

Dinedor Newsletter

July 2017

DINEDOR PARISH COUNCIL

The Parish Council meeting was held on Tuesday July 18 where councillors also welcomed our ward councillor, David Summers, two representatives from the Council's Planning Department and one local resident.

Planning Applications: The second retrospective planning application submitted for the drainage and earthworks near Maes-y-Felin has again been refused and Herefordshire Council's planning team representatives outlined what the next steps would be. The Parish Council will be consulting with Historic England regarding the action they want taken. There are three new planning applications to vary the conditions of previous applications for Wye Stud Farm. No objections were raised providing certain restrictions are fulfilled. The link to all planning applications for the parish can be accessed from the website where all representations can be viewed.

Dinedor Camp: The Community Payback team has been working on the camp on two Sundays now and have accomplished a lot. In addition a good volunteer turnout is already making a difference and residents are encouraged to go up on to the Camp to see for themselves. There have been issues with the gate and signs will be displayed to advise of the conditions when visiting the Camp. There is more detail on Page 3.

Herefordshire Council Budget Consultation: Herefordshire Council are consulting on their budget priorities for 2018/19 and you are encouraged to visit the website to have your say.

Neighbourhood Plan: There is no update for this issue.

Finance: The Parish Council reviewed the year to date position of the finances. The account balance remains healthy.

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held **on Tuesday September 19 at 7.30 pm**. Please do come along or speak to any of the councillors if you want to raise an issue. Your feedback will be warmly welcomed.

A copy of all newsletters and full details of council matters can be found on the website:

www.dinedorparishcouncil.org.uk

DINEDOR SPORTS SATURDAY JULY 29

By the time you get the chance to read this, Dinedor Sports should only be a couple of days away! We are looking forward to a fun packed day and expecting the weather to be kind to us all. It will be a great opportunity for family, friends and neighbours, old and new, to spend some quality time together. Indoor competitions, outdoor stalls and races and good food all combine to make the occasion a most enjoyable one. The success of last year meant that we were able to give away £1,000.00 to local charities.

At our recent A.G.M. it was decided to donate £100.00 each to the following:-

Herefordshire Riding for the Disabled, Dinedor Parochial Church Council, S.S.A.F.A.

Special Care Baby Unit, Acorns Hospice, St. Michael's Hospice,

Macmillan Cancer Support, Midlands Air Ambulance, Herefordshire Young Carers.

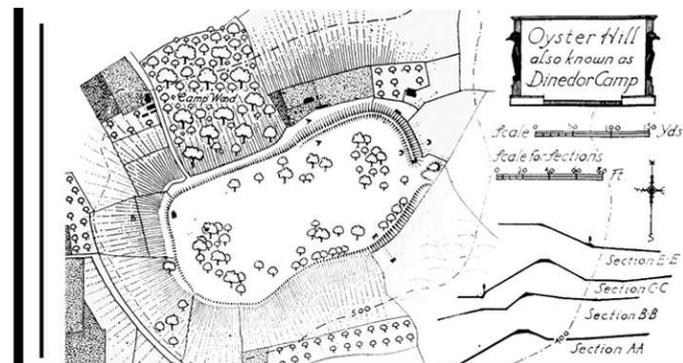
Phoenix Bereavement Services.

We also pledged a gift of £200 towards the proposed storage extension at the Village Hall.

It would be fantastic if we could repeat the performance again this year!

Much preparation and arrangements have gone on behind the scenes for which we are extremely grateful. A big thank you to all those who promised to help out this time.

Chris Over (Chairman, Dinedor Sports & Social Fund.)



July is an important month in the life of Dinedor - our biggest community event - Dinedor Sports! A great time for us all to join together - to have fun and experience an occasion that is uniquely 'Dinedor' with the fiercely competitive pillow fight and the ever-entertaining 'Wibbly Wobbly Race!

