



Winster Village Magazine

February 2022

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Winster Village Diary

Friday, 28th Jan	Village Quiz, 7.30pm Burton Institute
Saturday, 29th Jan	Tree Pruning, 10am Winster Orchard Saturday Morning Concert, 11.30am Winster Parish Church CANCELLED: Burns Night Supper, 7.30pm Burton Institute
Monday, 7th Feb	Winster Parish Council Meeting, 7pm Burton Institute
Friday, 18th Feb	Mobile Library Service 9.30-10am opposite shop Village Magazine copy deadline by 6pm please Beetle Drive, 6.30pm Burton Institute
Friday, 25th Feb	Village Quiz, 7.30pm Burton Institute
Monday, 28th Feb	Winster Local History Group: Reports on Individual Research, 7.30pm Burton Institute
<i>Regular Events</i>	
Baby and Toddler Group, Village School - School Term Fridays 10-11.30am Contact School on 650238 or contact Hannah Master via Facebook or 650344	
Yoga , Burton Institute, Tuesdays 6.15-7.45 from 5th October, Judy Hine, 650994	
Tea and Toast, Village Church , 4th Thursday of the month, 10am-12noon	
Morris Dancers Practice , Tuesdays 8pm Burton Institute, Mike Hatfield 650468	
Fortnightly walk - First and third Mondays of the month: A 5 - 6 mile walk, taken at an easy pace, exploring the Peak District within about a 10 mile radius of Winster. Often finishing with a pub lunch. For more details contact Judy - judy.hinsliff@gmail.com or 01620 650119	
Monthly Walk - Second Tuesday of the month - meet at 10am outside the Bowling Green Pub. Contact Marg: marg.orchardmine@gmail.com or tel 650090	
*** Please email me your updates: mag@winster.org ***	

Welcome to the February edition of the Winsters Village Magazine

Unfortunately this issue contains a number of cancelled and postponed events, but this obviously doesn't mean that we let this dampen our spirits! Quite the opposite! Now we have time to e.g. organise our schedules even better and thinking about joining village events when we have not even considered doing so before. I also have a feeling next year will be grand and quite busy! There seems to be 'promising data' that we are slowly leaving the state of emergency and learning to live with "you know who". And besides, there are still plenty of events that are able to take place and are ready to give us that sweet feeling of company and being sociable - such as the village quizzes and the history group. The luncheon club is also looking for new members so do reach out and join if you like! If you feel lonely and isolated in this busy village, let me know if you could do with some company and I will try my best to connect you with a village group that fits to you.

Keep well,

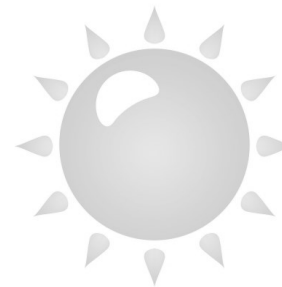
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Please email your signed articles, updates on groups, important dates and other items to:

mag@winsters.org

Send items by **18th of month by 6pm** for the following edition.

Exception: copy date is 11th December for X-mas edition.



Mini-greenhouse for recycle/re-use.

It is H125 x W70 x D50.

Plastic cover. Complete but used. Free to a good home.

David Frederickson 01629 650894

Saturday Morning Concert - Wyns Tor Singers

Saturday 29 January 11.30am at Winsters Parish Church

A short performance (about an hour) featuring favourite pieces from our previous concerts, with some new items too.

A wide range of styles from renaissance through folk to modern sacred and secular.

Free Admission: collection in aid of church funds

Village Pond & Community Orchard

The second phase of tree pruning will take place down at Winster Orchard on **Saturday 29 January starting at 10am.** This is just the apples and pears and all are welcome to join us. Please wear protective gloves and bring any pruners, especially long handed ones. We will provide antiseptic wipes for all cutting tools.



