FoxleyNews

For the residents of Mansel Lacy, Brinsop, Moorhampton, Upperton, Wormsley, Yarsop & Yazor.



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Editorial

Welcome to Katherine & Ben Jenkins who have moved into 44 Mansel Lacy, from Allensmore. Both are working people, Ben for Tescos and Katherine for Silver FX, school uniform suppliers.

They got married last year in the Town Hall, so congratulations are in order.

Whilst digging in the garden Ben lifted a large paving slab and was surprised to find a pile of bones. Because they were of a certain size the Police were advised and they brought out a forensic team to check these bones. It was agreed that they were not human, so the speculation continues.

If I remember correctly a certain Tom Putrice used to live at No.44 and he was an accomplished countryman so maybe the bones were of a poaching variety who knows!

The very kind donation of £500 by Ceri Morgan to the Parish Council will help maintain the defibrillator among other contingencies that may occur.

The points raised about the Foxley News at the recent Parish Council have been noted and are appreciated. More letters to the editor would be welcomed.

If local traders wish to promote their business an opportunity is available to advertise on the Foxley Parish Council Website. Contact Brian Barrett on 590706

The picture on the last page is the work of a German lorry advertiser..look again For the Geek called Paul Watkins who used to live at Moorhampton, you will need to ring 01432 839341 because he lives at Cranborne, Bushbank, Hereford

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Foxley Flyer

The supplement to the Foxley News will be published at the beginning of the months when the Foxley News is resting. Viz. January, February April, May, July, August, October, November. It is a single A5 sized sheet. - Brief items of interest should be sent to Joyce Potts, editor, within the copy deadlines. Tel: 01432 356392

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Community Association

News from the Association is that it has attracted more members to it's meetings recently and the expectation is that at the AGM in October more people will fill the committee to it's 22 member capacity. There is a need to add a couple of Trustees to complete the agreed number to 10 also. The date of the AGM is Tuesday 24th October starting at 7.30pm.

The "Licence to Occupy" which was a 21 year agreement signed by George Usher the Vicar at the time and Cal Edwards the Chairman of the Community Association at the time in 1996 has now expired. This agreement was a necessity to enable grant funds to be obtained from the Leominster District Council and other grant sources, thus allowing the project to procede. The matter was discussed at the recent PCC meeting and a another meeting to resolve the matter will be arranged with Wendy Coombey representing the Diocese of Hereford. The expectation is that the agreement will be extended because the church in general is now promoting the use of churches by local communities.

On Tuesday the 15 August in the telephone box area of the village a number of trees have been felled, partly because they were unsightly or were a danger to property or a danger to power lines. The grass cutting of the churchyard on a voluntary basis is in need of more volunteers. Please contact Cal on 590625 if you want the fun of riding on a small tractor mower.





Fiona Horwood is having another C**offee Morning** at the Nash on Saturday 30th September from 10.30am in aid of the Hospice.

4 Mansel Garden Club

Mansel Garden Club - CHANGE of DATE - Barbecue now 20th August 2017 New members welcome - please come along and give us a try, you don't have to be an expert, just enjoy gardening, listening to speakers and visiting interesting gardens in and around Herefordshire. Visits are open. Contact Pam Powell 01981590682 for more information.

On July 3rd the club visited Byecross, Bircher, Leominster, Herefordshire.

18 members enjoyed an evening visit to this beautiful garden, stuffed full with many unusual plants, all complimenting each other. Sue and Peter Russell previously owned a Garden Nursery, and certainly knew their plants, retiring to Herefordshire. Sue and Peter were unused to Herefordshire soil, and it was good to hear that some plants were planted several times before they found their 'happy spot', but this compact, easy walked garden was full of colour, and members were happy to meander around on a perfect English summer evening. Sue was on hand to answer questions before popping off to make and serve delicious tea, coffee and cake, whilst Peter manned the plant stall. Members also enjoyed walking the wild flower meadow with grass paths, fruit trees, a soft fruit area, and chickens happily running around their outdoor pen. Lots of mowing for Peter. Byecross is open for the NGS, all monies to the charity, and well worth a visit.

Pam Powell

Car Keys- PRICELESS!

