

SHAPWICK NEWS

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Harvest Supper—Thank you!

A big thank you from all of us who attended the Harvest Supper on Saturday 13th October. My goodness what a super meal! - where else can you go and get a spread like that for £10!

The ladies ' what did' and their band of lovely helpers made it a most enjoyable and sociable evening.

Thank you—Pauline Richardson.

"Tables laid up in readiness for the annual Harvest Supper held recently at the Village Hall. Thank you to all those villagers and beyond who supported the event - a good time was had by all!



Hi folks,

How important is it to remember? Families often tell each other the same familiar stories. Although teenage children may yawn, remembering and retelling these stories is part of the culture of each family.

For individuals, amnesia is recognised to be a very disabling condition. A former colleague of mine lost most of his memory through a serious accident: while his personality is still there, most of his experiences and all that he trained for disappeared. Nations that forget the past are victims of cultural amnesia. This is why it's so important for us to remember those who died in action serving our country.

As a teenager at school I disliked History lessons (I was – and still am – a science geek!). However, since then I have recognised the importance of history in remembering the past and understanding what's shaped our culture, whether nationally or locally. The second world war moulded the formative years of my mother's generation: it was a time when national history overlapped with family history. She remembers hiding under a kitchen table with her family when the bombs fell; sharing an air-raid shelter with neighbours; and the unexploded bomb outside the house that forced them to evacuate (and was discovered long afterwards to be a false alarm).

The centenary of the end of the first world war is a vitally important act of remembering. On **November 11** we're holding a **Remembrance Service** in **Catcott church** starting at **9.45am**. At the end of the service we'll make our way to the **Catcott War Memorial** for the **Act of Remembrance** at **11am**, when we will remember in particular all those from the Polden Wheel villages who have died in past and present conflicts.

It's right to question whether war is the right way to solve conflicts – but there are some wars that would qualify for the Christian concept of a Just War, and the Second World War is probably one of those. Whether a war is just or not, it is right to honour all those who gave their lives in serving our country.

Every blessing, Rich Tweedy
vicar@poldenwheel.co.uk



Library Van

The next visit by the mobile library, is on **Tuesday 20th November.**

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



Shapwick Starlets WI



Protecting yourself from cybercrime and fraud, our speaker, Amanda, from Avon and Somerset Police guided us through many of the scams to be found on the internet. Crime has gone digital and this year there have been 213 reports of cyber enabled fraud, a total of £146,228. Online shopping and auctions and Computer Software Service Fraud account for over half of these. The key message is that 80% of all Cyber Crime is easily preventable by adopting basic measures such as keeping your computer secure by choosing three random unrelated words for your password. For Social Media users, make sure your posts are only visible to your friends. Be very cautious when using public Wifi. If you receive a suspicious email, never click on the link, and do not panic which is the intended result. And finally, if an offer seems to be too good to be true, it probably is.

The competition was for the best dressed Detective or Criminal - Vera, Inspector Clouseau, and Vera's twin were on the case to determine whether it was Cat Woman, Miss Scarlet or Professor Plum what did it! No doubt the culprit had a fiendish plan to fuddle our detective skills by providing Apple, Cherry Plum and Cherry Plum and Fig wine.

Thank you to all of those who supported our Cream Tea event, we raised over £200 for Macmillan Cancer Support, and the book swap proved to be very popular.

We have had a busy month, and have made over 50 poppies so far which we are planning to use to decorate the Church yard to commemorate Remembrance Day. We will be holding another Poppy making session on Saturday 3rd November, 10.30 am at Honeycrook, so if anyone else would like to join us knitting, crocheting or making felt poppies, you would be more than welcome.

And we are also planning to provide hot chocolate and medals for all the children who take part in the Shapwick Halloween Parade through the village on the 31st October.

Our Book Club Read for this month is One Pair of Feet, Monica Dickens (Great-granddaughter of Charles Dickens), and our next read will be The Keeper of Lost Things, Ruth Hogan. For our next Film Club Night, Honeycrook Cinema will be showing Philomena.

Our November meeting will be on Tuesday 13th November when we will be welcoming back Phil and Sam who will be showing us how to wrap those awkward presents and make festive gift tags. See our Shapwick Starlets Facebook page for more details.



Shapwick Starlets WI—Poppy knitting pattern

Cast on 120 stitches - knit 4 rows

next row , knit 3 together all the way along (40 stitches left)

knit 4 rows

next row , knit 2 together all the way along (20 stitches left)

Knit 4 rows

next row , knit 2 together all the way along (10 stitches left)

break off wool and thread end through the 10 loops and pull tight to make a round. Sew up side of poppy.

With black wool , put some large stitches in middle to make centre !

Job done !

(Not that important if you lose count and knit 5 rows instead of 4 or even 3it'll still make a poppy.)

Some people found that knitting 3 stitches together was a bit difficult so they start with 80 stitches and knit 2 together, or even 60 and 'knit one, knit 2 together' to end up with 40 stitches; the fewer initial stitches the flatter the poppy, but as part of a display they still look effective!

Villages Verges



Please help keep our village tidy by making sure that no garden waste or rubbish ends up on the village verges.



Parish Council Round Up *Sue Williams*

Traffic Survey

Once again, thank you to those who volunteered to help with the traffic survey—enough volunteers came forward to partially cover one working day. However, County Councillor David Huxtable suggested that results from the survey box placed by SCC should be reviewed first before making any further arrangements to conduct a PC led survey as data already collected may be sufficient.

