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Front Cover Picture

The Hundred House at Great Witley which is to be used as a training ground for police sniffer dogs (see report on page 4)

TEME VALLEY LINKS WITH WW2 PRISONERS



Few local residents are even aware that there was a prisoner of war camp in Clifton during WW2 housing German and Italian prisoners. But for Australian-born Ben Heyer who has recently settled in the Teme Valley working with Shelsleys parish councillor John Stinton (*pictured above right with Ben Heyer*), the knowledge that his German grandfather Heinz Heyer was held captive there in the 1940s is a reminder of the camp's existence in Pound Lane opposite the Scout hut.

Ben's grandmother Dawne Stinton was one of several local girls who married prisoners after the war. After her marriage to Heinz Heyer, the couple remained in the Shesleys where Heinz played football for the Teme Valley and was even given a trial by West Bromwich Albion.

Dawne's sister Margery also married a German prisoner, Eric Moltzhan, who had been a sergeant in the Wehrmacht. Eric was captured by the Russians at Stalingrad and later shipped to the USA and on to Britain to become one of the many prisoners of war employed on farms around Worcestershire. Margery and Eric's daughter Kathleen now lives in Worcester.

Ben Heyer and John Stinton are now partners in their structural and agricultural engineering business, S.E.&H, undertaking a variety of construction work in the area ranging from industrial buildings to land drainage, concreting and even brickwork extensions. "We also specialise in repairs and fabricating things out of used material," says Ben.

POLICE SNIFFER DOGS AT THE HUNDRED HOUSE

Motorists going past The Hundred House at Great Witley needn't be alarmed if they see swarms of police officers descending on the former pub - it's to be used as a training ground for police dogs to sniff out drugs.

The police have asked if they can use the 23-bedroom hotel and pub for training whilst the new owners consider their options for redevelopment of the Grade 2 listed building. The Hundred House closed in December and has been bought by Nevil Ltd for a reported £550,000 who have also recently bought, refurbished and reopened the Manor Arms at Abberley. Director, Andrew Stirk explained to the *Temple Triangle's* property correspondent that they were in consultation with neighbours and planners on potential future uses for the building and this could include keeping part of it as a pub.

"It's a very well known facade and we want to look at what we can do to retain the image of the building," he said. "But the facade is starting to look quite tired. A lot of the building behind the facade are 70s and 80s additions of no architectural interest at all. So we're asking ourselves what we can do." Mr Stark said some limited residential use for these parts of the building might be on the cards but believed the entirety of the pub and hotel was no longer viable as a going concern. "It was used as an occasional big venue for functions but otherwise it was very rarely used - so we need to know if there is still a demand for a public house on this site by asking local people."

Mr Stark and his partner Mr Edward Tidmarsh will be turning their attention to The Hundred House having been focused on the Manor Arms since they bought it from Enterprise Inns. It re-opened in early February after extensive refurbishment. Asked about the level of investment Mr Stirk said, "It's cost a fortune quite frankly but we wanted to do it once and do it right". The new owners say there's a greater emphasis on food and they hope to expand the pub's appeal to a wider range of people. "It's early days but the clubs and societies are coming back and there are also areas for people who primarily want a drink", he said.

Overnight accommodation will also be provided at the Manor Arms when renovation of the upper floors is complete.

ELMS HOTEL SALE

The firm handling the sale of The Elms Hotel at Abberley has moved quickly to deny rumours that the 23-bedroom country house hotel may be returning to life as a private home.

The Queen Anne mansion was put up for sale last October with a guide price of £5 million. Martin Rogers of Savills said, "It's still very much being sold as a going concern. The spa and public access areas mean it's never going to be a private house again. It's worth much more as a hotel."

Mr Rogers said there had been lots of interest but that no deal was imminent at present. About 50 local people depend on The Elms for work and it continues to be open for business as usual whilst a new owner is being sought.

The mansion, which was built in 1710 by Gilbert White of Worcester, a pupil of Sir Christopher Wren, is being sold by the Luxury Family Hotels group which also owns Thornbury Castle and New Park Manor in Lyndhurst. Nigel Chapman, founder of the company, said at the time that other luxury family hotels closer to London, or in traditional holiday locations, have proved to be so much in demand that he needed to focus attention and resources on expansion where the demand was greatest.



