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Victory in Europe Day, generally known as VE Day, marks 8 May 1945, the day on which World War II in Europe ended.

In the United Kingdom on 8 May 1945, more than one million people celebrated in the streets to mark the end of the European part of the war. In London, crowds massed in Trafalgar Square and up the Mall to Buckingham Palace, where King George VI and Queen Elizabeth, accompanied by Prime Minister Winston Churchill, appeared on the balcony of the palace before the cheering crowds.

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Let us remember the families that lost husbands, sons and sweethearts.

Let us remember the servicemen, merchant seamen, miners, brave civilians and others from Commonwealth and Allied countries who fought, suffered and died during several years of war.

Let us remember those in reserved occupation and the brave people who kept us safe on the home front - the doctors and nurses who cared for the wounded, the women and men who toiled in the fields, those who worked in the factories, who all played such a vital role in the war effort at home.

Bruno Peek
Bruno Peek LVO OBE OPR
Pageantmaster
VE Day 75

remembered by people around Britain each year.

The 70th anniversary of VE Day in 2015 was marked with

a series of events across the UK. There were three days of commemorations including parades, street parties, a service

of thanksgiving and a concert in central London.

8 May 2020 marked the 75th anniversary of VE Day, which was celebrated throughout the village following the COVID-19 social distancing requirements.

Residents commemorated the 75th anniversary of VE Day in true British style. In streets festooned with red, white and blue using balloons, bunting and flags, including the Stars and Stripes and the Union Flag. Lime Avenue, Champion Hill and De Ferrers Court held 'socially distanced' tea partys to the sounds of the war years.

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DAVE'S UPDATE – YOUR GREEN COUNCILLOR

As I write, we're all still in lockdown, with the first very small easing of measures. It's been good to see how the community has come together – I'd like to again thank Duffield Coronavirus Support (DuCS) for co-ordinating help for our vulnerable people. I've enjoyed playing my small part in delivering shopping and helping out where I can.

There's no getting away from the devastating impacts of coronavirus, but it's interesting to see that nearly 70% of Britons believe that climate change is as serious a crisis as the virus, according to a recent Ipsos survey.

Nationally, this will mean we need to pressure for a more sustainable economy to protect us in the future. And it's also important that we ensure that decisions that affect our local communities are made properly. Across the country, including here in Amber Valley, local council meetings aren't taking place – virtual meetings are being planned, so I hope there will soon be some progress with these.

A cycle lane for the A6?

– To help us keep a safe distance on public transport

during the COVID-19 crisis, the Government is keen to promote 'active travel', which could see us all walking and cycling more. Local authorities are being asked to re-allocate space on roads for this, and I am supporting the Derwent Valley Cycleway group and others who would like to see a temporary cycle lane on the A6. Other possible actions include "school streets" (restricting traffic around schools at pick-up and drop-off times), 20mph speed limits, and pedestrian and cycle zones

How you can help

- **Active Travel** - let me know if you support these ideas, and if you know of any streets in Duffield where such measures could work, please let me know. This is a great chance to try these things out. If they work, we could make them permanent, and improve our own and the planet's health.

- **Plastic Free Duffield** – With organised street cleans impossible under coronavirus restrictions, we're going digital. As part of a national Plastic Free Communities Campaign, we're asking you to photograph any discarded plastic packaging you see



I've enjoyed doing a bit of shopping for people who can't get out, and I've met some great people too.

on your walks around the village, upload your photo to Instagram or Twitter, tag Plastic Free Duffield, tag the company it originally came from, and add the hashtag #ReturnToOffender. The idea is to help put pressure on government and industry for change. If you don't have Instagram or twitter and want to find out more, have a look at www.sas.org.uk/campaign/return-to-offender

Hope for the future

Contact tracing could be the key to defeating the virus, and

local authority environmental health officers have great skills and knowledge to help with this. I've written to Amber Valley's Executive Director to see what part they can play. At the time of writing, we're still waiting to hear from the Government, so look out for updates as things develop on this.

In the meantime, stay safe – get in touch if there's anything I can help with, and I hope to see you around the village soon.

Dave Wells

Rodney Wood – Founder of the Millennium Meadow died 8th May 2020

When you want to start a radical project you need someone to have the idea/vision, be determined (some say pigheaded!) to see it through and to never take no for an answer. Duffield was lucky enough to have Rodney Wood who, with a small group of friends, persuaded and mostly inspired the village to support the creation of a Nature Reserve to celebrate the Millennium.

Born in Bangkok, Rodney was descended from a Naval family and he himself did army service in Malaya in the early 50's. He worked in Africa on the tea plantations and remembered a hair-raising night drive where he hit an

animal in the dark, wrecked his vehicle, and had to spend the night hoping nothing would fancy him for supper! Rodney and his late wife Anne (d. 2017) had over 40 years of happy marriage – with Rodney instantly acquiring 5 stepchildren (and grandchildren)! He loved being in the centre of a large family; he and Anne had moved to Duffield from the south to help their daughter look after new triplets.

