

SHIRWELL COMMUNITY

newsletter

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Hello to all Shirwell residents.

I had intended to open this October-November edition of the newsletter with the statement that there was not much to report. However, this has turned out to be a pivotal time in our nation's

history. Following Monday's poignant passing of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II we are suddenly faced with a major shift in the consciousness of the nation and a stirring in the hearts of millions. We say goodbye to someone who has been as constant as a rock during all the turbulence of the last seventy years, and we welcome in her successor, our new King Charles III. This newsletter edition is being compiled early to let you know about plans for commemorative services at St Peters, and a book of

If you have any Shirwell-related news that you would like to share please email, with your contact details, to lesleyaking@protonmail.com

COMMEMORATIVE SERVICES

at St PETER'S CHURCH
SHIRWELL

11th and 18th September
at 9:30am.

There is a book of condolence in the church, which you are invited to sign if you would like to do so.

condolence. Shirwell parishioners are invited to write messages of condolence in the book, which is together with a lit candle at St Peter's Church. North Devon Council will also have a book in the Guildhall in Barnstaple.



VILLAGE HALL DIARY

Soup Lunches	3 rd Weds of every month	From 1pm
200 Club Coffee Morning,	4 th Thursday every month	10:00-12:00 am
Parish Council Meeting	2 nd Thursday of every month	7:00-8:30 pm
Whist Drive	Alternate Fridays	7:45-10:00 pm
EARTHKIND	Mon 10 th October	7:30-9:30pm
6 week intro to sewing	Thurs eves from 8 th Sept	7:00-8:30pm
Quiz night	Saturday 22 nd October	7:30 pm

SOUP LUNCHESES for the over 50s. Ring Averil on 850537 for October and Sue on 580447 for November. The cost is £5 for soup, pudding and tea/coffee.

“**EARTHKIND**” meets at Shirwell Village Hall on the 2nd Monday of the month at 7:30pm. As this newsletter has been brought forward the first meeting has not yet taken place but the hope is that we will have a continuing group. Cost is £3 per evening, a bit more when we have a speaker, and there may sometimes be additional small costs for materials. It is open to anyone, not exclusively Shirwell residents. Call Lesley 07522831736 or Sarah 850639.

INTRODUCTION TO MACHINE SEWING by Patricia. This is a course for beginners. We weren't sure if we would have enough participants to run the course. There are still spaces so if you are new to sewing or if you'd like to come along for a bit of advice or basic help please phone Lesley on 07522 831736 or email lesleyaking@protonmail.com to book. Cost £3 per class. Bring your own machine and material or simple project.

QUIZ NIGHT. Tickets cost £7.50. Bring your own drinks. Includes Ploughman's followed by cake. Call Debbie Lewis 07789 004485 for tickets.

SHIRWELL SCHOOL TODDLER GROUP Tuesday mornings 9:00 – 10:30. For more info call Claire on **07810 577525** or call the school on **01271 850295**, or just turn up.

ST PETER'S CHURCH SHIRWELL - SERVICES

- 11th September 2022 9.30am Commemorative Service
- 18th September 2022 9.30am Commemorative Service
- 25th September 2022 9.30am Holy Communion
- 2nd October 2022 9.30am Morning Worship
- 9th October 2022 9.30am Holy Communion
- 16th October 2022 9.30 am Morning Worship
- 23rd October 2022 9.30am Holy Communion
- 30th October 2022 11am Joint Mission Community Service

The coffee morning that was to be held in Shirwell church on Saturday September 10th has been postponed to Saturday 23rd September 10-12 with cake and bring & buy stall

SHIRWELL CHURCH AND COMMUNITY POP UP CHOIR meets every Thursday evening 7:30-9:30 at St Peter's Church. All abilities welcome. For further details please contact Julia Friend on 850330.

Advance info for early December: **Christmas Supper Club** - Saturday 3rd December, 7 for 7.30pm, tickets £25. Starter - Pate & Toast, Main - Roast Pork, Apricot stuffing, Roast Potatoes & seasonal vegetables, Pudding - Christmas Pudding with cream/ice cream, Coffee and home made After Eight mints. Call Debbie Lewis 07789004485 for tickets.

Coming up on the 10th December there will be a wreath-making event with Michelle Sharland at the village hall. If this is something you are interested in please contact Debbie on 07789004485 Full details will be in the December edition of the Newsletter.

Very advance info! : the Village Hall Committee intend to hold a plant sale in May 2023. It would be great if any villagers would donate any spare plants. Details will follow in the new year.

A message from the Village Hall Committee: As many of you will know, the Village Hall committee will be losing their Chairman in the coming months as Lynn has sold her house and will be moving to Cheshire. Many of our committee members are retired and visit family abroad or holiday regularly. This is leaving us with a small number of volunteers to run the regular community events that we try to offer. We desperately need more committee members to come forward or - if you don't wish to be on the committee - are you prepared to cook something for our events or help out on the night? Maybe you have an event that you think would enhance what we already offer and would you be prepared to organise that event with the support of the committee? Please contact Debbie Lewis our secretary on 07789 004485 if you are prepared to volunteer to do any of these things.

EAST DOWN produce a very informative newsletter that covers a range of events in all local areas. If you would like to see October's edition, or to receive a regular monthly copy email Mike and Sally at eastdownnews@yahoo.com Sorry it's email only, I don't have access to a phone number.

The **Mobile Library** (operated by Devon County Council) comes to Shirwell Town on a Monday from **15:40 - 16:10** The next three dates are **Oct 3rd and 31st**, and **Nov 28th**. If you are a Facebook user you can check cancellation at www.facebook.com/devonmobilelibraries

BEAVERS AND CUBS (and in 2023 Squirrels too, for 4-5 yr olds) are based at Marwood Community Hall and have vacancies. Shirwell residents are welcome to join. If you have a child who is interested please send an email to me at lesleyaking@protonmail.com and I can send you a link. Again apologies for lack of phone number.

The Deadline for the next edition is Thursday November 24th. Please contact Lesley on 07522 831736 or send emails to lesleyaking@protonmail.com