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Reginauld Hugh Hopkinson

19 September

Norton Lindsey

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING - PCC

The churchwardens and the Parochial Church Council invite you to the Annual General Meeting on Wednesday 21 October at 7.00 pm in Holy Trinity Church, Norton Lindsey.

If you wish to attend please let Marion or Dorothy know via Marion 01926 842661 or Dorothy WNLLPCC@gmail.com.

Thank you
Marion

FACE MASKS MUST BE WORN

LOOKING FORWARD TO ALL SAINTS DAY

A PERSONAL VIEW from Rev. Stig Graham, who is standing in for our Rector Richard Mutter.

As someone who enjoys walking in the countryside, especially in the early morning, I have always been very conscious of the changing times of dawn and sunset. This autumn is no exception. It's not just about the changing light, quality as well as times, it's about sensing the changing behaviours of our local wildlife, the profusion of autumn fruits as a last fling of tree and bramble, as they all prepare for the long dark nights and the winter cold.

And yet, it is not just about the darkness. There are events in the coming months in which the darkness serves to accentuate the light and joy in our lives. At the end of October we have that liminal moment of the vernal equinox when night and day are in perfect balance, followed by All Souls and All Saints where Christians remember the promise of Jesus of Nazareth that within the love of God we are never far from those we have loved in life. Even in the darkness, literal and metaphorical, we will celebrate the memory of those who gave their lives against tyranny, and in the darkest month we will celebrate the birth of Jesus, a baby in an occupied land and soon to be a refugee. It is also from this moment, almost imperceptibly, the light strengthens and the darkness begins to recede.

There will be difficult times ahead. Covid-19, and its consequences, will continue to challenge us for some time yet. Yet, like the dark nights, we will come through it, and there is the hope, the promise of spring, regrowth, and new life. Jesus does not promise us a life of ease but he does promise to be with us in the darkness, to be a light that guides and warms us, and brings us home. We, too, can help and support those around us, spreading light and cheer. The darker the surrounds, the brighter shines the goodness and the love.

The Rev. Stig Graham

RECIPE – CHARRED CHICKEN ON CREAMED CORN

Serves 4

Ingredients

1 tbsp. olive oil
1 tsp vegetable oil
6-8 chicken thighs or drumsticks
8 small shallots peeled
8 corn on the cobs
2 garlic cloves – chopped
100 ml double cream
2 tbsp. unsalted butter
400 ml chicken stock
100 gm grated parmesan cheese
1 tsp turmeric
1 jar green olives drained and stoned
Bunch of flat leaf parsley (garnish)



Method

- Heat oven to 180°C.
- Heat oils in heavy bottomed pan and shallow fry the chicken until skin is charred.
- Set chicken aside in an oven proof dish.
- In the same oil, brown the shallots, corn and garlic until charred. Set aside.
- Once corn is cool, slice off kernels into a food processor and add cream, butter and stock. Set aside some corn strands to decorate the top. Blitz the corn mixture so it still has texture.
- Add parmesan and turmeric, season to taste.
- Pour creamed corn mixture around the chicken, add shallots and olives.
- Bake for 30 minutes until chicken is crisp and cooked through.
- Decorate with corn pieces and chopped parsley.

PARISH MAGAZINE – “A BIG THANK YOU”



We wish to record our grateful thanks to Velma for editing our Parish Magazine for nearly 6 years. We have received many complimentary comments, over the years, of how she has made the magazine interesting with its topics and coverage of all the news that is happening in our community. Thank you Velma for the time, the care and the commitment you

have given to our Parish. With all good wishes for your retirement from the editorship.

ST MARY’S LANGLEY – THANK YOU

After 37 years Brenda Pugh is retiring as organist at St Mary’s, Langley.

She has been a brilliant and dedicated organist. Our worship at Langley has been enriched by her love of church music.

In 1989 the electric organ was installed, until then she coaxed music from an antique wooden harmonium.

She has played at numerous special services throughout the benefice. The much loved carols by candlelight with supporting choir filled the Church at Christmas. We have also enjoyed the beautiful service of sung Evensong at our monthly evening services.

We count ourselves extremely lucky and blessed to have had Brenda as our organist.

Thank you from us all.



Langley Village Show Sunday 13 September

After ten successful previous events, the annual Langley Village Show could not be held as usual at the Church Hall. So Jane, Andrea and John came up with a format whereby residents could show their gardening and cooking abilities with a display outside their own entrance which could be 'distance visited' by all. In addition there was a scarecrow competition for children and 'young at hearts'. At the end bids were made for the displays with all proceeds, some £280 so far, will be going towards the Hall's upkeep.