He looked after Anne for the 15 years she had cancer and continued with his hobby of cross-country running accompanied by friends from the village. He raised money for Cancer research

via sponsored runs that he donated to the Oncology ward at the Royal Derby. Sadly, he suffered from Alzheimer's in the last few years of his life and after Anne died, moved into a care home.

He was determined only to have native species planted on the meadow and although he appreciated the flowers, relished the growing of the long lasting oaks, yews and scots pines.

He was funny, quick-witted, charming, irascible, big-hearted, stubborn, generous friend and a true lover of nature. He did not suffer fools gladly and was passionate about defending his beloved trees. Duffield is left with a



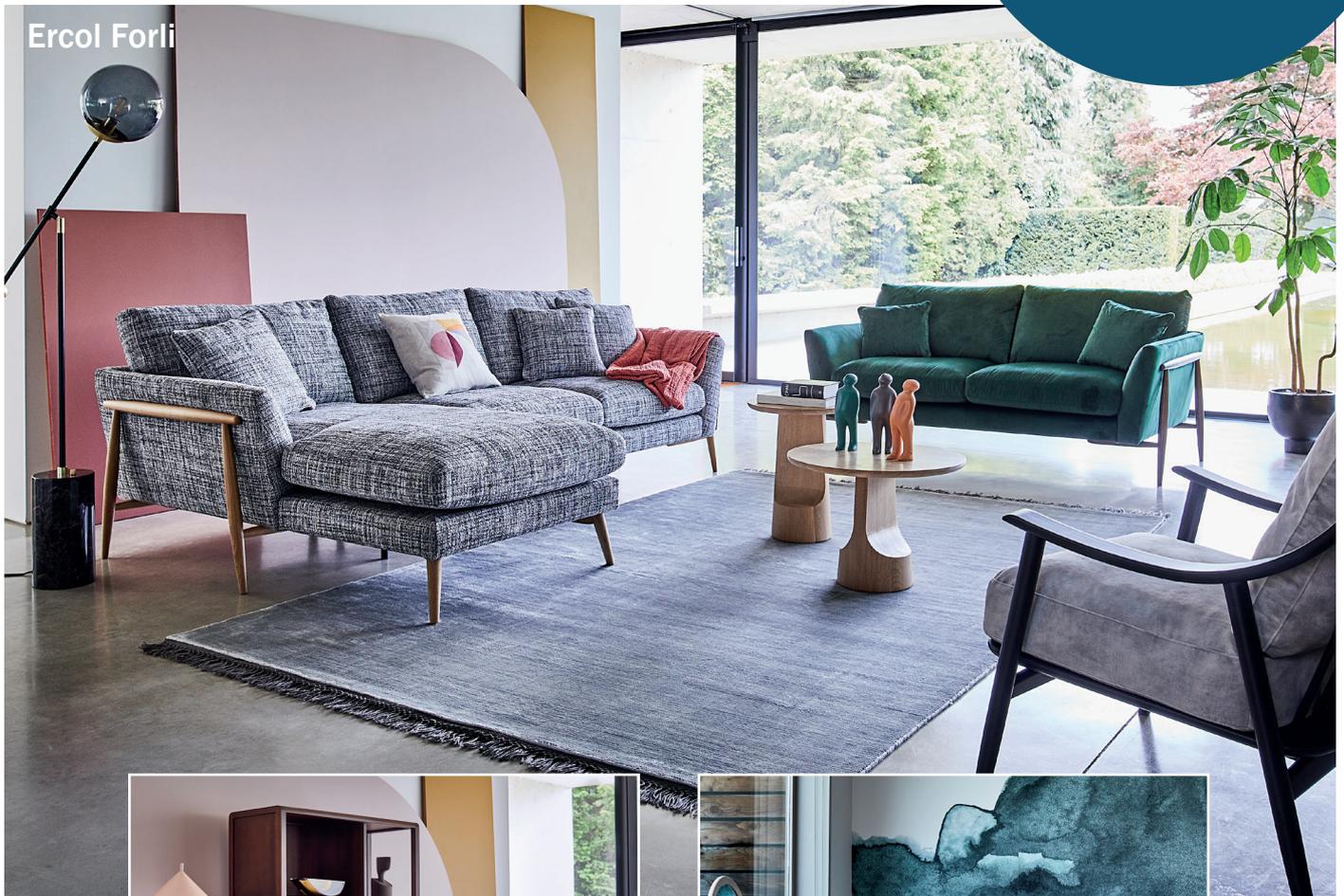
fabulous legacy for which he will always be remembered and from which we all benefit.

Thanks Rodney.

