

SHAPWICK NEWS

Locals help out



during the recent snowfall!!

Shapwick Starlets Celebrate a Special Birthday! *Sue Sellick*

Suspicious goings on in Shapwick! Were you out in the village on Tuesday night? If so you might have noticed some shady characters arriving at the village hall. A shifty looking gangster, Flappers and Molls but given the forbidden activity that occurred in speakeasies, it was understandable that not everyone was allowed admittance. To gain entry, one needed to know a secret password or have a "speakeasy card". "Coffin varnish" served in tea cups, bottles of "giggle juice" wrapped in brown paper and paper back books to hand in case there was a raid. "Dolled up" in our "glad rags" this was all a ruse to celebrate the birthday of one of our treasured members, Peggy, who celebrates her 90th birthday this month.

The Truth or Dare game involving the wrapped books proved to be hilarious, and a little bit of cheating went on, but we won't mention that! And the cake and cup cakes (thanks Amanda) were amazing, *almost* too good to eat. Thanks to our amazing team, it was a Great Gatsby of a night, and it was lovely to welcome some new faces, too.



Our speaker for April will be Jack Negus talking about Slipper Box, the family run business based in the heart of Somerset making luxury slippers which are sold across the globe. The business is dedicated to supporting a children's heart charity called Little Hearts Matter. Jack will be bringing along some of his wonderful slippers to sell on the night.

And not to be missed our Somerset Day Craft Fayre, on Saturday 12th May; Somerset Day is held every year in honour of Alfred the Great, King of Wessex, who gathered "all the people of Somerset" to march against and defeat the invading Viking army in May 878.

Library Van

The next visit by the mobile library, is on **Tuesday 10th April**.

The time and place remain the same. The van arrives at the Cricket Pavilion at 10.55 for 20 minutes.



the 11th udderly brilliant
SHAPWICK BUNNY HOP
 7.5 mile trail race
 easter monday 2nd april
 2018

runbritain.com



with junior fun run (ks 1 & 2) and
 4 mile non-competitive walk
 race HQ Shapwick village hall, TA7 9NJ
 registration from 9am for 10.30am Start
 £12 (£14 on the day) less £2 if with EA
 junior run 9.30am Start, £1 entry on day
 more info Shapwickrunners.co.uk
 enter direct at fullonsport.com
 or call Teresa on 01458 210107



race profits to the MS Society

PLEASE RETURN GRAVESIDE JUG

Pauline Richardson

I cannot believe this—I have just returned from the churchyard and I find that a jug has been removed from my husband Ralph's memorial stone.

The flowers that were in the vase have been stuffed into another container that was already there.

PLEASE whoever removed the jug return it. You know who you are.

Pauline Richardson

Parish Council Round-Up

Sue Williams

New Councillor: Sally Richardson has been co-opted as a Parish Councillor following the resignation of Ben Ruffell. Welcome to Sally!

Housing Needs Survey: Councillors approved the draft report and this will soon be available to view on the Sedgemoor District Council website

<http://www.sedgemoor.gov.uk/article/1571/Published-Rural-Housing-Needs-Assessments>

Annual Ditch Maintenance: The contractor has completed work for this year's annual maintenance of ditches around the village—this work is vital to keep the water freely flowing through the village ditches and streams.

Reinstatement of Northbrook Road Verge: Councillors agreed to support the costs of the repairs to the verge with a contribution of £200.

Litter Pick: Please come and join the annual litter pick - see separate notice on page opposite.

Highways: Traffic through the village continues to be an issue. A traffic survey is taking place and the results of this will be used as a platform to seek improvements. Potholes around the village have been repaired but the recent bad weather means more appear. Please report any potholes to the Clerk via the PC email or directly to the highways department through the SCC website.

Parking at cricket club: The PC are investigating the cost of signage to make visitors to the club aware of the additional parking at the club to try and alleviate some of the parking issues experienced by local residents.

Next Meeting: Annual Parish Meeting followed by Annual Meeting of PC will be Tuesday 15th May 2018 at 7pm.

URGENTLY NEEDED

As many of you will have seen, 1st Poldens cub pack, based at Shapwick Village Hall, has gone from strength to strength over the last few years. However, they are now in urgent need of one or two individuals, over 18 years, who would be interested in training to become uniformed leaders to take over the pack/get involved.

If you would like to know more, contact 1stpoldens@gmail.com or via Shapwick News email address shapwicknews@yahoo.co.uk



And the Winner is....

Thank you to those who returned entries to the collective nouns quiz set by Jerome Hayes.

