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DUFFIELD ARTS FESTIVAL – TWICE AS GOOD FOR 2018!

There will be two weeks of fun in September, because there is just too much to get into one!

This year the Duffield Scarecrow Trail will be from September 12th to the 16th, where an anticipated 80 scarecrows will bring the village to life.

Then the following week the 20th to the 23rd will see a bumper arts festival.

What treats are in store this year?

The history of Duffield: On the Thursday 20th there will be a historical walk around the village. The narrator will explain stories of the past and



show how Duffield has come to be what it is. The limited amount of tickets are being released shortly, for more details contact Di on 07511 230320.

Opening and Awards Event (21st September): There is a variety of entertainment planned including Duffield Singers and a few unusual surprises. along with awards

being given to all the winners of the competition. Tickets at just £3 are available from Duffield News and Treetops Hospice Charity Shop, online at www.ticketsource.com or by emailing info@duffieldartsfestival.com

Bumper Arts Weekend (22nd and 23rd of September): The main venue will see so many different acts, demonstrations and exhibitors. There really is something for everyone. You will see street performers including international street artist ChangoFugo, Valentino (a very unusual dancer!), Chinese opera, singers, stilt ... continued on page 7



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FOUR GENERATIONS AT BANKWOOD

Connie Wilmshurst - now living at Bankwood Care Home - is shown here with one of her 16 great-grandchildren, Benji. Holding Benji is mother Imogen, and on the left her father Tim. Tim and family moved to Duffield in 1999, and Imogen was at Derby High and then Ecclesbourne. Now she teaches in London,

while Tim works at Derby University. Connie was born in India in 1916, at the time when the Battle of Verdun was just coming to an end. In early childhood she spoke fluent Tamil. She spent most of the war years in and around London, working as a nurse and midwife, and used to tell many hair-raising stories about London life during the

Blitz. She then lived in Nigeria for almost 20 years, where three of her five children were born. Connie came to live in Duffield just two years ago, and the family celebrated her 101st birthday at the end of last year. Tim is delighted to have his mother so close by, and is grateful for the good care which Bankwood provide.



Recognition for Good Neighbours



Derby Telegraph Heroes of Derbyshire Awards 2018, Runner-up, Duffield Parish - Good Neighbours' Wheel. The group is working to improve the lives of the over-50s in the village. "On behalf of the Good Neighbours team, sincere thanks to everyone who has supported the project" - Richard Knibbs.

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Eight cyclists from Derby will be cycling 170 miles as part of The Big Ride for Palestine 2018 to raise awareness about the occupation of Palestine and money to support the rehabilitation of children affected by war in Gaza. Leigh and Rita Merricks from Duffield, members of Derby Palestine Solidarity, are joining hundreds of cyclists

from across the country this summer to take part in the Big Ride for Palestine starting on 3 to 5 August from Coventry. The Big Ride is an initiative set up by cyclists and supporters of Palestine that aims to raise awareness of the Palestinian cause, as well as money for the Middle East Children's Alliance (MECA), to buy sporting equipment for children in Gaza.

MECA specialises in the rehabilitation of children traumatised by war and occupation. Since 2015 the Big Ride has successfully raised over £100,000 for MECA and this year Derby supporters are aiming to raise £500 through sponsorship and donations.

The Derby cyclists will set off from Derby Cathedral Green at 1.00pm on 2 August

and will be joining the main riders leaving Coventry on 3rd August, stopping off at Northampton on Friday night, Luton on Saturday night, before arriving in central London on Sunday afternoon. A total of 170 miles over 4 days.

Rita Merricks of Derby Palestine Solidarity Campaign says, 'Awareness of the suffering of Palestinians is steadily growing in this country, and this is an opportunity to increase this awareness, and raise money for the children and young people affected by the occupation.'

To sponsor the cyclists please visit the MECA Global giving page online: www.globalgiving.org/projects/sports-for-girls-in-gaza or for more information about the ride itself, visit www.thebigride4palestine.com.



