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ADVENTURER ANNA MCNUFF INSPIRES GIRLS IN GUIDING

Adventurer Anna McNuff inspires girls in guiding in Duffield during 100 marathon barefoot challenge. Global adventurer Anna McNuff met Brownies, Guides and Rangers from Duffield, Holbrook and Quarndon when she ran through Derby as part of her major challenge, Barefoot Britain.

Anna is running 2620 miles - the distance of 100 marathons - barefoot. Barefoot Britain will take five months to complete. Anna began Barefoot Britain in the Shetland Islands on Sunday 2 June and finishes in London



on Sunday 10 November. Ecclesbourne Rangers invited Anna to meet local GirlGuiding groups at St

Alkmund's Church on 25th September. They had barefoot races followed by an interactive talk about Anna's

adventures during which they experienced what it feels like to cycle at high altitudes and wade through strong currents. The girls were intrigued by her tales and asked loads of questions.

Anna is running barefoot across coastlines, through villages, across moors, over mountains, along beaches, over farmland - and even down a few A-roads.

As an ambassador for Girlguiding, the UK's leading charity for girls and young women, Anna will visit thousands of girls and ... continued on page 7.



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NEWSLETTER FROM CHRIS SHORT LOCAL COUNCILLOR

Chapel Street river wall - Recently the Environment Agency became involved with Derbyshire County Council as a consultee over this matter. They have stated that they are happy for D.C.C. to raise scaffolding in the water course to resolve the problem but not until April/May 2020. This is when the river will have the primary flow rate required for this work to be done. I would just like to thank Duffield Community Association for bringing this matter to my attention initially.

The first Community Speedwatch took place on Broadway and four residents including myself and the organiser Steven Evanson took part. The event was a great success and consequently numerous drivers will receive a letter from the Police warning them of their excessive speeding. I would also let people know that D.C.C. Highways are monitoring speeds on the Broadway since the speed limit was changed.

Duffield Library - Recently the company who were in negotiations with D.C.C. to run the Duffield Library have decided to withdraw and consequently Duffield Library will continue to be available for use with minor changes in hours, details of which I will regularly update you about. I would like to congratulate the staff of the library for their recent Open day when children who took part in the **D.C.C. Children for Summer Reading project** were awarded their medal and certificate by myself and the staff provided cakes and sweets for all. WELL DONE to everybody involved.

Ecclesbourne Meadows - at a recent A.V.B.C. full council meeting the Labour led council decided that this piece of land which has been up for negotiation with the previous administration to sell to the Parish Council was no longer viable and it is going to be used to plant trees on for reduction of CO2 in Amber Valley.

New Defibrillator in Duffield - at a recent Parish Council meeting the Duffield Community Association stated it was their intent to raise funds to place further defibrillators in the village which would have 24 hr access to the general public. I then informed the D.C.A. that once they have a detailed proposal to let me know and I will help fund this project from funds I have available to me as a County Councillor. Well done D.C.A.

Councillor Surgery - I would just like to take this opportunity to remind people I have regular monthly surgeries at the Weston Centre, Duffield. This is an opportunity for any resident with any question about local government at whatever level to meet with me and I can refer any concern to the correct department. Please call in or contact me at any time on 07970 741483 - 01629 536055 - chris.short@derbyshire.gov.uk

General issues in Duffield - I have recently resolved problems in Duffield regarding parking issues, pavement repairs and road repairs. These are part of my responsibility as your County Councillor. You can report these items directly to the County Council, however if you do not feel you receive a satisfactory resolution, please feel free to contact me.

Whaley Bridge at our recent D.C.C. council meeting, praise was raised regarding D.C.C.'s role in the resolution of this potential disaster from all parties. It is with the greatest sadness that I must report the tragic passing of the member for Whaley Bridge (Alison Fox).

Chris Short
Duffield Village Resident

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DUFFIELD ARTS FESTIVAL 2019 WAS OUTSTANDING!

This years' arts festival saw many new ideas again with audiences being delighted by some outstanding performances.

The festival was held the weekend after a great Scarecrow Trail, which saw around 2300 coming to view the incredible creations.

The Festival saw great art, wonderful music and lovely food including from the three WIs.

This years' performances included Bhagrai drumming and dancing, living Shakespear statues from Captive Audience, Djembe Drumming, Clog dancing and folk music from Steplin and Spoken word from Word Peace.

