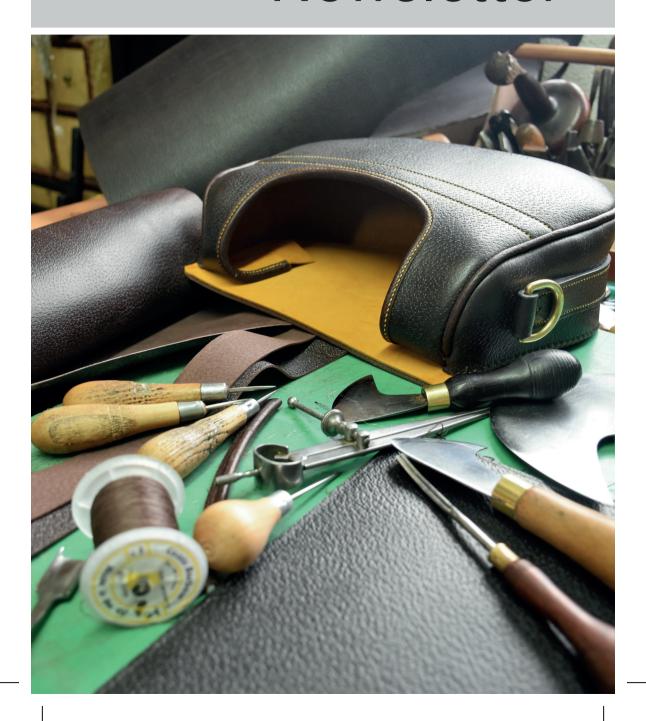
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November 2017

The Newsletter



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

• 5th Nov Bonfire Breakfast - Tytherton Village Hall

• 5th Nov Bonfire Night - Bremhill

• 24th Nov Opera Dudes / Rural Arts - Bremhill

• 25th Nov Christmas Craft Fair - Tytherton Village Hall

• 28th Nov Newsletter AGM - Bremhill Village Hall

• 2nd Dec Foxham Village Bingo

• 6th Dec Moravian Church Community Lunch

• 3rd Jan 2018 Moravian Church Community Lunch

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EDITORIAL

This month you will find an envelope in your Newsletter. As you are aware, the Newsletter is delivered to every household in the civic parish of Bremhill free of charge. The cost of each edition is approximately 90p. The printing is almost our only expense. Everything else is done by wonderful volunteers for nothing. Our advertising covers about 60% of the overall cost but, I am afraid, the remainder has to be raised.

We would be very grateful if you would consider supporting us so that we can continue to provide the parish with this facility. Please note the individuals who have offered to receive your donations. There is someone close by to make it as convenient as possible for you. Thank you.

We are always looking for volunteers to help with the various jobs associated with the production of the Newsletter. There is a breadth of tasks to suit most people, so if you would like to volunteer, do chat with anyone mentioned on the envelope, send us an email or give one of the editors a call.

The Newsletter AGM will be on Tuesday 28th November at 7.30 pm at Bremhill Village Hall. Please put the date in your diary, do come and have your say. It is your Newsletter! The Chairman will not be putting himself forward for reelection after almost 5 years in post. If you fancy the job, do let one of the editors know!

David Stevens

Please send your contributions to the Newsletter editor@bremhill.com by the 13th of each month. We welcome all articles, large or small. The editors do reserve the right to adjust your contribution for reasons of space or extreme content! Many thanks.

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SPECIAL NOTICES

BONFIRE NIGHT

Sunday 5th November

Thank you to all those who have helped Colin and John build another wonderful bonfire. Our professional display team have also been busy creating their display for us; last year it was admired for miles around!

The gates open from 6.30 pm when we will be providing our specialities of home-made mulled wine and soup, along with quality burgers and sausages supplied by Jean from Monument Farm.

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Cathy Hourihane

INAUGURATION OF REVEREND LINDA CARTER

The Reverend Linda Carter is going to be the new Vicar of Bremhill, Foxham and Derry Hill. Her inauguration service will be at Derry Hill Church on Wednesday 6th December at 7 pm.

Everyone is welcome to come to the service and greet both Linda and her husband, Richard. There will be further opportunities to meet them which the PCCs will organise thereafter.