Di Hancock
(Chair and on behalf of the Duffield Millennium Meadow Conservation Trust)

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EXOTIC INSECTS ON THE MEADOW

I have spent some time during lockdown tidying up duplicate documents stored on my computer and came across the insect recording sheet for June 2013 from Mick Ball who observed and counted the different insect species on the meadow every month. What struck me immediately was the number of different dragonflies and damselflies he observed on the 2nd June - two dragonflies and five different damselflies.

First seen flying in May/June, these magnificent creatures are thought to have been the first winged insects to evolve on earth some 300 million years ago - before the dinosaurs. Then the oxygen levels in the atmosphere were much higher and fossil records show insects that had wingspans the size of eagles! Presumably their insect prey would have been proportionately larger too.

When I was a child I was alarmed and slightly nervous of the largest of our current species - the emperor dragonfly at 74-78mm long. The way it speedily quartered the garden backwards and forwards at head height, with its wings audible as it darted - was scary and impressive. They belong to the order *Odonata* (*toothed ones*) of which 36 are dragonflies and 21 damselflies.

The benefit of having the wetland area in the meadow is evident when these magnificent insects are seen at this time of year. All need water in which to lay their eggs and to allow the lengthy larval (or nymph) stage of development to take place.

Mating in dragonflies is unique. For instance - the male emperor (mainly blue in colour) first transfers sperm from near the tip of his abdomen to accessory genitalia near the top of the abdomen. He then grasps a female (mainly green in colour) by the back of the head with his abdominal

claspers (**tandem position**). The female curls the tip of her abdomen to meet the male's accessory genitalia and sperm is transferred (**the wheel position**). This process can take a few seconds or many hours depending on the species.

All damselflies and dragonflies have scythe like ovipositors with which to make incisions in plant material to lay their eggs if need be and each female can lay up to one or two hundred eggs at intervals.

These eggs hatch into tadpoles after 2-5 weeks and then become mini versions of the adults called larvae or nymphs but with the wings sheathed. Each one will undergo 14 stages as they grow and moult

their skins before emerging to begin to breathe air after 2-5 years underwater. They feed on smaller aquatic creatures such as snails, leeches, small fish and tadpoles using their formidable hinged jaws, which they project forward to catch prey.

Although usually dictated by day length and temperature, emperor dragonflies synchronise their final moults. They

emerge, spend some time on the edge of the pond acclimatising and then crawl up a nearby plant stem to redistribute their body fluids, pushing the thorax, head, legs and wings out of the larval skin. There is then a pause of about 30 minutes to allow their legs to harden enough

for the next stage, when the abdomen is withdrawn. The wings, and then the abdomen, are expanded and start to harden. This whole process can take up to three hours.

Maiden flights can be very short and weak and it is now that they are likely to be predated by birds including hobbies. The life expectancy of adults is short, typically no more than a week or two, but sometimes they can last 6-8 weeks. Adult dragonflies have voracious appetites and can be observed hunting flies, gnats, butterflies and mosquitos.

If you are observant when you walk around the ponds or sit on the seats overlooking the wetland, you may be lucky enough to be visited briefly by one of these beautiful insects as it investigates what has come into its territory. They cannot bite us and are just one of the more exotic looking and colourful visitors which have made the Nature reserve their home - colourful like the kingfishers which patrol up and down the Derwent and Ecclesbourne rivers.

Lastly, as you walk round, please take a moment to **silently thank Rodney Wood who sadly died on 8th May**. Rodney was the person who first promoted the idea of having a nature reserve to commemorate the Millennium and who, with a small group of friends, persuaded the Parish Council to donate part of the Eyes Meadow and the village to support it. He was the original Chair of the Conservation Trust set up to manage the project, was passionate about protecting the environment and the trees he loved. What a fantastic legacy he has left us. **Thank you Rodney.**

by **Di Hancock**
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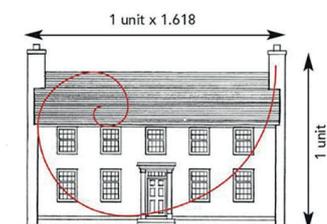
Mating damselflies in the wheel position

DUFFIELD & DISTRICT HERITAGE FEATURES – Georgian



Whatever your political leaning you cannot fail to be impressed by the eloquence and professionalism of the BBC's political editor Laura Kuennsberg, and broadcaster Fiona Bruce. Politics aside, I must say that whenever I see a newscaster standing outside 10 Downing Street I'm reminded of the classical beauty of the buildings of the Georgian era; including their distinctive entrance doors.

The Georgian period was a time of prolific building construction based on a set of architectural styles during the reigns of the four Hanoverian George's between 1714 and 1830, and encompassed the Regency period of the future George IV. Examples of this elegant style of architecture based on symmetrical composition and classical detail are found throughout Britain; notably in London, Bath, Edinburgh and Dublin in Ireland. Outstanding local examples are found in Friargate, Derby and Church Street, Ashbourne on which I lived for seven years and which introduced me to sumptuous Georgian architecture; some merely facades fronting original Tudor buildings.