All in all a wonderful festival and thank you to everyone who contributed to making an amazing event.

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Janis Clark Short Story Competition

This year the standard of the short story entries was incredibly high. After much deliberation and consultation the following were the winners this year.

15 Years and Over

1st - Maggie Hancock
Joint 2nd - Justine Horton
Joint 2nd - Sarah Knee

11-14 Years

1st - Lucy Masterson
2nd - Robert Lewis
3rd - Kaitlin Wilson

8-10 Years

1st - Holly Lewis
2nd - Eesa Tafazal
3rd - James Singleton

7 and Under

1st - Imogen Lewis
2nd - Muhammed Tafazal
3rd - Ethan Singleton

You can also read their stories at Duffield Library or at www.duffieldartsfestival.com.

A Big Thank You!

We would like to say a massive thank you to everyone who has been involved in this years' arts festival. It was truly amazing!

The performers were incredible with such an array of talent. The volunteers worked extremely hard and made the festival a great event. Thank you to everyone who attended and supported it.

We are now considering what the festival should look like in the future. So we would welcome any comments for those that came along, constructive ones!

What did you enjoy? What would you like to see at a festival? If you didn't manage to get there, what could we have done to encourage you?

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ADVENTURER ANNA MCNUFF INSPIRES GIRLS IN GUIDING

From the cover...

young women in Girlguiding throughout her journey to talk to them about adventure and challenge.

Access to adventure is a top issue for girls. In April, Girlguiding launched its major new manifesto for girl-led change. This was shaped by research with 76,000 girls in guiding.

Girls said they want access to adventure and play without fear, and the opportunity to play the sports that boys

play too. They want to enjoy activity spaces that are accessible to all girls, and for women's sport to be treated equally to men's sport.

Anna will also use her journey to encourage more people to inspire the girls of tomorrow by volunteering today.

Anna said: "Girls want adventure. They want to have exciting experiences without worrying about being treated differently or feeling unsafe because they are girls. Barefoot Britain will

show girls that adventure is as much for them as it is for boys. "All the way through Barefoot Britain, I'll be talking to girls and young women about taking on adventures and doing things that scare them. I want to show girls that their gender is not a barrier for adventure and to encourage the girls and young women of the UK to be their brilliant selves.

"There are so many people out there who care about the future for girls. And Girlguiding makes a huge difference to the lives of girls and the women they will go on to be. So I will use my journey to encourage women and men to volunteer for Girlguiding. I want to show people how rewarding it is to support girls in their adventures - and how that's an adventure in itself. Just you being you can make a real difference. Join over 100,000 Girlguiding volunteers and give more girls the chance to shine."

"It was really cool to meet Anna. What she's doing is awesome. I love going on adventures with Girlguiding and can't wait to go to Peak 2020 at Chatsworth next year" The 'Have Adventures' theme is a key part of Girlguiding's updated programme, with badges like Agility, Fitness, Navigator and Sports. Girls can learn about camping and exploring through different activities, from cooking over a tealight to navigating using the stars.

If you want to find out more about volunteering, go to Girlguiding's website at www.girlguiding.org.uk



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DUFFIELD LIBRARY HAPPENINGS FOR NOVEMBER

Our usual **storytime** sessions continue on **Fridays** 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. Our monthly craft sessions continue on Saturday mornings, this month our session will be on **Saturday 2 November** at 10.30am with crafts on a firework theme. As before, these are drop in and suitable for families.

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. We will be starting working on our display for Christmas so any eager volunteers would be welcome.

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.

In the foyer we have a display highlighting the winning short stories from the annual Janis Clark Short Story Competition, part of the Duffield Arts Festival. Please call in to read the entries all on the theme of Broken. The

standard is extremely high, the stories are brilliant and well worth a read.

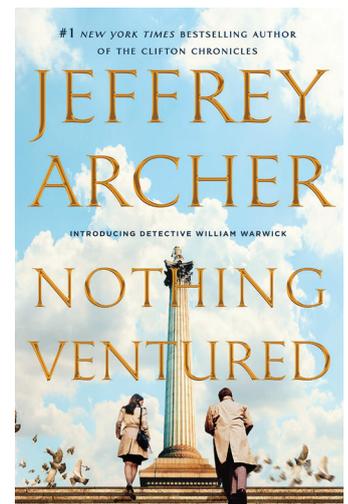
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From **1st November** Call Derbyshire will not be accepting calls to renew library items. Items can be renewed online or by calling us on 01629 533919.