More info from me on 01628 650480 or a.j.rawlence@btinternet.com

Thanks
Anthea

Winster and Elton Luncheon Club members and volunteers would like to thank Allan Stone for raising £80 for club funds by organising a quiz night at the Bowling Green. A lot of work goes into writing the questions and it is much appreciated. Thanks also the David and Marilyn for hosting the event.

Lots of pages to scan?

The village photocopier, at the Burton Institute, can scan documents to a PDF file on a memory stick. It will handle A4 or A3, single or double sided, black and white or colour - at up to 20 pages per minute. There are instructions on the wall next to the machine - if you aren't already



DCC MOBILE LIBRARY BUS in Winster every 4 weeks.

Next time & date:

18 February 9.30am—10am.

The bus makes only ONE STOP in Winster - this is the road side near Winster Village Shop. Please support this useful facility in order to keep it running.

Winster Local History Group Next Meetings

Monday 28 February at 7.30 in the Burton Institute main hall

Reports on individual research

This is a chance to learn about projects that individual members have been conducting, including:

Clive Newton, Sermons in Stone. The location, translation and interpretation of Latin inscriptions on a rock outcrop in Stoney Ley Wood.

Frank Bunting, Where did William Brittlebank disappear to after the 1821 duel?

Glyn Hughes, How to Use the British Newspaper Archive in researching Winster history.

Subscriptions are waived for the time being. Everyone is welcome, as always. Wine is available after the meeting. Please follow the Covid guidelines when you visit the Burton Institute.

*Winster remembers its war dead ~
compiled by David Frederickson*

Joseph Needham Walker: Winster people are still mourning the loss of their young men. On 7th April 1917 the wounds of Private Joseph Needham Walker of the Warwickshire Regiment terminated fatally. The matron of the casualty clearing hospital sent a letter from which it appears that amputation of a leg was deemed necessary and the young man did not survive it. Private Walker was popular with his pals and at the time of his enlistment in October 1914 was secretary of the Winster Rifle Club. Although only nineteen years of age he felt he had a duty to perform for his country. Originally he joined the Sherwood Foresters and was wounded. He went to France a second time with the Warwickshires. He is interred at Bray-sur-Somme.



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We would love to tell you a bit more about the Shop.

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- Winsters Village Shop has been community-owned since its purchase from an Elton resident in 2005
- The Shop is in the top 8% of community owned shops in England based on annual turnover
- The Winsters Village Shop Association (WVSA) was established in 2005 to ensure the community ownership
- The business is owned by the local community with over 70 residents, now living near and far, making interest-free loans to support the initial purchase and subsequent mortgage redemption
- The Directors of the WVSA Board are accountable for the long-term sustainability of the shop, ensuring financial viability of the business and legal compliance. The Chairman of the Board oversees and approves all activities.
- The shop is managed day-to-day by two full-time Shop Managers, Katrina and Jayne, both of whom live in Winsters. They report directly to the Chairman. The shop also employs four part-time members of staff, all of whom also live locally
- The shop would not be able to function at its current level without the support and goodwill of over 30 local volunteers who support the day-to-day operation of the shop: working the till; restocking the shelves; preparing orders; dressing the windows; delivering orders for vulnerable or self-isolating residents or collecting produce from our local suppliers. The volunteers are co-ordinated and trained by other volunteers! If you would like to become a volunteer, please email: volunteer@winstersvillageshop.com



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Current Shop Opening Times:

Mon – Sat	8.00am – 6.00pm
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If you wish to place an order please do so by 12noon on the previous day:

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- Coates the Butchers deliveries are Fridays only; all orders must be received by close of business on Wednesday
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Winster Parish Council

CHAIR'S CHAT

- This June the country will be marking the platinum Jubilee year (70th) of the Queen's reign. We would like to hear from you about how you want to mark the occasion. Is there any local group that is already planning a celebration? Do you want to take part in the national network of beacons? The Parish Council will offer financial support to any group wanting to run a community event in the village.
- Winster PC now has a new permanent Clerk. We have appointed Trisha Dale from Birchover to the post. She has a strong background in administrative, financial, human resources and project management with the Post Office. She is ideally qualified to support the work of WPC and we welcome her to Winster and look forward to working with her. Her contact details will soon be on the website.
- We also have a new co-opted member. John Geddes was elected to WPC at the January meeting. Welcome John! We are grateful to Glyn Hughes who was also interested in the position. Although he wasn't successful he wants to join in with our work on environment issues. Thanks also to David Mitchell who has agreed to become our internal auditor.