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FOXHAM POPPY COLLECTION

For the 2 weeks before Remembrance Day, I will be around to as many houses as possible with a tray of Poppies, metal lapel poppies, Car poppies etc. Poppies will be available in church for our 9.30 am Remembrance Day service. These are to make the poppy wreath which will be placed under the memorial tablet during the service when we remember those people who went from this village and were killed in war.

Elizabeth Hannah

FIGS

November's FIGS is at Chippenham Golf Club on Monday 11th September. £30 for Bacon Roll, Coffee and 18 Holes of golf, meet at 9.30, play from 10.30

Neil

TOWN HALL MOVIOLA

Our November film will be' Churchill' (PG).

Starring Brian Cox and Miranda Richardson. A thriller following Winston Churchill during the 96 hours leading up to the D-Day landings.

Showing in Calne Town Hall on Weds 15th November at 7.30 pm.

Doors open at 7.00 pm. Refreshments available. Tickets £6.00 available from the Information centre or on the door.

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This month Cherry Hubbard tells us what life was like for a Tudor housewife, especially approaching Christmas. Members have been given a recipe from that era for Apple Tart, including some rather unusual ingredients, and are invited to bake and bring their efforts to the meeting!



'Carols in the Moravian Church' - Advance notice that on Wednesday Dec. 13th, together with Rev Patsy Holdsworth, our WI cordially invites members of local WIs to join us in singing favourite carols. To be followed by seasonal refreshments in the village hall.

Our meetings are held on the 3rd Wednesday of every month, except August, at 7.30 pm in Tytherton Village Hall. If you would like to come for a 'taster' evening you are very welcome - we are a very friendly bunch, with members from several of the local villages as well as Chippenham. Just come along or for further information ring our Secretary Rose on 07514 538551

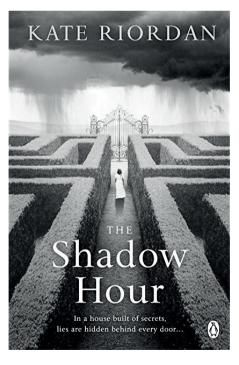
BOOK REVIEW

The Shadow Hour - Kate Riordan

Kate Riordan is a relatively new author who was an assistant editor at the Guardian and then a deputy editor at Time Out. She has now taken to writing books, of which this is her second. She lives in the Cotswolds. She came to a book signing lunch at Bowood recently with her friend, Dinah Jefferies, the author of "The Tea Planter's Wife", a recent best seller.

The Shadow Hour is set on Leckhampton Hill, near Cheltenham in both in 1878 and 1922, a place I know well. Harriet Jenner is just twenty one when she walks through the gates of Fenix House. Reeling from a personal tragedy, she does not expect her new life as a governess to be easy. But she certainly doesn't foresee the spell Fenix House will cast.

Almost fifty years later, Harriet's granddaughter Grace follows in her footsteps. For Grace, raised on Harriet's mesmerising stories, Fenix House is a fairy tale; a magical place suspended in time.



Now its grandeur is faded and as the holes start to appear in Harriet's story, Grace finds herself in a place of secrets and shadows. For Fenix House hides truths about her family and everything she thought she knew is about to change.

This is not a ghost story but a well written narrative of lives intertwined in ways that become obvious. Social conventions of the time are woven into the story as in the novels of Jane Eyre. I found it difficult to put down as there was always something new or surprising in every chapter.

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CHRISTIAN MALFORD & FOXHAM WI

Pat Johnson arranged and guided us through all the whist matches this year. What varied great rambles we have had this year with Val Minty as the 'leader' and Yvonne Bailey as her 'accomplice'. Hopefully the walks will resume again in the Spring. Our successful bring and buy sale in September meeting raised £75 which will go to the Denman House Appeal.



Marion Coker and Vilma Chapman were the lucky winners of our WI Denman House. Bonfire Night - Saturday 4th November - Your help is needed for homemade toffee apples, gingerbread people and flapjacks. We appreciate those who have already 'promised/signed up' to make these, but we need more! Soup and mulled wine/cider making, served on the evening and Sunday morning clearing up at the Rec. Please contact Tina 01249 720956 to volunteer/help. Silver and Ceramics - Thursday 16th November. 7.30 pm - Gordon Brockman (Chippenham Auction rooms) will give us an entertaining and informative evening at our November meeting. Bring along silver or ceramic items!