This month I have read *Knowing the Score* by Judy Murray, mother of tennis playing sons, Jamie and Andy. This is an inspirational story charting the challenges Judy faced, from desperate finances

to entrenched sexism as a she fought to revolutionise British tennis. From creating games for children play as they learn to *Strictly Come Dancing* this story encompasses twenty years of Judy's life. A real insight to this tennis family and a great read.

There are some fantastic new books this month. New titles include the love *Child* by Rachel Hore. Set in 1917, Alice is forced to give up her baby as she cannot be allowed upon bring shame on her family, she embarks on a pioneering medical career, striving to make her way in a male-dominated world. Her daughter, Irene, struggles to define her life and moves to London to find work. These stories intertwine across two decades as long-buried secrets come to light. *Tidelands* by Philippa Gregory is set in 1648 during the civil war. Alinor a descendant of wise women, crushed by poverty and superstition, waits in the graveyard under the full moon for a ghost who will declare her free from her abusive husband. Instead she meets James, a young man on the run, and shows him the secret ways across the treacherous marsh, not knowing that she is leading disaster into the heart of her life.



Nothing Ventured by Jeffrey Archer is the start of a brand new series telling the story of the life of William Warwick – as a family man and a detective who will battle throughout his career against a powerful criminal nemesis through twists, triumph and tragedy. *The Testaments* is the long awaited sequel to *The Handmaid's Tale* by Margaret Atwood. Describes as a the literary event of the year by the Guardian this novel picks up the story 15 years after *Offred* stepped into the unknown, with the explosive testaments of three female narrators from Gilead.

Happy Reading from
Carole-Ann and the Team

THE DERBYSHIRE SINGERS AT DERBY CATHEDRAL

Saturday 16th November 2019 7.00pm. The Derbyshire Singers, with The Derbyshire Sinfonia, Amanda and Eleanor Kornas (piano), Alexander Binns (organ).

Britten: *St Nicolas* (Andrew Henley: tenor, Cantamus Training Choir, Choristers from the Cathedral Choir)

Gjeilo: *Song of the Universal Finzi: Eclogue for Piano and String Orchestra* (Eleanor Kornas: piano)

Two highly-talented young musicians, pianist Eleanor Kornas and tenor Andrew Henley, will be performing



with the Derbyshire Singers and the Derbyshire Sinfonia at Derby Cathedral on Saturday 16th November. They will be joined in Britten's vivid depiction of the life of St Nicolas, that most popular of saints, by the youthful voices

of the Cantamus Training Choir and choristers from the Cathedral, as they hymn his life and achievements and paint dramatic musical 'pictures' – amongst them St Nicolas rescuing sailors from a wild storm, or bringing back

to life three boys 'pickled' by a wicked butcher! Norwegian-born Ola Gjeilo's atmospheric setting of words by Walt Whitman provides a fitting contrast, and Eleanor Kornas returns as soloist in Gerald Finzi's eloquent and moving *Eclogue*.

Full details of the Concert can be found at www.derbyshiresingers.org.

Tickets for the concert, which starts at 7.00pm, are available from Foulds Music (Irongate Derby) or from the website (students and accompanied U-16s free).

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AUTUMN INSECTS AND ARACHNIDS ON THE MEADOW

It surprised me. Waiting to cross the A6 is always a worrying moment because of the speed some vehicles come around the corner or from out of the village; one neighbour lost her life many years ago doing the same thing. Suddenly something dropped in front of me from the trees above.

I thought for a moment it was just a small, colourful leaf but then it moved and I witnessed a battle royal between a wasp and a fly. The wasp had obviously caught a fly and seemed to be trying to sting it to death - but the fly was putting up a good fight. It was nearly the same size as the wasp but had no real defence except to struggle as much as it could to evade the deadly grasp.

Most social wasps and their nests are coming to an end at this time of year and the hibernating queens are looking for safe places to spend the winter - often in the top-most folds of curtains inside people's houses ready to emerge in the spring. However, some wasps are still active and are mostly omnivores - consuming not only fruit and other vegetation but also forms of meat by

chewing it up and sucking out the body juices from their victim.