His group bought the hotel from the Von Essen group in December 2006 and they in turn had bought it from the Vaughan family in 2003. It has been a hotel since 1946. The Elms was the private home of a variety of occupants from Admiral Malin to the rector of Great Whitley and, in 1916, Sir Richard Brooke who rebuilt the house in its present form after a disastrous fire followed immediately after the construction of two new wings.

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This month's film at the Village Hall Cinema on Saturday 12th April is *Captain Phillips* (12A), the true story of The true story of Captain Richard Phillips and the 2009 hijacking by Somali pirates of the US-flagged MV Maersk Alabama, the first American cargo ship to be hijacked in two hundred years.

Doors open at 6.45pm, tickets cost is £5 and parking is free!

Saturday, 10th May: *Gravity* (12A) - **Note change of date**

Saturday, 7th June: *Saving Mr Banks* (PG)

There will be an extra screening in June (Saturday, 14th June) when the film will be the French classic *Jean de Florette*.

CLIFTON NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

The Clifton Neighbourhood Plan steering group will be holding an Open Meeting on Thursday, 10th April at 7.30pm in the village hall to which David Clarke, Development Plans and Conservation Officer at Malvern Hills District Council, has been invited to attend.

Helen Winer, who chairs the group, said: "Any Clifton residents wishing to contribute or take part in the Neighbourhood Plan process are welcome to attend."

CLIFTON FRIENDSHIP CLUB

Numbers have continued to increase this month as new members were welcomed to the club. We hope they will enjoy the times the club shares together and will soon become as happily involved as the rest of us.

February saw the club welcome Pam Wojciechowski who spoke about her life as a JP. Our second meeting celebrated the life of Jan Howes, one of our oldest members, who had died at age 98 years. April Meetings:
2nd: *Inspirational Gardens* by Brian Skeynes.

16th: *The Country and Wildlife of Bulgaria* by Garth Lowe.

If you're over 60 and would like to join the club, then either turn up at Clifton Village Hall on 2nd or 16th April at 2.20pm or contact Marie Thompson on 01886 812681 or Pat Prosser on 01886 853244. You will be warmly welcomed.

Pat Prosser

LOWER SAPEY NEWS

Upwards of 300 friends and family said a sad goodbye to David Richards on 18th March at St Bartholomew's Church. It was a beautiful service with the church looking lovely, decked with spring flowers just as Suzanne wished. The service was conducted by Revd. John Sumner with Pat Snelling. Afterwards Suzanne and family welcomed everyone to the Golf Club for lunch.

Next month the Ladies bible study will be with Margaret Griffiths on Tuesday 8th April at 2pm.

We shall all be getting ready to decorate St Bartholomew's for Easter which falls on 20th April, when amazingly we shall already be a third of the way through the year! Church cleaning for April will be taken care of by Suzanne Richards and Valerie Edwards.

Thanks to those who responded to our request for information about the men from Lower Sapey who died in the First World War and are commemorated in St. Bartholomew's, Harpley. We are still hoping for information about William Williams and John Harris, who served with the King's Shropshire Light Infantry, and Private William Powell who was with the 21st Alberta Reserve when he was killed.

We would also like to remember those who served in that war and survived, so any information would be very helpful. If anyone has photographs, these can be scanned and returned, and other memorabilia, such as badges or medals, can be photographed. We are hoping to have a small exhibition in the church in the late summer, to coincide with the anniversary of the outbreak of the war. Please contact me with information or any ideas you may have.

What a joy it was last month to hear from 'Our Foreign Correspondent' last month. Judie was certainly on form. *Marion West*

CLIFTON BOWLING CLUB

Clifton Bowling Club will be holding an Open Day on Sunday, April 13th from 2pm. Other events this month include a coffee morning & table sale on Saturday April 26th at the pavilion between 10am and 12noon, and supper at Pitlands on Friday, July 18th at 7pm.

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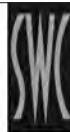
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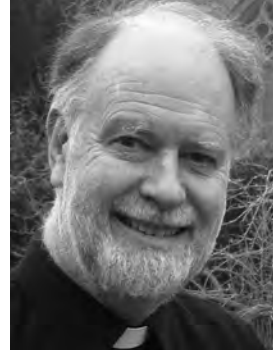
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Church Matters

by Rev. John Sumner



Why Did He Have To Die?