The 'afternoon tea' prizes awarded on the basis of voting, were made to Anne Hamilton at Forge Cottage for best presentation overall and to Louise and Aaron at the Old Harrow for their best 'foxy' scarecrow. ???



The traditional Marilyn Hooper Award, for Best in Show, judged independently by Marilyn's family, was given to Steven and Caroline Timberlake at Spring Lane Cottage. The Ann Woodward Award, for Best Flower Display, again independently judged by Ann's family, was also awarded to Steven and Caroline for their mauve and cream striped dahlias. Quite remarkable result as Steven and Caroline only moved in to the village last autumn and their flower beds were created from scratch this season (a triumph for 'lockdown'?). Their children, William and Emily, were also highly commended for their spectacular George and the Smoking Dragon scarecrows.

Also highly commended were Josh's topical Harry and Megan tableau and Imogen and Abigail's 'Young Ladies'. 'Young at Hearts' entries also commended, were Bill and Ann's too realistic BT Engineer Taking a Tumble, Jane and Bernard's Traditional Farmer, Donna and Andy's usual cheeky entry and Sophie and Kevin's warning of what can happen if PPE Regulations are not observed. Amazing, as Sophie and Kevin are still in the middle of 'moving in'.

Big thanks to Jane and Bernard, Andrea and John for their organisation and for all who took part which the good weather set off perfectly.

Brian Keefe



Norton Lindsey Parish Council (NLPC) met on 8 September via Zoom.

We received a representation from a resident, on behalf of residents in and around Hawkes Hill Drive, expressing their views on the planning application for a poultry shed at Ward Hill, Norton Lindsey. We confirmed that NLPC will have an opportunity to put forward views at the planning committee stage meeting. It is currently expected that the final decision on this application will be made on 2 October.

Following recent flooding in the area it was agreed that NLPC would purchase four flood signs. These will be positioned close to Willowdale and Lindsey Lodge, Snitterfield Lane and by Littleworth Farm, two areas that were of concern. We have requested that Snitterfield Lane gullies to be cleared, by Warwickshire County Council (WCC), in the hope that it will resolve some of the flooding problems.

Our policy documents, such as complaints procedures, financial regulations, code of conduct, will be reviewed over the next six months, so that they are up to date. For those interested, these can be viewed on our NLPC website.

Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, we have not carried out as many of the actions we had hope from the Parish Council Action Plan. They will be rolled over to next year.

We discussed a future consultation by WCC which is preparing proposals for unitary local government in the county, in line with government plans to make local government more efficient. Unitary local government could mean that the six councils in Warwickshire that is; WCC, North Warwickshire Borough Council, Nuneaton and Bedworth Borough Council, Rugby Borough Council, Stratford on Avon District Council and Warwick District Council could be reduced to one (or two) councils delivering all services. WCC has started an open debate, relating to the long-term viability of local government in Warwickshire, in the context that they must save £92m over the next four years.

WCC Cllr Les Caborn gave an update on Covid-19 around the area saying that there was concern that the numbers were rising.

The full minutes will be available on our website at <https://nortonlindseypc.org/parish-council-meetings/minutes-of-previous-meetings/>.

The next meeting will take place on 13 October.

Karin Elmhirst

Women Walk the World 14 October 2020

On 14 October I am walking 20 miles to raise money for the Associated Country Women of the World (ACWW) as part of the “Women Walk the World” event. The “hub” will be at Summerville Cottage (Home of Gillian Crisp) and there will be information about ACWW and a cup of coffee (subject to Covid-19 restrictions!). There will also be a collecting tin for donations.



I also have a fundraising portal if anyone would like to sponsor me.
<http://www.acww.org.uk/juliehoward.html>

I am not walking anywhere special - in fact quite the opposite! I am going to walk the Blacon Track 9 times, which equates to just over 20 miles.

ACWW supports the education and empowerment of women in poor rural communities across the globe but primarily in underdeveloped areas. It seeks to help women and their families and to raise them out of poverty and is the largest development organisation for rural women, connecting and supporting women and communities worldwide.

The beauty of an ACWW project is that relatively small amounts of money are given to small, specific, local projects. Typical ACWW projects include establishing and supporting a boot making cooperative in Mongolia, introducing crops with better yields in Ghana leading to produce available for sale, and setting up a milk cooperative in India that has allowed women to sell milk and now members have money to send their children to school.