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The Amber Art Group will be exhibiting at the Methodist Church Hall.

Ceilidh Dance Evening

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Get snapping!

The photography competition is open until August 24th. The theme is Light and Shade. Run and judged by Ashley Franklin. Full rules and entry forms are available at www.duffieldartsfestival.com. Or from the library. Cash prizes and mounted prints to the winners in the 4 age categories as well as a display at the festival.

Young people, get arty!

The DCA Children's Art Competition closes on September 7th

If you are aged 5 – 18 there is a category for you and

prizes and cups to be won, a special awards afternoon and an exhibition. A4 paper entry forms and rules is available at the schools and the Art club. Entry fee £1. For more details call Di on 07511 230320.



Duffield Scarecrow Trail

Be part of something amazing! From the 12th to the 6th of September, there will be scarecrows everywhere. The guide will be available in September across the village. The theme is Heroes and Villains and you still have time to submit your entry. Closing 15th of August. Please email scarecrows@duffieldartsfestival.com or call Lisa on 07988 602570.



AN ACCIDENT WAITING TO HAPPEN ON LIME AVENUE

I'm not just talking about an insignificant 'fender bender', but a serious traffic accident that now threatens Duffield on a daily basis. Without a doubt, a serious accident is going to occur at this particular spot unless some action is taken quickly. The good thing is that this threat can be fixed quite quickly and without a lot of cost to Local Government.

If you live on Lime Avenue and use your car to drive out onto Avenue Road you will know what I mean when I say. 'Your life and the lives of others will be at risk'! If you have a collision with a

vehicle that is travelling along Avenue Road when you try to leave Lime Avenue, the chances are that it will be you that is at fault!

Why am I telling you this? Because when you arrive at Avenue Road, it's very unlikely that you will be able to see oncoming traffic from either direction. This is because your view is usually obscured by parked vehicles along Avenue Road. You will also know that you are going to have to drive out into the centre of Avenue Road and find yourself in the path of oncoming traffic – and this is where the real danger is!

Unfortunately, the residents of Lime Avenue have no alternative but to undertake this manoeuvre every time they use their cars, but what makes it worse is the excessive speed of some drivers using the Avenue Road. The number of near-collisions on a daily basis is now quite frightening and also threatens the safety of pedestrians – including children going to and from the nearby school. My point is, this is now a regular and dangerous situation that is happening more and more often than it should and sooner, rather than later, a serious accident will

happen that could have been easily prevented. My own suggestions to help alleviate this problem are as follows:

1. Paint yellow, 'No Parking' lines on both corners of Lime Avenue.
 2. Install 'Traffic Mirrors' opposite Lime Avenue.
 3. Introduce a 25 MPH Speed Limit along Avenue Road.
- I would also urge all interested parties to contact the Duffield Parish Council as well as their local Amber Valley Councillor, to help us solve this extremely dangerous situation.

Albert P Wilde
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A grey wagtail bobbed its way along the low, dark slate wall above the trickling stream as a distant cockerel called the day; the gentle breeze rustled the ash tree leaves as the sun appeared over the top of the hill and the grey and white Cumbrian sheep smiled as they traversed the slope behind us - faithfully followed by half grown lambs bleating their morning greeting. The distant hilltops above Bassenthwaite were bathed in ever changing light as the small white clouds scudded across the sky and its blue water glistened in the sunshine. All else was silence. A Lake District morning.

Yesterday, the steep sided summits of Catbells and Skiddaw beckoned - straw coloured from the hot summer sun they looked impossibly high from the boat as we rode around Derwent Water. Three elegant swans flew purposefully and low in front of us, their necks stretched out and with upturned wingtips, they flapped in unison lifting their heavy bodies above the surface of the dark, mysterious and unseasonably warm water. Climbing Sale fell behind the cottage became challenging due to the heat. The polished, fawn coloured path led upwards towards a summit overlooking Bassenthwaite Lake and the grass seed heads

glistened and glowed gold in the sunshine as the warm breeze rustled through them. Aerobic swallows swooped low and glided across the landscape at eye height in front of us, catching insects on the wing.