They weren't in my pockets. Suddenly I realized I must have left them in the car. Frantically I headed to the parking lot. My husband has scolded me many times for leaving my keys in the car's ignition. He's afraid that the car could be stolen. As I looked around the parking lot, I realized he was right. The parking lot was empty. *I immediately called the police.*

I gave them my location, confessed that I had left my keys in the car, and that it had been stolen. Then I made the most difficult call of all to my husband:

"I left my keys in the car and it's been stolen."

There was a moment of silence. I thought the call had been disconnected, but then I heard his voice. "Are you kidding me?" he barked, "I dropped you off!" Now it was my turn to be silent. Embarrassed, I said, "Well, come and get me." He retorted, "I will, as soon as I convince this Policeman that I didn't steal your car!"

SCHOOL - 1950s v 2017

Scenario: Robbie won't be still in class, disrupts other students.

1950s - Robbie sent to the office and given six of the best by the Principal.

Returns to class, sits still and does not disrupt class again.

2017 - Robbie given huge doses of Ritalin. Becomes a zombie. Tested for ADHD – result deemed to be positive. Robbie's parents get fortnightly disability payments and school gets extra funding from government because Robbie has a disability.

Scenario: Mark gets a headache and takes some Aspirin to school.

1950s - Mark gets glass of water from Principal to take aspirin with,

Passes exams & becomes a solicitor.

2017 - Police called, car searched for drugs and weapons.

Mark expelled from school for drug taking. Ends up as a drop out.

Lacy Ladies & Gentlemen

We have now invited any men to join us if they would like to. So far we have three paid up male members, we would be very happy to have more - you will be very welcome.

May: Gordon Taylor came along to show us the A-Z of Herefordshire. He showed us most beautiful photos of towns, villages and places of interest starting with A and going through to Z. It made us realise we do live in a most beautiful and interesting part of the country.

June: Rebecca Edmonds a Hypnotherapist came to talk to us about how to make positive changes to our lives. She treats stress, anxiety, how to cope with chronic health conditions, phobias and many more problems. She told us that if you wanted to achieve something, if you really put your mind to it and were willing to make some changes; you can. Rebecca then had us doing deep breathing and relaxation. An interesting talk.

July: 23 Ladies and Gentlemen attended our Summer Celebration buffet lunch which was again held at the Bay Horse, Kings Acre Road. Everyone enjoyed the delicious two course lunch. There was lots of chatting and laughter. We all left feeling very satisfied!.

Next Meeting August 24th 7.30pm when Cal Edwards will give us a view of China.

Contact Joyce Lewis for further information Tel: 01981590638

Ireland - the 99-year-old Mother Superior lay quietly. She was dying. The Nuns had gathered around her bed, laying garlands around her and trying to make her last journey comfortable. They wanted to give her warm milk to drink but she declined. One of the nuns took the glass back to the kitchen. Then, remembering a bottle of Irish Whiskey that had been received as a gift the previous Christmas, she opened it and poured a generous amount into the warm milk.

Back at Mother Superior's bed, they lifted her head gently and held the glass to her lips. The very frail Nun drank a little, then a little more and before they knew it, she had finished the whole glass down to the last drop.

As her eyes brightened, the nuns thought it would be a good opportunity to have one last talk with their spiritual leader..

"Mother," the nuns asked earnestly, "Please give us some of your wisdom before you leave us"

She raised herself up very slowly in the bed on one elbow, looked at them and said: "DON'T SELL THAT COW."

We drink too much, smoke too much, spend too recklessly, laugh too little, drive too fast, get too angry, stay up too late, get up too tired, read too little, watch TV too much, and pray too seldom.

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That's FAITH

(2) When you throw babies in the air, they laugh because they know you will catch them.

That's TRUST.

(3) Every night we go to bed without any assurance of being alive the next morning, but still we set the alarms to wake up.

That's HOPE.

- **{4}** We plan big things for tomorrow in spite of zero knowledge of the future. **That's CONFIDENCE.**
 - **(5)** We see the world suffering, but still we get married and have children. **That's LOVE**.
 - (6) On an old man's shirt was written a sentence 'I am not 80 years old; I am sweet 16 with 64 years of experience.'

That's ATTITUDE.

Have a happy day and live your life like the six stories.

Hospice News

St Michael's Hospice Neighbours are a group of volunteers who offer support and companionship to people and their families living with a terminal illness. How can you help? Becoming a Hospice Neighbour means you can make a difference to a patient or their carers quality of life by helping with little things, like providing company, collecting prescriptions, taking their dog for a walk or a bit of light shopping. This role of a Hospice Neighbour would suit anyone with a few spare hours each week or fortnight.