I think that many children (and I was one of them) are utterly confused to learn that Jesus had enemies and died a cruel death. Why should this happen if he was so good?

Well, he was a threat. Not that he set out to be a threat, but many people perceived him as one. To me now the reasons are horribly clear and horribly modern too.

First of all, he ‘broke the rules’. No, actually he didn’t – he just saw what the rules were really meant to be about and had no time for people being nitty-picky. The people in charge said you shouldn’t work on the Sabbath, and he went on helping people on the Sabbath. Yes, it is very important to take one day off in seven, but as Jesus pointed out: if you saw an animal in distress, let alone a human being, it would be awful not to help them, whatever your rule book said.

Secondly, he didn’t always keep ‘the right company’. He mixed with anybody and everybody because he didn’t just look at their past behaviour, he looked at their potential. As it says in the scriptures he learnt as a child, “People look at the outside, but God looks at the heart”, and that’s what Jesus did. So he befriended people that the posh folk wanted to reject.

Thirdly, he showed people up. That is, he showed self-satisfied people up, but never ever people with an honest heart. Jesus would be very compassionate to those who had a sane assessment of themselves, but for those who pretended to be better than they were he had some very strong things to say.

And fourthly, he knew what he was talking about. It came from deep within and from a very close prayer life with God. People who liked to preach were jealous.

And finally, he was good, very good indeed. If you are someone who is pretending to be Good, there is nothing so threatening as when a genuinely good person turns up!

So they had to get rid of him. And this still goes on today. When Bobby Kennedy was assassinated, Martin Luther King said to his friends “Someday this is going to happen to me. I tell you, this is a sick society”. And he was right.

But of course they didn’t really get rid of Jesus. They didn’t even really get rid of Martin Luther King – if it hadn’t been for him, Barack Obama would not be President today. And even more so, the influence of Jesus is still felt today.

For me and for many others, it is not just the historic influence of Jesus that affects our lives. It’s his living presence - and that’s what we celebrate at Easter.

But Easter would not be worth celebrating if Jesus hadn’t faced up to all the evil he encountered. And if we face up to the difficulties we meet, we can be sure that in due time our contribution will not be wasted either.

A Very Happy Easter to you all

Lent Meetings

The Shelsley Churches are planning two meetings, basing lively discussions on scenes from the film “Jesus of Nazareth”. These will be on Wednesdays 9th and 16th April.

We are also invited to the series of Wednesday Talks in Martley Church, each at 7.30 pm

Further details are in our churches.

Easter Sunday

Easter Family Communion at St Kenelm’s will provide quiet children’s activities such as colouring, model making and an Easter garden, during those parts of the service which are more ‘serious’ and ‘adult’. So, please will everyone feel welcome.

Easter is the one day of the year when we all offer a Communion Service, so John Sumner will be running from parish to parish. This means that St Kenelm's service will be at 10.15am, a little later than usual.

Some Forthcoming Church Events:

1. Saturday 5th April: Coffee morning in church.
2. Wednesday 14th May: Brainstorming forum.
3. 11th – 17th May: Christian Aid Week
4. Sunday 18th May. 2pm-4pm: Treasure Hunt around Clifton.
5. Saturday 21st and Sunday 22nd June: Clifton Open Gardens Trail
6. Saturday 12th July: The Shelsleys Fete.
7. Sunday 20th July: Garden party at Ayngstree for Friends and Benefactors of St Kenelm's, and all others who would like to come.

Brainstorming Forum on the Future Life of St Kenelm's – Wednesday 14th May

If you look at many of the good people who have held St Kenelm's together and made our church's contribution to the village and parish over the years, you will find that most of them joined when they were young parents in their 20's or 30's and many are now deservedly retiring from their responsibilities.

We have many well wishers amongst younger families in Clifton, and enthusiasm for children's work. But as time moves on, we increasingly see the need for younger people to take on more responsibilities as positions become vacant.

Society has changed a great deal over the last 40 years and patterns of Sunday life have also greatly changed. So it is not so straight forward taking up a regular role within the church, though many people feel they would like to help. But as we all know, no organisation or society can continue to exist without a committed core of people.