The answers (provided by Jerome Hayes) are:

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| 1. A malapertness of Pedlars | 7. A walk of Snipe |
| 2. A doping of Sheldrake | 8. A drunkship of Cobblers |
| 3. A staff of Servants | 9. A herd of Curlew |
| 4. A cete of Badgers | 10. A nye of Pheasants |
| 5. A business of Ferrets | 11. A desert of Lapwing |
| 6. A chattering of Choughs | 12. A charm of Finches |

The winner of the £10 prize is Mary Tucker—well done!

New Season at Cricket Club *Martin Baker*

The new cricket season opens at Shapwick on Saturday April 14th when the 1st XI host Bridgwater in a pre-season friendly on Saturday April 14th. There are further pre-season friendlies at Shapwick (1st XI vs Clevedon on 21st and 2nd XI v Street on 28th) before the league season starts on May 5th.

Youth section matches for Under 11, Under 13 and Under 15 teams will start on the first weekend in May. In 2018 the club is participating in the national "All Stars" programme, aimed at giving boys and girls aged between 5 and 8 their first taste of cricket. Also for the first time in 2018 we will be running a separate section for girls aged 8 and over. Charlotte Philips, a Cornwall county player, will be coaching the girls starting on April 16th

Training for seniors will be at Shapwick on Tuesday nights in April and our new practice nets should be available before the end of the month. All training for juniors – Boys, Girls and All Stars will be on Monday nights from 6:30 until 8 p.m. with a Registration Evening on Monday April 9th. For more information about junior cricket, contact Judith Wanliss judithwanliss@hotmail.co.uk

With so much cricket, there are always plenty of opportunities to play or get involved in the club in some way; even if it's just to come along and enjoy a drink in our impressive new pavilion.

For more information, please contact Martin Baker m.baker396@btinternet.com or 07778-617751



MISSING CAT!

HAVE YOU SEEN HIM?

PLEASE CALL US ON **TEL: 01278 722384 / 07720 353656**

EDINGTON LODGE, BROADWAY, EDINGTON

HE COULD BE STUCK IN YOUR SHED? GARAGE?

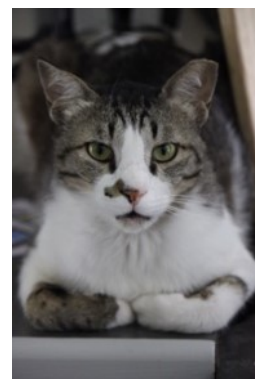
STORAGE? LOCK UP? PLEASE CHECK

SPLODGE IS A LARGE BOLD CAT WITH A LOUD MEOW!

HE IS MICROCHIPPED & NEUTERED

ANY INFO. PLEASE CALL **MANY THANKS.**

DESPERATELY MISS HIM & WANT HIM HOME.



What's On in Shapwick

Church Services in April 2018

Sunday 1st April ☐ Easter Day (Gold or White)

6.30 *Ham Wall* Sunrise Easter Service

9.00 *Burtle* Holy Communion

10.30 *Edington* Easter Family Fun Service

10.30 *Ashcott* Holy Communion

Sunday 8th April ☐ Easter 2 (White)

10.00 *Shapwick Café Church*

10.30 *Chilton Polden* Holy Communion (BCP)

6.30 *Burtle* Holy Communion (CW)

Sunday 15th April ☐ Easter 3 (White)

10.30 *Catcott* Family Communion

10.30 *Chilton Polden* Informal Worship

6.30 *Ashcott* Holy Communion (BCP)

Sunday 22nd April ☐ Easter 4 (White)

10.30 *Burtle* Family Communion

10.30 *Shapwick* Holy Communion (CW)

6.30 *Edington* Celtic Evening Prayer

Sunday 29th April ☐ Easter 5 (White)

10.30 *Catcott* Family Communion

Useful Contact Details

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01458 210329

CLUBS

Cubs—Adam Smith 07508 468173

Cricket Club—Martin Baker 01458 831131

Friends of Shapwick Church—Jane Walker 210137

Pilates—Lita de Alberdi 01458 446883

Shapwick Runners— www.shapwickrunners.co.uk

WI – Sue Sellick 01458 210357

Yoga—Mel Blackshaw 07812 667911

Lite Bite Lunches



The next lunch is on

16 April 2018 12:30pm–2.00pm

St Marys Church.

For further information please
contact Helen on 210885



CURRY NIGHT

at Shapwick Village Hall



**Saturday 21st April
7.30pm**

delicious authentic Indian cuisine

Bring you own drinks & glasses

Tickets £15 from Claire Brown 210784 or Nerina Scott
210329



Wildlife Gardening: Developing My Patch

Wednesday 4th April at 7.30pm

Shapwick Village Hall

Phil and Vicki Bruss discuss their experiences in developing their
tiny Somerset Garden into a miniature wildlife haven, and talk
about some of the creatures that have moved in as a result. £2.50
per member, £3.00 non-members, under 16s free

For more information please contact:

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