David Frederickson, Chair of WPC, 650894

Joyce – the Puzzle Setter

For over 30 years Joyce Fletcher set the puzzles for the Puzzle Page of first Winster Parish Magazine and then Winster Village Magazine during the time I was typist/editor. Even when she moved to Derby these came without fail in the post. Then she came back to Winster and just carried on. She has died and I want to put on record her fantastic contribution. Anthea

Winster Guisers

The Guisers would like to thank everybody for their contributions during the performances before Christmas.

We only managed one night around Winster but raised £275 (£325 with Gift Aid) which has been donated to the Winster & Elton

Update from the Parish Council Traffic Working Group

Mirror at the bottom of East Bank:

For some time the Parish Council has been pushing for a mirror to be installed on the lamp post opposite the bottom of East Bank to make this junction safer for vehicles pulling out. Unfortunately Highways do not share our opinion that this is a vital safety measure and are reluctant to approve its installation, citing that they have no records of accidents in this location. The PC is challenging this position.

In order to aid our argument, would people please let me know of any past incidents that have occurred on this corner; Any minor accidents that would not have been reported to police and are therefore not in the records? Also, please let us know of any incidents or near-misses as they occur.

Further, in a recent meeting with the National Trust they have agreed to write a letter stating their opinion, that in order to protect and preserve the Market House, this stretch of road needs to be made safer and vehicles slowed down.

Pavement on Leacroft Road:

The Parish Council has also been pushing for repairs and resurfacing to the road and pavements on Leacroft and Wyntor Avenue. Patch up repairs have been carried out but further, more permanent works, are required and the PC will continue to push for them.

Thankfully, Highways have recognised that Leacroft is an important footpath for access to the doctors and is therefore used frequently by people with limited mobility and we have been informed that the resurfacing of the pavement is in the Highways Capital improvement programme for 2022-2023. The Parish Council has asked them to urgently review wheelchair access on this stretch of pavement before this, after being made aware by residents that current provision is inadequate.

Would any resident who struggles with wheelchair access on this stretch please contact me to describe the issues they face, so that this can be passed on to Highways?

David Brown 650932 Email: wpc.daveb.wpc@gmail.com

Recent Planning Applications portal.peakdistrict.gov.uk

NP/DDD/0122/0005	Single storey side extension. Stepney House East Bank Winster	9
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WINSTER VILLAGE QUIZZES



IN THE BURTON
INSTITUTE
WEST BANK

7.30pm

Admission £4.00 Raffle £1

No need to be part of a team

Bring drinks and nibbles



Have a relaxed fun evening EVERYBODY WELCOME

All proceeds benefit Winster

FRIDAY 28 JANUARY

Questions asked by
FINDLAY & AMBER MACBEAN

Proceeds to support
WINSTER VILLAGE SHOP



FRIDAY 25 FEBRUARY

Questions asked by
Dave Minto & Mike Hatfield
Proceeds to go towards Winster Playground
improvements



Help Needed

Winster Village Shop is looking for volunteers to help fill the window with displays.

They can be as clever, topical or as funny as you like. They just need to be eye-catching and help to draw in new customers. People queuing outside the shop like to have something to look at other than the back of the person in front and these window displays are a lovely and integral part of the village. We have so many crafty and creative people in this village, we should be in for a real visual treat this year. If enough people want to display their own art work but don't have enough for an entire display, I could plan a local artists' window which would be lovely.