Having previous experience of care is not essential, and you are not required to provide personal care. Hospice Neighbours need access to their own transport (mileage paid by St. Michael's Hospice) and undertake an enhanced DBS check.

Training will be provided on the following dates between 6.00pm and 8.30pm: 12th, 19th, 26th, September and 3rd, 10th, 17th and 31st October.

For more information, please contact the Hospice Coordination Hub on 01432 852080 or E-mail: hhhub@smhospicehereford.org

Careline - Help at the push of a button

Careline can give you or your loved ones the reassurance and peace of mind that if you require help, it is not far away! Careline is a 24-hour personal emergency response service, based in Hereford, which is connected to your home through an alarm unit linked to your telephone line. In times of need, help is just the push of a button away! Our alarms are connected to our friendly operators who are on hand to answer your calls instantly and get you the help you need. The service helps people to continue to live independently in their own homes. We have lots of products to choose from including pendants, watches and sensors. The Careline service can cost you as little as £2.23 per week. In addition, we can also offer you our Mobile Responder Service, a personal onsite visit when you activate your Careline alarm - for an additional £2.50 per week. For more information please speak to our Careline team on 01432 384100.Herefordshire Careline is run by the Independence Trust, part of the Herefordshire Housing Group.





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AL - GEBRA

A high school teacher was arrested today as he attempted to board a flight while in possession of a ruler, a protractor, a compass, a slide-rule, and a calculator.

At a press conference, Sean Spicer said he believes the man is a member of the notorious extremist Al-Gebra movement. He did not identify the man, who has been charged by the FBI with carrying weapons of math instruction.

'Al-Gebra is a problem for us', he said. 'They derive solutions by means and extremes, and sometimes go off on tangents in search of absolute values. They use secret code-names like "X" and "Y" and refer to themselves as "unknowns," but we have determined that they belong to a common denominator of the axis of medieval with coordinates in every country. As the Greek Philosopher Isosceles used to say, "There are three sides to every triangle." When asked to comment on the arrest, President Donald Trump said, "If God had wanted us to have better weapons of math instruction, He would have given us more fingers and toes."

"Just a Nurse'. I am just home from a busy shift, looking very ordinary in my scrubs. On the way home today I stopped at the shop for milk and saw an acquaintance. She has never seen me in uniform and said that she didn't realise I was 'just a nurse'." "Wow! Over my 18 year career I have heard this phrase many, many time, but today it got to me. Am I just a nurse? I have helped babies into the world, many of whom needed assistance to take their first breath, and yet I am just a nurse. I have held patients hands and ensured their dignity while they take their last breath, and yet I am just a nurse. I have counselled grieving parents after the loss of a child, and yet I am just a nurse. I have performed CPR on patients and brought them back to life, and yet I am just a nurse."

"I am the medical officers eyes, ears and hands with the ability to assess, treat and manage your illness, and yet I am just a nurse. I can ascultate every lung field on a newborn and assess which field may have a decreased air entry, and yet I am just a nurse. I can educate patients, carers, and junior nurses, and yet I am just a nurse. I am my patients advocate in a health system that does not always put my patients best interest first, and yet I am just a nurse."

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A Letter home

Dear Ma and Pa:

I am well. Hope you are. Tell Brother Walt and Brother Elmer the Marine Corps beats working for old man Minch by a mile. Tell them to join up quick before all of the places are filled.

I was restless at first because you get to stay in bed till nearly 6 a.m. But I am getting used to it, so I like to sleep late. Tell Walt and Elmer all you do before breakfast is smooth your cot, and shine some things. No hogs to slop, feed to pitch, mash to mix, wood to split, fire to lay. Practically nothing. Men got to shave but it is not so bad, there's warm water. Breakfast is strong on trimmings like fruit juice, cereal, eggs, bacon, etc., but kind of weak on chops, potatoes, ham, steak, fried eggplant, pie and other regular food, but tell Walt and Elmer you can always sit by the two city boys that live on coffee. Their food, plus yours, holds you until noon when you get fed again. It's no wonder these city boys can't walk much.

We go on "route marches," which the platoon sergeant says are long walks to harden us. If he thinks so, it's not my place to tell him different. A "route march" is about as far as to our mailbox at home. Then the city guys get sore feet and we all ride back in trucks.