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NORTON LINDSEY VILLAGE HALL UPDATE

The Hall continues to be open for limited activities such as classes, as they are considered low risk.

As I write this, further restrictions have come in and no meetings that are considered social will be permitted as we are approaching the second wave of the pandemic. So it will not be possible to have any parties or social gatherings for some time.

In October it will be a year since the Hall was re-opened. It is such a pity that we could not continue and develop the scope and potential of this valuable village asset. We will just have to sit it out, realising it could take some time and we are fortunate that we received the grant, from Warwick District Council to keep us financially afloat, whilst having minimum income.

But let us turn to a positive and fun event, which did happen on the Playing Fields on Bank Holiday Monday 31 August. We held a wonderful socially distanced Picnic in the Park with Monty the Fool to entertain us. Fortunately, the winds and rain of the previous weeks abated so, although it was cool and the skies somewhat leaden with heavy clouds, we could go ahead. Monty would not have done his plate spinning or fire-eating had there been excessive wind.

All attendees sat in pre-booked, socially distanced, pitches and brought their own food and drink, thus minimising any risk. The aim was to have fun but to stay safe. The audience brought their own balls, or rolled up socks, to learn some juggling skills and there was much twirling of toothbrushes! Everyone, young and old had a great time. Maybe we can do this again or something similar next year. Overall both children and adults benefitted from Monty's tuition. Suggest for similar events would be gratefully received.

Thank you to all who helped beforehand and on the day to make this happen. There are many photographs on the Village Hall website for you all to look at, but here are a few.





No more events are planned as with new restrictions in place, there is little that can be done. Individual classes are welcome to make enquiries as these may be accommodated.



Results of the Scarecrow Competition

The full details will follow in the November issue of the Parish Magazine.

Under 12's 1st Prize Charlotte and Elliot Brown for Fireman Sam
 2nd Prize Henry and Jack Mann for Farmer Bill's Cowman
 3rd Prize Evelyn and Anna Range for Dr Norton Hero

Over 13's 1st Prize Anne and Richard Cooke for Super Nurse
 2nd Butler Family of Morgan Close for Postman Pete
 3rd Prize Mill Close Residents for Nations Hero

Anna Mace-Leska, Chair of Trustees and Playing Fields CIO

Majestic Dance Club

I am a teacher with the long established Majestic Dance Club in Warwick. From the end of this month, we are moving some of our dance classes from our usual location in Warwick to Norton Lindsey Village Hall and will be running a Beginners Social Dance Class from Sunday 4 October evenings from 7.30pm - 8.15pm. Below is a link to our website with further details.

<http://majesticdance.co.uk>

All our dance exercise classes will be carefully run in line with all the government regulations and IDTA (International Dance Teachers Association) Covid-19 free requirements and guidelines. I am happy to take calls or emails from anyone who might be interested.

Greta Needham

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CRICKET CLUB

By the time this is published, the truncated cricket season will be well and truly over. The last home game was on the 19 September, and groundsman, Jerry Ashley, was chomping at the bit to put the square to bed, after conditions last year were far from favourable, due to persistent rain, which delayed germination and washed away much of the seed.

Covid-19 restrictions also put paid to any hope of end of season celebrations and awards. Except that is for our flourishing Junior section, who managed to play several league matches at under 11 and 13 level and participate in Junior festivals, which enabled the Club to award the Most Improved Boy/Girl awards to Oliver Laming and Reichana Roberts. At adult level, the Young Player of the Year award went to Jack Yendall.

If any Junior parent would like to offer their help and services to support the Juniors in 2021, please contact either Harkarn Sumal (07876 707500) or Tim Landreth (07775 882936). Help is needed at Assistant Team Manager or Coaching Assistant or Barman. Very little experience is needed for any of these roles! Just enthusiasm!

Martin Neale

VILLAGE RAMBLE - Walk No. 76

After a period of six months since our last ramble in March 2020, we were finally able to arrange the next walk on Saturday, 5 September. Due to the restrictions at the time, we decided not to start and finish at a pub and instead agreed to start at the Burton Dassett Hills.

So, on a lovely, sunny morning a group of 14 of us met and started by walking over the hills and down into the village of Northend. After walking through a part of the village we then turned east and walked across the fields and onto Fenny Compton. We threaded our way through here and ascended Fenny Compton Hill where we stopped to enjoy the views with a coffee. After this we made our way onto Avon Dassett where we found the Yew Tree pub was open.

