

SHIRWELL COMMUNITY ¹⁵ newsletter

Hello to all Shirwell residents!

After the last edition's concerns, this time the Newsletter is opening with some "Thank You-s". The Village Hall Committee were very heartened with the response to their plea for voluntary support from the community. The meeting was well attended and a list was drawn up of contact details of people who have offered to be called on for occasional help. As a result of this the committee are pleased to announce that there are a number of future events already planned, with more anticipated in the pipeline. So a big THANK YOU to those who have offered to lend a hand. A big THANK YOU too to everyone who went to help clean up the church in June. The organisers were nicely surprised at the turn out, and the sparkling and sweet-smelling results were heartwarming!

NEWS FLASH: The new Village Hall website: <https://shirwellvillagehall.wixsite.com/website> is up and running. Email

If you have any Shirwell-related news that you would like to share please email, with your contact details, to lesleyaking@protonmail.com call 850068 or text 07522 831736.

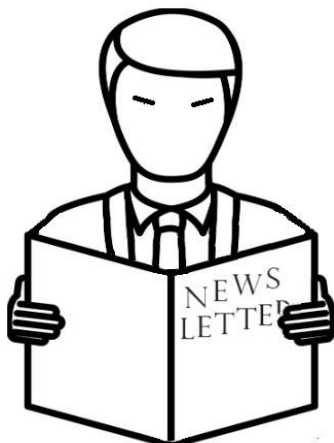
The ANNUAL SHIRWELL FLOWER & VEGETABLE SHOW

Saturday 3rd August 2:30pm

Categories include: Vegetables;
Flowers; Floral Arts; Preserves;
Children's Section; Cookery;
Handicrafts.

Last date for entries: Weds 31st July
Phone 01271 850447.

lesleyaking@protonmail.com with any photos from events at the hall, that you would like to share in the gallery.



VILLAGE HALL DIARY

Earthkind	2 nd Monday of every month	7:30-9:00 pm
Hatha Yoga	Tuesdays	9:30-10.30 am
Soup Lunches	3 rd Weds of every month	From 1pm
Parish Council Meeting	2 nd Thursday of every month	7:00-8:30 pm
200 Club Coffee Morning,	4 th Thursday every month	10:00-12:00 am
Whist Drive	Alternate Fridays	7:45-10:00 pm
Pop-Up Pub	Saturday August 24 th	7:00-10:30pm
Quiz Night	Saturday 28 th September	From 7:00

EARTHKIND The next meeting of Earthkind will entail a trip to Little Valley Farm in Bratton Fleming, Weds 7th August at 10:30am. Pedro and Charlie who run the farm will be giving us a guided tour, talking about their organic and artisanal farming methods, and there will – of course - be an opportunity to buy freshly picked veg. Earthkind covers a range of topics all centred around living in a way that is in harmony with nature. The baseline fee per evening when we meet at the hall is £3 and there is an occasional extra small fee for materials etc. Please email Lesley at lesleyaking@protonmail.com or ring/text 07522831736 for further info.

YOGA (NB: now 9:30-10:30am.) Mindful yoga classes for all levels of experience: to enjoy gentle exploration of movement, balance, stillness, relaxation, focus, breath, strength and vitality. Naomi is a British Wheel of Yoga teacher with over 25 years of teaching experience of yoga and mindfulness. Classes are friendly, inclusive and down-to-earth. Please bring a mat and blanket. Cost £9 per class. For further info contact Naomi on 07985 337402 or www.yogadevon.com

SOUP LUNCHESES for the over 50s. Ring Amanda on 850661 for August, and Hazel on 850396 for September. The cost is £5 for soup, pudding and tea/coffee.

THE PARISH COUNCIL meets monthly on the second Thursday in the month in the village hall. The next meeting will be on Thursday 8th August at 7pm.

FORTHCOMING CHURCH SERVICES, SHIRWELL

- August 4th – 9.30am Morning Worship Ley led
- August 11th - 9.30am Holy Communion
- August 18th - 9.30am Morning worship
- August 25th - 9.30am Holy Communion
- September 1st – 9.30am Holy Communion led by Rev Katy
- September 8th – 9.30am Morning Worship Ley led
- September 15th – 9.30am Morning Worship
- September 22nd – 9.30am Holy Communion
- September 29th – 11am Mission Community

200 CLUB COFFEE MORNINGS run on the 4th Thursday morning of each month. Anybody is welcome to come for a hot drink and the usual delicious cake selection, for the cost of a donation.

WHIST DRIVE: the next whist drive will be Friday the 9th August and fortnightly from then on, at the Village Hall. Raffle included. Contact Maureen to book a place 01271 850340.

The **ANNUAL SHIRWELL SHOW** will be held at the Village Hall on August 3rd, opening at 2.30pm. Schedules are now available. If you would like to enter anything please collect a schedule from the church, the hall or ring 850447.

POP-UP PUB Saturday 24th August (bank holiday), 7:30-10pm at the hall. Sausage / bacon rolls will be served in the hall (including veggie option).

CREAM TEA + WOODLAND TRAILER RIDES Sunday August 31st from 3pm, hosted by the Gay family at Orchard Mount, Roborough Hill, Barnstaple, EX31 4JG. There will be a bring and buy stall plus vintage machinery on display. Admission £10, children free. This is in aid of raising money towards having public toilets installed at the church. Please phone Hazel to book a place: 01271 850396.

QUIZ NIGHT + POT LUCK SUPPER: Saturday 28th September from 7pm. Arrive 6:45pm to contribute your food and get seated. If you are a team of four, bring enough food to share for four people. If you are a team of six, bring enough for six people. Savoury and sweet please. Food will be contributed to the cold buffet table. Bring your own liquid refreshments. There will also be a raffle. Volunteer Brian Sherwin will be leading the quiz. Cost: £7.50 per person. Contact Sally Pine on 850405 to book your places.

SHIRWELL CHOIR: The choir are currently on a summer break and due to start back on Wednesday 4th September at 7.30pm. Practice will be on Thursday evenings after that. New singers always welcome - contact Julia Friend 850330.

COFFEE MORNING + BRING & BUY STALL Saturday September 14th, 10-12am. This is in aid of Devon Historic Churches.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS:

Saturday October 12th. Live music + bar, at the Village Hall from 7pm – a fundraiser for the church organ repairs. Full details and ticket purchase link in the next Newsletter.

Any sopranos out there? We are looking for a soprano or two to join our small acapella singing group that are aiming to perform at the live music evening (above). You don't need to be a soloist or anything special, just enjoy singing, sing in tune, and if you are able to read music that would be an advantage (but not essential). Email lesleyaking@protonmail.com to find out more.

BRIDGE DAY October 26th from 11am. Please ring Hazel to book a place 01271 850396 in aid of church funds.

TABLE TENNIS CLUB Coming soon to Shirwell Village Hall. Suitable for all ages, family groups or friends A great way to have fun and be active. We will keep you posted with updates. Look forward to seeing you soon.

Please email lesleyaking@protonmail.com with anything you would like included in the next edition. The deadline is Monday 23rd September.

There is a
DEFIBRILLATOR
situated in the
old porch
at the village hall.