Wasps are a diverse group and it is estimated there are over a hundred thousand described species across the world with a great many as yet to be identified. For example, there are thought to be over one thousand species of fig tree (mostly in the tropics) and almost all of these have its own specific fig wasp to effect pollination.

The wasps we mostly recognize are commonly called "yellow jackets" due to their effective warning colour. The wasp I was observing was most probably a *Vespula vulgaris* with well - developed mandibles (mouth parts) for biting or cutting as well as a suction proboscis to enable it to suck up nectar. In all likelihood it was macerating the fly to death with its effective biting capacity before consuming its juices. Incidentally the smallest known insects in the world

are wasps - some known as **fairyflies** range from 0.5mm to 1.0mm long!

It is a curious fact that much in nature can seem vicious. Autumn is the time for wonderful spider's webs in amongst the plants and trees but, whilst they are amazing structures in themselves, they also are the harbingers of doom for many small - and sometimes large - insects who become stuck on the sticky threads.

People have studied why the spider spinning the web does not get stuck itself and it was thought they must secrete special oil from their legs. This has been disproved - it turns out they have a specially adapted feature on the end segment of their eight legs (**tarsi**) to avoid this hazard. The little droplets of glue do not stick to the spider's legs because the branched hairs adjacent to the opposable claw on the tarsi disperse them. Unlike insects who only have two, web spinning spiders

have a this third claw that allows it to grip individual threads. An insect flying into the web will be covered in droplets of glue from the force of the impact and coupled with its inability to grasp the threads, be unable to escape.

The hapless insects that fly into a web were illustrated a poem by Mary Howitt in 1829:

*"Will you walk into my parlour?" said the Spider to the Fly,
'Tis the prettiest little parlour that ever you did spy;
The way into my parlour is up a winding stair,
And I've a many curious thing to shew when you are there."*

*"Oh no, no," said the little Fly, "to ask me is in vain,
For who goes up your winding stair
- can ne're come down again."*

The spider features in myth and legend throughout the world and is a feature of some of our best known rhymes like "Little Miss Muffet" and "Insy winsy spider". The interconnectedness of a web is used as an explanation of the universe in Buddhist teachings where "a spider's web in the early morning covered with dewdrops contains a reflection if every other drop which contains a reflection of every other drop and so ad infinitum". This image is perhaps why we have the World Wide Web as a spider-like connection of information accessed on the Internet.

The full glory of autumn will be showing by the time you read this and we will have started working parties to clear the site ready for next year's growth. Enjoy the colours and the wonderful late sunshine.

by **Di Hancock**
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DUFFIELD'S TREES – HOLLY



As Christmas fast approaches our thoughts turn to festive decorations for the house - after all the shops have been reminding us to plan for this since September! Naturally the Christmas tree will take pride of place but a favourite decoration from nature is the Holly branch; especially popular for wreaths.

As we all know the holly is an evergreen tree with spiked, dark green, glossy oval leaves; matt light-green below and waxy to the touch. What isn't commonly known is that it's usually the younger plants that have the prickly leaves while those of older trees are more likely to be smooth, especially towards the top. This is probably an evolutionary response to browsing animals. A cultivated strain with particularly spiny leaves is called a 'hedgehog holly'!

The name holly derives from the Old English *holegn*

(to prick). Its scientific name is *Ilex aquifolium* and when mature can grow up to 15m-20m (50-65ft) and live for 300 years. This specimen on Duffield castle bank is relatively tall and this year is festooned with berries. Apparently, a good crop of berries is not related to hard winters but to a good summer 18 months previously.

Holly bark is grey or silvery-green, smooth and thin to start with, but with age becomes wrinkled and gnarled with numerous small, brown 'warts'. Like yew and beech, the holly is one of the few British native trees to thrive in shade.

Holly is **dioecious**, meaning that male and female flowers occur on different trees although only the male flowers are fragrant. These delicate and short-lived flowers are globular turning to white with four petals; seen here in May

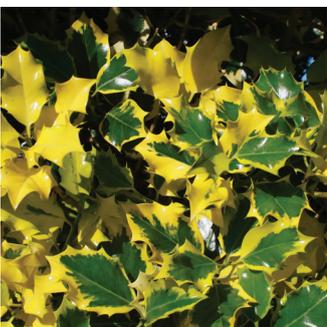
beside the footpath beyond Golf Lane. Once the female flowers are pollinated the **fruit** develops in July but remains hard and green, eventually turning to the familiar **bright scarlet berries** which can remain throughout winter. Holly trees are pollinated by insects, and seed is spread by birds through whose gut they must pass before germination. This is why little hollies mysteriously appear in gardens when there is no holly tree nearby!

