Please pray for all those involved in responding to natural disasters that occur across the globe. Pray for the MAF Disaster Response Team as they decide how MAF can best help alleviate the suffering of those affected. Bless the people of PNG as they recover and rebuild from the recent earthquakes.

### Floatplane visit

Thank you to everyone who came to our recent events to welcome our newest addition to the fleet, a Cessna 208 floatplane, headed to service in Bangladesh. You can read more in the next edition of *Flying for Life*. Sign up to receive or download the magazine here at [www.maf-uk.org/ffl](http://www.maf-uk.org/ffl)

### Save the date

On Saturday 3 November 2018, MAF will be taking part in a mission focused prayer conference at the Bethel Convention Centre, Birmingham. Guest speakers include Rev Betty King, Paul Hudson and Noel Robinson. To find out more, visit [forthesakeoftheworld.com](http://forthesakeoftheworld.com)

## GARDENING CORNER

Hopefully by the time you read this we will all be basking in glorious Spring or should that be Summer sunshine. At the time of starting to write this month's offering, it is still raining and gardening activity has been confined to clearing up type jobs, pottering in the greenhouses, tunnels, and shed, or sorting out bee stuff. All gripping jobs that needed doing so at least something have been achieved in spite of the weather. Unfortunately the critical jobs out in the garden are still there and becoming even more critical as the weeds continue to grow apace and we start to fall behind with the planting..

The one main job I needed to get on with was to cut the old plastic off the large tunnel and get the framework ready for a new cover. The tunnel is some 25 metres long and 7 metres wide and is capable of growing a lot of fruit and vegetables during the course of a year. The plastic cover is supported by large metal hoops and attached to a wooden frame and then held in place by timber battening. A lot of this wooden frame had been in place for some 20 years, and much was showing the sign of its age, with several supports rotted through and broken away. All this timber had to be replaced a job which took about a day and a half in total. This has now been completed, but there is still a little more to do. Rubbing points, where nuts and bolts hold the metal together or the wood to the metal



get covered with packing to give a bit of protection to the cover, and ensure it lasts as long as the manufacturers say it should, so some eight years. The heat generated by the sun on the metal hoops also deteriorates the cover in short time and so to prevent this happening, there is a need to use 'anti-hotspot tape'. This is simply a soft padded tape that has a sticky side (which attaches to the frame) and a very slippery shiny coat on the outside. A strip of this on each hoop ensures that the cover is insulated to some degree from the heat of the metal, but the shiny surface also ensures that when pulling the new cover over the top of the frame there is minimal friction and the cover simply slides over. This all sounds fine and dandy, but shinnying up each hoop on a ladder, to scrape off the old tape is no easy task. Just as well you only have to replace every 8 years or so! Most of this work has now been completed and we are simply waiting now for a nice warm, sunny and still day. I wonder when one of those will come around? Still thinking positively, at least the bulk of the work has been completed. Next job, but in a similar vein, is to complete the large fruit cage, which is also a timber and metal framed structure, but with rabbit netting as a cover rather than plastic. The frame is up, everything has been planted and all we need to do now is to get the netting on, preferably before the fruit develops and ripens and the blackbirds and squirrels decide to have a field day!

We have had the occasional dry day over the last few weeks and it has meant that some of the raised beds have received the first weeding of the year. One or two demand a little more drastic work in that the soil is well shot and really needs replacing. So it's a case of digging the old out, finding a suitable place in the bottom of the garden to tip it out and then replace with a nice mixture of old horse manure and soil from up our top field. This has worked well in the past as several of the beds have succumbed to club root, which affects the cabbage family badly, to the point where brassica's (cabbages and similar) can no longer be grown in the

infected soil. Digging the old soil out not only has the benefit of improving the fertility thanks to the horse poo in it, but also completely removes the club root infection as well, which means we can continue to grow these crops around the garden. The old soil isn't wasted. It will be left to lie fallow for a year, will receive a good helping of manure, and will then be worked and replanted, most likely with flower plants, to please the flower arranger in the house. The raised beds in the vegetable garden are constructed from seven or eight inch wide timbers. Some of these have been showing signs of rot as well, so I have taken advantage of the time and replaced those beds affected the worst. This has been a steady process over the last five years or so, but it has meant that all of the beds are now constructed of new, or nearly new timber, so hopefully will last us out until we have to sell up and move on to somewhere smaller. Not a day I look forward to, but something that is inevitable in the bigger scene of things!