The results from the SCC survey were published in the October edition of the Shapwick News and in the first instance, indicate that there is not a significant problem. Councillors discussed the survey results at the PC September meeting and agreed that to date the most effective way of reducing HGVs through the village has been by building relationships with haulage companies and encouraging them to use the SCC designated routes. Therefore, the PC are asking villagers to continue to report (to the Clerk) the names of the hauliers who are regularly driving through the village (with registration number where possible). Reducing the number of un-liveried vehicles will be more difficult to tackle. The PC hopes that this approach will see more positive results.

Planning Application - 43/18/00008 St. Mary's Church – removal of two cedrus deodara trees. Sadly one of the trees in the churchyard is dead due to honey fungus and the other, having no western lateral branches, will be exposed after removal of the former and become a health and safety issue. Members agreed to support the application but are pleased to hear that a replacement tree will be planted.

Planning Application - 43/18/0005 Bowerings Farm – variation to planning application 43/17/00018. Members agreed to support the application on the grounds the proposal reduces reliance on fossil fuels and will use locally sourced fuel.

Housing Needs Project – A steering group of the chair and vice-chair assisted by the clerk has been set up to work with SDC and the Estate.

Next Meeting – 20th November 2018 7.30pm

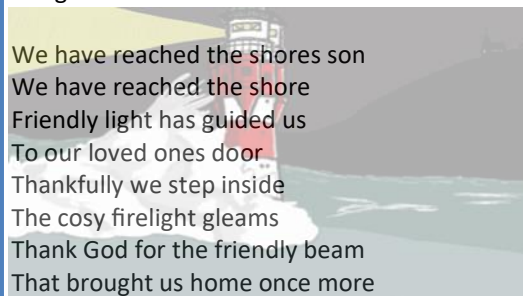
The Saving Light *Dora Watkins*

Can you see the light son
Can you see the light
That shines through the darkness
To help us in our plight
The night is dark and stormy
The waves rising high
We cannot see dangerous reefs
Lurking nearby

Can you see the light son
Can you see the light
We must be nearing the harbour
Please let us see the light
Night as dark as devil's thoughts
Not even a moon
Save us from this dangerous storm
Oh let it be soon

I can see the light son
I can see the light
A helping hand to guide us
As for shore we fight
We are cold, wet and frozen
Terrified that we might sink
A friendly light to guide us
Bring us back from the brink

We have reached the shores son
We have reached the shore
Friendly light has guided us
To our loved ones door
Thankfully we step inside
The cosy firelight gleams
Thank God for the friendly beam
That brought us home once more



Events at the Pavilion, Shapwick

Friday November 2nd Music Night with Jon Wood and Sophie Negus
7:30pm Bar open from 7:00pm

Friday November 9th Somerset CCC Supporters Club Quiz Night
7:00pm for 7:30pm. £10 entry for team of 4

For more info: m.baker396@btinternet.com



ASHCOTT SHORT MAT BOWLS

I am appealing to anyone in Shapwick—would you like to join our very friendly and active bowls club on either Tuesday afternoons or evenings to play a good game of indoor bowls? New members welcome—young, old, male, female—no experience necessary. Come and give it a go! Bowls can be borrowed.

If interested please contact:
Jenny Todman 210437 or
Barbara Foster 211061



What's On in Shapwick

Church Services in Shapwick November 2018

Sunday 4th November - 4th before Advent

9.00 **Catcott** Holy Communion (BCP)
 10.30 **Ashcott** Informal Worship
 10.30 **Edington** Family Communion
 3.30 for 4.00 **Shapwick** Praise n Prayer

Sunday 11th November - 3rd before Advent

10.00 Shapwick Cafe Church followed by a short Holy Communion at 11.30

9.45 Catcott Remembrance Service in church followed by procession at 10.45 to War Memorial for Act of Remembrance at 11am

Sunday 18 November – 2nd before Advent

10.30 **Chilton Polden** Informal Worship
 12.30 **Ashcott** Baptism
 4.00 **Catcott** Family Worship
 6.30 **Ashcott** Holy Communion (CW)

Saturday 24th November

4.00 **Shapwick** Messy Church

Sunday 25th November – Christ the King

10.30 **Shapwick** Holy Communion (CW)
 10.30 **Burtle** Family Communion
 4.00 **Chilton Polden** Christingle

SHAPWICK STARLETS WI Christmas Craft Evening



**Tuesday 13th November
 Shapwick Village Hall
 7.30 pm**

With Christmas just around the corner it is time to learn new seasonal skills. Phil and Sam will be demonstrating how to wrap those awkward gifts and make festive gift tags.

With mince pies, amaretto hot chocolate

Useful Contact Details

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 St. Mary's Church - Jan Jones 01458 210804

Quiz 'N' Chips

Village Hall Quiz Night with Fish and Chip Supper

Friday 23rd November 7.30pm

Maximum 6 in a team

Bring your own drinks and glasses

Tickets £10 per person Contact Nerina 210329 or Claire 210784

MAKE YOUR OWN CHRISTMAS WREATH



Saturday 1st December

2 – 5pm at Shapwick Village Hall

To reserve a place call Nerina Scott
 on 01458-210329

£15 per person (including refreshments)

All proceeds in aid of Shapwick Village Hall

Somerset Craft Club 11th November 1pm to 6pm

Card making and scrap booking for all—Expert Demonstrations on new techniques—Beginners welcome - no joining fee—Equipment and some materials provided—Coffee, tea and cake

If you would like to come please call 07773 482650

Only £5.00 per person!

Lite Bite Lunches



The next lunch is on

19 November 2018 12:30pm–2.00pm

St Marys Church.

For further information please contact Helen on 210885

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