Carol Service - Monday 4th December 7.00 for 7.30 pm - Our group carol service will be at Little Somerford church. Always a happy gathering with mince pies and coffee after much carol singing.

New members are always welcome. All our information and club activities can be found on the notice board outside the Christian Malford village shop. Contact Tina: 01249 720956







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CHRISTMAS PAST - PART 1

When I was a child, the Chippenham shops began to display their Christmas stock about the third week of November.

Wheeler's Grocers shop in the Market Place would build tiered shelves, covered in red material, on which tea caddies and biscuit tins of all shapes and colours were placed. Also on display were blue and green stem ginger jars, china pate and paste pots with decorated lids; pickles, potted shrimps, Gentleman's Relish and boxes of glace fruits, and of course decorated boxes of chocolates.

Wheeler's Ladies Fashion, the shop adjoining the Grocers, decorated their window with scented boxed soaps, perfume and face powder with swan down powder puffs. Lace and satin lingerie presented, like the film stars wore. Ladies were elegant in those days! Fancy goods were displayed at the front of the window, handkerchiefs, gloves, scarves, lace cuffs and collars, stockings and pretty hat pins.

The Royal Wilts Bacon Company also had a shop at the end of the Shambles. At Christmas they hung black, white, red and yellow ham joints from the ceiling. Mr Buckle, purveyor of fish and game had an open shop frontage, from which pheasant, partridge and geese were hung. Whole salmon and oysters were placed amongst other fish and sea food in crushed ice on a fish slab.

Just before Christmas there was a Fatstock Show, in the old Cattle Market where Borough Parade is now. The winning beast was invariably purchased by Mr Love the Butcher whose shop was by the Western Arches. After the show the Annual Dinner was held in the Neeld Hall for the Farmers.

Mattingly's Saddlers in the High Street displayed men's shaving kits, cuff links and shirt studs in little leather cases, men's hair brushes, leather wallets, belts, shooting sticks and hip flasks.

The most exciting thing for me was going to London with my mother, meeting a cousin and going to Selfridges to see the Christmas display. Afterwards we walked along Oxford Street looking at all the shop window displays. Later we walked on to Lyons Corner House restaurant and had afternoon tea, with a string quartet playing in the background.

A. Moonraker - to be continued

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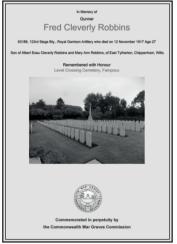
IN MEMORY OF

Gunner 63186 Fred Cleverly Robbins (123rd Siege battery. RGA)

Born 1890 - Died 12th November 1917, aged 27 years

Fred was born in Tytherton, the youngest son of Albert and Mary Ann Robbins (Nee Freegard). Fred was baptised at St Martins on the 22nd February 1891. At the time his father, Albert, was working as a Mason and the family were living at the post office in Tytherton. By 1911 Fred was working as a grocer's assistant in the village. He joined up after the appeal by Kitchener in 1915 after RMS Lusitania was torpedoed and sunk by a German U-boat in May 1915 and losses at the front were mounting. Fred joined and went to Fort Brockhurst, Gosport for gunner training. The fort was one of the Palmerston Forts and is now available to visit. It is run by English Heritage. You can see the exhibition and learn about its history. After training Fred was posted to France on the 3rd April 1916 and joined the 123rd siege battery company in July 1916.

Fred's gun was targeted and he was taken to the 46 Field ambulance station of the Royal Army Medical Corps where he died of his wounds. Each field ambulance was divided into three sections, designated 'A', 'B' and 'C', and there was also a Bearer Division and a Tent Division. In battle conditions the tent division formed a main dressing station, at the same time, men from the bearer division brought in the wounded from front-line Regimental Aid Posts. During a big offensive, field ambulance units formed a chain of medical posts between the aid-posts and Casualty Clearing Stations.



A few days later, Fred was buried at Fampoux, Pas de Calais in the Level Crossing Cemetery along with 2 other colleagues from the RGA who died on the same day, possibly operating the same battery.

Fred is remembered on all the war memorial scripts in the parish and on the war memorial in St Martin's churchyard.