If the weeding is lagging behind, then fortunately the up side is that the seed sowing and potting on is moving on apace. We have been cutting our own salad leaves for probably two, if not three weeks and we are still harvesting leeks and now purple sprouting brocoli. We still have plenty of onions and potatoes in store as well, a result of the colder weather holding things back, so a silver lining to every story. The small propagating greenhouse is full up to the gunnels, and it is has been necessary to move plants on a regular basis. Some like broad beans and peas have found their way into the cold frame, so that they have a chance to harden off before planting out in the garden. The very first sown ones have now moved a stage further and are sitting in the ground. Others crops will be moved on into the larger greenhouse where they will also grow hardier, but still retain some cover. This greenhouse does not get any heating so if the cold weather persists I will have to keep an eye out for frosts and cover the young plants with horticultural fleece in order to protect them.

Time has now progressed as I sit down at the keyboard to finish these pages. The weather Gods look as though they may be smiling on us at long last with the promise of a tropical spike over the next few days. We seem to be getting it all these days as we sway from storm Desmond from the West, the beast from the east, and now a tropical spike from the South! The met office hasn't always got things right, but I decide to go with the forecast and do the final touches to the tunnel frame ready for pulling the new cover on. I decide to go with Thursday as 'D-day', so the hot spot tape goes on Wednesday evening ready for an early start. The following morning dawned clear and bright, so at 6.30 I'm down the garden unpacking the cover, rolling it out and freeing up the folded plastic. Despite all the protective packaging the top layer has been damaged and has a hole in it so I can only hope that this damage is on the end, and will be removed when the door section is cut out. So the big moment arrives, as I start to pull the cover up and over the frame on one end. The tape certainly makes this job easy. I have to get the cover over halfway and going down the other side so that it doesn't slide back down when I get the other end. Ideally you would do this job with two strong men, one either end, but these (strong men that is) are few and far between at this time of day so it's down to me on my own. Sadly the assistant head gardener is waiting for a new



*Hellebores have done well and the bees love them*

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knee, so her role in proceedings is down to one of supervision. I run up (well hobble anyway) to the other end, grab the cover and start to pull the cover over. Miraculously the other end stays where I left it and the entire cover slides up over the top of the frame and down the other side. The boss tells me when I have it centralised, so a little adjustment here and there and it's ready to be left for a few hours. So time for a cup of coffee and a bit of breakfast. What we don't want is for the wind to get up, as chasing a 25 metre by 11 metre sheet of plastic would not be fun. However, the Gods really are looking down on us today as there is not a puff of breeze and the sun comes up clear and strong. By mid-morning the cover has warmed up nicely (this makes it soft and pliable and allows you to stretch the cover tight on the frame – which is essential) and it is time to start attaching the sheet to the frame. This is done by starting at one end in the doorway, fixing a small section and then going the other end, pulling as tight as possible, before doing the same again. Then it's back down the starting end again to fix a little more, before repeating the actions the other end again! Once the cover is tight along the top, it is time to start on one side in the middle, but starts with just taking up the slack and fixing down, before going the other side and pulling really tight before fixing down. This is repeated in short sections, alternatively from one side to the other until you get to the either end. This ensures a nice even pressure over the entire cover. The heat in the tunnel makes this much easier and the end result is a cover that, when the temperature drops a little, is absolutely drum tight. This gives the entire structure the strength it needs and ensures that rain and snow will slide off rather than gather in folds, which runs the risk of the cover failing. Once this is done the excess cover is cut away from the door frames. As I make the first cut, the heat escaping is phenomenal. It must be at least 130 degrees inside. Unfortunately a few of the plants inside have been scorched with the excess heat, but they will survive. The doors can be finished any time – even if it is raining, but the main job is done – what a relief, but also how satisfying as the cover has gone on far better than I could have hoped. I had booked up the next day to have a day off fly fishing over at Blagdon Lake (south of Bristol). As I travel across it is thick fog, which lingers until very late morning and it felt freezing cold. I dwell on the fact - what if I had chosen Friday as 'D-day' instead, but I didn't, and all is right with the world at that moment in time. I also caught some fish as well, so what more could you ask for.

The tropical spike doesn't last long, and we have missed the threatened thunder storms for the time being so whilst it stays dry, it is a case of all hands on deck to get as much of the digging and weeding done as possible, as well as topping the raised beds up with new soil. There are onions, leeks and greens that desperately need planting out so time to get on.