Their twittering calls, the blue-black iridescent bodies and the distinctive forked tail were a joy to see at such close quarters as they made the most of weather more reminiscent of their native Africa than the usually damp/wet conditions they would have expected.

And the steam railway! The beautiful ride on the Eskdale to Ravenglass narrow gauge railway passed through delightful countryside including ancient woodland either side with dark mysterious trees eventually ending alongside the estuary where wading birds had gathered to find booty in the rich mudflats. Sir Arthur Heywood's engine "The Irt" (a.k.a. Muriel) was busy pulling coachloads of tourists who may not have realised that she is the oldest working engine of her kind and used to operate on his private line on Duffield bank!

The shade afforded by the beautiful trees at Muncaster Castle was very welcome. The vultures, owls and falcons which provide tourist entertainment every day gave

desultory calls in the overpowering heat as the swallows nesting under the guttering in the courtyard café made visitors duck as they expertly flew in relays to feed their growing youngsters, tucked safely and shadily away in their

mud nests. The growing piles of droppings on the flagstones below served to warn unsuspecting people of their presence!

In the distance, Scafell Pike rose out of the heat haze - denuded of its usual cloak of cloud, it looked inviting. The colours of the distant peaks have a brown hue - cloaks of bilberries that have been shriveled by the sun - and the heather is stunted by the lack of water.

Clouds of fine grey dust rose at the Slate Mine as the forklift trucks transported enormous slabs to the workshop to be finely shaped. Sheep trotted in between them using their ancient routes - untroubled by the noise and danger as they

traversed the land - ignoring the cars carrying the tourists coming to see the ancient workings and experience the Via Ferrate - a thrilling artificial climbing experience on the face of the rock. The mine has an ancient past and the tales of the old boys who used to work in its heyday give a sense of the conditions at the time. One used to bring his week's rations in old gunpowder sack - bread and lard. By the end of the week the bread would be moldy but still apparently tasty and he would do a hard week's physical labor down the mine subsisting on this meager fare. The steep road down to the valley bottom was tame in comparison with one of the most spectacular roads up (and down) the Hard Knott pass. This zig zagging narrow route is spectacular in its steepness, its length and its challenge to drivers. The hillsides either side are grey from the loose rock scree slopes and the giant boulders at the side of the road testify to power of nature. The water that usually tumbles noisily along the grey, slate stoned stream beds was a trickle and although there was one damsel fly flitting up and down, the wildlife seemed stilled by the relentless sunshine.

Evening barbeques against a hillside bathed in sunset glow made this Lake District experience complete. There was a barn owl nesting nearby and tawny owls called in the gathering darkness. Redundant rain jackets were packed away and reluctant farewells were said. Back to red kites flying and a baked Millennium meadow with purple looestrife flowers in amongst the meadow sweet around the shrinking ponds. All flora and fauna will welcome some rain when it eventually arrives.

by **Di Hancock**

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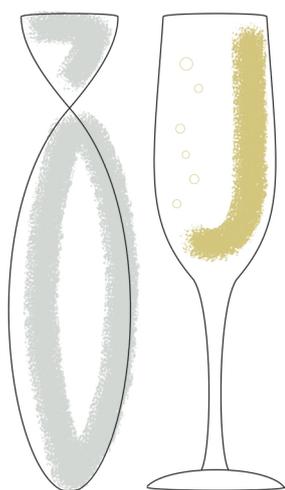
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7 | Silver Leaves
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SEPTEMBER

4 | Silver Leaves
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18 | Duffield Afternoon WI is Moving
1.30pm - 3.30pm.
Claire's Craft with Claire Player.
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Extreme Wheels Roadshow Visiting Duffield in July/August

Derbyshire extreme sports group Extreme Wheels will be running FREE drop-in sessions for young people aged 9 and over at Eyes Meadow on Thursday evenings, 6-8pm throughout the school holidays from 26th July to 30th August. Funded by the Parish Council, the sessions will include: Skatepark, Laser Tag, Body Zorbing, Drift Trikes, KMX Karts and BMX Sidehacks. See www.bolsover.gov.uk/extreme-wheels for more info, or call Extreme Wheels on 01246 593041.