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David Woods



Fred Robbins Siege Battery

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TIFFANY PARKINSON

Master Saddler, Foxham

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Tiffany says, "You can make virtually anything out of leather and half the fun is working it out...leather is so tactile, and forgiving." In 2012 the Queen Elizabeth Scholarship Trust gave her a grant to learn the craft of side- saddle restoration and making which effectively helped keep this specialist craft from being lost.

Such is Tiffany's love of her art that she has a 'hobby workshop' at Stockham Marsh Farm near her home in Foxham. Here she makes and refurbishes items in leather for country sports enthusiasts and the equine world. This is in addition to her 'day' job at E.J. Wicks, Lambourn, repairing and making horse racing saddles and equipment.



Part of her obvious love for leather working is collecting and using traditional hand-made tools which have their own patina of age and 'skilled use' provenance. When you walk into her workshop there is an instant feeling that traditional skills abound.

Not that any proof is needed but in February of this year Tiffany won the "President's Choice", Society of Master Saddlers in a themed competition "Aviation" for her Fokker tri-plane model which is made entirely of leather and took 160 hours to make. Proof enough that given the skill and the patience you can make virtually anything in leather!

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THE SKY AT NIGHT November 2017

With the nights drawing in and the leaves tumbling off the trees, what better way could there be to lift your spirits than to look to the night sky and see the dazzling display of our stars and planets that are on offer.

So we start off with a full moon on the 4th Nov. The Moon will be located on the opposite side of the Earth as the Sun and its face will be will be fully illuminated. This full moon is known as the Hunter's Moon. The Hunter's Moon typically appears in October, except once every four years when it doesn't appear until November. Although the Moon rises 50 minutes later each day, things are different for the Hunter's Moon (as well as the Harvest Moon which we saw last month). Both of these moons usually rise 30 minutes later on each successive night, which means that sunset and moonrise are not far apart. This difference between the timing of the sunset and moonrise is due to its orbit. These moons have traditionally been used by hunters and farmers to finish their work.

On the 4th and 5th November we will also be graced by the Taurids Meteor Shower. The Taurids is a long-running meteor shower and it is unusual in that it consists of two separate streams. The first is produced by dust grains left behind by an Asteroid, with the second stream being produced by debris left behind by Comet 2P Encke. Unfortunately the glare from the full moon will block out all but the brightest meteors. But fear not, as November brings not one, but two meteor showers. The Leonids Meteor Shower takes place on the 17th & 18th November, and the good news is that we also have a new moon on the 18th which means there will be little light interference with the skies being dark enough for what should be a good show. If you do manage to spot one of these stellar beauties blazing across the sky please do let me know.

On the 13th November the spectacular Venus and Jupiter will be visible in the evening sky. The two bright planets will be extremely close, appearing only 0.3 degrees apart. Look for this impressive pairing in the Eastern sky just before sunrise. So happy star gazing!

Angela Protheroe

BREMHILL CHURCH BELLS RINGING

for Remembrance Day on 11th November

Bremhill church bells will be ringing half muffled for Remembrance on Saturday 11th November from 3 - 4:30 pm & 6:15 - 8 pm when we host bell ringers from the Calne area. They will also ring for the 10:50 am service on the 12th.

Bremhill church bells were installed in a new frame just before the Great War. The bells are larger & more majestic than bells in most village churches. I believe they have been rung regularly except for the ban during part of the Second World War. We wish to ensure the church bells will ring for the centenary of the end of the Great War & regularly in the future.

Would you or someone you know like to be a regular bell ringer at Bremhill? We aim to ring every Sunday for 45 minutes before the church service and a practice each week. One person rings each of the 6 bells which were last cast (made) between 1685 & 1826. We will train you to become a bell ringer or if you have rung before give you a refresher! Reliability, reasonable co-ordination & rhythm & an age range from 18 to 60+ are the only requirements. Do make contact & join our team! Regards.

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BROADBAND IN BREMHILL PARISH

Gigabit broadband is coming to Bremhill Parish with connections from Gigaclear with a subsidy from Wiltshire Council. Since August their website has stated the network build will take place some time between late 2017 and the end of 2019.