Georgian architecture is based on classical proportions learnt from ancient Greece with its roots in mathematics; notably the **Golden Ratio** (aka the Golden Mean/Section/Rectangle). This was a formula, devised in 300BC by the mathematician Euclid, and in architecture takes the form of the Golden Rectangle, where the ratio of the shorter side to the longer is 1:1.618. The ratio between the sum of those two quantities and the larger one of them is the same as the ratio between the larger one and the smaller.

If mathematically you're now as challenged as I am then to put it simply, human beings are most pleased when things are in a proportion of 1 to 1.618 - i.e. if a window is one unit wide, it should be 1.618 units tall. It's not just used in windows either - the 'ogee' curve used in mouldings, such as on skirting boards, is a derivative of the Golden Ratio. Compare mid-18thC 8/10 Tamworth Street with this drawing based on those same



proportions that determine width, height, window size and positions, and the relative size of the roof pitch. An ogee curve is overlaid.

Georgian buildings are invariably symmetrical, built predominantly of brick or stone with tiled, or slate, roof and a facade with a fenestration (the relationship between windows and wall) comprising well-proportioned sliding-sashes to allow more light into the interior. Facades are normally surmounted by a plain or sculpted parapet, hiding much of the roof and sometimes with a triangular pediment and balustrade.

Part of Duffield's conservation area, between The Meadows on Derby Road and The Mews on Wirksworth Road, exhibit some stunning examples of Georgian building; creating a characterful southern entrance to the village centre. These include The Ferns looking like a dolls house, Archway

House with its broad carriage arch and 'canted' bays, the aptly named Greystones, 'Adamesque' Gervase House (c.1775) and The Mews; each with a distinctive yet homogenous design. Elsewhere the Georgians made their mark with characterful Tamworth House (1724), The Park, an imposing 18thC small country house, the early 19thC Mill House, the Cedars and others.

My favourite Georgian house in Duffield has got to be the exquisitely proportioned The Meadows (1798). It's a symphony of architectural detail in red brick with stone 'dressings' that, together with the associated former stable block, is a rival to any in the country. Well before the invention of Computer Aided Design (CAD), this building, due to its elaborate and challenging detail, was used by student architects for their 'measured drawing'.





Archway House



Greystones



Gervase House



The **interior** of Georgian houses was no less delightful. Pickford House and its associated museum on Friargate is the professional showcase and family home of **Joseph Pickford**. It is a grand and elegant town-house built in 1770 and open as a museum illustrating the contrast between master and servant. Its interior décor, furnishings and accompanying mannequins give a true flavour of these classically proportioned homes designed for the burgeoning middle-classes. Pickford's shows the grandeur of Georgian architecture and the changes that occurred over its 250 year life.

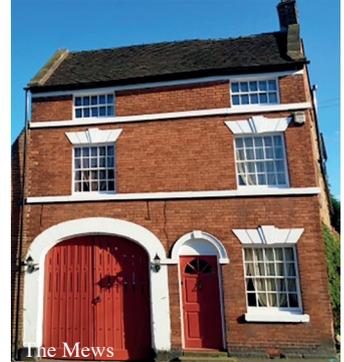
Joseph Pickford was a prolific and successful local architect among whose eminent clients were the potter Josiah Wedgwood and Derby painter Joseph Wright. Given his influence and major works such as St Helen's House, The Mill at Chatsworth and Etruria Hall, Staffordshire it is highly probable that both The Meadows and Gervase House were either designed, or strongly influenced, by him. That said, many houses of the later Georgian period were lifted directly from standard **pattern books** available to builders at the time.

No discussion of Georgian architecture would be complete, however, without a look at the iconic **'fan-light'** windows above those solid 'raised and fielded' six panelled doors. Incidentally, a 'light' is an architectural expression to describe an individual pane of glass. Fitzwilliam Square in Dublin is famous for its Georgian fanlights but for its size Duffield can boast at least 10. The simplest are at 'Greystones' and 7 Chapel Street, while the most ornate is the delicate Adam-style lattice-like cast-iron **'cobweb'** fanlight on Gervase House. The Meadows is similar to Downing Street

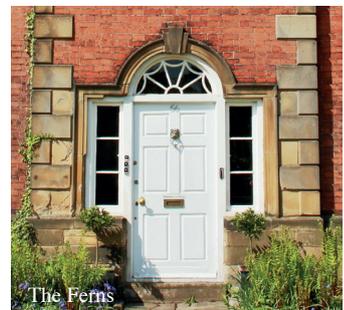
but for a provincial building it has the edge - with the 'fan' comprising 9 individual 'lights' whereas Number 10 has only 7! Surprisingly The Meadows has only a rendered panel where a fanlight ought to be, although it does have within its modern front door what is commonly described as a 'slipped' fanlight.