The sergeant is like a school teacher. He nags a lot. The Captain is like the school board. Majors and colonels just ride around and frown. They don't bother you none.

This next will kill Walt and Elmer with laughing. I keep getting medals for shooting. I don't know why. The bulls-eye is near as big as a chipmunk head and don't move, and it ain't shooting at you like the Higgett boys at home. All you got to do is lie there all comfortable and hit it. You don't even load your own cartridges. They come in boxes.

Then we have what they call hand-to-hand combat training. You get to wrestle with them city boys. I have to be real careful though, they break real easy. It ain't like fighting with that ole bull at home. I'm about the best they got in this except for that Tug Jordan from over in Silver Lake . I only beat him once. He joined up the same time as me, but I'm only 5'6" and 130 pounds and he's 6'8" and near 300 pounds dry.

Be sure to tell Walt and Elmer to hurry and join before other fellers get onto this setup and come stampeding in. Your loving daughter, Alice

Boom! Marine, farm kid, and a young girl? Doesn't get much tougher than that.

Subject: Farmer Jack. Farmer Jack once lived on a guiet rural highway but as time went by, the traffic slowly built up and eventually got so heavy and so fast that his free range chickens were being run over, at a rate of three to six a week. So Farmer Jack called the local police station to complain, "You've got to do something about all these people driving so fast and killing all my chickens," he said to the local police officer. "What do you want me to do?" asked the policeman. "I don't care, just do something about those crazy drivers!" So the next day the policeman had the Council erect a sign that said: SCHOOL CROSSING Three days later Farmer Jack called the policeman and said, "You've still got to do something about these drivers. The 'school crossing' sign seems to make them go even faster!" So again, they put up a new sign: SLOW: CHILDREN AT PLAY really sped them up. So Farmer Jack called and said, "Your signs are no good. Can I put up my own sign?" In order to get Farmer Jack off his back, the policeman said, "Sure. put up your own sign." The phone calls to the Police Station stopped, but curiosity got the better of the Officer, so he called Farmer Jack, "How's the problem with the speeding drivers. did you put up your sign?" "Oh, I sure did and not one chicken has been killed." The policeman was really curious and thought he'd better go out and take a look at the sign. He also thought the sign might be something the Police could use elsewhere, to slow drivers down. So he drove out to Farmer Jack's house. His jaw dropped the moment he 'NUDIST COLONY Slow down and watch for chicks!' saw the sign.

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A clearly inebriated woman, stark naked, jumped into a taxi in New York City and laid down on the back seat.

The cab driver, an old Jewish gentleman, opened his eyes wide and stared at the woman. He made no attempt to start the cab. The woman glared back at him and said, 'What's wrong with you honey? - Haven't you seen a naked woman before?'

The old Jewish driver answered, "Let me tell you sumsing, lady. I wasn't staring at you like you tink; that would not be proper vair I come from."

The drunk woman giggled and responded, "Well, if you're not staring at my boobs or ass, sweetie, what are you doing then?"

He paused for a moment, then he told her...."Vair in hell in dis lady keeping de money to pay the for dis ride?"

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Bradley Jean-Pierre, Marketing Officer British Red Cross

UKO Moorfields House 44 Moorfields London EC2Y 9AL

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Scenario: 1950s as against 2017

Johnny falls over while playing football during morning break and scrapes his knee. He is found crying by his teacher, Mary. She hugs him to comfort him.

1950s - In a short time, Johnny feels better and goes on playing football. No damage done. **2017** - Mary is accused of being a sexual predator and loses her job. She faces 3 years in prison. Johnny undergoes 5 years of therapy and ends up gay

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Foxley Group Parish Council

Good Neighbours Tea Party Feedback

Foxley Group Parish Council discussed this at its general Meeting held on August 16. Useful suggestions covered many areas of interest and can be summarised as follows.

- 1. It was a strongly held view that we should make every effort to make the most of what currently exists within the three Parishes from social events to local tradespeople. Services such as the Oil Consortium were highly valued.
- 2. Maintaining minor roads, ditches and drains were a high priority.
- 3. Foxley News was seen as a useful vehicle for letting the Community know what is going on but some thought that information could be presented in a more user friendly way.
- 4. More 'social get togethers' like the two tea parties would be appreciated
- 5 All supported the concept of 'Good Neighbourliness' but no-one felt able to offer support as a volunteer
- 6. Nobody raised objection to a reasonable increase in the Parish Precept, particularly to maintain Lengthsman coverage at its present level.