I'm drawing up a new rota for the year and I'd love to hear from anyone who would like to have a go.

Themes you could have a bash on could be topical, for instance Her Majesty's Jubilee, or seasonal; such as Halloween, Summer holidays or Bonfire Night. Themes could also be based on events in Winster, like Wakes Week, Winster Morris, The Guisers, Secret Gardens... there are so many. Some have been snapped up already for this year, but next year will come around and they will be there again.

Installing the window display will be up to you as will taking it down again. We just ask that you consider the Social Distancing rules, and to wear a mask when you do this.

I'm here to take names and help in any way I can.
Just ring, text or WhatsApp me on 07836512149 or 650303.
I can hardly wait...

Ali Carter

Local woodland appeal

Surrounded by the villages of Whatstandwell, Crich, Fritchley and Bullbridge, and skirting the Cromford Canal, lies Crich Chase. It's an ancient semi-natural wood, a Site of Special Scientific Interest, and has been privately owned for many years. It is



described by Natural England as “one of the largest and most diverse ancient semi-natural woodlands remaining in the Derwent Valley”. Within the woodland are scrubby areas and grassy clearings, making a rich mosaic of habitats for fungi, reptiles, mammals, butterflies, insects and birds.

Recently it was put up for sale. Local people have formed a group called “Friends of Crich Chase” to raise funds on behalf of the Derbyshire Wildlife Trust so that the wood’s future will be securely in their care, and so that public access to this very special place will be maintained. At 182 acres, this ancient wood is of national importance.

There is a great deal of local support but a huge amount to raise as the asking price is £720,000! Please give if you can..... Help and/or advice would also be warmly welcomed. Thank you.

To donate, go to www.justgiving.com/fundraising/crich-chase-woodland
Or you can post a cheque or give over the phone direct to the Derbyshire Wildlife Trust: Sandy Hill, Main Street, Middleton, Matlock DE4 4LR, 01773 881188 (PLEASE WRITE ON THE BACK OF CHEQUES “Crich Chase Woodland appeal”). Alison Gray

I would like to thank Geoff and Marg for arranging such a wonderful farewell for Freda. Their support for Freda has been incredible, and with the help from many friends, helped to make Winster a happy place for her to live for many years. She was loved by all her friends and will be sadly missed. Chris Aykroyd

Thank you to David and Marilyn at the Bowling Green for the donation they gave the Darby and Joan. Also thank you to Caz at the post office for helping with the raffle & to everyone that bought tickets and to all the helpers at the Christmas Dinner. We had a lovely meal and a nice time was had by all. Thank you John for the lovely wine you gave us. Sandra Purslow

EMERGENCY HELP IN WINSTER




Even at the best of times, it can take a while to get an ambulance to Winster. For many conditions, it can make a massive difference if people get the right help while they are waiting.

We have a team of volunteers in the village who can help in an emergency - and you can reach them with a single phone call. Call (01629) 698699 and a dozen phones will ring simultaneously across the village. The first person to get to the phone will answer you, and then contact others to get further help. One person will come to your home, if you wish, to provide immediate support. If the problem is a suspected heart attack, they will help deliver CPR, while someone else will go and get the defibrillator.

The system was originally set up to help deliver help with the defibrillator, but you can use the helpline number for any medical emergency, such as a fall, where you would welcome some additional support while you wait for an ambulance. It's often helpful for one person to keep an eye out for the ambulance while the other concentrates on the person who's sick or injured. It's difficult to do everything that's needed on your own.

The key thing is to make a note of that number - somewhere you will remember. If your mobile works at home, then you could add it to your contacts under "Winster Emergency". If you have a first aid cabinet, you could put a note in there. Or you could write it on a fridge magnet.

Remember - **call 01629 698 699 AFTER you've called 999** if you need help from volunteers in the village while you are waiting for an ambulance.