Duffield Walking Group Looking For New Members

Duffield Walking Group take short walks in and around Duffield to encourage walking as a cheap and enjoyable form of exercise. The group meets at 9.45 am for a 10.00 am start at the Weston Centre on alternate Tuesdays, and offers two walks which are each about 1.5 miles in length. The next walk dates are set for 07/08, 21/08, 04/09 and 18/09, continuing fortnightly thereafter. The walks are open to everyone, are entirely free, and finish with coffee/tea, cake and chat at the Weston Centre.



Local Area Coordinator For Duffield and Surrounding Villages

Nicky Mount is Duffield's Local Area Coordinator. Local Area Coordination is an approach to designing and delivering public services which supports people with disabilities, mental health needs, older people, and their families or carers. It is a proactive and preventative form of support which enables people to build and pursue their own idea of a good life. Nicky runs a drop-in session on the third Tuesday of each month at the Weston Centre.

Nicky can be contacted by email, nicky.mount@derbyshire.gov.uk or phone 07970 725018.



New Bus Stop "Live Signs" To Be Installed

Derbyshire County Council will soon be installing electronic real time information signs at several bus stops in Duffield. The signs show the number of minutes to wait until the arrival of the next bus service, as shown in the example picture.

Signs are set to be installed on Town Street adjacent to the Baptist Church going towards Derby, on the A6 Derby Road opposite Broadway going towards Derby, outside the Coop and next to Chapel Street.

Parish Council meetings are open to the public to attend to listen or address the Council on any Parish issues. Correspondence from Parishioners is also reported to the meetings.

The next Parish Council **Full Council Meeting** will take place on the **5th September 2018** at 7:00pm at the Weston Centre.

Agendas, Committee Reports and Minutes can be viewed on line at

www.duffieldparishcouncil.gov.uk

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DUFFIELD & DISTRICT HERITAGE FEATURES – Turnpike Roads



“Don’t tell him Pike!” shrieks Captain Mainwaring in that unforgettable episode from Dad’s Army when the captured German officer takes names for later retribution. What the enemy hadn’t appreciated was both the resilience of this venerable group of men and, coincidentally, the meaning of the name Pike. Although the origin of the surname varies it’s believed to have been adopted by individuals with attributes of a pike (the fish), associated with a pike-staff (the weapon) or from keepers of **Turnpikes**. A pike was a long suspended barrier that needed to be ‘turned’ once the traveller had paid a toll; hence the name turn-pike. I like to suppose that Private Frank Pike fell into the category of turnpike attendant.

Today we take it for granted that, having paid our Road and Council Taxes, a potholed highway will be repaired (eventually!) It’s not always been so. Roads were poorly maintained by the parish and on busy routes upkeep became inefficient and unfair. The development from wider ‘waggon wheels’ to narrower coach wheels caused significant damage through ‘rutting’ and a more permanent solution was demanded; hence the creation of Turnpike Trusts (by Acts of Parliament from 1706 to the 1840s) to oversee their improvement (or

creation) and management. The first use of tolls was in 1663 on part of the Great North Road near London and the first independent Trust set up in 1707.

The Turnpike era had a significant impact on Duffield and local Trusts were established. The village was traversed by major Turnpike roads including Derby to Sheffield (1756) via Heage (High Edge) and Chesterfield, or via Hazelwood and Farnah Green to Wirksworth, Matlock and Chesterfield; all keeping to high ground to avoid potential flooding. Derby to Duffield was a particularly lucrative route that helped subsidise the others. The road from Duffield through Milford and Belper to Heage wasn’t Turnpiked until 1793.