As society changes and attitudes change, so we must all develop. But that does not mean saying goodbye to old values and old ways of doing things – it means flexibility. So the challenge is to value everybody in a changing world.

St Kenelm's would like to hear YOUR ideas and impressions.

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The coffee morning this year will be held at The Old House, 20, The Village, Clifton, home of Marion Dipple on Saturday 3rd May 10-12noon. There will be cakes, plants and Traidcraft products for sale as well as a raffle. Everyone is welcome.

COFFEE MORNING

The Friends of St. Kenelm's are holding a Coffee Morning in the Church on Saturday 5th April from 10.30am until 12noon. There will be cakes on sale and a Bring and Buy stall. Do come along for a coffee and a chat and have a look around our beautiful Church.

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CLIFTON PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES

MARCH:

Abbreviated draft minutes of Clifton upon Teme Parish Council Meeting held on 6th March. Present: Cllr B Pound (Chairman), Cllr C. Balch, Cllr B Bradley, Cllr M Newman, Cllr N Parkinson & Cllr H Winer. Also in Attendance: Mrs J Dale (Clerk) and County Councillor K. Pollock. Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr R Crump. There were no declarations of interest.

Public Question Time:

A parishioner requested that the possibility of supplying a bus shelter for the village be discussed at the April meeting. The proposed 'Slow Tractor' sign at Ham Bridge was raised. Tiles missing from Pavilion.

The lengthsman raised several issues: Gulleys on Clifton Hill require the emptier. Pot holes on Pound Lane, Telecom Box on Old Road leakage damaging road surface. Cllr Pollock to investigate.

Minutes: The minutes of the meeting held on February 3rd were approved and signed accordingly with one amendment to 150.13 "as there are 3 councillors on the NPSG the terms of reference should state that they should not outvote other members of Parish Council on any outside body."

District & County Councillor Reports: County Councillor Pollock reported on several issues including Bus Consultation, Supporting People, Flooding Issues, Footway in centre of village repair, Rural broadband. Regarding proposal from Wichenford Parish Council to share the cost of a jetter Cllr Pollock was of the opinion that to fund such a purchase would be double taxation and therefore did not support the proposal.

Planning:13/01592/OUT – Erection of single dwelling Church Road – APPLICATION APPROVED AND APPEAL WITHDRAWN – noted.

Correspondence:

MHDC – Review of Polling Districts and Polling Places - noted

MHDC – Confirmation of Grant funding and tax base - noted

MHDC – flooding assistance - noted

WCC – Parish Conference, County Hall, 30th April - ongoing

WCC – Road Closure Notice 29th March B4204 Hope Lane to Herefordshire border - noted

John Lakeman re First Aid Skills – PC sponsorship – costs awaited

MHDC – NP Workshop 25th March

MH Area Calc Meeting – 19th March

MH Parish Conference – April 1st Chairman and Clerks

Correspondence for circulation: Minutes from NP meeting 27.02.14

Teme Triangle Accounts

NPSG Terms of Reference

MH Area Calc paperwork
Primary School sponsorship request

Progress Reports:

Ham Bridge Visibility – ongoing; The Pound - ongoing; Hollands Mill – Referred to MHDC Land Drainage 29.1.14 (Ref 5990416) - ongoing.

Ham Bridge Blockage (Ref 5990529) – cleaned and working as at 25.2.14

Old Road drainage (Ref 6011676) – will be looked at by WCC when surface water is reduced.

Update on fire service response for Clifton upon Teme - ongoing

Finance:

Payments were agreed as detailed on the schedule (previously circulated)

A request has been received for sponsorship from the Primary School Governors.

The Chairman of the Governors will be invited to attend the April meeting

Finance Arrangements for the NPSG were considered. It was agreed that the

Clerk could supply stationery from the PC stock. Cllr Pound proposed and Cllr

Parkinson seconded that a budget of £100 be available for the use of NPSG.

All in favour.

Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group: Cllr Winer gave an update on the group's

progress – copies of the minutes of the meetings will be available on the PC

website and on the notice board. The Terms of Reference will be considered

in full at the April meeting and Councillors were requested to notify the Clerk

of any amendments they would like to be made to the document prior to the

meeting. David Clarke of MHDC will be attending the NPSG meeting on April

10th which will be an open meeting.

