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"I've been taking photographs of Duffield for many years and when out during a snowfall last winter I had the idea of maybe producing a Christmas card. Then I realised I had captured Duffield across all four seasons of the year and a calendar seemed the obvious step," said Ashley. The calendar portrays both the work and play of the village as

well as its beauty and at A3 size has a space for each day and can be used as a calendar/diary. Price **£7.95**.


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The Atrium Quartet, the first Russian Quartet to win the First Prize and Audience Prize in the prestigious International String Quartet Competition at the Wigmore Hall, London, will provide the concert at Music at Duffield's first presentation of the new season at the Ecclesbourne Centre at 7.30pm on Saturday October 21st.



Appropriately they will play works by two great Russian composers, Tchaikovsky and Shostakovich - celebrating the centenary of the latter's birth and the first of the three quartets commissioned by Count Rasumovsky, a Russian diplomat who spent many years of his life in Vienna, in which Beethoven includes 'Russian themes'. Violinists Alexey Naumenko and Anton Ilyunin, Dmitry Pitulko (viola) and cellist

Anna Gorelova make up the award winning quartet which was founded in the autumn of 2000 in the St Petersburg Conservatoire under the inspiration of Professor Joseph Levinson, cellist of the celebrated Taneyev Quartet. Since February the Atrium Quartet, a much travelled group with concerts played all over Europe, has been resident at the Dutch String Quartet Academy where they have received coaching from Stefan Metz, founder and cellist of the Orlando Quartet.


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Help.

Writer and photographer Ashley Franklin, is writing a big feature on Duffield for the January 2007 issue of Derbyshire Life & Countryside. magazine, and he'd like your help.

"As with all my features in Derbyshire Life on South Derbyshire villages, I want to portray every important aspect of the village, its history, development, current status, how it ticks, and where it's going – Duffield's past, present and future, essentially. "As these big village features only come round once every ten years or so, it's important that I don't miss anything out, so I hope people will contact me and contribute their memories, stories and thoughts to this article".

Ashley can be contacted on 01332 843908 or via email: ak.franklin@virgin.net.

Ashley's deadline is mid-November so if you care about your village, make sure he hears from you and soon as possible please.

Village jottings

"Homeopathy...an invitation to better health" is the subject of a talk by Elizabeth Phillips RGN RSHom at the Weston Centre on Wednesday October 11th at 7.30pm.

The talk gives a basic outline of what Elizabeth calls "this beautiful healing art" plus an overview of some commonly indicated remedies for first aid, especially helpful for children. and their safe usage. For further information you can contact Elizabeth on 01332 843914.

The Weston Centre is holding a coffee morning on October 14th from 10am-12noon where there will be a cake stall etc and a raffle.

All are welcome.

Details of the evening activities at Ecclesbourne School can be obtained from Jenny Wing, Clerk to the Ecclesbourne Community Trust.

Her number: 01332 552480.

A concert entitled "Eau de Cologne" by the Sitwell Singers will be held on Saturday October 14th 7.30pm at Trinity Methodist Church Duffield.

The programme will feature mostly english choral music from the renaissance to the present day, which the Sitwell Singers are shortly due to perform on a concert tour to the Cologne region of Germany as part of their 40th Anniversary celebrations. Tickets £7 (under16s free) at the door or in advance from Tel. 01332 662519.

It's most appropriate that Harold Pepper reached his 100th birthday at the beginning of the month at Springwood House Residential Care Home on Duffield Bank.

Harold scored a few centuries himself as a left handed batsman and skipper at Belper Meadows and says this last single from 99 to 100 "took some getting."

He also played rugby and

football and was also a useful golfer.

A Life Member at Chevin Golf Club, Harold famously scored a two at Tribulation.

He hit a 'spoon' onto the wall side of the fairway and then used the same club to hole out.

"A big fluke, but I meant it," said Harold smiling at the two shots he played at a monthly medal back in the sixties.

The White Hart in Town Street is to close for two weeks from November 6th to enable extensions and refurbishments to be tidied up in readiness for the run in to Christmas.

Work is already well underway at the back of the lounge with tons of earth removed to make way for an extension to the lounge, opening up the area outside the french doors.