Holly is native to the UK and across Europe, North Africa and western Asia. It's commonly found in woodland, scrub and hedgerows, especially in oak and beech woodland. Popular as an ornamental shrub, holly is widely planted in parks and gardens, and there are many variegated forms featuring alternative foliage and berry colours as can be seen near the Cemetery Chapel.

Holly is of great value to **wildlife** by providing dense cover and safe nesting for birds, while its deep, dry leaf litter is used by hedgehogs and small mammals for hibernation. Individual leaves live for 2-3 years; mostly falling in the spring. The berries are a vital source of food for birds in winter, and are also eaten by small mammals such as wood mice and dormice. They are a magnet for marauding migrant birds such as Redwing and Fieldfare, although our native Mistle Thrush is known to guard them vigorously from other birds.

Holly is a favourite hedging tree because it's hardy and remains a tough barrier to stock throughout the year. It can be trimmed into ornamental shrubs, as seen flanking the entrance gates to Duffield Bank House opposite the Bridge Inn.





The flowers provide nectar and pollen for bees and other pollinating insects. The leaves are eaten by caterpillars of the holly blue butterfly, along with those of various moths while smoother leaves at the tops of younger trees are a winter source of food for deer. Unfortunately, it is vulnerable to leaf-mining insects which form silver trails in the leaf causing damage to foliage, while holly leaf blight can cause dieback.

Holly branches have long been used to decorate homes in winter since the tree was seen as a fertility symbol and a charm against witches, goblins and the devil. The bringing in of holly at **Christmas** is linked to the strong association between holly trees and the rebirth of the sun at the midwinter **solstice** on 21st December. Early Romans gave boughs of holly to friends during the festival of *Saturnalia* – a celebration of the god Saturn, and the solstice. Christian legend suggests that holly sprang up under the footsteps of Christ, the leaves' spines represent the crown of thorns and the berries the drops of His blood. Perhaps because of these associations it has long been thought unlucky to cut one down.



Holly has the whitest of all woods, and is heavy, hard and fine grained. It can be stained and polished and is used for furniture or engraving work. It's commonly used to make walking sticks but also makes good firewood and burns with a strong heat. The original Yule Log burnt at Christmas was holly. I'm sure you'll all have a favourite holly that you cherish. Mine is the Holly Bush at Makeney; especially when there's a log fire burning!

Finally, when you next sing, or hear, the perennially favourite Christmas carol *'The Holly and the Ivy'* you'll be reminded that, *'The Holly bears a blossom as white as lily flower, ... a prickle as sharp as any thorn, ... a berry as red as any blood and,* ***Of all the trees that are in the wood the Holly bears the Crown'***.

by **Robert Reid**



DUFFIELD GIRLS IMPRESS AT THE UNIVERSITY

Milly Taylor and Holly Lewis, year six pupils of Duffield Meadows primary school, made impressive contributions to an evening British Association of Social Workers (BASW) seminar at the University of Derby on October 10th. I was asked to provide a talk as an Expert by Experience employed by the University of Derby in Health and Social Care on the topic – **'Relatives with dementia: is it just a case of caring for the cared for?'** Milly's story was a winner in the 2018 Duffield Arts Festival competition and Holly provided the poem **A Good Neighbour** recited at

the library event during 'Good Neighbours' week earlier this year. The girls were praised for their insight into loneliness, isolation, bereavement and low self-esteem. Speaking confidently and accurately they also helped to convey the issues evident in today's society which can influence the behaviours of patients cared for within the Health Service.

The Arts Festival and 'Good Neighbours' week have provided enjoyment and stimulation for many people. From these events Milly and Holly took their contributions to a new audience and enriched



Paul, Milly and Holly with Dr Pauline Green, Tonimarie Benaton (UOD) and Janet Foulds (Derby City Council)

the learning of students, lecturers and social workers. I hope there will be future opportunities for Duffield

school pupils to showcase their abilities in and out of the village.

by **Paul Wiggins**

WEEKLY EVENTS

MON

Babies and Bouncers*
9.30am - Parish Hall.