Parish Council Website:

The Chairman reported that ParishCouncil.net who we were in negotiation

with about supply of a replacement website appeared to be no longer trading.

A quotation from an alternative supplier has been obtained, however, after

discussion the clerk was asked to make contact to try to achieve a reduction in

set up cost.

Clerk's Urgent Decisions: Authorised lengthsman to work additional hours on

weather related issued – 3 additional hours had been worked.

Lengthsman's Duties:

To try to tidy up around Ham Bridge for visibility reasons. Cllr Bradley agreed to

see the owner of the property to see if we could do anything further.

Councillors reports: Cllr Bradley reported potholes on Pound Lane, opposite

Pound Meadow.

The next meeting will be held on Thursday 3rd April at 7.30pm
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

I am not one for speaking publically but feel that this is an important issue that should be raised with local residents and would like you to consider adding my e-mail to the next Teme Triangle. I would like to raise the issue of there being a lot of dog faeces on the pavements in Clifton. In particular one area that seems to be badly affected is the pavement on Hope Lane. I feel that this is incredibly inconsiderate of whoever is allowing their dog to do this and not clean up after it, especially as this part of the village is used frequently by families with young children (as people park/walk here when dropping off and collecting their children from school/nursery). Do we want dog faeces being trodden into where our children are being cared for and passing on infection? I felt it important to raise this issue, as I have young children myself and am also a dog owner, and this seems to have occurred on many occasions. To whoever is responsible for this, please rethink your actions, as this is unhygienic.

Cathie Walker, Clifton upon Teme

ROCK WALKS FOR APRIL

The Rock Pathfinders walks in April will take place on Thursdays starting at 10.30am.

April 3rd: from Hawkbathe Valley car park, Dowles Road B4194. OS reference 761778

April 17th: from The Button Oak Inn, Kinlet DY12 3AQ. OS ref 751780.

The annual 'Rock Pound The Bounds' walk will take place on Sunday 4th May. Registration and sponsorship forms can be downloaded from the Pound the Bounds website: www.poundthebounds.org.uk or contact Susan Humphries, one of the event organisers, on 01299 400304.

CLIFTON WI

Members attended the March meeting to hear a talk by Dave Cropp on *The Best Knockers in Worcester* - real experiences of local and national politics. The annual lunch held at the New Inn Clifton was a great success, members and husbands enjoyed a delicious meal where once again we were made most welcome by everyone at the New Inn.

Look out for our coffee morning which will be held again this year in Clifton on the 28th June 2014. If you would like to join us or just come and see what we get up to why not come along to the Clifton Village Hall, second Tuesday in the month at 7.30pm. April meeting is on the 8th the speaker is Helen Lee who will be talking about *Homes Through Time*.

For further information please contact Penny Bowden 01886 812579

FROM OUR FOREIGN CORRESPONDENT

Teme Triangle's erstwhile Editor, Judie Welsh, writes from France where she and her husband Chris are still enjoying a sabbatical.



This month I felt as if I was in Heidi's mountain home when Chris and I visited his niece high up in the Ariège Pyrennes on the Spanish border. With just five houses in their tiny hamlet, and the nearest village 20 minutes drive on a terrifying road, it's not a home for the faint hearted. From our bedroom we faced the magnificent snow covered mountains whilst enjoying 20 degrees of glorious sunshine. Their neighbours were mostly born up there and we were lucky enough to be invited into two of their homes and to enjoy tales of life on the mountain. Everything had a bell round its neck even the dog. Here in the Ariège, as in the whole of Languedoc Rousillion, they still practice transhumance - taking the sheep down the valley in winter and bringing the entire flock back up after lambing when the mountain pastures offer both grass and relief from the searing heat.

Whilst there we took a day to visit the prehistoric cave paintings in Niaux, an experience which was fascinating but not entirely within my comfort zone as the hour long walk through the underground passages was in the dark! We had a slightly quieter day when Chris visited Airbus in Toulouse.

All over this part of France we are reminded of the German Occupation. From the bullet holes all around our cemetery wall just walking distance from home, to the plaques in almost every mountain village, commemorating the Resistance fighters who were shot or the villagers shot for harbouring them. And in the Pyrenees our host told us that his family hid Allied prisoners of war in the winter and couriered them across the mountains to Spain in spring. All quite chilling tales for those of us whose view of war came from books and films.