I have been given information from Gigaclear that the plan is as follows, with the dates subject to change based on progress in other areas. Bremhill Parish has been divided into four areas, Kellaways, Christian Malford, Mile Elm and Derry Hill. Kellaways which includes Bremhill and Tytherton, starting in July 2018. Christian Malford includes Spirthill, Charlcutt and Foxham, starting in January 2019. The dates for Derry Hill and Mile Elm, which includes Stanley, Ratford and Bencroft Hill, will be known in early 2018. Go to the Gigaclear website https://www.gigaclear.com/wiltshireonline and enter your postcode to find which area includes your property.

So that is still some time away and if you are in urgent need of better broadband, you have two options, one is a mobile broadband connection from the likes of EE, Vodafone, etc. A second option is the Fixed Wireless solution from Green Grass Broadband which is operational in Spirthill, Charlcutt and parts of Foxham, (Ayhan@greengrassbroadband.com).

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Drinks

The Foxham Reading Room Friday 3rd November from 5.30 pm

Drinks for sale at reasonable prices include:
Draft Beer, Bottled Beer & Lager, Cider, Red & White Wine
Prosecco (by glass & bottle), Pimms, Soft Drinks

GARDENING NOTES

November

This is a good time of year to encourage wildlife to your garden by erecting a bird feeding station and providing fresh water for them to bathe in and drink. Allow hedgehogs to travel from garden to garden by ensuring there is a hole in the fencing. Leave out suitable food for them and water. They will soon be

hibernating. Frogs and toads would love a pond but make sure there is a good slope for them to climb out, also do not put fish in the pond as they will eat the spawn.

Garden tools need to be cleaned, oiled and sharpened, pots and seed trays need washing ready for plants next year. Frosts will be around the corner, if not already here, so take care of tender plants. Cover with straw or fleece. Give frost protection to vegetables still



in the ground. Harvest parsnips for storing and check potatoes in case any have gone rotten. Also check stored apples in case any have gone mouldy. Plant sweet peas for early germination and flowering next year.

Cut back climbing roses to keep them tidy and tie in strong shoots to prevent them being damaged by winter wind. Remove any thin and weak growth. Pot up Amaryllis bulbs for a Christmas display. Plant tulip bulbs in pots for outdoor displays.

Gather up more leaves and put in black sacks for leaf mould. Pierce the sacks to allow air to circulate and leaves to decompose.





BREMHILL PARISH WAR MEMORIAL

St Martin's Church Bremhill

Nearly a hundred years ago the parishioners in our community came together in a common grief after the death of so many local lads often leaving behind them young families and widows.

The people in the parish carried out much fundraising and public subscription and in 1920 a cross was erected for the entire parish at the church of St Martins at Bremhill. A special service of dedication was held in November 1920 when the cross was unveiled.

We have had a variety of experts to visit the memorial and provide commentary about it's condition and we are pleased to be able to report that the overall consensus is that it is currently still acceptable apart from a few weeds. Certainly any restoration would have negative effects as well as positive.

The cross is now listed which means that there is an obligation for us (**The Community**) to keep it in good order for future generations. Generally however We have a copy of the programme for the original dedication and many of us feel it would be respectful to rededicate the memorial in 2020, a hundred years after it was first unveiled. We have three years to decide. Any ideas on the way forward would be welcome.

Contact history@bremhill.com with your thoughts



Rural Arts

PRESENTS

'The Girl Who Fell in Love With the Moon'

Performed by The Human Zoo Theatre Company (Performance suitable for children aged 11+)

At the Foxham Reading Room Friday 17th November 7 pm - 8 pm Bar Open from 6 pm Tickets - Adults £10 & Under 16 £7

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CURRYING F(L)AVOUR

Just recently in a national newspaper I read an article by a holiday journalist describing a trip to Ceylon (Sri Lanka) in which he described some of the most memorable curries he had ever eaten. This triggered memories when, many years ago, my wife and I experienced a trip through Malaysia starting in Penang and working our way south.

The latter part of our holiday took us to Pulau Tioman, an island in the South China Sea. We flew from the old RAF base at Seletar in Singapore in a twin turboprop Dornier aircraft of Pelangi Air. We had experienced one or two curries in Malaya which were very pleasant, but the most memorable was a fish curry I had one lunch-time here in the Resort Dining Hall. It really was spectacular.