Seen outside the Lion Hotel in Belper is an original **stage-coach** named ‘Tantivy’ that carried passengers during the revival of coach travel in the 19th C. Tantivy means a fast gallop or a hunting cry as in, “Tantivy, tantivy, tantivy a hunting we shall go”- a word like the sound of hooves at a fast gallop! From 1894 Tantivy worked from St James’s hotel in Derby to the New Bath Hotel in Matlock Bath with a change of horses at the Lion. The steep drive to the New Bath was taken at a gallop! This coach has been lovingly restored and 2017

commemorated the 200th anniversary of the complex Turnpiking of the Belper to Cromford road.

If you’ve visited Matlock you’ll know that some routes out of town involve a very steep climb. Not surprisingly the hill to Chesterfield is known as Steep Turnpike! Steep hills naturally created problems for the horses pulling these coaches; hence the use of ‘**cock-horses**’ (as in the nursery rhyme “ride a cock-horse to Banbury Cross”). These sturdy horses were invaluable in assisting teams to surmount steep hills, high water or rough terrain.

Local **turnpike posts** remain opposite the Bridge Inn near Duffield Bridge that carried the Derby to Chesterfield Turnpike. The original hostelry at the bridge was a coaching inn called the Bull’s Head. Note the iron ‘**spindle**’ on which the barrier would be hung. Almost identical posts may be glimpsed from the A6 at the entrance to Devonshire Street in Ambergate.

Toll stage costs varied from 2s/6d (25p) for a coach and 6 horses to 5d (6p) for a drove of 20 calves, hogs, sheep or lambs and 1penny for every

unladen horse, mule or ass. Pedestrians passed without payment since their usage had minimal effect on highway upkeep. Not surprisingly people resented paying to use roads but in Duffield there existed a partial answer – by creating a link between Makeney and Duffield and fording the Derwent. This by-passed the toll collected from 1756 at Duffield Bridge and Strutt’s ‘new’ Milford Bridge (c.1790) and became ‘Save Penny Lane’- so tax avoidance is nothing new!

Before long those manning Turnpikes demanded some form of shelter. This resulted in the building of **tollhouses**, or tollbooths, with two still surviving in Duffield on the Duffield to Idridgehay Turnpike (1808). The Toll House on Wirksworth Road and The Forge on Town Street both have characterful ‘**canted**’ (chamfered) bay windows. Another serving the Derby to Chesterfield Turnpike on Makeney Road, Holbrook takes the form of a lodge cottage with protruding front. Characterised by the number of windows some tollhouses were pentagonal or round; all designed to maximise the view of approaching traffic.



POSTER COMPETITION



As it is 100 years since some women got the vote the three WIs in the village are getting together to highlight the importance of women's voices in decision making. Organising a number of events including a Tea Party on October 6th at the Parish Hall. You are invited to take part in a competition to design a poster A4 size on the topic of 100 years of Women's votes.

There are 3 categories:

1. School years 3-6 inclusive
2. School years 7-11 inclusive
3. Age 16 and above

Please submit your poster on A4 paper, with your name, age [if you are below 16], category you are entering and a contact number, by September 29th to Duffield News.

The posters will be displayed at the Tea Party on October 6th, with the winning posters in pride of place and a selection will be included in a display at the library. The winners will receive a small prize.

The posters will be judged by the Presidents of the three Duffield WIs.



By 1840, there were around 1000 Turnpike Trusts managing 20,000 miles of road that contributed greatly to the growth of the British economy into the 19th C. However from the 1840's, rail travel overtook road (and canal), Trusts were wound up, and the Local Government Act



of 1888 gave the new County Councils responsibility for main roads.

An interesting footnote to the Turnpike era involved the toll-gate at the junction of Wirksworth Road and Hall Lane Road (now New Zealand Lane). The original gritstone toll-gate posts were relocated and now form an imposing entrance to the mid-19thC house, 'Greentrees' on Chapel Street. Now that's what I call upcycling!

by **Robert Reid**



JOURNEY TO A REDUCED-PLASTIC APPROACH



Plastic in the Derwent

Do you really need to use that plastic straw? What about that third or fourth plastic cup of coffee? Up to a quarter of our global plastic ends up polluting our rivers and seas – and that may mean it gets into the fish you eat on a Friday night! Over a million seabirds die each year from ingesting plastic. It destroys coral and kills sea mammals. An increasing weight of evidence shows that there is no part of the world free from the threat of plastic pollution.