Back in Gard now it's the run up to local elections. In the next village the Mairie held a party for all residents including free wine, food and karaoke! In Salinelles the canvassing was rather more subtle... they are repairing the Main Street which was a little 'uneven' and have guaranteed traders that the works will all be completed before voting on 23rd March - although the urgency does not apply between 12 and 2.30 as you can see from my photo!



C'est la France.

Judie Welsh

TEME TRIANGLE PARISHES MISS OUT IN LATEST SUPERFAST BROADBAND ROLL-OUT

Clifton and the Shelsleys have again been omitted from the latest list of Worcestershire villages to get high-speed fibre broadband announced last month.

Belbroughton, Blakedown, Chaddesley Corbett, Clows Top, Cutnall Green, Eckington, Elmley Castle, Great Witley, HanleySwan, Hartlebury, Kempsey, Knightwick, Leigh Sinton, Ombersley, Peopleton, Powick, Rock, Upton Snodsbury, Wichenford and Wolverley are among the list to benefit from the technology for the first time. High-speed fibre broadband is due to be switched on in these communities between October and December. At the same time the technology will be also made available in parts of Bewdley, Kidderminster, Pershore and Stourport not previously enabled by any commercial programme.

Earlier this year Superfast Worcestershire, the partnership between Worcestershire County Council and BT, announced that Ashton-under-Hill, Badsey, Broadway, Crophorne, Hallow and Harvington would be the first communities to benefit from the roll-out between April and September. In addition, parts of Malvern and some areas of Evesham and Worcester not previously enabled by any commercial programme will also benefit.

“This will come as a huge disappointment to the many small businesses and private users in the Teme Valley area that seem to have been forgotten yet again in the superfast broadband roll-out,” said Clifton Parish Council Chairman, Bernard Pound.

CLIFTON PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS

Clifton Parish Council meetings take place at 7.30pm on the first Thursday of each month in the village hall. The Annual Parish Meeting will take place on Thursday, May 15th 2014.

NEXT LION QUIZ NIGHT

The next Quiz Night at the Lion Inn, Clifton, will take place at 8pm on Monday, 14th April. As usual, teams of up to six people are invited to compete for the prize offered to the winning team. The quizmaster will be Robert Brynin, aided by his wife Liz. Last month's quiz, organised by Lion Manager Tom Gaunt, raised £150 for the Macmillan Cancer Support appeal.

FISH & CHIPS

Fish and chips will be on sale again from the mobile 'chippy' that will be located in the pavilion car park off Pound Lane in Clifton every Tuesday evening from 8th April between 4.30pm and 7pm. They are also available from the Lion Inn from 3,30pm Monday-Saturday.

TEME TALENT WANTED

Would-be entertainers of all ages are being invited to step onto the stage in the first-ever *Teme's Got Talent* event which will be held during this year's Shelsley Church Fete. The fete, which will begin at 3pm on Sunday July 13th, aims to raise much-needed money for the upkeep of All Saints Church in Shelsley Beauchamp. It was last held four years ago.

However, this year there will be a new attraction with adults, children and even pets invited to to show off their skills in a special show which will start later in the afternoon at Little Blakes, the home of Jamie and Patricia Marlar. The impresario of *Teme's Got Talent*, Iain Patton is keen for the widest possible line-up of acts to have a go. "We know there's a host of hidden and not so hidden talent living in the Teme Valley," said Iain, "it could be anything from singing, playing musical instruments, comedy acts, drama, juggling or something else - it's all up for grabs."

Iain hopes that there might also be a few families who would relish giving the Von Trapps from the *Sound of Music* a run for their money. "This is a great opportunity for the community to come together and enjoy itself in a good cause and so we hope everyone will support the event in any way they can" Iain added.

Anyone wishing to enter the Teme's Got Talent event can contact Iain via email at iainpatton@shelsleybank.org.uk

FARMERS' MARKET COMES TO CLIFTON

Scrummy Stuff Farmers' Market visits Clifton village hall on the fourth Sunday each month to introduce local producers to the local community. All stall-holders are genuine producers of local foods and crafts. It supports two charities: Headway the Brain Injury Association and Jordan Bear Lurcher & Greyhound Rescue who are provided with free stalls and the Chantry School Business Enterprise pupils are given with free stalls and mentoring to help them develop their business skills. A pop-up café provides a wide range of hot and cold food and local musicians and performers entertain customers, creating a warm a friendly environment for villagers to meet.