As we had time on our hands, and because we had not arranged to finish our walk at a pub for lunch, we decided to stop for a drink in the garden. This pub had recently re opened after being closed for a long period of time and is, I believe, the second community pub in the county after The New Inn. The pub also served homemade ice cream which we sampled especially as it was such a nice day.

We left there and enjoyed the best part of the walk on the ridge high above the M40 with far reaching views looking north and west. We eventually arrived back at the Burton Dassett Hills after walking 6.5 miles where we all decamped and had a picnic all at a safe social distance.

Unfortunately, since this ramble, the Covid-19 restrictions have changed and as such we cannot arrange any further rambles in the foreseeable future. However, as soon as this is possible, I will contact all those in the group again.



Anyone wishing to be part of the group please contact me and I will include you on our list. We are a dog friendly group and meet every month in normal circumstances.

Regards,

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FUTURE PUBLICATIONS OF THE PARISH MAGAZINE



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NATURE NOTES – MOTHS

*I have been befriended by a fragile life
A little feathered weight moth
No bigger than my smallest finger-
nail flying around me
and landing on me for days now.
Cannot have much time left-
And me unworthy his only friend
it will be down to me to dispose of his lifeless body.*

Nivek 2014

British moths are unfairly billed as nature's Cinderella's overshadowed by their flamboyant butterfly cousins. Both insects are in the Order Lepidoptera and share a number of characteristics mainly in anatomy and life-cycle but differ in other crucial ways.

In the UK moths outnumber butterflies, there are 2,500 species of moths to only 56 of butterflies and being mainly nocturnal we simply don't see them as much. There is the same decline in numbers of both of these insects. Moths are found in every continent apart from Antarctica and there are 160,000 species worldwide.

Moths tend to have more earthy tonal colours to the more colourful butterflies, with some exceptions such as the cinnabar and elephant's hawk moths. Many moths blend into the background so well that they are completely camouflaged thus protecting them from predators.



Moths are maligned where butterflies are admired. This is in part due to past superstitions as it was thought that they were the souls of the dead or related to witchcraft because of some of the markings. Moths are also considered a nuisance as they eat clothes. In fact only two species do this and it is the larvae that have a taste for cashmere, silk and fine wool. Also the codling moth larvae eat apples and plum fruit and can destroy a crop.

A moth also has the irritating, to some, habit of fluttering about in the house near a light. More on why this happens later.

Moths, like butterflies, have antennae. They have sensory hairs on thick bodies and their wings are made of tiny, delicate scales. It is these scales which gives the wings their colouration and pattern. Unlike butterflies, moths sit with their wings folded close to their

bodies, like a jet fighter, with a few exceptions. They can “hear” through their wings and have compound eyes using ultra violet light (invisible to us) to see.

Being nocturnal and unable to be warmed by the sun, they vibrate their wings to warm up.

Moths have a proboscis and their diet is entirely liquid nectar. Some, as the poem suggests, do not eat at all and live only for a few days, just time to procreate.

The life cycle of the moth is in 4 stages, eggs, caterpillars or larvae, pupa and adult. The caterpillar chooses a quiet hidden space to form a protective cocoon and overwinters thus. A complete metamorphosis takes place after which a pupa emerges as a winged adult.



Moths navigate using the moon and stars and when these are not visible, geomagnetism. The reason they are drawn to an artificial light is due to a process called transverse orientation. The moth thinks the artificial light is the moon and flies towards it and of course gets to it very quickly. The moon is a quarter of a million miles away so when the moth uses that to orientate itself it never gets there.

The importance of moths to our ecosystem is twofold. Along with bats, they pollinate night blooming flowers. More importantly, they are a major food source for bats and many birds. The grey partridge relies entirely on moths as a food source. The caterpillars are a massive food source for birds and especially fledglings.



The most common moths you are likely to come across are: popular hawkmoth, angle shades, ruby moth, burnished brass, tiger moth, elephant hawkmoth, willow beauty, buff ermine and T-moth.

Are not these names just delightful?
Please do some googling to see what they look like and then see if you can spot one. And hopefully it will not be bothering you as you try to get to sleep.