One of the many activities at the Resort was a guided tour through the jungle to the east coast village of Juara which had the most amazing white sand beach, the only occupants being a large flock of sea eagles feasting on something the tide had provided. The trek through the jungle was demanding and very warm, but, after about an hour and a half, we entered a clearing with a pool supplied by a spectacular waterfall of cool fresh water. The trek took about four hours before we burst out into Juara Bay. Our guide had informed us we could purchase lunch from the locals - and guess what? Today's lunch was chicken curry. This was simmering in a large metal pot over a wood fire. I must say, when the large helping was presented, I was somewhat surprised to find not only meat and local delicacies, but bones and all! But when I had a taste, my word, it was beautiful, putting the fish curry of a few days earlier to shame.

After this sumptuous meal we had two options for returning to the resort - either do the reverse trek through the jungle or catch the round-the-island Bum Boat which called with essentials for the villages. We chose the boat which was locally made using local materials, but was powered by a three-cylinder diesel engine, produced in Gloucestershire by the Lister company.

Those two curries, of all I have eaten, still remain one and two in my memory!

A very Senior Citizen

WILTSHIRE FLOOD SEMINAR

On Sept 5th I attended a Flood Wardens seminar in Trowbridge. Councillor Johnathon Seed stated how important it was that each Parish had a Flood Warden or Wardens, not only in time of floods but also to be a liaison officer to inform the council departments of all ditches, culverts and grips that need to be kept clear. The council steward must be informed to make sure that clearing them out was a priority, by using the Wiltshire App.

Wilts and Dorset Fire Service has a boat in Chippenham and one in the south of the county. In time of flood theywill respond to the following: external to a single property, external to multiple properties, spate conditions and rescue from flood. They will not respond, unless they are free, to a vehicle stranded in flood water. You are breaking the Highway Code if you enter flood water on a highway.

Wessex 4x4 is a group of people, based country wide, who use their own 4x4s in time of emergency, to deliver food, water and also people if required. They are a charity and will respond to the blue light services. For further info contact: www.wessex4x4response.org.uk.

The Environment Agency stated that our chalk was made 80 million years ago and the chalk has no natural drainage network. Chalk is porous and highly permeable and a cubic metre of chalk holds 500 litres of water. Going into this winter the aquifers are below normal but the Soil Moisture deficit is wetter than normal. Wiltshire and Dorset are the only counties that have groundwater levels so we are not likely to have a shortage of water in a drought! It will need two dry years before we start to suffer!



Drainage and Planning send details of the drainage to the drainage dept. where they see how the flow rate of water increases. New development building companies have to show how they can capture water run off by using ponds and drains but not underground ones! In most cases a mock model is created to see if the planners are correct! A rise of flow rate increases flood rate.

Bremhill Parish Council are creating a Flood Plan, which will be at the Council Operations Room, in Trowbridge.

The floodline number of The Environment Agency is 03459881188, in case one should need it. Remember, DO NOT enter flood water, it may be fast -flowing and dangerous.

Please contact the Parish Clerk if you need any more information.

William Bailey Bremhill Parish Council



TYTHERTON VILLAGE HALL

The Bonfire Breakfast Sunday November 5^{th.} 9.00 am - 11.00am.



Start November 5th with a bang! (er)...and egg, bacon, mushrooms, hash browns, beans, black pudding --the choice is yours. Toast etc., tea.coffee, o.i. £6 a head, no need to book.



Tytherton Apple Juice has arrived!

Delicious apple juice made from the apples of local villagers' apple trees is now on sale. Use by date of Dec 2018. £2.50 a bottle, also sold by the glass in the Bar. On sale in the Bar or see contact details below.

Christmas Gift & Craft Fair = Saturday 25th November 10.00 am - 4.00 pm For details see the half page display ad in this month's magazine. If you are interested in having a stand, and for further details, please contact Viv (07891 340311) or Brenda (01249 740367)

Village Carol Celebration - Tuesday 19th December, 6.30 pm in the Moravian Church. Followed by mulled wine & mince pies in the village hall.