Several of these points have been passed on to the Community Association and the Editor of Foxley News for consideration but there was general agreement that the Parish Council should be proactive in encouraging community wellbeing. Links between relevant local web sites will be explored. A more detailed Action Plan will be discussed at the next Parish Council Meeting in November, but the Chairman wishes to thank everybody for their helpful responses.

Brian Barrett Parish Clerk

Bill Clinton, Hillary Clinton, and Al Gore were in an airplane that crashed. In heaven, they found God sitting on the great, white throne. He addressed Al first.

"AI, what do you believe in?" AI replied, "Well, I believe I won the election in 2000, but it was your will that I did not serve. I've come to understand that now." God thought for a second and said, "Very good. Come and sit at my left." God then addressed Bill. "Bill, what do you believe in?" Bill replied, "I believe in forgiveness. I've sinned, but I've never held a grudge against my fellow man, and I hope no grudges are held against me." Again, God thought for a second and then said, "You are forgiven, my son. Come and sit at my right." God then turned to Hillary and asked, "Hillary, what do you believe in?" She replied, "I believe you're sitting in my chair.





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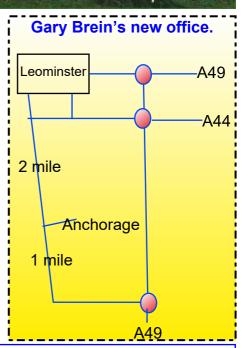
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Dear Friends,

In the days leading up to the war with Germany, the British government commissioned a series of posters. The idea was to distribute flyers with encouraging slogans throughout the country. The first - in capital letters with just the crown of King George VI as its header - published in September 1939, read:

YOUR COURAGE, YOUR CHEERFULNESS, YOUR RESOLUTION WILL BRING US VICTORY.

Shortly after a second poster was produced:

FREEDOM IS IN PERIL DEFEND IT WITH ALL YOUR MIGHT.

These posters were everywhere, on railway platforms, in pubs, shops and restraints. A third poster was created yet never distributed. More than 2.5 million copies were printed yet never seen until nearly sixty years later when a bookstore owner in Northeast England discovered one in a box of old books he had bought at an auction. It read: KEEP CALM AND CARRY ON.

It had been held back for an extreme crisis, such as invasion by Germany. The bookstore owner framed it and hung it on the wall. It became so popular the store began producing identical images of the original design on mugs, tea-towels and posters. Everyone, it seems, appreciated the reminder from another generation to keep calm and carry on.

When we face a crisis, where everything seems beyond our control, when awful things happen that can't be undone, we can still map out a positive strategy. We need to remember that God is in each crisis we face and ask him to help us find simple steps to take, to carry on through each moment of the day. When we feel overwhelmed, remember that we can carry on with God's help. If you feel overwhelmed by a crisis in your life: KEEP CALM AND PRAY! With every Blessing, Rana

Normal Sunday Services as follows:

Brinsop 1st Sunday in month at 9 am (Holy Communion)

Mansel Lacy 2nd and 3rd Sundays in the month at 9 am

Bishopstone 4th Sunday in month at 10am

Mansel Lacy Community Hall and Church Cleaning/ Flower Rota
January - Vacancy/vacancy. February - Tammy Gwynne/Fiona Horwood
April - Lindy Davenport/Vera Cole May - Pam Powell/Marian Powell
June - Jennifer Spinks/vacancy July - Tracey Lewis/Sue Rawlinson
August - Ann Fairhurst/Jacky Jones September - vacancy/vacancy
October - Vera Cole / Kim Williams November - Fiona Horwood/Jennifer Spinks
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Sunday 10th September
3.30 for 4pm
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Names please to Cal Edwards
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calan.edwards@btinternet.com

Sames in the Hall

On Saturday 14 October
There will be Table Tennis, Darts, Dominoes, Pool, Cards etc.
Starting at 6.30pm
Come along and have some fun
Bring your own drinks!
For details ring Dave Gwynne 01981590532

Annual General Meeting of the

Mansel Lacy Community Association
Tuesday 24 October at 7.30pm
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Bonfire & Fireworks
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