The garden area near the pub is being remodelled and other changes involve the kitchen area and further inside refurbishment work.

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After months of searching, Felix Frixou has got the man he wanted to head up an exciting restructuring of his Benz Bavarian business which will revolutionise the

services offered to motorists. Paul Wright (35) is the man chosen to implement a whole new range of services designed to make life easier and stress free for the community,

"I am developing what is basically a one-stop shop for all motorists' needs.

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He is delighted he was the man Felix wanted to head up this new-style concept because it enables him to play to his across-the-board strengths he has accumulated over the last 20 years, progressing from apprentice to technician.



Felix Frixou started his business Tamworth Street Motors, in 1987 and has developed Benz Bavarian Motors, a top of the range garage in the village.

"I have not forgotten the backing I got in Duffield when I started. So although we deal with up-market motors at Benz Bavarian, I haven't forgotten my business roots.

"That's why I am developing this idea of a village garage where we commit ourselves to the motorist who, in turn, commits to us to look after his or her needs. We will not be beaten for price and we have the best people, who, like me, believe in giving our community the benefits of our experience."

foreman, quality control, workshop supervisor and into the management side of business.

"This job offers me the scope

to put the ideas of Felix into practice and come up with some of my own," says Paul.

He wants people in the community to take away the worries they have about their cars by using the modernised Tamworth Street Motors - "we will take care of all their needs like a doctor does with his patients. We will be the Village Garage rather like the doctors' village surgery where all the motoring transactions can be handled at one place.

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"It's a hugely exciting project and everything is now in place to start," said Paul..

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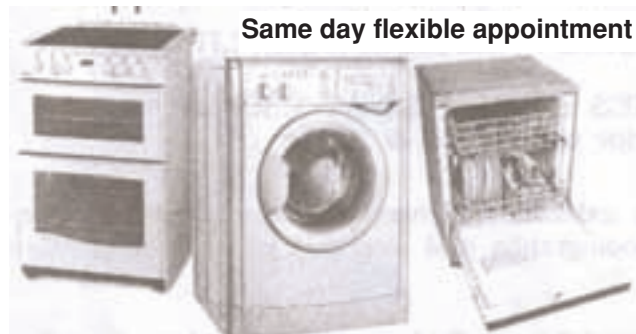
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No, not Robbie Coltrane, but the youngest son of 'Fitz', James Fitzgerald.

Well the likelihood is you had because the part was played by John Evans (see picture and insert left), until recently at Meadows and now at Ecclesbourne School.

John got the job on his first

audition, thought Robbie Coltrane was "very nice", thoroughly enjoyed the filming and has decided acting is "a very pleasant job."

He is looking forward to hearing from his agent that he has another potential part lined up.

Meanwhile John's brother Charles is also making his way - this one on the stage.

Charles, along with a friend, has just been selected to be in Peter Pan at the Derby Assembly Rooms.



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"We will be providing the best of both worlds with good quality, freshly cooked, quality English cuisine and a cosy, friendly drinking environment," said Oliver.

Re-decorations are taking place this month including a change of colour schemes and furniture.

"A new food menu is now up and running so come and see us, try the food, have a drink and meet the team," adds Oliver.

ECCLESBOURNE PREPARES FOR 50TH ANNIVERSARY.

A series of events is to be held at Ecclesbourne School next year to celebrate its 50th anniversary and an appeal has been launched to help commemorate the occasion in the most memorable way.

The events, involving students, staff, parents, alumni and the community will culminate with the annual Summer Ball in July 2007.

An exhibition is planned during May 2007 and an appeal has been made for anyone with memorabilia connected to the School.

"We would be especially grateful to anyone willing to share old copies of the School Newsletter, photographs or old school books and coursework from years gone by.

The School is also seeking the whereabouts of ex-students and would like to know about their careers after leaving Ecclesbourne.

"There must be some very interesting stories from people who attended the School since the opening in September 1957 and we would love to hear about them," said a spokesperson.

It's hoped that former students will offer their help to enable a comprehensive 'Where are they now?'