The Dinedor newsletter is published six times a year to enable you to keep up to date with Parish Council news, together with details of local groups and events and an opportunity to share information with each other. We are grateful to our regular contributors but would love to hear from anyone who is willing to write about their story or has anything to share. We are grateful also to our team of distributors who ensure this is delivered to your letterbox.

If you are a local business and would like to advertise in future editions of the Parish Newsletter please contact us via the details at the bottom of the back page. The advertising rates will be very reasonable at £20 for the year.

A huge thank you!

Another very successful Big Lunch was held at The Laurels and was enjoyed by twenty two grateful Dinedor residents who appreciated the generous hospitality of the hosts on the most perfect sunny July Sunday afternoon.



We spent time chatting together and eating what we had brought to share, in a very relaxed atmosphere. T

This event is very much appreciated and enables Dinedor to be a true community rather than a village of isolated houses. It was great to be able to meet two of our newest residents, Delyth and Chris, who had only moved into Bodenham House a few days earlier.

Watch out for the date in 2018, and if you have never joined in The Big Lunch, make sure that you come along next year.

We also welcome new residents at Dinedor Hall. We look forward to meeting you.

One of our regular contributors is Margaret Bircher who is currently recovering from illness. We wish her well and look forward to hearing from her again before too long.

We also extend our sympathy to Geoff Peyton from Prospect Lane on the death of Peggy.

THE DEADLINE FOR
THE NEXT EDITION IS
WEDNESDAY SEP 20

DINEDOR SPORTS

I first became aware of Dinedor Sports in the late 1950's. As one of a family of seven children, living in Holme Lacy, we were always on the lookout for exciting adventures to fill the day!

Reading about the Sports on a poster we made the trek, on foot, from Holme Lacy, and by circum-navigating the entrance we managed to get in free. (Of course, as current chairman of Dinedor Sports I cannot condone this course of action nowadays!)

I remember the stalls and the old fashioned swing boats. There was also a balloon race where you tied an address label to a balloon which was released into the sky. The one that was returned from the furthest afield won a cash prize. The down side was at the end of the day we had to walk home again!
Dinedor Sports had been on the village calendar long before I crept in by the 'back gate', In fact the first one was held in 1936 and thanks to the research carried out by Bryan Edwards for our recent book, "Dinedor & Rotherwas Explored" (copies still available at bargain price of £10.00) we discover that this village tradition is now over 80 years old. Although it was not held during the war years, we also lost one year because of a waterlogged field and cancelled it during a foot and mouth outbreak. Years ago the Sports was a much larger event than it is now with a coach laid on to ferry people out to the village from Hereford. The coach then returned them home in the evening tired and, hopefully, penniless!

The Sports are always well supported with some families especially returning to the village for the occasion so that they can take part in the races and competitions and also enjoy the company of old friends and relatives.

Dinedor Sports could not continue without the tireless help of all our volunteers.

The main aim is to make it an enjoyable afternoon for all the family and at the same time raise many hundreds of pounds for local charities. If you live in the area and have not yet experienced our "special day" why not come along and join us on **July 29 at 2.30 p.m.**

Chris Over

SUMMER EVENTS FOR YOUR DIARY TEA ON THE TERRACE

WHEN: 20 Aug, 2017 1-5 pm

WHERE: St Michael's Hospice Bartestree HR1 4HA

Tea on the Terrace will be held at St Michael's Hospice overlooking apple orchards and the beautiful Herefordshire countryside.

Savour a fine selection of sandwiches, freshly baked scones with cream and strawberry jam, and a mouth-watering range of freshly-baked pastries and cakes. Choose from our range of quality teas and coffee or opt for a glass of fizz to add some sparkle to your afternoon. Completing your summer treat will be gentle jazz music, helping you unwind while our dedicated Hospice team sees to your every need.

£20 per person Advance bookings only

Menu: A selection of sandwiches, Fresh cream scones, Freshly-baked cakes and pastries, Teas, infusions or coffee

Please note; a contingency plan will be in operation in the event of adverse weather.