The Bar is open each Friday evening from 8 pm: All are very welcome For bookings and event enquiries call 07719 176753 or email events@tythertonhall.co.uk

Look on our Hall Facebook page for news and photos of recent events

ST JOHN THE BAPTIST CHURCH, FOXHAM

Sunday 5 Nov 9.30 am D. Wilton

4 before Advent Holy Communion 1 Thessalonians 2: 9-13

Sunday 12 Nov 9.30 am E. Hannah

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY Wisdom 3: 1-8

Sunday 19 Nov 9.30 am M. Kellond

2 before Advent Holy Communion 1 Thessalonians 5: 1-11

Sunday 26 Nov 6 pm R. Pegler

Christ the King Evensong Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24

Sunday before Advent

ST NICHOLAS CHURCH, TYTHERTON LUCAS

Sunday 5 Nov Morning Service 10 am Peter Tremelling

Sunday 12 Nov Service of Remembrance 10 am

at the Moravian Church

Sunday 19 Nov Mattins 10 am Derek Copeland

Sunday 26 Nov Eucharist 8.30 am Rod Key

Sunday 3 Dec Patronal Festival 10 am Margaret Gubbins

ST MARTIN'S CHURCH, BREMHILL

	Service	Sidesmen	Readers
Sunday 5 Nov 4 before Advent Red/Green All Saints Day White	8 Holy Communion 6 Evensong	Nicol Jordan Jane Jordan June Hughes Sue Tumber	Revelations 7: 9-end Tamsin Castle Isaiah 65: 17-end Mervyn Wells Matthew 5: 1-12 Jane Jordan
Sunday 12 Nov 3 before Advent Red	10.50 Remembrance Day Service	Arnold Woods Gwen Woods	Wisdom 3: 1-8 Guy Briselden Matthew 5: 1-12 George Powell
Sunday 19 Nov 2 before Advent Red	6 Evensong	William Bailey Mark Kite	Zephaniah 1: 7, 12-18 Arnold Woods Matthew 25: 14-30 June Hughes
Sunday 26 Nov Sunday before Advent Red	9.30 Family Communion Stir up Sunday	Judy Scott J Lamacraft	Ephesians 1: 15-23 To be arranged
Sunday 3 Dec Advent Sunday Purple	8 Holy Communion 6 Candlelit Advent Evensong	William W-S Tamsin Castle Mervyn Wells Beryl Wells	1 Corinthians 1: 3-9 Mark Kite Readings to be notified Mike Kitching Prisca Wyldbore-Smith

ST MARTIN'S NOTICES

The most wonderful news is that Rev'd Linda Carter will be our new Vicar. All those who met her were deeply impressed by her friendliness and keenness to work with us to build a strong and thriving church in Bremhill.

Her Inauguration Service will be on Wednesday 6th Dec at 7 pm at Derry Hill Church. We will be organising events before Christmas so as many people as possible will be able to meet her. We look forward to welcoming her and her husband, Richard.

Cleaning Rota. The Church Cleaning and Flower Rotas are in the church. If you can find an hour or two to help clean the Church or polish the Brass, please put your name down as a volunteer. It will be much appreciated.

Afternoon tea china for hire. Very reasonable rates. Contact Philippa on 815337. If you have any items of local Church news for the next edition of the Newsletter, please send to editor@bremhill.com by 13th of each month. Thank you.

MORAVIAN CHURCH, EAST TYTHERTON

Morning worship is every Sunday at 10.30 am with Holy Communion on the first Sunday of every month. All welcome

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AUTUMN IS HERE

Autumn leaves Red, gold and brown Falling, swirling, Drifting down. Prickly conkers Cracking, popping. Branches snap, Acorns dropping.

Picking pumpkins, Juicy apples too.
Gathering blackberries In hedgerows for you.
Foggy mornings Damp, cold and grey.
Nature's blanket, Clouding the day.

Swallows gather Swooping up high.

Off they go To Africa, they fly.

Hibernating hedgehog, Finds somewhere to sleep.

Be sure it's not your bonfire Or your rubbish heap.

Shorter days, Frosty and wet.
Winter's round the cornerbut not quite yet.

This is a poem we found on topmarks.co.uk - author unknown.

The website advises that the poem could be used to discuss the use of verbs, nouns and adjectives with primary school children .. They also recommend discussing onomatopoeia (which, we're told, also features)

Ewen