What honours have been achieved at University or in life which would give a Roll

of Honour type boost to the exhibition?

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Earlier this year they were invited to the World Jazz Festival in New York, twelve months after going to Los Angeles.

On this occasion, in addition to Jazz they will be playing items from the "shows" including West Side Story. The Concert starts at 7.30pm, with a licensed bar being available from 7.00pm. Tickets cost £7.50 for adults and £5 for children under 14 and can be obtained from Duffield News or from Ron Giffin (841160) or John Norreys (841503).

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ALLESTREE PITCH BEING USED BY DUFFIELD DYNAMOS

Allestree football club who recently paid for a new pitch to be created on Eyes Meadow, have extended its use to the Duffield Dynamos U15 team.

The Club which has a number of members from the village is building a strong partnership with both the junior and senior Dynamos teams.

The introduction of ladies football on the pitch has also proved popular.

The clubs support for village involvement follows a substantial donation to the MIDAS project earlier in the summer.

The official opening and dedication of the new pitch together with a memorial bench in memory of Mr Paul Scanlan will take place on **Sunday October 15th at 2.45pm.**

A pro celebrity football match to celebrate the life of Mr Scanlan will follow. Kick off at 3pm.

Everyone is welcome to attend.



NEW WOODLAND WALK ON EYES MEADOW

If you have been a visitor to Eyes Meadow over the past few months you will be aware of work taking place in the copse close to the changing rooms.

Now almost complete, the Community Offending Team led by Mr John Clayton have created a woodland walk through the copse for villagers to enjoy.

The project was able to take place thanks to the kind support of Mr Andy Portlock,

The walk designed by our tree warden Janet Arnold has opened up this area of woodland making it a fun and safe place for all to enjoy.

COUNCILLORS' SURGERIES

You can come and meet your Councillors at the Parish Office at the Weston Centre to discuss items of concern on the following dates:

Wednesday	October 4th	10.00am
Monday	November 6th	10.00am
Wednesday	December 6th	10.00am

DUFFIELD WAR MEMORIAL

Following a number of requests to the Parish Council to make provision for the laying of poppy wreaths on the War Memorial at Church Drive, Councillors, at their meeting in September, agreed to spend £600 to erect a support bar around the War Memorial.

The work to be undertaken by a specialist contractor is designed to enhance the memorial and to ensure that wreaths have the correct level of support when laid.

Special care has been taken to ensure the work will compliment the existing features of the area, and it is hoped that the work will be completed in time for the November Remembrance Day parade.

DUFFIELD WALK

Following the successful completion of the Duffield walk, on which 22 members of the public took part, Councillors are keen to promote next years event early.

The walk which forms part of the Amber Valley and Erewash Walking Festival will take place in September next year, so villagers and friends are reminded to keep an eye out as to how they too can enjoy the countryside which is under our noses.

GRAYS RECREATIONAL GROUND DEVELOPMENT

Please keep sending your ideas as to what you would like to see on this site.

The Council would particularly like to hear from users of the site, young people and those with special needs.

If you wish to contact the Parish Council on any matter please call the Clerk , Sally Bygraves on 01332 842368, or email us through the contact button at www.duffieldpc.org.uk

BEWARE OF POSEURS TRYING TO GET INTO YOUR HOME

Distraction burglary is a particularly nasty crime targeted at vulnerable people, usually but not exclusively, the elderly.

Offenders pose as being from utility companies, roofing repairs or some other such pretext to get invited into the victim's home.

A recent incident in Duffield involved an offender posing as a policeman. Bogus callers can also turn up as builders or gardeners and also try to con the householder into paying for unnecessary work.

Once inside they may employ some ruse, for example getting the householder to turn the water on and off whilst the

offender 'checks out the pipes in the bathroom' whereas, in reality, they are searching the home for the victim's cash and valuables.

Often there will be more than one offender, with one keeping the victim engaged whilst the other searches the house.

Another method is a youngster claiming to have lost a ball in the garden or a pet dog and whilst the victim helps them search, an accomplice slips into the house and steals.

If someone calls and you are in any doubt don't let them in.

Make sure your back door is

locked, put the chain on the door and check their details before letting them in.