TUE

Walking for Health
Meet at 9.45am, Weston Centre for supervised walk 10.00 – 11.30, round Duffield and beyond. All welcome, including re-habs. No charge.
Info on 841162 or 07977 140415.

Yoga Class
1pm - 2.15pm, £4.50. Bring mat & blanket.
Julie 07817147167 or 01332 841661.
Methodist Church Hall, King Street.

CHAT (Come and Have Afternoon Tea)
Baptist Church 2.00 - 4.00pm.
Various activities for all age groups. Come and join us for tea and a chat! Keith Powney 01335 372153.

Boys Brigade & Girls Association*
6.15 - 7.30pm, New members welcome.
£2.00. Ages 5-11. Baptist Church Hall.
01773 689983.

Rotary Club of Belper & Duffield
6.30pm for 7.00pm, The Lion Hotel, Belper. John Horwood 01773 853813.

Ignition Youth Group*
7.30- 9pm. School years 10-13. Relaxing with a hot drink and cake, games and thinking through a section of the bible.
St. Alkmunds Church Hall.

WED

Duffield Baby & Toddler Group*
10.00-11.30am
£3 per child & £1.50 for under 1s.
Methodist Church Hall, King Street.

Duffield Singers
7.45 - 9.45pm
St. Margaret's Church, Hall Farm Road.
theduffieldsingers@gmail.com.

FRI

Massive*
4.00 - 6.00pm (years 7-9)
7.00 - 9.30pm (years 10-13)
Emmanuel Community Church
No entry charge. Food & tuck for sale.

MON-FRI

Coffee Morning
10.00am - 12noon
The Weston Centre. Coffee, tea and biscuits 50p, (refill 20p). Volunteers will ensure you are made welcome.

*term time only

MONTHLY CALENDAR NOVEMBER

6 **Computer Self-help Group**
Methodist Church, King Street. 7.30pm. Further details from Mick Hardwick at mick@hardwickclan.co.uk

11 **Cards and Crafts Evening.**
"Christmas Cards" or do your own thing. Help and materials provided. Refreshments. 7.15-9.15pm. The Baptist Church. No charge.

12 **Duffield Cumberhills WI**
"Flowers and Garlands - Craft Night". 7.30pm in the Sixth Form Centre, Ecclesbourne School, Park Road. Visitors welcome (call 840947 if interested).

14 **Duffield Business Networking**
6pm to 7.30pm, The Function Room, The White Hart
Free event - Jonathan Leach on 07952675862 or email contact@indigodrumcommunications.com.

18 **Chevin Probus Club**
Lion Hotel, Belper. 10.00am for 10.30: Alan Clements on "Tibetan Culture", followed by lunch in the bar. Further info. from Peter on 705554.
Cake & Chat
St. Alkmunds Church Hall at 2.00pm. All welcome - why not bring a friend?

19 **Local Area Coordinator Nicky Mount**
10.00am-noon, every third Tuesday. Drop in session at the Weston Centre.
Duffield Afternoon WI
1.30-3.30pm at St. Margaret's Church, Hall Farm Road, "Christmas Craft". For more info call Chris Jordan on 882442, or email chrisinaddis@yahoo.co.uk
Duffield Evening WI
A talk by our Chosen Charity. 7.15 for 7.30pm at St Margaret's Church, Hall Farm Road. New members welcome.

25 **Duffield Christmas Trees**
The DCA is looking for volunteers to decorate the Christmas trees that will be erected around the village. The lights will be supplied, but bring gardening gloves. 9.00am at the Weston Centre in Tamworth Street. Contact Gerard Varin on 07977 136740.

28 **Community Lunch**
12.30pm at Emmanuel Community Church. Transport is available - to book, call Lynda on 840821 or email admin@emmanuelduffield.org. All welcome. No charge.
Mid-Week Praise
Emmanuel Community Church, Chapel Street from 1.30-2.30pm. All ages are welcome. Transport can be provided - call the ECC Church office on 841386.

29 **Ladies' Craft Evening**
7.30pm in the St Alkmunds Church Hall.
For tickets at £10 call 840536.

