

Bonus Ball Winners 2021/22

Sept 25	Stuart Deane	53
Oct 2	Lindy Davenport	43
Oct 9	Maggie Davey	55
Oct 16	Ray Jones	22
Oct 23	David Davenport	19
Oct 30	Sonia Somerfield	17
Nov 6	David Davenport	19
Nov 13	Johnnie Davenport	56
Nov 20	Stuart Deane	53
Nov 27	Wendy Seville	9
Dec 4	Sylvia Jones	47
Dec 11	Rita Roddick	38
Dec 18	Sue Carpenter	59
Dec 25	Margaret Metzger	18
Jan 1	Ian Powell	42
Jan 8	Kath Morgan	27
Jan 15	Margaret Metzger	4
Jan 22	Stuart Deane	25
Jan 29	Terry Allen	46
Feb 5	Helen Atkins	48

During these unusual times the church and Community Association are extremely grateful for those who partake in this scheme. This has been the only fund raiser over the last 18 months!

There are some vacant numbers and we would love you to join us by paying for a number for only £1 a week. Winning numbers are those from the National Lottery. Please contact Stuart Deane on 01981590615 Thanks Stu

Four older gals are sitting around playing Bridge.

The first gal says, "You know girls, I have known you all a long time and there is something I must get off my chest. I am a kleptomaniac. But, don't worry, I have never stolen from you and I never will; we have been friends for too long." The second gal says, "Well, since we are having true confessions here, I must get something off my chest too. I am a nymphomaniac. But don't worry, I have never made a play for your husbands. They don't interest me and never will; we have been friends for too long." "Well," says the third gal, "I, too, must confess something. I am a lesbian. But do not worry, I will not bother you. You are not my type. We have been friends too long for me to ruin our friendship."

The fourth gal stands up, says, "I have a confession to make also. I am an uncontrollable gossip, and I have some phone calls to make!"

Husband: My wife is missing. She went shopping yesterday and has not come home!
 OFFICER: Age?
 Husband: I'm not sure. Around 40. We don't do birthdays.
 OFFICER: Height?
 Husband: I'm not sure. A little over five-feet tall.
 OFFICER : Weight?
 Husband: Don't know. Not slim, not really fat.
 OFFICER : Color of eyes?
 Husband: Sort of brown I think.
 OFFICER : Color of hair?
 Husband: Changes a couple times a year. Maybe dark brown now. I can't remember.
 OFFICER : What was she wearing?
 Husband: Could have been pants, or maybe a skirt or shorts. I don't know exactly.
 OFFICER : What kind of car did she go in?
 Husband: She went on my motorcycle.
 OFFICER : What kind of motorcycle was it?
 Husband : A 2018 Harley Davidson Roadglide, Twisted Cherry with 14" apes, stage 2 kit, Vance and Hines fishtail pipes, Klock Werks windshield, JPCycles foot boards, highway pegs and crash bars...At this point the husband started choking up.
 OFFICER: Take it easy sir, we'll find your motorcycle.

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Tipsy Chocolate Ring

Cake: 1 Rounded tablespoon Cocoa, 2 Tablespoons boiling water

4 oz. soft margarine 4 oz. castor sugar

4 oz. self raising flour 1 level teaspoon baking powder

2 standard eggs Chocolate decoration:

14 small rose leaves with stalks 8 medium sized rose leaves with stalks

2 oz plain dessert chocolate or chocolate flavour cake covering.

1 rounded tablespoon cocoa 2 tablespoon sweet sherry 1 6 fl.oz

carton double cream 1 tablespoon milk

Method: Prepare a cool oven 160 C. Brush an 8.5 inch, 3 pint ring mould with melted fat or oil. Blend cocoa and water together until smooth: leave to cool.

Place margarine, castor sugar, flour, baking powder, eggs and cocoa into a bowl. Mix together with a wooden spoon: beat for 1 to 2 minutes, until mixture is smooth and glossy. Place mixture in ring mould: smooth top with back of metal spoon. Bake in centre of oven for 35 to 40 minutes.

