

# Local Talk Back

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AUTUMNAL MOON RISING OVER ST MARY'S. PICTURE BY GILL CARTER, ACTON TURVILLE



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A MAGAZINE WITH NEWS, VIEWS AND REPORTS FOR THE RESIDENTS  
OF ACTON TURVILLE, BADMINTON AND LITTLE BADMINTON

# EDITORIAL NOVEMBER 2024

Every year, I solemnly announce to my wife that the central heating will not be switched on until November. If she gets cold, she can put on another jumper. Or her coat and gloves. Of course, my valiant attempts to prevent the house being turned into a sauna are futile and I eventually relent when she hides the TV remote for the umpteenth time, my logic being that I'd rather sit there sweltering than be forced to watch Emmerdale Farm on a never-ending loop. But guess what? As I write this, on the afternoon of the 29<sup>th</sup> October 2024, the heating controls remain firmly in the off position, and I'm on target to achieve my goal of a heating-free October. It's not usual to be this mild is it? What's more, someone's just walked past the front window wearing shorts, and the neighbours have got their windows open. I really can't get my head around the weather this year.

My expectations of the weather are invariable based on nothing more scientific than memories formed many years ago. Looking back, it tends to be those long, hot summers such as those of 1976 or 2003, when the sun shone seemingly non-stop for weeks on end, that dominate our thoughts. Eventually, we come to equate summers with heatwaves, and forget all those summer holidays stuck on a campsite in Cornwall when the rain was lashing down and all you wanted to do was go home. There's a reason why people started to go abroad for their holidays you know. It's the same with the winter months. I always associate the hour changing with the arrival of winter, and associate winter with the arrival of Christmas. My memories of November are dominated by crisp white frosts and the sort of icy air that freezes your fillings. On Guy Fawkes night, the family would stand around the bonfire, and I'd be wrapped up to the nines to protect me against the cold with a welcome mug of cocoa in my one good hand, the other one being wrapped in bandages after I grabbed the wrong end of the sparkler. We'd gasp at the fireworks lighting up the night sky until an errant Catherine Wheel or Jumping Jack landed in the hood of my parka, bringing proceedings to a premature end. At least it was warm in casualty. But, the more I think about it, such a scenario was probably the exception, and more often than not bonfire nights had to be delayed and re-arranged due to the inclement weather. In fact, I clearly remember once standing in pouring rain on The Downs in Bristol, watching the annual Evening Post Firework Extravaganza, desperately trying to catch a fleeting glimpse of the fireworks after they emerged from behind the sea of umbrellas and before they burrowed into the low-lying cloud which spoiled the effect somewhat. As for white Christmases, can anyone even remember one in these parts? I can't. Maybe our current weather is not so unseasonal after all.

As we move towards winter, events to mark the festive season are springing up and beginning to fill the Local Talk Back calendar (although you'd have to go some to beat Tesco's in Yate who revealed their Christmas aisle at the end of August – those first mince pies have probably exceeded their use-by dates already!). Dates for Carol services in our local churches have been announced, and Acton Turville Social are having Fireside Carols at the Fox & Hounds on the 6<sup>th</sup> December, which is always well attended. As usual, Badminton Estate have a flurry of Christmas-themed events to look forward to, including a couple of wreath-making workshops which, based on feedback and some particularly nicely decorated front doors, proved very popular last year. Book early, as Fred Pontin used to say. If you're organising an event, please let us know so we can include details in next month's newsletter.

To end this month's Editorial, we're launching our own 2024 Local Talk Back Christmas Appeal. Unlike Blue Peter, we're not asking for milk bottle tops or bundles of newspapers, we're asking you, our readers, for contributions in the form of articles, photographs, your memories of life in our villages, stories about the places you've visited, your hobbies, even a write-up about the wreath-making workshops you've attended. Talk Back is produced by a very small team, and some months it's a struggle to find the time to produce the material we need to fill the pages, so we'd really love to hear from anyone who could help us. Please contact us via [localtalkback1975@gmail.com](mailto:localtalkback1975@gmail.com). Thank you.