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BEETLE DRIVE

New Date

Hosted by Winster Carnival Committee in the Burton Institute
→ Now held on Friday 18th Feb 6.30 pm ←

You are warmly invited to join us for this family event, which will appeal to all age groups. Prizes are up for grabs, soft drinks plus cake and nibbles will be available, but bring your own beer or wine.

As well as prizes, there will be a raffle, and donations of items for this would be welcome on the night.

Admission will be by ticket, £5 for adults, free for under-16s. Tickets will be available from 1st January at the Post Office, the Bowling Green, Miners Standard, or from Irene Webster, Kerry McClay, or Mike Hatfield.

The event is being organised by members of the Carnival Committee, who will give an outline of our plans for Wakes Week 2022. So please come along for what is sure to be an enjoyable evening.



Would anyone be interested in joining a 3rd reading group in Winster? A monthly get together to share, review etc. Each person would have the opportunity to suggest a book and perhaps do a little research on the author. The group would be open to avid readers but also people who now perhaps have more time to read. Where possible meetings would be held in people's homes. Please contact Joan Mason 01629 650963 or joanemason12@gmail.com.

WINSTER. MORRIS. DANCERS.

Keeping the Morris Dancing tradition going in Winster

Hi everybody

Whether a dancer or musician, being a member of Winster Morris Dancers offers fitness, friendship and a great time socially. We are back practising after the Christmas break, every Tuesday evening from 8 till 9.30 in the Burton Institute, so why not give us a try. The room is very well ventilated and we ask members to take a lateral flow test on the day of the practice. We are a mixed team, ranging in ages from 20 to 60-plus, and are proud to be the only team in Derbyshire performing dances in the tradition of Winster and Taddington. We can also boast some of the best folk musicians around, who make a great sound together.

Our 'dancing out' happens mostly between May and September. In the main we perform in and around Derbyshire, but we have links with teams across the country, and also with folk dancing groups in France, Germany and Italy. Our programme this summer includes the visit in mid-June of our friends the Trachtengruppe Ungstein, a dance group from the wine-producing Pfalz region of Germany, who always bring some excellent wine with them. If you are interested in joining us, or thinking Morris dancing a try, you can be sure of receiving a warm welcome. You can just turn up, or for a chat contact me or Pam on 650468, or Richard Bryant on 55594

Mike Hatfield

WINSTER MONDAY WALKING GROUP

This walking group started way back on a cold snowy day in February 2010 with four friends, all of whom I was trying to persuade to join a U3A walking group. The U3A walk however was cancelled due to snow, so we decided just to do our own thing around Winster.

Because we enjoyed it, we decided to do it again - and so it evolved into a regular fortnightly walk, with the group gradually increasing in size over the years. Some members have dropped out, others have joined. In 2014 we even added a monthly longer walk, on a Tuesday. There are two of us who were there for the inaugural walk and are still tottering on. Fast forward twelve years and just look at us now!



On a fabulous bright, sunny January morning 19 of us (and three dogs) enjoyed the second walk of 2022. We are really delighted to welcome several newcomers to the group – some of whom have lived in the village for a year or two, while others

are newcomers.

It's a really good way to meet new friends – and it's good for your health too. What's not to like? Well, all right, the mud and sometimes the cold and the wet – but if the conditions have been less than entirely pleasurable, you will feel so virtuous at the end of it all!

Walks are twice a month, generally on the first and third Monday, always led by a member of the group; they are approximately 5 - 6 miles long and if possible include a pub lunch at the end. They can be anywhere within a half hour maximum journey from Winster and there are so many footpaths and rights of way in this beautiful part of the country that for the last twelve years it is very rare that we have done the same walk twice.

We have always tried to share transport in the past, to cut down the number of cars on the road, although in the current situation with Covid obviously, this is only where people are comfortable to do so.

If you would like to join us, or have any queries, do please get in touch with me: Judy Hinsliff: judy.hinsliff@gmail.com;

01629 650119; 07831 875366

Twining Trip Cancelled This Year!