One of the classical elements of Georgian architecture is the **'Venetian' window** (tripartite panes under a common surround with the centre raised and arched). There's a perfect example on the Red Lion in Wirksworth, although the style is clearly evident in the entrance door to The Ferns, 56 Town Street; built in 1756 at precisely the time when Town Street was being 'Tumpiked'.

Finally, my foray into Georgian architecture wouldn't be complete without asking you to imagine the Chief Curator at Historic Royal Palaces, historian and TV presenter Lucy Worsley OBE, dressed in 18th Century costume complete with powdered wig emerging confidently from the front door of any of Duffield's Georgian buildings; lipstick and all. by **Robert Reid**



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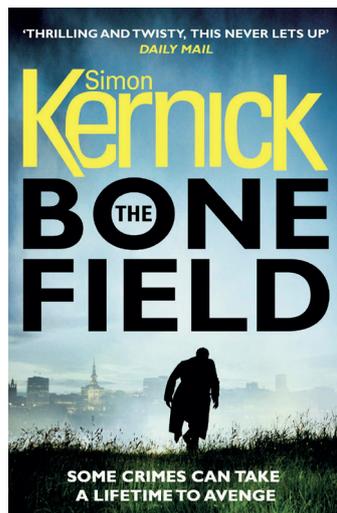
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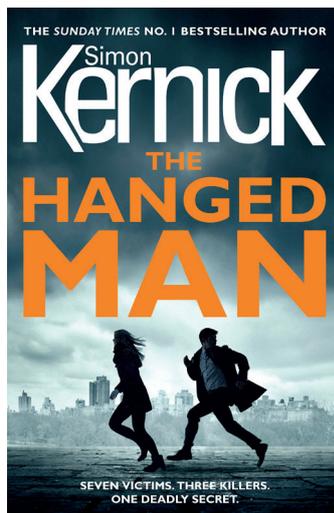
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I thought I would keep going with the library news during the coronavirus pandemic even though I have been unable to open the building. As I write, I am not aware of any plans to reopen the library at the moment. Of course, if I am told anything I will let everyone know. Anyone who has library books at home, please keep them, they are not due back until the end of this month and no fines will be created. I am unable to make any reservations or inter library loans at this time. I will keep any previously requested items for you to collect once libraries re-open.

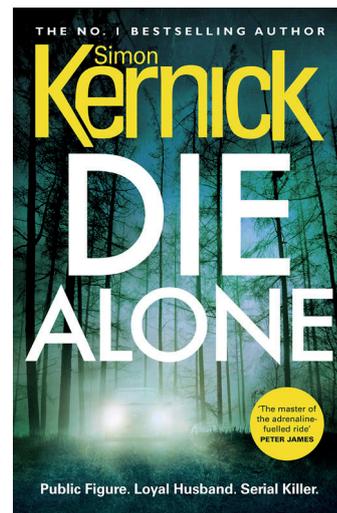
Even though we have not been able to open our buildings staff have been busy working in different ways. Story times and craft activities are now available online, on Mondays and singing and rhymes on Wednesday mornings both at 10am. We also have an online reader group every Friday morning at 10am and an online poetry corner challenge on Thursdays at 4pm. The Lego group get together on Sundays at 1pm. Check out our Facebook page or find us on Twitter for all the up to date information.



While I have not been at the library, I am still working at the Community Response Unit organised by Derbyshire County Council. Based at Shand House in Matlock I have now become a call handler. I answer phone calls from the public who need a bit of extra support while self-isolating or have no family or friends, with, for example, and coordinate volunteers who help with shopping, picking up prescriptions. I also make calls to people who might need a quick call checking up on them. To date, we have supported over 3,000 Derbyshire residents. More information can be found on the council website www.derbyshire.gov.uk or by phoning 01629 535091.



I have been reading Simon Kernick's The Bone Field trilogy during the past month. Starting with The Bone Field, continuing with The Hanged Man, the recently published Die Alone and featuring DI Ray Mason, these novels are gruesome and hard hitting. Typical crime and fast paced thrillers set over a short space of time which grab the reader from the very first page and don't let go. Each book could be read as a stand-alone because some key parts from earlier books are explained as the trilogy evolves but I would encourage reading the first two to get a real feel for the whole story. I'm a huge fan of Mr Kernick anyway but this third instalment really is one of his best and is



a wonderful conclusion to the Bone Field series and I highly recommend it. For ideas on activities and reading please visit **Derbyshire Libraries on Facebook and Derbyshire Libraries on Twitter.** If you have any enquiries please email: ask.library@derbyshire.gov.uk or call: 01629 533444. We have a variety of free digital resources available to all customers including **eBooks, eMagazines, eAudiobooks and eNewspapers.** I hope everyone is staying safe and that I can see you all as soon as I can. Best wishes **Carole-Ann and the Team**

DUFFIELD CHRISTIAN AID GROUP 2020

Coronavirus impacts all of us. But love unites us all. Covid-19 could trigger a grave disaster for people in the poorest countries and communities across the world, who are ill-equipped to cope with the ruinous effects of the pandemic.