In the meantime, I'm off to check the use-by dates on my stock of mince pies, and head up to the Fox & Hounds to try and warm up. This house is freezing.

Until the next time

*IAN CARTER*

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PLEASE SUBMIT ARTICLES FOR PUBLICATION IN THE DECEMBER EDITION OF LOCAL TALK BACK BY 15<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2024.  
THANK YOU.

**DATES FOR THE DIARY**

**Nov 2024**

- Fri 1<sup>st</sup> Acton Turville Social Coffee Morning, Fox & Hounds
- Wed 6<sup>th</sup> How to Cook Game Meats, Badminton House
- Thurs 7<sup>th</sup> Badminton Parochial Church Council meeting, Badminton Memorial Hall, 6pm
- Thurs 7<sup>th</sup> Badminton Youth Club, Memorial Hall, 6.30pm – 8pm
- Fri 8<sup>th</sup> Service of Remembrance, St Mary's, Acton Turville, 10.50am
- Fri 8<sup>th</sup> Didmarton Rural Cinema, All Of Us Strangers (15)
- Sun 10<sup>th</sup> Service of Remembrance, Badminton, 10.35am
- Mon 11<sup>th</sup> Acton Turville Parish Council Meeting, Trinity School, 7pm
- Wed 13<sup>th</sup> Luncheon Club, Fox & Hounds, Acton Turville
- Thurs 14<sup>th</sup> Badminton Youth Club, Memorial Hall, 6.30pm – 8pm
- Fri 15<sup>th</sup> Acton Turville Social Quiz Night, Fox & Hounds, 7.30pm
- Fri 15<sup>th</sup> Whisky Tasting, Badminton House
- Thurs 21<sup>st</sup> Badminton Youth Club, Memorial Hall, 6.30pm – 8pm
- Thurs 21<sup>st</sup> Get Ready for Christmas, Badminton House
- Tues 26<sup>th</sup> Acton Turville Tennis Club AGM, 8pm
- Sat 30<sup>th</sup> Wreath Making Workshop, Badminton House

**Dec 2024**

- Wed 4<sup>th</sup> Wreath Making Workshop, Badminton House
- Thurs 5<sup>th</sup> Badminton Youth Club, Memorial Hall, 6.30pm – 8pm
- Fri 6<sup>th</sup> Acton Turville Social Coffee Morning, Fox & Hounds
- Fri 6<sup>th</sup> Fireside Carols, Fox & Hounds
- Mon 9<sup>th</sup> Acton Turville Parish Council Meeting, Trinity School, 7pm
- Thurs 12<sup>th</sup> Badminton Youth Club, Memorial Hall, 6.30pm – 8pm
- Sun 15<sup>th</sup> Christmas Carol Service, St Mary's, 6pm
- Thurs 19<sup>th</sup> Badminton Youth Club, Memorial Hall, 6.30pm – 8pm
- Tues 24<sup>th</sup> Christingle Service, St Mary's, 4.30pm

**\*\*\*Please check with venues before setting off\*\*\***

**Please let Local Talk Back know if you're planning an event and we'll add it to our dates for the diary.**

**DONATIONS RECEIVED THIS MONTH**

*This month, the sum of £88 was very generously donated in the local shop boxes.*

*We really do appreciate all donations as it helps to keep the Local Talk Back being delivered to your doors..*

*There are Local Talk Back collection boxes in Acton Turville Stores and Badminton Stores.*

**To donate by cheque, please make payable to LOCAL TALK BACK and send to:**

**The Treasurer, Local Talk Back,  
6 Hollybush Close, Acton Turville,  
Badminton, South Glos, GL9 1JJ**

*Thank you!*

**ST. MARY'S CHURCH, ACTON TURVILLE**

**100 Club**

WINNERS FOR OCTOBER 2024

Stephanie Spreadborough  
Mrs Mary Mullens  
Sarah Dunn

***Congratulations!***



**ACTON TURVILLE  
TENNIS CLUB**

The Acton Turville Tennis Club is holding its Annual General Meeting on **TUESDAY 26<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER** at 8.00pm. Any members who wish to attend should contact the club secretary at [actonturvilletennisclub@gmail.com](mailto:actonturvilletennisclub@gmail.com)