Duffield has begun its journey to a reduced-plastic approach!

- At Duffield Carnival

you might have noticed: A lack of plastic straws at the Beer Tent – and some flyers explaining why.

- Refillable cups of water instead of single-use bottles at the Duffield 5 – just as refreshing!
- A deposit system to replicate the highly successful one in Scandinavia - but rewarded with sweets instead of money.
- Information at the Green Party stall.
- At Ecclesbourne School, 79% of pupils agreed they would be happy to never use a plastic straw again.
- At Meadows School, the caterers already avoid single-use plastics.
- 70 Duffield residents have pledged to support the Last Straw campaign, with more on the way.

Let's keep going!

Plastic is useful.... you don't have to give it up altogether!

But here are three simple steps you can follow to reduce plastic pollution in the Derwent and beyond....

1. **Stop.** Stop using plastic straws for good. If you need one, why not try alternatives, such as re-usable metal straws, paper straws, or even bamboo straws!
2. **Swap.** Swap as many single-use plastic items as you can for more environmentally-friendly alternatives. This could be re-usable bottles rather than one-shot plastic; biodegradable or fabric bags as opposed to plastic carrier bags; wooden forks at the chippy; metal cutlery at school.
3. **Drop...** the hint to other people. Lobby your friends, family, colleagues and local outlets to do the same. Spread the word: every action makes a difference!

Legislation is on the way. But let's lead! Let's make this.



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DUFFIELD LIBRARY NEWS FOR AUGUST

Due to the popularity of the World Cup sticker swaps we have decided to continue hosting them on Saturday mornings for as long as there are stickers to swap.

The craft group continue to meet on **Mondays** at 10am for a couple of hours to work on craft projects, so please come along if you are interested. The group has been working on a fabulous display in the foyer for our Summer Reading Challenge. Please call in and have a look at it.

Our usual **storytime** sessions continue on **Fridays** during the summer holidays at the usual time of **11am** for half an hour of stories and simple crafts for pre-school children and their carers. Just call in, no pre-booking is required.

The library continues to be a donation point for the **Hope for Belper** charity, a local volunteer run food-bank helping our neighbours in Belper and surrounding areas. We have a food crate in the library where non-perishable food can be donated.

There is still time to sign up to our annual **Summer Reading Challenge**. The theme for 2018 is **Mischief Makers**, based on The Beano comic which is celebrating its 80th birthday. As in previous years the aim is to read any 6 library books over the summer holidays. Every child entering the Challenge needs to be registered so call into the library if you are interested in taking part. Joining the library is really simple. We only require one official document with your name and address on, a driving licence, for example. One document is enough for the whole family and the process takes less than 5 minutes. Tickets are activated immediately so items can be borrowed straight away. The Reading Agency, the charity who organise the Summer Reading Challenge have a fabulous website www.readingagency.org.uk which is full of great ideas for

reading and activities over the holidays.

Once again we will be holding a medal ceremony, this year it will be on Saturday 22 September. If you would like to attend please let us know when you have completed the challenge.

We are having some children's events in the library during August. On Wednesday 8 August from 2.30-3.30pm and Monday 20 August from 10.30-11.30am we will be having a cartoon workshop, no artistic experience is necessary. Please phone 01629 533919 to book in as this is a ticketed activity.