*Happy gardening until next month, Steve and Felicity Hunt.*

# A LOAD OF RUBBISH!

What else to do on the first warm sunny day for 10 months but walk 2 1/2 miles up and down our road picking up rubbish littered along the verges and hedgerows? Here's a very hot and dusty-looking me with the *seven* purple bags and *three* black bags stuffed full with over 200 drinks cans and plastic bottles, 20+ wine/spirit bottles, countless snack packets and various other unmentionable items of detritus that had accumulated since this time last year both sides of the 1 3/4 mile stretch of road between Cock a Roostin', Earlswood and Gaerlwydd Crossroads.

When we whizz along in our cars, we don't notice exactly how much of this stuff is



hidden in the grass or hedges – but walkers, cyclists and horse riders will know the scale of the problem. Of course (hopefully) most of this rubbish is thrown out of cars and vans passing through Shirenewton and Earlswood en route elsewhere... Surely local residents wouldn't want to spoil the lovely area where we are so lucky to live?

It may not be our fault, but we can *all* do our bit to keep our surroundings beautiful. It is our responsibility - we can't rely on the hard-pressed Council to do it for us.

There are lots of simple ways to help keep on top of litter:

Put out your rubbish bags (general and recycling) in dustbins to stop the wildlife getting to them.

'Adopt' a pavement or stretch of verge near your home (or anywhere!) and go

for a walk there every now and again picking up litter.

Take an empty bag with you on short local walks to pick up and take home even just a bit of litter – every little counts.

Always take cans/bottles/snack wrappers home to dispose of properly.

Thankyou ☺

*Jackie Budd*

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My wallet now seems full of contactless cards. I even use them as they are so convenient. But are they secure?

Contactless cards are based around RFID technology (radio-frequency identification) and shouldn't be confused with mobile phone payment apps (such as banking apps or Apple Pay, Google Pay, etc.) which use NFC technology (near field communication). However, they broadly cover the same function in that they can be used by presenting the card/device near the contactless reader. The key point is that direct physical contact is not required which does raise security worries.

On a phone, it's really quite simple. You just turn the NFC functionality off if you don't plan on using it. I don't use it on my phone and it is off.

For contactless cards its not that simple. When they first came out the tech press featured some articles on disabling the contactless element by making a small incision in the card to break the RFID circuit such was the security concern. I haven't tested this but there are plenty of articles on the web of how to do this if you want to have a crack – at your own risk of course!

The security worries around contactless cards were back on the agenda earlier in the year there was some discussion about raising the payment limit from the current £30 to £50 for contactless transactions. In February The Telegraph reported that "Contactless card fraud overtakes cheque scams for first time" and there are apocryphal stories of 'drive bys' whereby criminal elements have card readers in their pockets (which may be part of their phones) and brush up against you (in crowded places like the tube in London) or walk close by to read your card details without your knowledge. In fact, the same Telegraph article (<https://tinyurl.com/ybvaqx3z>) reports "the Bank of England's chief cashier Victoria Cleland, .... had heard instances of money being "taken off contactless when you walk past something" and does not use the cards herself".

A lot of the articles on the subject on the web are USA based and therefore not relevant. My research led me to this article by a UK-based IT Security Consultant (<https://tinyurl.com/ycgpvcjk>) who, in summary, confirmed that (i) yes, a malicious individual could gather your credit card details through your trousers and wallet whilst holding their phone or other device nearby, and (ii) the shielding devices he tested did seem to work. He tested three shielding devices: (i) a blocking credit card case, (ii) an RFID/NFC blocking card, and (ii) an RFID blocking sleeve.

These devices are broadly self-explanatory. The card wallet is a wallet which blocks RFID. The sleeve is a cover to place over an individual credit card. However, the blocking card interested me the most as I didn't want to replace my wallet and the sleeve seemed like it would be a pain to use as I'd have to remove the card from the sleeve each time to use it. The blocking card is just kept in your wallet like any other credit card and blocks all cards in the same wallet – allegedly.

So, I researched blocking cards and the result is that I have purchased a couple. One for my wallet and one for the wife. I purchased mine from Amazon (via shirenewtonshop.com naturally) where there are several options. Having read the reviews I purchased the Kestronics® RFID Blocking Card at £4.50 each. The above mentioned Security Consultant had run his tests with an Attenuo blocking card available from Amazon at £9.99.

Now I haven't tested the blocking effects of the Kestronics cards personally but I have, at the vast cost of £2.89, ordered a Contactless Smart Card Reader from China (via Aliexpress via shirenewtonshop.com) to run some tests. I'll let you know the results once the reader arrives and, if in the meantime you bump into me at the TA waving a suspicious looking Chinese card reader around, I do assure you it's all in the name of research!