It is with great regret, but not wholly surprising perhaps, that I have decided to cancel the twinning trip planned for later this year. The current Covid circumstances make it very difficult for people to commit at this stage and we need to book early so that everyone can travel together on the plane and transfers and get the best prices. Hopefully we can plan it for Summer 2023 - keep everything crossed - any questions please contact Sharon 650718.

Recycling - handy tips by Deborah Hofman



How to recycle 'Hard to Recycle' items:

- The Co-op in Matlock takes 'soft plastics'
<https://www.coop.co.uk/environment/soft-plastics/packaging-list> for details
- Superdrug is taking blister pill packs, however the Matlock store isn't currently taking them
- The table in the link below gives an overview of the items that are collected by Transition Buxton (through the Terracycle programme) in Sainsbury's on the Market Place so people could drop off there if they're heading that way.
<https://www.transitionbuxton.co.uk/how-to-recycle-in-buxton/>
- Recycle Coffee pods: Use this link for more information:
<https://www.podback.org/>
- This is a link to the council website which lists where to recycle all sorts of items. <https://www.derbyshiredales.gov.uk/environment-and-waste/bins-recycling/a-to-z-of-waste/1202-c>
- Link to Darley Dale Recycling Centre:
<https://www.derbyshire.gov.uk/environment/rubbish-waste/recycling-centres/centre-locations/northwood/northwood-darley-dale-household-waste-recycling-centre.aspx>
- I would also consider collecting any soft plastics from anyone in the village who would like to collect but is housebound or unable to get to Matlock.

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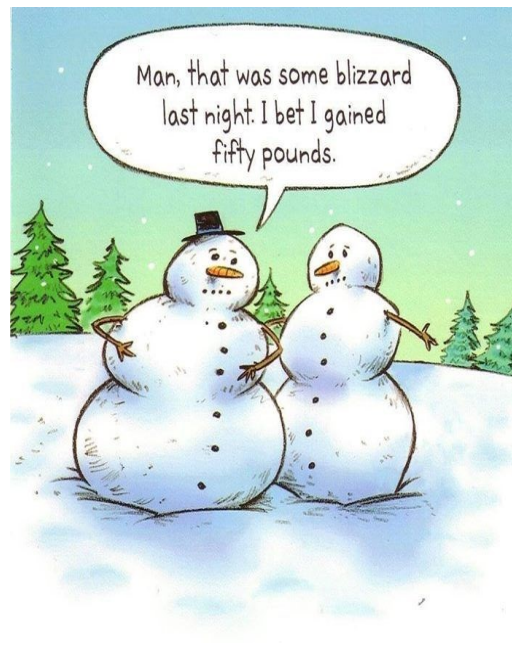
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Jigsaw Food Bank

What a generous bunch of people use Winster Village Shop! In response to our Christmas appeal for Jigsaw Food Bank, we received **over £450** in donations in December. The money was spent, as always, at the Village Shop. Having such a large sum meant that as well as store cupboard essentials, we were able to provide a festive selection of cheeses for Jigsaw to include in their Christmas food parcels. Many thanks to everyone who contributed, your donations made a real difference. And thanks too to Katrina and Jayne and their colleagues, who throughout 2021 have made time to place orders for us and to sort out the goods when they arrive in the shop.



We're delighted to report that 2022 has started with some more good news! We've received a very generous donation for the Food Bank from David & Marilyn at the Bowling Green, who've contributed £250 from the money generated by their Green Club membership scheme. Thank you very much, David and Marilyn, and many thanks to all the Green Club members who've made this possible. January is traditionally a time of tightening belts, so the donation is particularly welcome.

For local people on a low income, who've started the year worrying about how they can feed themselves and their families at the same time as finding money to pay for increased energy bills, Jigsaw is a lifeline. If you haven't made a new year's resolution yet, and if you can afford it, we've got a suggestion. How about resolving to drop a coin or two into the Food Bank box at the till in the Village Shop each week? Every single penny you donate will help Jigsaw Food Bank carry on being that lifeline.