30 **'Rocking Around the Christmas Tree'**
7.30pm at St Alkmunds Church.
An evening of poems and songs from the 1960's. Tickets £7 are available at the Duffield Churches or on the door. All are welcome. In aid of Homeless projects in and around Derby organised by Duffield Christian Council Homelessness Group.



Duffield Parish Council

Newsletter November 2019



Duffield Remembrance Parade

Please join with the uniformed organisations of Duffield in a parade through the village for Remembrance Sunday on 10th November 2019.

The parade begins at 10:30 at the Weston Centre, a short service will be held at the War Memorial alongside St Alkmunds at 11:00am. The parade passes along Tamworth Street, Town Street, Makeney Road and Church Drive; these roads will be closed for a short time while the parade takes place.

We would kindly request that anyone wishing to join the procession do so at the end when the uniformed organisations have passed by.



Plastic Free Duffield

Plastic Free Duffield is a new community group, supported by the Parish Council, that has been formed to reduce the amount of single use, throwaway plastics that create litter in the village and cause environmental damage elsewhere. The group held its first event, a litter pick, in October and will be holding further events in future months.

To find out more about the group, how you can help and ways to reduce your plastic use, visit <https://www.duffieldparishcouncil.gov.uk/plastic-free-duffield.html>



Duffield Village Plan

Duffield Parish Council will be refreshing the Duffield Village Action Plan over the next few months. The Village Plan sets the priorities for the future and we would like residents interested in joining a village plan advisory group, to please contact the Parish Clerk at clerk@duffieldparishcouncil.gov.uk or call 07595 515154.

Duffield Parish Council By-election

It is likely that an election will be held on Thursday 21st November 2019 to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Cllr Kevin Curley (at the time of going to press it is not known who will be standing; if the by-election is uncontested then the election will not be held). To be included on the electoral register, or to find out more about proxy or postal voting contact the Electoral Registration Officer at Amber Valley Borough Council on 01773 841634 before 5th November.

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 **Wednesday 6th November** at 7pm at the Weston Centre. All are welcome to attend.

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

www.duffieldparishcouncil.gov.uk

Contacts

The Parish Office has moved to:

Cemetery Lodge, 43 Hazelwood Road, Duffield, Belper DE56 4DQ.
From October, opening hours for public enquiries are temporarily changing to Monday & Tuesday 10:30am-12:30pm and 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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DUFFIELD CRICKET CLUB – SEASON REVIEW

From the back cover...

Women's Cricket

The 2019 season was another good one for the Duffield Cricket Club ladies. Indoor winter training at Ecclesbourne School run by Sonja Ljubojevic followed by summer training sessions on Tuesday nights down at the club run by Neil Cox led to an increase in the number of people of all ages and abilities playing and a big improvement in confidence and standard. Busy Sundays meant we didn't enter any of the softball festivals this year, however a competitive evening softball league organised by the DCB satisfied our ladies competitive urges! At least 12 different ladies played, sometimes in torrential rainy conditions (nothing stops softball!), with the team ultimately coming out on top of the world (it was at Belper Amateurs!) winning a super-over in thrilling style. Moving on to the winter we have an opportunity to play in the DCB Sunday indoor league in January if there is enough interest. Softball, and potentially some hardball training will be organised next year.

1st XI

After a tough first half of the season, in which they lost three squad members for various reasons and three home matches to rain, as well as a further abandonment at Stainsby Hall, the 1s were the third best team in the division in the second half and secured safety with victory at South Wingfield on the penultimate weekend - the fourth of five consecutive victories at the end of the season. With the bat, overseas player Trevor Keen excelled with 565 runs at an average of 70.63, the highlight of which was a brilliant 112 not out in the victory at Cutthorpe in August. Trevor was backed up well by Tom Roe (364 runs @ 33.09), Tim Williscroft (301 @ 20.07), Ben Davies (230 @ 20.91) and Chris Sheldon (217 @ 27.13). Joe Wozniczka-Wells topped the wicket-taking, with 29 wickets at an average of 21.31, with the spin trio of Oli Webb (25 wickets @ 22.72), Trevor Keen (16 @ 40.19) and mid-season signing Rich Gregson (12 @ 21.67) regularly taking wickets

in the middle overs. Youngster Ben Blenkinsop came back into the team for the last few games and excelled with 9 wickets at an average of 10.22 and an economy of 2.79, while an honourable mention goes to Richard Jordan, who recorded figures of 15 overs, 5-58 in his only 1st XI appearance of the season. The 1st XI will be looking to take the form of the second half of the season into their 9th consecutive season in Division 1.