To book, call Community Events on 01432 851 000 or visit:

<http://www.st-michaels-hospice.org.uk/event/tea-on-the-terrace-2/>

VARIETY

DINEDOR COMMUNITY CHOIR



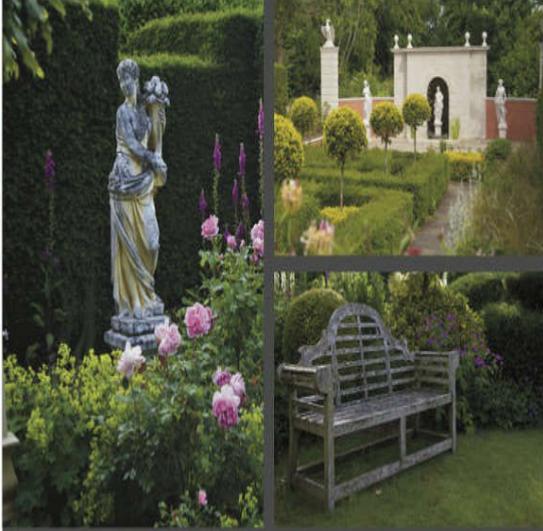
Variety will be singing at the Songs of Praise at Holme Lacy Church on **July 30** and afterwards will be taking a break before we start back in September.

If you enjoy singing why not join us? New members will be very welcome so if you would

like more information please give **Nick and Tricia Austin** a ring on **01432 870730**

Open Gardens

supporting St Michael's Hospice



The Laskett Gardens

Sunday 27th August
11am-5pm

Much Birch HR2 8HZ
By kind permission of Sir Roy Strong

This intriguing garden, boasting more than 20 unique features, has been painstakingly created over the past 40 years.

Easily accessed, just off the A49 at Much Birch, The Laskett Gardens are the creation of Sir Roy Strong, the former director of the V&A Museum and the National Portrait Gallery and his late wife, the acclaimed theatre and film designer, Julia Trevelyan Oman. The gardens offer a unique portrait of its makers with the story of their marriage and their extraordinary lives woven into its very fabric.

Tickets £9 pre-booked
£10 on the day
Parking available

For more information, please contact the Community Fundraising Team at St Michael's Hospice on 01432 851000 or visit www.st-michaels-hospice.org.uk

A49 from Hereford to Much Birch, take left turn after Much Birch garage into Laskett Lane



Radbourne kindly supporting St Michael's Hospice Open Gardens

Footprints Messy Play will be taking a break in the summer holidays and will start up again in September. This is a local parent and toddler group where children participate in 'messy' activities. Different items are placed in large trays to encourage imaginative, sensory play e.g. straw and plastic animals, flour and cooking utensils, jelly and alphabet letters, mushy peas and plastic frogs, cooked spaghetti, lentils and diggers, foot printing etc - the messier the better! Parents can let their children explore whilst leaving the mess behind.



Footprints Messy Play is held in Dinedor Village Hall every Tuesday in term time only from 10.30 - 11.30 a.m.

The cost is £5 per child and £2.50 for a second child. Parents/children are to wear clothes they don't mind getting dirty and bring plenty of baby wipes and a change of clothes

Follow us on Facebook or @FootprintsMessyPlay
Further information is available from Jemma Cleland.



COMMUNITY COFFEE MORNING



Saturday August 5 is the next coffee morning date when you can pop into the Village Hall between 10.30 am and 12 noon. Everyone is more than welcome!

Join us for a drink and piece of cake and a chance to chat to others who live in our village.

We have a swap table, so bring along books, magazines, plants, produce or whatever you have that others may be able to use!

We are happy to give you a lift, so contact Suzanne (870170) or Mair (870593) if we can help you.

FREE NHS HEALTH CHECKS IN THE COUNTY

Free NHS Health Checks are being delivered throughout Herefordshire in outreach settings such as community venues, libraries and leisure centres - conveniently bringing the service to people that may not access support from their GP's.