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## From The Archives

### The Peter Harding Photographic Collection

Part of the Local Talk Back archive includes a collection of photographs taken at the Badminton Horse Trials by the late Peter Harding. Peter was a very talented photographer who built a strong professional relationship with the Duke of Beaufort which led him to become the first official photographer at the Badminton Horse Trials.



When Peter passed away in 2007, his son Mike kindly provided Talk Back access to some of the photographic archive which we are now collating and cataloguing. We will be publishing a selection of the pictures over the coming months but would very much welcome help identifying some of the horses and riders. If you could help, please get in touch.

## Sudoku

November's challenge set by Neil Fozard.

To solve the puzzle, each row, column and 3x3 box must contain each of the numbers 1 to 9.

### EASY !!

		7						
4		2	5	3				
	6				2	1		
3	5			4	9	6		
	4	1			7		8	
	9						5	
				7			6	4
			4	9	1	8		
					8		1	

### NOT SO EASY !!

	5						7	
		9				6		
	8						4	9
		8	3		6	1		
			1	5	7			
								4
4			6		3			2
				2				
6			4		9			8

### Answers to the October quizzes:

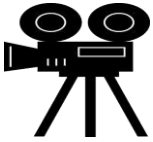
#### 'Easy'

2	1	4	7	8	6	9	3	5
8	7	9	5	2	3	6	1	4
3	5	6	4	9	1	7	8	2
6	2	8	3	5	4	1	7	9
1	3	5	8	7	9	4	2	6
4	9	7	6	1	2	3	5	8
7	4	2	9	3	8	5	6	1
9	8	3	1	6	5	2	4	7
5	6	1	2	4	7	8	9	3

#### 'Not so Easy'

6	8	4	9	7	2	5	1	3
2	1	3	8	6	5	7	4	9
7	5	9	3	1	4	8	6	2
1	9	5	2	3	7	4	8	6
3	6	2	4	8	1	9	7	5
4	7	8	5	9	6	3	2	1
8	3	6	1	4	9	2	5	7
5	4	7	6	2	3	1	9	8
9	2	1	7	5	8	6	3	4

# WHAT'S ON



## DIDMARTON RURAL CINEMA

Didmarton Village Hall, Friday 8<sup>th</sup> November 2024

### ALL OF US STRANGERS

(2023, Cert 15), romance/drama/fantasy

Starring: Jamie Bell, Carter John Grout, Paul Mescal, Andrew Scott, Claire Foy

Director: Andrew Haigh

One night in his near-empty tower block in contemporary London, Adam (Andrew Scott) has a chance encounter with a mysterious neighbour Harry (Paul Mescal), which punctures the rhythm of his everyday life. As a relationship develops between them, Adam is preoccupied with memories of the past and finds himself drawn back to the suburban town where he grew up, and the childhood home where his parents (Claire Foy and Jamie Bell), appear to be living, just as they were on the day they died, 30 years before.

**Doors open at 6.30pm, film starts 7.30pm**

**Tickets £5, cash bar**

*Please let us know in advance if you intend attending so we can ensure that sufficient seating is available*

[jenny.body1@gmail.com](mailto:jenny.body1@gmail.com)

## Fox & Hounds Luncheon Club

**The FOX**  
& HOUNDS INN

Acton Turville, nr Badminton  
GL9 1HW

**01454 218224**

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> November

Tea/Coffee on arrival

Two Course Lunch (main course + dessert)