Dates are always the same: 4th Sun Clifton Upon Teme Village Hall 2-4.30 Scrummy Stuff Market. Website www.scrummystuff.com or contact Paul & Gill Reeve on 01299 879925 or 07599 705365

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6th.	April Lent 5 Passion Sunday	10.30 am Morning Prayer Rev. John Sumner	8.00 am Holy Communion Rev. John Sumner 10.00 am Morning Prayer Pat Snelling	11.00am Celtic-style Circle Service Alice Sumner	
7th			10.15 for 10.30 am Push-Chair Praise		
9th	Wednesday		10.30 am singalong, Trish Collett		
13th.	Palm Sunday	10.30 am Methodist Service	10.00 am Morning Prayer (Modern Language)		6.30 pm Evening Prayer Pat Snelling
14th - 16th	Monday to Wednesday in Holy Week		7.30pm Compline		
17th	Maundy Thursday		7.30pm Holy Communion		
18th	GOOD FRIDAY	12 noon Meditation	1.00pm Meditation	2.00pm Meditation	
20th.	April EASTER DAY	9.00 am Holy Communion Rev. John Sumner	10.15. am Holy Communion Rev. John Sumner	11.00 am Morning Prayer followed by Holy Communion Pat Snelling and Rev. John Sumner	No Service
23rd			7.30pm Time for TIME OUT		
27th.	3rd after Easter	10.30 am 4th Sunday (Circle) Service Alice Sumner	10.00 am Holy Communion Rev John Sumner Followed by Annual Parochial Church Meeting 6.30 pm Evening Prayer Pat Snelling		8.00 am Holy Communion Rev. John Sumner
4th May	4th. after Easter	10.30 am Morning Prayer Pat Snelling	8.00 am Holy Communion Rev John Sumner 10.00 am Morning Prayer Rev John Sumner	11.00 am Valley Praise Des Robson	2.30 Baptism Rev John Sumner
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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

April

- 2 Clifton Friendship Club: *Inspirational Gardens* VH 2.30pm
- 3 Clifton Parish Council meeting, VH 7.30p
- 5 Friends of St. Kenelms coffee morning, 10.30am-12 noon
- 8 Clifton WI: Helen Lee *Homes Through Time* VH 7.30pm
- 10 Clifton Neighbourhood Plan Open Meeting, VH 7.30pm
- 12 All Saints Beer Festival, Talbot Hotel, Knightwick 11am
- 12 Rural Reels film: *Captain Phillips* Clifton VH 6.30 for 7pm
- 13 Clifton Bowling Club Open Day, 2pm
- 13 Teme Valley Market, Talbot Hotel, Knightwick 10.30am
- 14 Lion Inn Quiz, 8pm
- 16 Clifton Friendship Club: Garth Lowe *Bulgaria* VH 2.30pm
- 26 Clifton Bowling Club coffee morning & sale, pavilion 10am-12noon
- 27 Scrummy Stuff Market, Clifton VH 2pm-4.30pm

May

- 2 Clifton Parish Council meeting, VH 7.30pm
- 3 Coffee Morning, The Old House, Clifton, 10am - 12noon
- 3/4 Shelsley Walsh Hillclimb
- 4 Rock Pound The Bounds walk
- 4 Bluebell Ride, Wichenford 10am
- 7 Clifton Friendship Club: *From Tights to Trousers* VH 2.30pm
- 10 Clifton Friendship Club's coffee morning, 24 The Village
- 10 Rural Reels film: *Gravity* Clifton VH 6.30 for 7pm
- 11 Pensax Spring Walk, VH 11am
- 11-17 Christian Aid Week
- 15 Clifton Annual Parish Meeting, VH
- 18 Clifton Treasure Hunt (St. Kenelms)
- 21 Clifton Friendship Club AGM VH 2.30pm
- 25 Scrummy Stuff Market, Clifton VH 2pm-4.30pm
- 31 Shelsley Walsh Hillclimb

June

- 5 Clifton Parish Council meeting, VH 7.30pm
- 28 Clifton WI coffee morning

July

- 13 Shelsleys Fete 3pm

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