2nd XI

The 2nds went into the last game of the season knowing that only a 27 point victory would be able to secure safety in Division 5 North. They managed a comfortable winning draw against Clowne Town, who themselves needed to avoid defeat to stay in the division, but unfortunately a victory for Riddings against Selston Town meant Duffield were relegated. Veteran duo Richard Jordan and Adam Short led the way with the ball, the former taking 38 wickets, including four 5-wicket hauls, at an average of 15.26 and the latter taking 26 at 12.65, while Niall Watson took 19 wickets at 18.47. However, it was the batting that let the 2s down. Phil Jordan (248 runs @ 31) and Chris Sheldon (224 @ 74.67) were the most consistent performers, but due to 1st XI call-ups were only able to play for the 2s 14 times between them. Captain Ben Johnson and vice-captain Russell King both finished the season with respectable averages of 17, but those contributions weren't quite enough to keep the 2nd XI up, and they will be hoping to bounce back from Division 6 North at the first time of asking in 2020.

3rd XI

The 3rds won Division 9 East by 65 points and only a defeat to Belper Meadows on the last day of the season prevented Alex Burnham's team from emulating the famous Invincibles of Preston North End in 1888/89. They bowled the opposition out for under 100 in no less than 6 of their 15 completed matches, including a 228 run victory at Butterley United, which included Harry Clements' maiden senior hundred and 5.4



Ollie Brown was presented with the Junior Player of the Year award by Derbyshire CCC's Wayne Madsen.

overs 6-6 from Ollie Brown. Another highlight of the season came at Sawley & Long Eaton Park, where the home team were 137-5 in pursuit of Duffield's 151, before four quick wickets from Ollie Brown, who finished with brilliant figures of 11.4 overs 8-26, and a run out from Jake Locke secured victory by four runs. Ollie Paish (260 runs @ 32.5) and Bob Blenkinsop (243 @ 30.38) led the way with the bat, while Phil Jones and Harry Clements only played three innings each, but finished with impressive stats of 187 runs at 93.5 and 174 runs at 174 respectively. As you may have guessed, Ollie Brown was the standout bowler, his 32 wickets costing 8.81 runs apiece and coming on average every 15 balls, while Brad Mason and Joe Anderson took 10 wickets each.

4th XI

The 4th XI built on a 5th-placed finish in their debut season in 2018 with a 4th-placed finish this season. One of the highlights of the season was a winning draw against Breadsall, in which U14s Ollie Cox (74) and George Fearnough (52) scored their maiden half-centuries in senior cricket. Captain Phil Tomlinson led by example with the bat, with 429 runs at 42.9, and was ably assisted by his senior colleagues Lee Cartledge (325 runs @ 36.11) and Paul Barnfield (236 @ 26.22), as well as youngsters George Fearnough (167 @ 20.88), Dan Tomlinson (165 @

18.33) and Ollie Cox (164 @ 20.5). The Fearnough family produced the two outstanding bowlers in the 4th XI, with father and son pair John (20 wickets @ 14.55) and George (14 @ 18.14) responsible for almost half of the team's wickets. It's been great to see the young players developing in the 4th XI and it's real sign of the strength in depth that the club possesses that we have been able to put out four full sides every time we have had to this season.

Finally, thanks to all the players, volunteers and supporters who have contributed to the club in 2019. We really appreciate every bit of help we receive, whether behind the bar, in the kitchen, in the scoreboard, from the boundary-edge, in the nets or on the pitch, and we couldn't do it without you. Here's to an even more successful 2020!



John Fearnough and Wayne Madsen presented Ryan North from The Kings Head with a framed Duffield shirt, to thank him for his sponsorship of the club.

DUFFIELD CRICKET SEASON REVIEW



Junior Cricket

After two incredibly successful years of running our award-winning All Stars programme for 5-7 year olds on Friday nights, 2019 saw the introduction of an additional midweek programme as well. Whilst the weather conditions provided some issues, both sessions were well-attended

and built on the success of the last two years.

Congratulations to the U12s, U13s and U15 Eagles, who all successfully defended the league titles won by last year's teams, and to the U12s and U15s for winning their cup competitions.

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