Anna Mace-Leska

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Government, in Westminster, is due to release a white paper of local government reform next month and I have reported previously the County Council will be debating the merits of creating unitary authorities in Warwickshire this month. A unitary authority is a single council that assumes all the duties of the County Council and the District Councils. Parish Councils would remain as they are. The choice before the Council seems to be boiling down to either one unitary council covering the whole of Warwickshire or two unitaries, one covering Stratford and Warwick Districts and one covering Rugby, Nuneaton and Bedworth and North Warwickshire.

When this matter was debated about 5 years ago the Conservative group voted for one unitary and Labour and Liberal Democrats voted for two unitaries. One unitary was estimated to save Warwickshire residents about £25 million a year and two unitaries saved around £13 million a year. At the time there was no appetite in Westminster to push through unitary government and so nothing happened. However given the impact of Covid-19 on the Government finances we can expect more enthusiasm for cost saving and so must assume something will happen.

Arden Division Clerks and Chairs will be meeting on October 7 and will be receiving a special briefing on the role and activities of the police Rural Crime unit, a regular update on the performance of the Safer Neighbourhood Teams and a County officer will discuss how Parishes and the County can work together on roads maintenance, speeding and flood alleviation.

During my time as County Councillor I have received many justified complaints about speeding and road safety, roads maintenance, flooding and anti-social behaviour. Last winter's weather and the more recent severe thunderstorms and Lockdown have highlighted shortcomings in the County's response to these issues. There are options that are open to the Parishes to address this.

Parishes could fund their own dedicated team of private community officers to suppress anti-social behaviour and prosecute speedsters, and they could also hire contractors as "lengthsmen" to carry out roads and flood maintenance. The downside is that it would require everyone paying a higher Parish precept, but this is a choice we will have to make if we want to improve things. Paying a higher County precept would not guarantee the money would be spent in the Parish.

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Aims

- To create high quality housing that all our current and future community residents would be proud to call home.
- To meet the short and long-term housing needs of our community through the provision of different housing options according to need.
- Ensure that the design and quality of the scheme are of an exceptional standard.
- To establish the development as a ‘whole community’ responsibility that can be delivered through the CCLT.



As most of you will know, the CCLT have an option agreement for land just off Curlieu Lane. This is currently going through the planning process, for the development of 12 sustainable bungalows. Our vision is that the scheme will have a play area, allotments and be an open and pleasant site for all. It is our further intention that the rented, extra care and affordable to buy homes will be available to occupants of all surrounding parishes (Claverdon, Norton Lindsey, Wolverton, Preston Bagot and Langley).

2020: Where we are now

One positive outcome of the current Covid-19 pandemic has been the way in which society thinks and values its sense of community. This can be seen in the actions of groups and individuals helping others throughout recent months across our parishes. The sense of belonging, being valued and supported by those within our community has rarely been experienced to this level.

We feel that the aims of Claverdon Community Land Trust sit very comfortably within this ethos and should be regarded as one of the key elements that helps gel a more sustainable future for everyone in our parishes.

Please join

We are always looking for new members and if you feel you could contribute to this scheme please do get in touch. Our current members are volunteers and receive no financial benefits from their involvement with the project. However, they do bring with them a wealth of experience across the industry and have a commitment to making the CCLT a success for the benefit of our collective communities.

If you would like to know more, please visit the CCLT website: www.clavclt.org
We look forward to seeing you.

Correction: *One of our newest board members is Richard Sapcote, and not Richard Sapsted as stated in the previous article. Apologises to Richard.*

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Check the website for the latest information

<https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/contactusrecyclingandwaste>

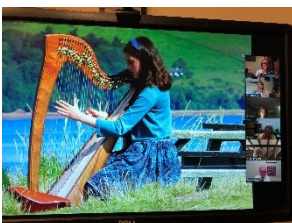


Lucy Morgans presents
'The Changes and Dramas of
30 Years in the Travel Industry'
WI online Zoom Meeting
on Wednesday, 14 October 2020 at 7.30pm



Bob Rogers' presentation at our September WI Meeting was truly inspirational and many members were left wondering when they would be able to visit the Cairngorms National Park and experience some of its delights themselves. Bob's photographs included ptarmigans, arctic hares, golden eagles, ospreys, pine martins and the crested tit only found in very limited areas of the Scottish pine forests.

We journeyed with Bob through splendid Scottish scenery to the top of the Cairngorm Mountain to see this country's only wild reindeer herd and visited the Lockside wonders of Moray Firth to witness bottlenose dolphins fishing as the tides turned, watched by a girl playing a harp. A magical hour that transported us into nature and left a smile on our faces long afterwards. Brilliant!