Just to be balanced, Which? reports that contactless card fraud accounts for less than 0.02% of total spending on such cards and for less than 2% of all card fraud (source: <https://tinyurl.com/y6wt34dc>).

With respect to your liability: The Money Saving Expert website explains that "If your card's used without your permission you are protected by the Lending Code and shouldn't lose money as a consequence, provided you inform the bank within 13 months of the fraudulent transaction and you have not acted fraudulently or without reasonable care (eg, you haven't disclosed your PIN to someone else, or written it down and kept it with the card)." However, the article (<https://tinyurl.com/y9acppyh>) does go on to point out that "you're liable for up to £35 of any fraudulent spending that happens before you report the card's loss or theft to your bank. So if thieves spend £300 from your account before you warn the bank, you may only get £265 back. That's why it's vital to report a lost or stolen card the moment you realise it's gone."

I guess that raises the question of drive bys where your card hasn't been lost or stolen! Whatever the financial position, you just know that any fraud on your card is going to be a hassle and that's why I thought it worth £4.50 to, hopefully, not have to find out!

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# Churches unite for birthday event

The five churches in Caldicot, along with their satellite congregations in Rogiet and Portskewett, are putting on a birthday event. In total unity they are determined to have a big party, and are calling it the Big Birthday Bash.

The event is to be staged at Caldicot Castle, from noon until four o'clock on Sunday 20 May. Both church goers and members of the public are warmly invited to attend by organisers: Caldicot & District Churches Together.

The day of the celebration marks a Christian Feast called the 'The day of Pentecost.' It celebrates the day, shortly after the death of Jesus, when the Holy Spirit descended on Jesus' disciples.

Some thought they were drunk, but Peter remarked they couldn't possibly be intoxicated as it was only nine o'clock. The day had hardly begun!

The Caldicot Castle Party will include a feast in the form of a Hog Roast with hot dogs as an alternative. Additionally there will be a range of activities.

Ticket prices start from £4.50 for hot dogs, with family tickets at £20.50. Tickets are available from 'Craft Coffee', 33 Newport Road in the centre of Caldicot (cash only), or on-line at

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/the-big-birthday-bash-tickets>.

Tickets purchased on-line will attract an additional booking fee.

Entertainment will include a number of on-stage activities including childrens' entertainment, some drama, music and a guest speaker – Tim Robertson, Partnership Director of Compassion UK. Additionally there will be craft and other activities in which to engage.



Free Car Parking at Caldicot Castle will be available. Over-flow car parking facilities will also be on hand. All car parking is being supervised by 2012 (Caldicot) Squadron, Air Training Corps.

Those wishing to attend are advised to provide their own picnic chairs.

For further information please see their Facebook Page at: <https://www.facebook.com/CaldicotChurchesTogether/>

Churches Together in Caldicot & District includes the five churches in Caldicot – Anglican, Baptist, Methodist, Pentecostal and Roman Catholic plus those churches located in Rogiet and Portskewett. The Anglicans in Caerwent are also usually represented at monthly meetings.

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# ***Nerys's Natty Nosh***

## *Marinated pork & beet-slaw Serves 6*

So, this pork dish evolved on the night, when I realised that the pickled veg that they used on [Honey Yoghurt Pork with Pickled Beet and Carrot Salad Recipe](#) should have been made the night before – cue improvisation!

### **Ingredients**

#### **For the Pork**

12 Pork tenderloin steaks  
200ml Alpro yogurt  
3 cloves of garlic  
1 lemon (zest and juice)  
1/4 teaspoon turmeric  
1 tablespoon agave nectar (or honey)



#### **For the Salad**

##### *Raw beetroot & carrots*

Bunch of carrots (6)  
Bunch of raw beetroot (6)  
2 apples  
2 teaspoons of toasted cumin seeds  
Fresh coriander (handful)  
1 lemon  
2 tablespoons of mayonnaise

## Method

Over a bowl zest the lemon (this ensures the oils also go in) and mix all the ingredients for the pork. Cover and marinate for a couple of hours in the fridge (could be overnight)

Meanwhile, heat a pan on a medium heat and gently roast the cumin seeds

Use a food processor to grate the carrots, beetroot and apples  
Mix with the cumin seeds, coriander, lemon juice & mayonnaise



Beet slaw

## For the pork

Pre-heat the oven to 160C

Heat a griddle pan and dry fry the loin steaks for 2 minutes on each side

Place in an ovenproof dish and cover with foil, and place in the oven for 10-15minutes, then serve with the beet slaw.