These are people already battling endemic poverty, protracted humanitarian crises, long-running conflict, severe food insecurity, economic shocks, displacement and underfunded health systems.

Your help is needed more than ever.

Usually around this time of year, volunteers from across the village are dropping off envelopes and then collecting in donations from households in Duffield in support of Christian Aid. Obviously things have had to change this year.

Instead of issuing envelopes, we are asking for online donations through our 'JustGiving' page -



www.justgiving.com/fundraising/duffieldchristianaidgroup

For those who prefer more traditional methods, cheques - payable to 'Christian Aid',

or cash, can be dropped off, or posted to our Treasurer, Phil O'Brien: 42 King St, Duffield, DE56 4EU.

With many thanks. **Duffield Christian Aid Committee**

THE POETRY BRIDGE IN DUFFIELD

Duffield residents once more have responded positively to an invitation: that of bringing a poem to put on The Poetry Bridge.

Once primarily a bridge for train enthusiasts, it is now a location for poets of all ages to display their contributions following an idea by Laura Taylor and Meg Walton. I have enjoyed some lovely walks during the 'lock-down' but the one along Church Walk to Saint Alkmund's Church perhaps offers the greatest opportunity for mental stimulation. Well, where else nearby and outdoors would I get a chance to read impressive poems by celebrated poets such as Christina Rossetti,

Emily Dickinson and W.H. Davies and gain equal pleasure from reading the work of local people? Subjects including Viewpoint:Sun, A Special Teacher, the NHS and an Ode to Coronavirus offer reflection, humour and maybe increased understanding. There is a challenge, too, for us all whether we like poetry or not, perhaps to compete as a family...how quickly can each of us say the tongue twister Betty Botter! New Zealand poet Joy Cowley in her poem The Bridge has written words which could relate to the efforts and care demonstrated by many Duffield residents recently during the Covid-19 pandemic, and a willingness



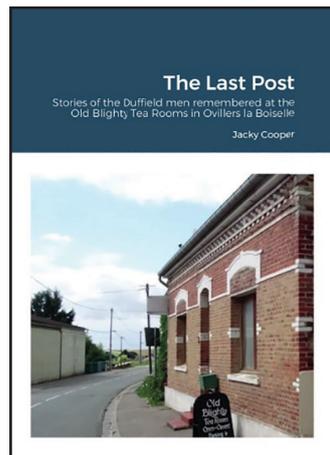
which augurs well for the future.

There are times in life when we are called to be bridges, not a great monument spanning a distance and carrying loads of heavy

traffic but a simple bridge to help one person from here to there over some difficulty, a bridge which opens the way for ongoing journey.

THE LAST POST RAILWAY TRAVEL

Last July I went on a war walk, and on one of the days the group had lunch at the Old Blighty Tea Rooms - a fascinating place, very English (run by a lady and gent from England). As well as the food and drinks, they also have a lot of WW1 memorabilia on show, almost like a mini museum, and some modern bits and pieces for sale. As we were eating lunch I saw a plaque commemorating men from Duffield who died in WW1. This interested me because I was brought up close to North Duffield and South Duffield in Yorkshire. I asked if the owners knew which Duffield it was, and she told me that it was the one in Derbyshire. I took a picture, just in case, and didn't think a lot about it till I got home a few days later.



in further research can find their information easily. Unsurprisingly the names on the Old Blighty memorial pretty much match those on the memorial at St Alkmund's.

I don't want to make a profit from the work, just to make it easier for these men to be remembered. it's somehow so much more meaningful to be able to pay our respects when we know something of the man, rather than just a name on a memorial. The book is available from www.lulu.com/en/gb/shop/jacky-cooper/the-last-post/paperback/product-gdk77z.html it's priced at £6.50. If I make anything beyond the basic expenses the excess will be donated to charity.

by **Jacky Cooper**

When I uploaded the pictures, I decided it would be good to know a bit more about the men and set about finding out. The result is 'The Last Post' which includes a short life story of each man. I was keen to make sure that I told their stories as accurately as possible, so have included an evidence sheet for each man so that people who may be interested

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Please use a face covering wherever possible



Please keep a safe distance from each other



Please keep one seat free at all times



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16:00-18:30



East Midlands Railway (EMR) has increased its timetable and introduced new social distancing measures.

Overall, the changes provide an increase in service level of approximately 20% - meaning EMR is now operating at around 80% of its 'normal' or 'full' timetable. This timetable will remain in place until further notice and will be kept under constant review.