'Women Walk the World'

Please don't forget to offer your support to Julie Howard who is planning to walk 20 miles (around

the village track 9 times) on 14 October to support the Associated Country Women of the World (ACWW), to raise money to support projects which teach skills to women across the globe in poor rural communities so that they can support themselves and their families and lift themselves out of poverty. Here's the link to her sponsorship page, please help if you can, as all support will be very much 😊 appreciated.

www.acww.org.uk/juliehoward.html

At our **October WI Meeting on Zoom**, we will welcome local Travel Counsellor, Lucy Morgans, online. This promises to be an engaging talk as Lucy is celebrating 32 years of working in the travel industry, taking us from her training programme at Pickfords Travel, back in 1988, through a great deal of changes and dramas, including, of course, the effects of Covid-19 on her beloved customers' holidays.

Over the years, Lucy has travelled a great deal and her talk will whisk members off to some far-away places. She will discuss her experience over the last three decades and how things have changed for travel-agents working on the high street this year. Get your questions ready ladies and be prepared to enjoy some amazing locations.

Why not '**Try the WI**' and see if it's for you, as we have a current offer of £10.75 for 6 months membership, Oct 2020 to Mar 2021. Our meetings will be held online for the foreseeable future, so as long as you can 'Zoom' you can join in. If you would like further information about Norton Lindsey WI, please take a look online: www.nlwi.org.uk and contact us. Be part of our success story!

Finally, we would like to say a heartfelt '**Thank you**' to our past Parish News Editor, Velma, who has done a fantastic job for the last six years and a warm '**Welcome**' to our new editor, Karin Elmhirst. Good luck in your new role Karin!

Sue Steel

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The results of the Wolverton Parish Survey 2020 are now available on the Wolverton Parish Website.

You can find it in the Parish Plan section of our website at:

<http://www.wolvertonpc.org.uk/community/wolverton-parish-council-13123/home/>

Please do have a look to see what we all want in the future.

The Parish Council is now seeking volunteers to assist Councillors to create our new Parish Plan.

If you would like to help, please contact

Sue Murphy on 01926 843911 or by email at sue.murphy@wolvertonpc.org.uk

Or contact clerk@wolvertonpc.org.uk or by phone on 01789 730757.

The Norton Lindsey **Stilton Sniffers**

The Sniffers would like to thank all the wonderful people who contributed to the VIRTUAL BALLOON RACE at this tricky time.

The Balloon Race has been a massive success, with the combination of Balloon sales, donors and direct sponsorship, almost (but not quite) raising £5000 to be shared between our two causes, Welcombe Hills School and The Shakespeare Hospice.

I would urge you all to look on our website for updates on progress and to see which local people and businesses have supported this event, they in turn deserve your support.

We were fortunate to have our first outdoor Sniffers meeting at the Pub, the Stilton was good, but the port was of atrocious quality due to Chairman's choice in the supermarket, fingers crossed next month if allowed will be better.

In these uncertain times we continue to look for opportunities to raise much needed funds for our favourite causes, our Christmas Draw will once again be in aid of the Warwickshire Young Carers, we will hopefully be raffling wine and an advent tree in a similar way to last year.

We also hope to run a Carols in the event depending on the Covid-19 rules in place on 17 December 2020.

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As we have almost finished the grain harvest, it is the time of year when we look back at what the last twelve months has provided us with.

A very extraordinary year! With the autumn and winter being much wetter than normal for the first time in my lifetime, it has been the first time that we have been unable to plant autumn / winter sown cereals. However big and expensive your machinery is, without the weather co-operating, it is far better, hopefully, to wait until the spring. This meant having to buy new seed, as the autumn seed will not grow properly without some cold, and preferably frosty, weather to trigger growth. It also meant we had to consider different crops in order not to upset our rotation of crops for next year.

Also, having no winter wheat, we knew we were going to be short of straw for bedding the cattle in the winter. With this in mind we opted to try growing a crop called triticale, a rye cross feed grain, which grows a decent amount of straw. This was successful, although as expected the grain yield was slightly lower than the spring barley we grew.

The other different crop we have grown is linseed (the crop with a blue / purple flower), which is quite late to harvest, but having cut two out of the four fields by the 15 September it is yielding well. It appears to have been successful and filled the gap in the rotation, leaving the soil in good condition for planting next years' crop.

Life is never boring on the farm, as these challenges make us think about alternatives to traditional cropping. Let us see what next year brings!

David, Dorothy and Chris Mann



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