Pork and beet slaw

**Tips:** You could marinate the salad and pork the night before. **Enjoy!**

Thank you Caryl Nagrani for sharing this recipe with us.



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## SHIRENEWTON WI



The Shirenewton WI held a fashion show last Thursday and it proved to be a great success with over seventy in attendance, many from surrounding WIs. Three ladies from our membership took part, dressed by Sarah-Jane from JL Cardiff. Sarah compered the evening, describing each carefully chosen outfit, her expertise showing as the styles and colours suited our models perfectly.

We would like to thank everyone who played their part in making this evening so successful and enjoyable. iPad

WI President Diane Ashton Smith 628838  
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## STARGAZING

The seven stars of the Plough lie overhead in mid-evening. Its classical name is Ursa Major, the Great Bear. In mythology, Callisto, attendant to the goddess Juno was considered more beautiful than her mistress. To protect her from her jealous mistress, Jupiter turned Callisto into a bear. Unfortunately Callisto's son tried to kill the bear whilst he was out hunting, so Jupiter placed the bear in the sky.



The two stars furthest from the handle of the Plough are called the Pointers. Tracing a connecting line from the Pointers leads to Polaris, the North Star. Polaris is called the North Star because it is the closest easily visible star to the point in the sky about which the star patterns rotate. This point changes very gradually with time. In fact, over thousands of years, other stars have been the North Star.

The stars appear fixed with respect to each other, but over long periods of time the star patterns change. The pattern of stars we call the Plough looked very different many years ago, and will look very different in the distant future.

In the evening, the bright planet Jupiter lies to the south-east. The brightest of the planets Venus is following the setting Sun at twilight in the north-west. Jupiter is joined by the Full Moon on the 27th and Venus forms a close pairing with the crescent Moon on the 17th.

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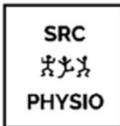
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Date	Event	Location
<b>May</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Location</b>
<b>6th 2:00pm</b>	Shirenewton Local History Society Beating the Bounds	Shirenewton Church
<b>10th 8:00pm</b>	Earlswood Hall AGM	Earlswood Hall
<b>12th 5:00pm</b>	The Wooden Tubes	Shirenewton Church
<b>14th 2:00pm</b>	Shirenewton Local History Society	Recreation hall
<b>14th 7:30pm</b>	Community Council Annual Meeting	Recreation Hall
<b>19th 10:30am</b>	Village Market	Recreation Hall
<b>20th 12—4pm</b>	Big Birthday Bash	Caldicot Castle
<b>29th 2:00pm</b>	Shirenewton Local History Society Visit to County Records Office	County Records Office
<b>June</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Location</b>
<b>2nd 2:00pm</b>	Shirefest	Huntsman Hotel
<b>4th 7:30pm</b>	Community Council Meeting	Recreation Hall
<b>9th 2:00pm</b>	Shirenewton Village Fete	Recreation Ground
<b>16th 10:30am</b>	Village Market	Recreation Hall

## June 30th - St Peters Summer Event

to be held at Church Farm, Newchurch.

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in the next few weeks.

Readers and Sides Persons		April to June 2018	
St Thomas a Beckett Church, Shirenewton			
6th May	Sixth Sunday of Easter	Ruth Savagar Frances Gray	Graham Lambert Frances Gray
13th May	Seventh Sunday of Easter	Aileen Dogget Jane Smith-Haddon	Jane Smith-Haddon Claire Lewis
20th May	Pentecost	Mark Broughton Glynis MacDonald	Mark Broughton Glynis MacDonald
27th May	Trinity Sunday	Bill Clark Janet Horton	Bill Clark Janet Horton
3rd June	First Sunday after Trinity	Paul Morecombe Cynthia Smith	Paul Morecombe Cynthia Smith
10th June	Second Sunday after Trinity	Mark Broughton Margaret Lock	Mark Broughton Margaret Lock
17th June	Third Sunday after Trinity	Sally Saysell Aileen Dogget	Graham Lambert Clare Lewis
24th June	Fourth Sunday after Trinity	Andrew Baker Sally Saysell	Graham Lambert Claire Lewis

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*(Cabinets do not require codes, they are unlocked although they have a key pad)*

Carpenters Arms (on the Usk road)  
Huntsman Hotel (on the Usk road)  
Tredegar Arms (Shirenewton village)  
Yr Hen Stordy (House half way between Blethyn Close and the School in Mynyddbach)  
Earlswood Hall (Earlswood)  
Shirenewton School

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