New books in the library this month include a paperback copy of *Fallen Angels* by Bernard Cornwell, this is the second in the series featuring the Lazender family, first published in 1984. *Seven Days in Summer* by Marica Willett is the perfect beach read, set in Devon, tensions rise at the holiday at the Beach Hut takes an unexpected turn. In hardback format we have a copy of *The Love of a Family* by Rebecca Shaw,

a heart-warming novel about the importance of family and being there for one another. A collection of vegetarian recipes for gatherings, *Feasts of Veg* by Nina Olsson is about sharing good food together and focuses on delicious dishes that are easy to prepare and simple to make. This month I have read



Coming Home by Fern Britton. Ella comes back to the beautiful Cornish coast after the death of her beloved grandmother, Adela. There she finds her home again and discovers a new life, but she also opens a treasure trove of secrets.

Twenty years ago Ella's mother, Sennen, ran away from Cornwall having left her children with her mother Adela...and a part of her with them. She's spent the years

since hiding from her past. Now it's time to come back to Cornwall. To face her mistakes. To pray for forgiveness. And to hope for a future with her long-lost daughter and son. This was a charming, easy but compelling read.

**Happy reading
Carole-Ann and the team**

Please note we will be closed on Monday 27 August for the bank holiday.



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SUMMER SEASON IN FULL SWING AT CHEVIN



Winner of Lady Captain's Prize, Judy Harris



Winner of Captain's Prize, James Russell

Ladies Trophy Matches

What a season we've had. Chevin Silver Red Team were in a three-way tie at the top of their Division but were pipped at the post for a place in the semi-finals on count back of games won.

The Bronze team have made the semi-finals for the first time in many years so fingers crossed for Thursday 26th when they will play Chapel en le Frith for a place in the finals.

Chevin Golf Captain's Days

On Saturday 7th July the first tee was packed from dawn (well, almost) to dusk (but not quite) with members keen to play in the Captain's Day event, one of the highlights of the club's golfing calendar.

The golfers were given a gift from the Captain on the first tee. When players reached the 10th green they were given sustenance, in the form of bacon rolls, cooked by volunteer lady members as well as a welcome drink of and water and beer,

Some good scores were recorded after the Captain had asked the greenkeepers to put the flags on the greens in "accessible" positions, so that everyone would enjoy their golf.

The winner on the day was James Russell, handicap 3 with a gross score of 77.

Andrew Laven handicap 28 had the highest stableford

score of the day with 44 points. Later in the evening after the presentation to prize winners, members enjoyed a meal and dancing.

After being on his feet from 5 o'clock in the morning to after midnight, the Captain had a well-earned night's sleep.

That said, his heart-felt thanks were extended to his group of sterling helpers who made the event the success that was enjoyed by all.

Lady Captain's Day

5th July - what an amazing day. 60 ladies played under brilliant blue skies - maybe a little too hot for some. The weather being very hot meant that the drinks and refreshment served to the players on the 10th hole was very gratefully accepted. Even more so, was the refreshing glass of Pimms awaiting them at the clubhouse at the end of the round.

The non-playing members and ladies from the bridge section joined Rachel for tea in the afternoon in the clubhouse. It was lovely to see former playing members and captains back at Chevin.

There were many volunteer gentlemen who served refreshments and helped throughout the day.

Congratulations to Judy Harris who was the winner of the Lady Captain's Prize with an amazing score of 44 points resulting in a 4 shot reduction in her handicap.

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MILLIE'S SQUASH WORLD TOUR



Tomlinson stops Ramadan run at the Tournament of Pyramides in Paris...

"I ran out of steam," confessed young Hana Ramadam after her final on French soil against favourite Millie Tomlinson, from Duffield, a match described as a "super final".

The Egyptian, coming all the way from the qualifying, managed to snatch the first game 11/8 and at one game all, it was all possible for

the young lady. But Millie's experience and determination played a big role as she clinched the crucial third on a tie-break 12/10, closing down in the fourth, 11/8.

[2] Millie Tomlinson (Eng) 3-1 [Q] Hana Ramadam (Egy) 8/11, 11/7, 12/10, 11/8. This follows wins in April at the Karli Open, Switzerland 7/11, 11/6, 11/9, 5/11, 11/7 and in May at the Chamberlain Open, Nigeria 11-4, 13-11, 11-7.

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