It is believed there is a massive under reporting of this offence for which there are a number of reasons:

The elderly are generally proud people and may be too embarrassed to tell their family or they may be pressured into going into a home.

To be a victim of crime is upsetting for anyone.

For the elderly to have their home and trust violated, to lose their hard-saved cash and valuables, the effect can be devastating.

The criminals, who specialise



in this type of crime, identify victims by looking for tell-tale signs:

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DUFFIELD CC IN GREAT ESCAPE FROM RELEGATION

After losing their final two games, Duffield Cricket Club's 1st XI finished level on points - 259 - with Tutbury but because Duffield lost less games it was Tutbury who departed from Abbey Glass Division one at the end of the season.

As skipper Adam Short said at the start of the season: "It will be tough and we need our best side out to survive."

Too many of the better players were unable to play in all 22 League games and that caused the problems.

Club professional Anthony Harris played his part with some 900 runs (average 43) and a great season behind the stumps and left hander David Halliday scored over 500 runs (average 46) but missed eight matches.

Other than Paul Bakel and Ed Sims, the rest of the batting lacked consistency.

The slower bowlers, Sims, Jo Balraj and Richard Jordan all had success with the ball but the injury to Philip Jordan meant the team had no regular pace bowling so there was an

no balance in attack

"Considering everything we did well to stay up," said Adam. "After our last match we thought we were relegated but when the countback was done, we were saved by the skin of our teeth."

Preparations are already taking place to strengthen the side for next season as Halliday is going to Australia and Harris may not be returning as professional.

There's plenty of heartening news though as the 2nd XI finished 3rd in Division 5S

and the 3rd XI 4th in Division 7C.

The Stevenson brothers Robin with three hundreds and over a thousand runs and Rich, two hundreds and an average of over 41 were the chief run getters in the 2nd XI and once again all rounder Mark Antill shone at the lower level, 46 wickets and some 700 runs.

Several players had their moments with both bat and ball and the most pleasing of all was the fact that many of the juniors, playing in adult teams, showed great promise.



• Duffield Dynamos FC under 13s pictured in new kit with manager Richard Madeley (back left) and Adrian Watts (back right)

Local restaurant The Viceroy is backing its local football team with a sponsorship deal providing training tops for the youth squad.

The deal means Duffield Dynamos FC under 13s have been kitted out with

new all weather training tops in time for the new season.

Team manager Richard Madeley said: "Support from local businesses really means a lot to teams like us, so we are delighted to be

sponsored by The Viceroy.

The boys really look smart and ready to go for the new season."

Sarge from The Viceroy said: "It is impossible to overstate the importance of local sport in a

community like Duffield.

We are delighted to support the youngsters at Duffield Dynamos FC, and wish them every success for the new season."

NEW SIGNINGS TO HELP DUFFIELD BENZ BAVARIAN'S DEFENCE OF SQUASH TITLE

The Premier Squash League gets under way this month with champions Duffield Benz Bavarian determined to make a good fist of the defence of their title.

According to team manager Brian Hargrave the signings of **Peter Barker** and **Andy Whipp** should give "excellent cover in all positions."

Barker ranked 6th in England-26th in the world - was formerly with the Edgbaston Club and Whipp (ex Manchester) is ranked 23 in this country, and recently won the Andy Gil Memorial event. It's possible that Renan Lavigne will be nominated before the final deadline depending on whether he gets an offer of a guaranteed regular place with another club and there is the possibility of another name or two to be on the Duffield register. **Kevin White** will a non-nominated player.

Duffield miss the first round

matches in the newly formed five team league so the Club begins the defence of the Premier Squash League title against

Birmingham University on Tuesday 24th October followed by away trips to Nottingham on 7th November and to Pontefract on 28th November. The final home game for the first half of the season is against Esporta Oxford on 5th December.

Available players for the season include:

Nick Matthew National champion ranked 2 in England, 8 in world.

Peter Barker

Jon Kemp England 9, world 25

Lee Drew England 19, world 75

Andy Whipp

Laurence Delasaux England 26, world 92

Sam Miller England 31, world 114.

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