Test by pressing with fingers. If cooked, cake should spring back and have begun to shrink from sides of mould. Leave to cool for 5 minutes, loosen edges with a palette knife, then turn out and leave to cool completely on a wire rack. Break up chocolate and place in a small, dry basin over a saucepan of hot, but not boiling water. Stir occasionally until chocolate has melted. Remove basin from saucepan.

Draw underside of rose leaves over surface of chocolate, drain off excess chocolate. Place leaves, chocolate sides uppermost on a piece of greaseproof paper. Leave to set in fridge.

To make syrup: place granulated sugar, cocoa and $\frac{1}{4}$ pint water in a medium sized saucepan over a low heat. Stir occasionally until sugar has dissolved, then boil for 1 minute. Remove saucepan from heat and cool slightly; stir in sherry. Return cake to ring mould and pour syrup over surface of cake. Leave in mould for 10 to 15 minutes. Place cream and milk in a bowl.

Whisk until cream just holds it's shape. Place 1 rounded tablespoon into a piping bag fitted with a medium sized star tube. Turn cake out of mould on to a serving plate. Spread remainder of cream evenly over cake, to cover, swirl with a knife. Carefully peel off rose leaves and arrange small chocolate leaves in pairs around bottom edge of cake. Pipe 8 swirls of cream around top edge of cake; arrange a medium sized chocolate leaf between.

Refrigerate until ready to serve

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A cabbie picks up a Nun. The cab driver stares at her. She asks him why he's staring and he says, "I've always had a fantasy to kiss a nun" She says, "I'll kiss you if you you're single and Catholic. "The cab driver says, "I'm both!" The nun says "Pull into an alley." The nun then kisses him in a way that would make a hooker blush. Back in the cab, though, the driver starts crying. "I lied, I'm marries and Jewish" the nun say, "That's ok, my name is Kevin and I'm going to a Halloween party"

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So let me get this straight. I go to the grocery store and buy a lb sliced ham wrapped in plastic, a loaf of bread in a plastic bag, a gallon of milk in a plastic jug, a pack of napkins wrapped in plastic, a Greek salad in a plastic container, a plastic bottle of mustard and a plastic bottle of ketchup, and they won't give me a plastic bag to carry it home because the plastic bag is bad for the environment?

We've all heard a bird sing but have you ever seen one sing!



**Lent Lunches
at Mansel Lacy**

**starting on 3rd March 2022
12.30 pm**

Foxley Group Parish Council

The main decisions at the February council meeting related to the parish Lengthsman. The Lengthsman is a contractor, employed by the parish council, who carries out light maintenance of the minor roads within the Foxley boundary. This primarily covers vegetation control and keeping ditches and drains clear and functional. Larger work tasks for these roads e.g. pothole repair, remain with Balfour Beatty as does responsibility for the major roads, e.g. A480. The Lengthsman is the single largest item of expenditure for the council and carries out work defined by the council itself, not by any outside agency, allowing local services to be defined locally.

The arrangement with the existing Lengthsman has run successfully for several years but the council wanted more confidence that it was achieving value for money. Enquiries were sent to eligible suppliers and as a consequence, a new Lengthsman, Richard Mills, will start from April 2022. The parish council will also work with Richard to bid for additional funding from Herefordshire Council for more major drainage work later in the year. This could entail digger clearance of ditches and high pressure jetting of culverts. This top up funding is hugely beneficial in improving drainage performance and avoiding high cost repairs in the medium term.

The other item of note is that the council agreed a grant of £1,000 for a community event to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. Specific arrangements are at an early stage but as this develops, there will be separate communication across the Foxley Group.

Note: Formal minutes of this and previous meetings are available at <https://www.foxleygroupcc.org.uk/meetings-agenda.html>

On our 150th anniversary, The Royal National College for the Blind (RNC) is teaming up with Will writing experts who are generously waiving their fee for a suggested donation to RNC (£150 single / £250 'mirror' straightforward Will). To make an appointment in Wills Fortnight, (21st March to 1st April) please contact one of the experts

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Dear Friends,

I know that for many of you, life is a bit of a struggle at the moment and I want to you to know that God really does care for you.