£13.00 per head

**Everyone welcome!**

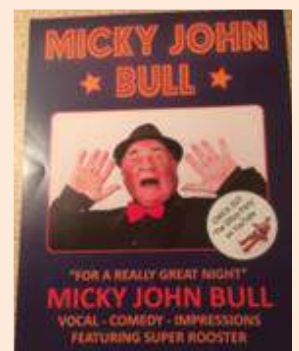
*The Fox & Hounds Luncheon Club meets the  
2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of every month.*



## WORTH THE WAIT!!

Back in April, you might recall there was much anticipation when the Fox & Hounds Luncheon Club announced they'd managed to snare someone rather special to entertain the diners. It was none other than Micky John Bull, the multi-talented vocalist, comedian and impressionist who has been delighting audiences in these parts for many years. But not, as it turned out, in April, as he was forced to cancel at the last moment. There's some great news though – organiser Sally Smith has lured him back to the Fox & Hounds and he'll now be appearing at the Luncheon Club on the 13<sup>th</sup> November.

You can always expect a great show from all-round entertainer and general good guy Micky John Bull, so why not get along and see for yourself. We promise you, you won't be disappointed.



**ACTON TURVILLE SOCIAL**  
**VILLAGE QUIZ NIGHT**  
Quizmaster: Ben Holt  
**FRIDAY 15<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER**  
FOX AND HOUNDS PUB 7:30PM - 10:00PM  
TEAMS OF 8 MAX - £5 a head  
Contact Mel to Sign Up:  
[ActonTurvilleSocial@Gmail.com](mailto:ActonTurvilleSocial@Gmail.com)  
07771 565736

**FIRESIDE CAROLS**  
**FRIDAY 6<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER**  
Time TBC

## REMEMBRANCE EVENTS 2024



The Badminton and Hawkesbury Branch of the Royal British Legion and Trinity School are holding a Remembrance Parade on Friday 8th November at St Mary's Church, Acton Turville, at 1050hrs for 1100hrs.

All villagers are welcome. There will be tea/coffee and cakes afterwards at the Fox & Hounds by kind permission of Mark.

If anyone can kindly make a cake or some brownies, please let Alastair or Emmie know. Thank you.

The Badminton Remembrance Service is on Sunday 10th November. We will form up at 1035hrs at Badminton Club then march/walk-off at 1040hrs. Everyone is welcome to join, or can you please be in the Church by 1050hrs.

*If you or someone you know needs help from the Royal British Legion please contact the National Helpline on 0808 802 8080 or join us for our next meeting at the Fox & Hounds on Tuesday 19th November at 1900hrs.*

Alastair Tel: 01454 218314 or 07751915770



### BADMINTON ESTATE

#### GAME COOKING DEMO AND DINNER

WEDNESDAY 6<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER

JOIN US FOR A SPECIAL EVENING FEATURING A LIVE COOKING DEMONSTRATION AND DINNER WITH CHEF KOJ.

ENJOY A COMPLIMENTARY WELCOME DRINK ON ARRIVAL FROM THE AWARD-WINNING WOODCHESTER VALLEY VINEYARD. FROM 7PM TO 9PM, YOU'LL BE TREATED TO A CULINARY EXPERIENCE AS CHEF KOJ SHOWCASES HIS SKILLS, PREPARING A CAREFULLY CURATED MENU RIGHT BEFORE YOUR EYES.

DON'T MISS THIS MEMORABLE EVENING OF FINE FOOD AND WINE!

#### WHISKY TASTING

FRIDAY 15<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER

ENJOY SIX CLASSIC SINGLE MALT WHISKIES, REPRESENTING A RANGE OF FLAVOUR PROFILES FROM DIFFERENT REGIONS IN SCOTLAND, EACH SERVED WITH PAIRED FOODS SUCH AS SCOTTISH SMOKED SALMON, CURED MEATS AND BEAUTIFULLY PAIRED CHEESES.

