

The Leigh & Coombe Hill Newsletter

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Christmas is fast approaching and while there are a number of announcements in this newsletter please share any activities, events or news you feel would be of interested to other residents.

Please send any articles for December's newsletter to me by **18 November** (to above email).

Have Your Say

What ideas do you have that would improve The Leigh and Coombe Hill for residents and visitors alike?

The parish councillors are keen to meet with you and hear your thoughts. On Wednesday 15 November they will be holding a 'drop in' session at The Swan Inn from 7:00pm to 8:30pm. Everyone living in The Leigh and Coombe Hill is welcome to attend.

Please come along to share your ideas on how we can make our village an even better place to live. It would be especially great to meet our new Coombe Hill residents.



Fireworks — Please Consider Animals

If you're planning fireworks, it would be courteous to make your neighbours aware in case extra arrangements need to be made for pets and livestock.



Charity Postbox



The village postbox will be making its (now) traditional appearance outside Little Holborn, Church Lane.

The sorting office will once again be at the Austin's. Exact dates to follow in the next newsletter.

'Seasons Greetings' in the newsletter – if you prefer, please leave a charity donation in an envelope at Daniels Orchard, Blacksmiths Lane together with your name

and any message by Saturday **18 November** for publication in December's newsletter. For example, "Happy Christmas to all – Jo, Martin & Harriet". **Jo R**

THE LEIGH PARISH GLOUCESTERSHIRE Parish Council Meeting

Next meeting: **Wednesday 8 November** 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 website.

Village Pond

Thanks to Chris H and Richard T for helping maintain our village pond. Work was needed as weeds were choking the water lilies and had the potential to block the recently installed pump from keeping the water level rising too high as the flood season approaches. **Karen M**



Norton, Leigh & District Horticultural Show

After an absence of three years, the Annual Horticultural Show once again took place on Saturday 12 August.

Although entries were lower than in the past, competition was strong across all classes. Many thanks to all those who participated from the Parish: Pippa H, Ken P, Sally-Ann C, Mary C, Katie H, Thomas C, Hannah G, Lilian W, Martin R and Harriet R - wouldn't be a Show without you!

The auction of the donated Show items raised £87 for Gloucester Foodbank.

The 2024 Schedule will be available in the Spring – have a go! **Jo R**

Congratulations

Happy 21st Birthday to Harriet R of Daniels Orchard.



Welcome to The Leigh,
Maximillian John Whitehead.

Born at 11:31pm on 3 July,
weighing 6lb 9oz **Karen M**

Keep informed via The Leigh Parish Council website theleighpc.org.uk or contact the Parish directly on leighpc@hotmail.co.uk

Please check the website for recent notices such as the ongoing polling districts & station review in Tewkesbury Borough.- consultation ends Friday 3 November.



Diary Dates for St Catherine's Church



Coffee Morning
Saturday 25 November
(10am to 12 noon)



Come along for a coffee (or tea) on the last Saturday in November for homemade cakes.

There will be a raffle and an opportunity to buy your Christmas cards. **Sue R**

Norton and The Leigh Local History Group

Next meeting is on Monday 27 November and everyone is welcome to come along to listen and learn.

Subject: The history of Christmas and wassailing by Robin Burton

Venue: The committee room, Norton Village Hall

Doors open: 7.15pm, meeting starts 7.30pm

Entrance: £3 **Sue P, 07754 668898**

Coronation Coins



There are a few commemorative £5 Coronation coins for any eligible children of 16 or under (on 6 May 2023), courtesy of the Parish Council.

If anyone is yet to apply then please send your child's name, DOB and address (so we know where to deliver the presentation pack) to Karen Morton either via email (karen.d.morton@outlook.com) or as an SMS text message (07711 632256). **Karen M**

Cobalt Annual Card Sale



A big 'thank you' to everyone who came to the card sale in Sandhurst in October. Your support is very much appreciated.

£454 was raised on the day from card sales and generous donations.

The money raised this year will go towards funding Megan Willsher, the full-time specialist Teenager and Young Adult Cancer Nurse for Gloucestershire, Worcestershire and Herefordshire, whose role is to support and guide young cancer patients aged 16 - 25 through their treatment. Cobalt currently provides £27,000 per year to jointly finance this service in partnership with the NHS.

If anyone couldn't make it to the sale but would still like to buy some cards, please make an appointment with **Yvette M, 01452 731519**

Local Pub Reopens



The Haw Bridge Inn, Tirley recently opened its doors again after an extensive refurbishment having been closed for nearly five years.

Currently serving drinks

only from Thurs – Sun. **Laurence M**

Christmas Wreath Making

There's only two spaces left for the Christmas wreath making workshop on Sunday 10 December. If you'd like to book one of these at £25 (all proceeds will be donated to St. Catherine's Church) then please contact **Karen M**



Dog Training

Do you have a Puppy or dog that you would like help with? Down Hatherley Dog Training Club believe a trained dog is a happy dog. They offer fun, informative training sessions run by qualified and experienced trainers who use treat and toy-based positive and helpful methods.

Down Hatherley DTC has been a non-profit making club for over ten years and is Kennel Club affiliated. Many of our members work towards the Kennel Club 'Good Citizen Dog Scheme' awards with great success. We also hold fun social events, with and without dogs.

If you would like help with: recall, (come when called); walking well on a lead; sit, lie down, settle and stay; good behaviour at home; general dog care and good behaviour amongst other dogs and people, then please book your place with Pauline on 07718 235388. **Sue T**

CREATIVE CHRISTMAS

Come and see our range of locally-made gifts and vintage selection

Saturday 18 November 2023
9am-2pm

Coombe Hill Farm Shop
GL19 4AG (A38)
Free Admission / Parking

100% of every item goes towards the Cheltenham Cobalt Cancer Unit & Dementia UK

Gentle Paws

Dog walking and holiday pet sitting for your pooches.

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



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