How do we know that God cares for us? When life seems to battle against us and it feels as though we are walking through treacle, it's hard to remember that we are loved with a love beyond measure. Yet, that is our condition: we are each a loved and precious child of God. God created the whole universe and yet he also created a beautiful earth for us to dwell in, to look after, to enjoy, to become part of. He created light so that we can see all the beauty and colour, the elements so that we have fire to warm us and water to refresh and clean us. He created us relational beings so that we can enjoy being with other people and enjoy his presence too; he gave us language so that we can communicate with one another, and feelings so that we can laugh and cry. But perhaps most of all, he meets our greatest need by sending Jesus to live, as a human so that he can relate to us and fully understand us, but also to die in our place to save us from sin and death. As Jesus died he bore away our sins and as he ascended to heaven he overcame death. There are so many reasons for us to understand that we are loved, and it's important to know that we are all equally precious and valued by our loving God. Easter is a season all about God's great love for us. We might not feel it sometimes, but that is our condition not his. God is steadfast in his unconditional love for each one of us.

With every Blessing, Rana

Lent lunches will resume this year with the first one on Thursday 3rd March at 12.30pm in aid of Mansel Lacy Church and every Thursday until Holy Week. We hope you can join us for hot soup and a roll (and a chance to see friends) for a donation to church funds.

On Maundy Thursday 14th at Mansel Lacy Church Holy Supper at 7.00pm. This will be a relaxed meal with the Passover story and Holy Communion.

We are continuing to hold one service a month on the second Sunday at Mansel Lacy at 9.30am and this is to be a service of Holy Communion (odd months i.e. March, May July) alternating with All Age Worship (on even months i.e. Feb, April, June) for the time being.

At **St George's Church Brinsop** we have Book of Common Prayer Holy Communion at 9.30am every first Sunday of the month. But on Sunday 6th March the service will be at 3.00pm and we will welcome our Bishop, Richard Jackson, who will bless and re-dedicate the refurbished church bells.

Easter Day services are 6.00am Bridge Sollars Sunrise Service; 9.30am Bishopstone BCP Communion and 11.00am Credenhill Holy Communion.

We continue to offer daily prayers at 7.00pm and a 10.00am Sunday Morning Worship livestreamed via our Facebook page. If you can manage to join us we would love to see you. Magnis Group Facebook page:

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Your brain will constantly rewire itself to suit the information that you feed into it. If you constantly complain, gossip, find excuses, etc; it will make it much easier to find things to be upset about, regardless of what is happening around you. Likewise, if you constantly search for opportunities, abundance, love, and things to be grateful for, it will make it much easier to find a reflection of those things around you. It takes practice, but over time, this is a very powerful way to **reshape your reality.**

EATING IN **THE FIFTIES**

Pasta had not been invented. It was macaroni or spaghetti.

Curry was a surname.

A take-away was a mathematical problem.

Pizza? Sounds like a leaning tower somewhere.

Bananas and oranges only appeared at Christmas time.

All chips were plain.

Oil was for lubricating, fat was for cooking.

Tea was made in a teapot using tea leaves and never green.

Cubed sugar was regarded as posh.

Chickens didn't have fingers in those days.

None of us had ever heard of yogurt.

Healthy food consisted of anything edible.

Cooking outside was called camping.

Seaweed was not a recognized food.

'Kebab' was not even a word, never mind a food.

Sugar enjoyed a good press in those days, and was regarded as being white gold.

Prunes were medicinal.

Surprisingly muesli was readily available. It was called cattle feed.

Pineapples came in chunks in a tin; we had only ever seen a picture of a real one.

Water came out of the tap. If someone had suggested bottling it and charging more than gasoline for it, they would have become a laughing stock.

The one thing that we never ever had on/at our table in the fifties ... was *elbows, hats and cell phones.*

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August - vacancy/Jacky Jones September - Angie Deane/Sue Hallett

October - Vera Cole / Kim Williams November - Fiona Horwood/Jennifer Spinks

December - Christmas Décor All who can give time please

If you cannot do your month for any reason, please contact: Sue Hallett 590980