Passengers should continue to follow Government travel advice and only travel by public transport if it is absolutely necessary. Passengers who do need to travel by train should check their journey before leaving, allow extra time to pass through the station, use contactless payment and, if at all possible, travel at quieter times of the day.

New social distancing measures and information are in place and passengers are asked to wear face coverings and maintain a safe and sensible distance from one another and staff.

Will Rogers, Managing Director at East Midlands Railway, said: "From today we will be increasing our services, however the new timetable will only allow a small rise in the number of passengers we can accommodate.

"We urge everyone to only go by train if it is necessary and keep public transport for key workers and those who must travel.

"Please do not hesitate to ask any of our staff if you have any questions about the changes – they will be happy to help."

www.eastmidlandsrailway.co.uk



Newsletter June 2020

Covid-19 Information

Staff working arrangements: The office at Cemetery Lodge remains closed for face-to-face public enquiries to help protect visitors and staff. Our office staff are working from home. To contact the Parish Council, call the Clerk, Kath Gruber, on 07595 515154 or email clerk@duffieldparishcouncil.gov.uk. Our Village Warden and Grounds Worker (Michael and Antonio) are now working as normal, so please respect social distancing rules if you encounter them at Eyes Meadow, Gray Rec or the Cemetery.

Council Meetings: The June meetings will be held on 3rd June (Full Council) and 17th June (Strategic Development Committee) and will be held remotely via Cisco Webex as before. The July 1st Full Council meeting may be held at the Weston Centre depending on the advice we are given at the time. Please continue to check our website for the latest information and to find out how to join the meetings.

This information may have changed by the time of publication; we will issue updates via our website (duffieldparishcouncil.gov.uk) and social media (Facebook and Twitter) so please save them as your favourites if you can.

Changes to Council Committees

At the Parish Council Annual General Meeting held on 6th May 2020, the Council agreed to amend the Parish Council Committees so that they align with the Village Action Plan in addition to managing the day to day operations of the Council.

The new Committees are:

- The **Finance & Management Committee**, responsible for the financial, policy and procedural and resource management of Duffield Parish Council.
- The **Outdoor Management & Development Committee**, responsible for overseeing the day to day management of the Parish Council's facilities including Gray's Recreation Ground & Eyes Meadow Recreation Ground, car park and changing rooms, Donald Hawley Way, Church Drive, Cemetery and buildings, and Allotments.
- The **Strategic Development Committee**, responsible for the long-term strategic development of Duffield Parish, including creating a sustainable development strategy for Duffield and measures to reduce emissions and improve Duffield's resilience to climate change.

At the Council AGM Cllr Roger Harrison was elected as Chair and Cllr Alice Vincent as Vice Chair.

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.

Forthcoming meetings: **Full Council Meetings on Wednesday 3rd June and Wednesday 1st July, Strategic Development Committee meeting on 17th June.** Meetings begin at 7pm. Please check our website for latest information on venue or remote access details. All are welcome to attend.

Meeting Agendas and Minutes can be viewed online at www.duffieldparishcouncil.gov.uk

Contacts

The Parish Office

Cemetery Lodge, 43 Hazelwood Road, Duffield, Belper DE56 4DQ.
Opening hours for public enquiries Monday & Tuesday 10:30am-12:30pm, Wednesday 2-4pm.
Telephone 01332 842740. Email - clerk@duffieldparishcouncil.gov.uk

The Cemetery

43 Hazelwood Road, Duffield.
For all Cemetery enquiries please email or telephone the Clerk on the number above or 07595 515154.

Borough Councillors

Chris Short - 01332 843781 and Dave Wells - 01773 821982

County Councillor

Chris Short - 01332 843781. Email - chris.short@derbyshire.gov.uk



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- › When should I retire?
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NEWS FROM CHRIS SHORT LOCAL COUNCILLOR

Covid-19 Business support

Amber Valley Borough Council received £29 million Government Covid-19 Business Support Grant Funding, to help 2,383 local businesses during the lockdown. So far they have paid out £21.8 million to those eligible for this funding support. I know how important it is to receive prompt payments to maintain cash flow, so if you are one of those 655 businesses still waiting for AVBC to pay out your Business Support Grant, please let me know and I will chase it up for you.

Current Waste situation

The Recycling Centres in Derbyshire have re-opened. I would recommend you look at the D.C.C./Derby City websites for current details and restrictions.

Your Green waste collection has restarted and current users will receive a credit for any

missed collections when they pay next year's charge.

Bulk collections are now available contact AVBC to arrange your collection.

New Care Home to help residents through the pandemic

Our brand new state of the art Ada Belfield care home in Belper is to be used to help support Derbyshire residents through the Coronavirus pandemic.

The new care centre which will temporarily be called the Florence Nightingale Home is now almost complete and getting ready to take its first residents.