Alice Ford will be at our coffee morning on **August 5** and there will be an opportunity to talk to her, have a free check there and then or make arrangements for her to plan a day of appointments at a later date. If you feel this is something that could benefit you, make sure you come to the Coffee Morning.

DINEDOR AND HOLME LACY WI

'Tis the season to be jamming but not a jam jar in sight on the programme ahead for our WI anyway.

Thank you to those who attended our Coffee 'n' Cake morning in May, it was a great success raising over £200 towards our 2018 programme of events.

In June, Rosemary Prosser came along and gave us some insider knowledge and tips on Cheltenham racecourse after being a tour guide for several years.

On September 12 we are looking forward to Robin Thorndyke giving a talk, 'The Changing Landscape.' Brian Hatton (1887-1916) Hereford's most celebrated artist captured the countryside and rural life, the people and the fast-changing farming scene, animals, workers, Gypsies and most of all his beloved horses. Anyone is welcome to join us on this open evening, £3 entrance and light refreshments, contact Wendy 01432 870582.

In October members will have the chance to make their own poppy for Remembrance day when Tim Howson joins us talking about 'The Poppy Factory'

Once again it will be time for the WI Annual Meeting in November.

For further information about the WI meetings that are held at Dinedor Village Hall on the second Tuesday of each month at 7.30 pm (visitors welcome), contact Wendy 01432 870582

DINEDOR VILLAGE HALL

At our last AGM in May Tim Howson stepped down from the committee and from his position as treasurer; his support and enthusiasm will be missed. However, we were pleased to welcome three new members on to the committee, Allan Simnett, Lisa Beaumont and Sue Oliver - and even more pleased that Allan has agreed to be our new treasurer.

In June our Art Exhibition had to be postponed but plans are in hand to reschedule this enjoyable event.

Our next planned event will be the return of **Compost Heap** on **Saturday November 18**. This local singing quartet proved very enjoyable last year and are back 'by popular demand'.

To hire the village hall please contact the booking clerk, Marlene Kitto on 870628

DINEDOR OPEN GARDENS

The Village Hall committee has been considering fundraising activities for 2018 and it has been suggested we stage an open gardens event in early summer. To do this we need willing residents who would open up their beautiful gardens and an enthusiastic sub committee to plan the event. At this point in time we are gauging support and inviting comments. If you have any thoughts about this, are willing to open up your garden or help in any way please contact **Marlene Kitto on 870628** or **by e mail to : marlenekitto@hotmail.co.uk**

FRIENDS OF ROTHERWAS CHAPEL

Our first AGM celebrated the year's achievements in opening up and caring for the Chapel and it was good to hear of almost 600 visitors - as individuals, in groups or attending 6 separate events, with many appreciative comments. Jean Currie's presentation reminded us of the significance of family and farming to the landscape of Herefordshire. Herefordshire cattle are still raised on one of the farms where the breed evolved in the 1700's - and the farm and field size is still the same! How many of our farms have their origins even further back? And what proportion had electricity in 1942 (when there was a National Farm Survey)?

Our next event is a Vigil Mass on **Monday August 14 at 3 pm**. Whilst inspired by the Chapel's Roman Catholic beginnings it is open to all. We can now have 120 people but you do have to bring your own chairs! **Ring Barbara Ferris (870696) for more details if interested.**

Also Rotherwas Chapel will be open during Herefordshire Heritage Open Weekend on **Saturday September 9 2-4pm**. All opening times and access by borrowing the chapel key from HARC can be found on the Rotherwas Chapel pages of the English Heritage website or you can e mail us at:

CULTURAL PARTNERSHIP UPDATE

Some may not have heard the news that our City of Culture bid did not get through the first round. But the cultural partnership will continue - a major step forward in itself. Don't forget that we are still A Great Place! We won through on that and Nick Millington will update us on Sept 6 on how that project will be run.