Thank you, from the Village Shop Charities Group.

FUN & PUZZLE CORNER

Wordsearch! Words around Winter

SEASON COLD WINTRY SNOWSCAPE SLEIGHING HIBERNA-TION OLYMPICS EQUINOX WINTER-WEAR HEATING

N F O S G N I T A E H W E E F
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Hidden words may run horizontally, vertically, diagonally, forwards and backwards!

Finally my winter fat is gone!
 Now I have spring rolls :(

Why do birds fly south in the winter?
 Because they can't afford the train!

I bought a crystal ball but only ever predicted very cold winters.
 Turns out they sold me a snow globe.

Where do bears go for winter holidays?
 Hiber-Nation

I got knocked off my bike by a salt spreading lorry last winter.
 "You IDIOT" I shouted through gritted teeth.



Sudoku

Don't forget a move is invalid if:

- ◆ Any row contains more than one of the same number from 1 to 9
- ◆ Any column contains more than one of the same number from 1 to 9
- ◆ Any 3x3 grid contains more than one of the same number from 1 to 9

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1		5	7					9
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5	1				8			
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Dear Resident,

Earlier this year I was elected as a Governor of the University Hospitals of Derby and Burton Foundation Trust to represent the Derbyshire Dales. I cannot pursue specific cases of treatment but if any resident has general issues of concern or even positive experiences to recount, I should be happy to discuss them and pass on details to the relevant part of the system, as appropriate. I will also attempt to keep you informed about developments that may directly affect local residents. At the moment I want to draw your attention to a survey which is underway into the future of the Urgent Treatment Centres in the County, the nearest to Winster being at the Whitworth Hospital in Daley Dale. I am sure many of you will have used it. If you wish to complete the survey the link to it is [Urgent Treatment Centre Survey \(surveymonkey.co.uk\)](https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk) Alternatively, if you wish to pass on any thoughts to me by email info@patcoleman.co.uk, phone 650894 or in person at Stanton House, West Bank, I should be happy to receive them. Pat Coleman

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OCKBROOK AND BORROWASH IMPROVEMENT SOCIETY.

A small team of us have been working through the Historic Newspaper Archive to find references to Winster for the Census/Old Houses project. Some articles we read are funny, interesting or intriguing whilst others are very sad. It is fascinating to read these snapshots of history and to gain an insight into the people who lived here over 100 years ago. Over the course of the next few months there will be more of these for you to enjoy and read. Jo Banks

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Letter from Reverend Stephen Monk

It's quite appropriate that some Christian Traditions use the month of February as a time to hold in thoughts and prayers the sick and dying of the world. For anyone who is chronically sick or even terminally ill, no fine words make much of a difference. People who are sick want the eloquence of real prayerfulness and a real sense of witnessing in concrete terms. I remember after one major surgery in Leicester; my mobility was almost non-existent for a while and so I couldn't do anything for a time. Well, a local Evangelical church with which we had close links brought around a meal, but not a simple meal - it was a three-course meal (with an amazing pudding!!) These Christians were not only kind and gracious, but they were over the top in their kindness. When I'd recovered enough to visit an Elder she said, something like "God gives us everything - we too should do the same"! Radical generosity is our challenge and calling in this still difficult time!

Churches are going through the pain of fewer services or different service structure etc. We may feel a bit lost, a bit put out that our church is not working as it did in the past. And I'll be honest, I have a lot of sympathy with people who are feeling anxious, worried, even put out or angry. We have to do the best we can with what we've got. As most of you know as well as our United Benefice I'm now looking after (along with Richard Reade) the parishes of Matlock Bath and Cromford. So, what can I offer as a model of moving forward? Well, definitely that evangelical church with their amazing generosity. But also the people of our NHS. While navigating their way through Covid, they've never lost sight of why they do what they do. They're extending the compassionate ministry of human compassion and love by improving the health and well-being of our communities and bringing good help to those in need. So, as we use the front line NHS staff as our example, we also hold them all in our prayers today. For that, let's take a second and say thank you.