The care centre, which is part of a larger development will initially be used to exclusively accept patients discharged from hospital who need to rest, recuperate and isolate after suffering from COVID-19 but aren't yet ready to go home.

Policing

The police are patrolling and talking to people if they think they are doing something that is against the guidelines. If there is a problem they want to resolve it by communicating clearly and encouraging people to behave responsibly. As a last resort they can enforce the coronavirus law by taking people home and by fining them.

Finally I would just like to commend D.C.C. and A.V.B.C for continuing to carry out their statutory roles in these difficult times.

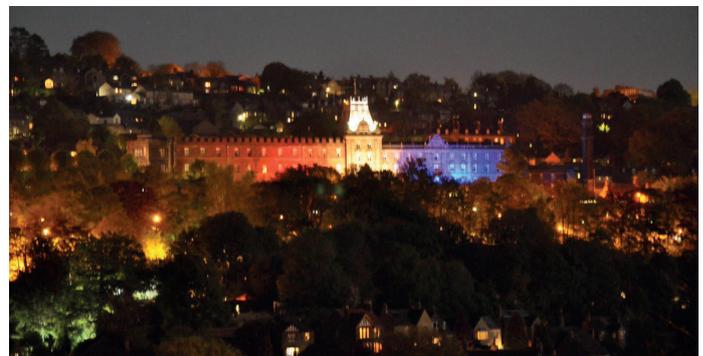


Please continue to help or assist each other and do not hesitate to contact me if I can be of any assistance.

Phone: 07970 741483 or 01629 536055

Email: chris.short@derbyshire.gov.uk

Chris Short
Duffield Village Resident



CHEVIN GOLF CLUB



Chevin members have enjoyed playing golf again following the relaxation in government guidelines, and the club are pleased to support our NHS & Care Home workers who play golf. Our Chairman Allan Thomas, on behalf of the Board and members of Chevin Golf Club, "would like to offer a number of tee times each weekday (after 2.30pm) as free courtesy rounds to this very special group of people". This is a small token of the club, and members', appreciation and gratitude to these amazing people who have worked so hard during this difficult time. Anyone who would like to take up this offer should contact Chevin Pro shop

(01332 841112) who will be happy to make the arrangements for you to play our course. Members have not been able to play since the 23rd March. During this 7 week break the general public and the community have been able to enjoy and walk the course as part of their daily exercise and the club are grateful to the walkers for respecting the course during this time. From the 13th May the course is now open to members, who are delighted to be back enjoying golf at a place they love. In line with government guidelines the club house remains closed. Enquiries please contact the General Manager at manager@chevingolf.co.uk

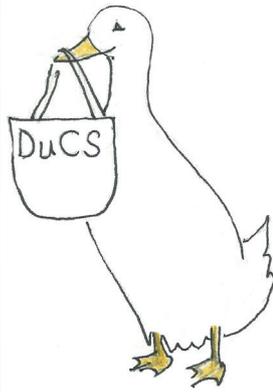
DUFFIELD TENNIS CLUB



Duffield Lawn Tennis Club have seen a true bounce in their activities and membership uptake since the relaxing of lockdown measures. Tennis was one of the last sports to be locked down and so logically was one of the first sports to open up especially with the natural social distancing the sport offers. Head Coach James Grindell has been in regular contact with the LTA (Lawn Tennis Association) throughout lockdown and has made sure the club have been up to date with all guidelines and lockdown loosening measures. Tennis has proven it is a fantastic sport for all ages and standards and can offer huge physical and mental health benefits. The club appreciates lockdown measures are still in

place whilst we as a nation move to phase two and all relevant risk assessments/guidelines have been undertaken so people can play in a safe location. The club have recently had two more courts refurbished and so can now comfortably claim to have some of the best facilities in the Midlands region. Reinforcing the Midlands Region Club of the Year Award in 2018. All 7 courts have been resurfaced within the last four years giving the club a fantastic facility legacy for years to come. The club is offering membership offers for new members plus promoting the opportunity for families to come down and enjoy using the courts. Contact Head Coach James Grindell james.grindell@btinternet.com.

CORONAVIRUS SUPPORT



DuCS has continued to supply shopping to people who are unable to shop for themselves. Comments from users include:

“It’s been a godsend. The system is faultless!”

“I wouldn’t manage without it. I am telling all my friends.”

“I am so relieved to have this service.”

“My volunteer is wonderful and the way service works is easy and efficient.”

So a huge thanks to all of our volunteers, whether they have been used to date, or not. We now have well over a hundred volunteers, which is more than enough to meet demand. We have therefore now closed the list to new volunteers, but those who are on the list may still be called during the weeks ahead.

The shopping service is on 07730 518181 and 01773 297047 every Tuesday and Thursday morning from 9 ‘til 12. The chat line is every morning on 01773 297046.

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