DINEDOR CAMP MANAGEMENT STEERING GROUP

There have been a number of positive developments since our last update. Historic England have given approval to carry out scrub clearance and fallen tree removal work. As a result there have been further working parties clearing paths: in particular the big beech tree that had fallen over a path has been cut allowing access. The community payback teams have cleared scrub from the bank near the steps and parking areas and will do more in weeks to come.

We are applying for a felling licence and getting advice from the Forestry Commission about tree management. We are also preparing a bid for funding for future work from a fund associated with the City of Culture bid.

There is however some worrying news. The site has been broken into; a vehicle has driven in and a buzzard has been shot! The police will be contacted and we are considering security arrangements.

If anyone sees anything suspicious please contact Ian Stead or Duncan Green.

The next volunteer day is on Sunday August 13 at 2 pm.

NEWS FROM ST ANDREWS

Forthcoming Programme :

SUNDAYS AT 9:30 a.m. at St Andrews (unless stated otherwise)

JULY 30 3:30 pm Special Songs of Praise Celebration service at St Cuthbert's Holme Lacy –choose the songs or hymns! Please let Peter know your choice before July 23. The service will be followed by refreshments, hopefully tea and cakes. Please let Peter know if you can help with making and serving food and with stewarding.

AUGUST 13 Holy Communion

AUGUST 27 Holy Communion

SEPTEMBER 3 11 a.m. Little Dewchurch Village Hall – special event aimed at families for children starting or re-starting school.

SEPTEMBER 10 Holy Communion

SEPTEMBER 24 11:15 a.m. **Harvest Thanksgiving** – followed by auction of produce then lunch in the Village Hall.

Welcome to Walter!

It was good to welcome Walter Cleland into the fellowship of faith when he was baptised on June 11. We pray for Matt, Jemma and his brother Dexter as they grow together as a family and learn to continue in their journey of faith.

Exploring Life

By the time you read this we will have concluded our series of discussions, which have provoked some interesting and challenging interchanges. Although most sessions have been held at Dinedor Village Hall, we concluded with a meal together at Peter and Joan's home in Ballingham.

If anyone is interested in continuing with, or joining, a similar group, perhaps on a monthly basis starting in the early autumn, please let Peter know.

Churchwarden for Dinedor

We are glad to announce that Colin Jones has agreed to act as churchwarden for St Andrews. As mentioned in the last newsletter Colin lives in The Pastures near Saxon Gate. He was present at the service on June 25 so enjoyed meeting members of the congregation then.

If there is any matter that you would like to discuss with me, or would just like a visit, please contact me on 840443 or e mail me at Peter.houghton@kcl.ac.uk Associate Minister South Wye Team Ministry



HEREFORDSHIRE RIDING FOR THE DISABLED ASSOCIATION



Being a volunteer at Herefordshire RDA (Holme Lacy College) isn't just about helping with the horses! You can contribute by leading horses, or side walking during lessons, help fund raise or get

involved with any of the hundred and one jobs that need doing - anything from cleaning, painting or maintenance to poo-picking - there's always plenty of that!

Dinedor Sports has supported the RDA for a number of years and further information is available from Vall Cleland (870254) who regularly volunteers.

There are two current fund raising efforts you can support.

Elliot Evans is kindly doing a Tandem Jump on **September 15** and entering the Cardiff Half Marathon on **October 1 2017** in aid of Herefordshire RDA. Please help him raise his target of £5,000 by making a donation by either popping into the centre or by My Donate on line.

<https://mydonate.bt.com/fundraisers/elliotsleapoffaith>

VILLAGE WALKS

The next village walk will be on Saturday August 5.

We will meet at the Village Hall at 2.00 p.m.

There will be a walk of 4-5 miles and also a shorter one of no more than two miles.

All welcome!

Further information is available from

**Ian Stead on
07833137096**



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