"Thank you for your sacrifices.

Thank you for the countless hours you've spent serving others.

Thank you for being flexible.

Thank you for your understanding.

Thank you for your strength.

Thank you for your courage.

Thank you for your selflessness."



Letter from Reverend Stephen Monk

I know that some churches are not having the regular services we have had in the past. I think this may go on until March or even further depending on the situation with Covid in this area. Please let me be clear. Our main Sunday services are 10am Zoom where people from all over can join us in a totally safe way. Then the next service is at 11am in St Helen's because the building is easier to work in a safe way. This isn't about St Helen's being more important, but it's about the safest worship we can offer and St Helen's building offers that. It's also about the people I can get to help with services. Here I want to thank Rev Julie Stanton for her help with Sunday and also with Pastoral Services. I also want to thank those who help with our Non-Eucharistic worship, especially those who see the importance of serving our United Benefice and not simply their own parishes. I can only say sorry for those who feel that their church life has been disturbed. It has for every one of us if we're honest. We're thinking outside the box at the moment and praying about how best to serve our local communities. For some, it may well mean a midweek Church Service. For others, it may mean moving safely to a different church in our Benefice or working with other Christian Communities.

To close I want to remind us all: As Dr David Jeremiah said; *"Evangelism was not a program in the Jerusalem church; it was a way of life. The believers' lives and behaviors created such favor with the population of Jerusalem that people we are drawn to the Lord."* This American Scholar sums up the truth that the church is really the people of God. This means the Church is where you are - in our schools and workplaces; in our meetings and in our alone time and also for better or worse the church is judged by our behaviour - think, when someone meets you, what do they learn about the church in Darley, South Darley, and Winster (and Matlock Bath and Cromford)? What do our words and actions in these difficult times tell people of Jesus Christ?

Are we infallible? Do I make the right choices concerning what our churches are doing at this time? Sadly, I may well look back in a few years and I may well say I wish I did this or that? You may well say the same about your own choices. I guess now more than ever we realize our churches are not perfect. We are just trying to do the best we can in good faith. It always seems a bit strange to me when people comment that they are disappointed in the fact that the church is at times too worldly, maybe even sinful at times. The church can be self-absorbed and bigoted. But Nicky Gumble sums this up well.

He said, "Stop looking for the perfect church. It does not exist. Even if it did exist, the moment you or I joined it, it would no longer be perfect." We are not perfect. But we are followers of Jesus Christ. We try to listen with the ear of our hearts and minds and we try to do what Jesus calls us to. So, try not to be too hard on yourself and certainly don't be too hard on each other. May *love* be our own motto, mantra, and vision as we move forward in service of our communities and our world, trusting that whatever the future looks like. Please know that God will never leave us.

God bless you all at this difficult time. God bless you and your loved ones.

Yours,

Stephen Monk (Revd)

Note added by Marion Bowler - If you would like to join the zoom service contact Ian Sutton if you already have his email address or else contact me (650261) and I can give your email address to him.



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Cooking up a storm at Winster School!



The children of Winster Primary School have enrolled for an after school 5 week cookery course. The first session saw them making a delicious macaroni cheese (with cottage cheese, so was a healthier, alternative version). Later on in the course, they will be cooking pizza, spaghetti Bolognese, cheesecake and shortbread. The idea is to get children confident in the kitchen and in time, be able to cook for their families and develop a life-long love of cooking.



Sporting success at Highfields for Year 5&6.



The older children had a wonderful time at Highfields school doing a range of athletics skills, including relay, long jump, triple jump. Even more wonderful, they came first in the small schools category. They were delighted to come home with medals and trophies and will take part in the next round in February. This is a wonderful sporting success! Well done!