

The Leigh & Coombe Hill Newsletter

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Hopefully everyone had a great time over the Platinum Jubilee weekend. Nearly 400 residents and their friends and families enjoyed the two events. Thanks to all who helped make the occasion such a memorable success and to those who sent in letters of appreciation.

Please send any articles for October's newsletter to me by 24th September (to above email).



Cindy Wiltshire

In Celebration of a Life Well Lived
The Oak Chapel, Cheltenham Crematorium
Friday 5th August, 2pm

A Toast and Refreshments
The Gloucester Old Spot
GL51 9SY

*Cindy would love you to wear something
colourful - maybe one of her handmade silk
painted ties, scarves or waistcoats.*

Please no flowers, but donations welcome:
Maggie's Cheltenham
Sue Ryder Hospice

Everyone Welcome

**The Leigh
Village Fete**

Saturday 3 September
12pm-3pm
St Catherine's Church

**All the fun of a traditional
village fete - free entry**

**All proceeds to St Catherine's Church, The Leigh
and Maggie's Cheltenham**

Jubilee Photobook

We're hoping to create a Platinum Jubilee photobook to commemorate the village's celebrations over the long bank holiday weekend back in June.

While Laurence M and Oliver H took many photos (a selection were used in the special Platinum Jubilee edition of this newsletter), we would like everyone to send through any photos (especially Friday night's festivities) which we would have permission to use.

In line with data privacy (GDPR) please let Jo R know if anyone does **not** want their image or name in the photobook. The photobook will be available for all to view at St.Catherine's church. A limited number of copies will be available for purchase Please email any contributions to jorobsonmailbox@gmail.com **Jo R**

Nicky W's Charity Walk Raises Over £8,000

I was proud to be part of the team from Cheltenham's Investec office who walked the 55-mile length of the Wysis Way over 9th—12th June in aid of our chosen charity, Suicide Crisis. The route is graded as 'challenging' by the Long Distance Walkers Association and stretches from Monmouth to Kemble. We completed the route over two full days plus a half day either side.

Every two years, we choose a locally based charity to support, but due to the pandemic had to postpone 2020's challenge until this summer. With so many mental health issues arising from the events of the last two years, supporting this worthwhile charity seemed even more important.

Suicide Crisis works nationally and locally to prevent suicide. It runs an award-winning Suicide Crisis centre in Gloucestershire. Open 24-hours a day for people at high risk of suicide, it offers a safe place where people are supported and helped through their crisis. A trauma centre offers a range of support to those experiencing PTSD.

So far we've raised just over £8,000. Thank you to all those who sponsored me - if anyone else would like to donate we'd be so grateful. My Just-giving link is www.justgiving.com/fundraising/NickyWysisWay **Nicky W**



Anyone for Pickled Onions

It's not everyday that an offer comes along like this!

Rob W is making his famous (according to local lore) homemade pickled onions.

They'll be appearing soon on the wall outside Highfield House.

£1.50 a jar if you fancy trying some and when they're gone, they're gone!



Nicky W

Christmas Wreath Making

It's never too early to starting thinking about Christmas. We're only able to offer one date this year—Sunday 11th December from 2pm to 3:30pm so places will be limited.

Last year, both dates were a sell out so please book your places early.

It's £25 per person which includes everything you'll need to make a wreath (base, fairy lights and foliage). Also included is an afternoon tea where hot drinks and a selection of homemade cakes will be served.

All proceeds go to St.Catherine's Church. Small and stylish or big and bold, the choice is yours.

For full details and to reserve your place please contact **Karen M.**



Parish Council Meeting

Next meeting: **Wednesday 10th August** at 7:30pm
Venue: St Catherine's church, The Leigh.

All residents of the parish are welcome to attend and the agenda can be viewed in advance on the noticeboard and website. Keep informed via The Leigh Parish Council website theleighpc.org.uk, the village noticeboard, or contact the Parish directly on leighpc@hotmail.co.uk

Platinum Jubilee Bench

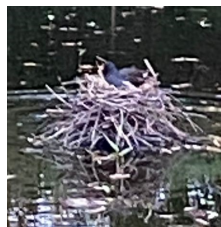


You may have noticed two new benches appearing in The Leigh. The Parish Council successfully applied for a grant from Tewkesbury Borough Council for one of the benches they had available to commemorate the Platinum Jubilee.

Ours can be found at the highest point of the bund (near the pond) and offers a fantastic view of the sunset and wetlands.

Thanks to Chris W and Richard T for making such a lovely job of installing it and to Martin R who now has to mow around it!

Another new bench is also to be found in the grounds of St. Catherine's Church. **Karen M**



Wildlife at its Best

It's been lovely to see a nesting Moorhen in the village pond and to watch the small chicks growing so quickly and take their first tentative dip in the water swimming after their mum.

Sue W



Gentle Paws

Dog walking and holiday pet sitting for your pooches.

Please call **Sally C** on 01242 680249 or 07974 303426



COOMBE HILL FARM SHOP

Thursday 10:00am - 2:00pm
Friday & Saturday 9:00am - 2:00pm
Sunday 10:00am - 1:00pm