#### GET READY FOR CHRISTMAS COOKING DEMO

THURSDAY 21<sup>ST</sup> NOVEMBER

JOIN US IN THE OLD KITCHEN AT BADMINTON HOUSE FOR AN INTERACTIVE COOKING DEMONSTRATION LED BY CHEF NANCY LAWSON FROM OVERTOWN MANOR, WHERE YOU CAN NOT ONLY WATCH BUT ALSO TASTE AND ENJOY THE DISHES PREPARED RIGHT BEFORE YOUR EYES. YOU'LL WALK AWAY FROM THIS EVENT WITH INVALUABLE TIPS AND TRICKS THAT WILL HELP YOU NAVIGATE THE HOLIDAY SEASON WITH EASE AND CONFIDENCE.

#### CHRISTMAS WREATH-MAKING WORKSHOP

30<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER AND 4<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER

GET INTO THE FESTIVE SPIRIT AT BADMINTON!

THE SESSION WILL INCLUDE EVERYTHING YOU NEED TO CREATE YOUR OWN WREATH TO TAKE HOME AND DECORATE YOUR DOOR THIS CHRISTMAS. CLASSES ARE RUN BY THE SODBURY FLORIST IN THE OLD KITCHEN AT BADMINTON ESTATE.

MULLED WINE, HOT CHOCOLATE AND MINCE PIES WILL ALSO BE SERVED.

SEE [HTTPS://WWW.BADMINTONESTATE.COM/EVENTS/](https://www.badmintonestate.com/events/) FOR FULL DETAILS



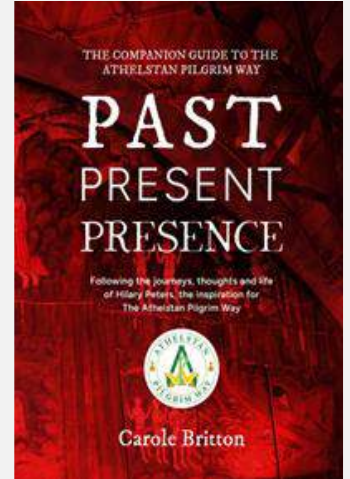
## NEWS

### HILARY PETERS AND THE ATHELSTAN PILGRIM WAY TALK

A big thank you to everyone who came to my talk about Hilary Peters, the last resident of Worcester Lodge in Didmarton. The support of so many of you was fantastic, and despite technology giving us rather a challenge, I sincerely hope you enjoyed the story of her life, and how she has been the inspiration for the new Athelstan Pilgrim Way, and my accompanying guidebook, Past Present Presence.

If you were unable to attend, but would like to know more, or if you would like to arrange a talk for a group that you are involved in, please contact me on [crb231221@gmail.com](mailto:crb231221@gmail.com) or 07722 860501

*Carole Britton, Author and Poet, Past, Present, Presence,  
The Companion Guide to the Athelstan Pilgrim Way*



**Come to**  
**BADMINTON YOUTH CLUB!**

**THURSDAYS**  
6:30pm - 8pm  
Badminton Memorial Hall

Help make it what you would like it to be!

Tuck available

£2 each week

Come along and have a say in how your Youth Club evolves.

Play badminton in Badminton!

Fun Crafting Activities

\*Parents or Carers will need to sign a consent form\*

**LEGO CORNER**



The Macmillan coffee morning held at the Fox & Hounds in September raised the amazing sum of £905 for this very deserving cause. Sincere thanks to all those involved in organising the event, as well as those who ensured its success by donating cakes or providing prizes for the tombola and raffle. Thanks too to all those who turned up on the day, and especially to the Fox & Hounds for hosting the event.



### Thank You!

Acton Turville Parish Council would like to thank everyone who turned out to help keep the village looking neat and tidy on the 12<sup>th</sup> October. The day dawned wet and miserable, but by the time the healthy crown gathered in the Fox & Hounds car park at 10am, the clouds had dispersed and the sun was starting to shine. It was great to see everyone, your support was, as always, much appreciated and your efforts made a real difference.

# Church Matters

November 2024 Letter from the Vicar

Dear Friends,

My letter today is a bit of an appeal.

Some people think ministry is just about taking Sunday services. But you can find yourself doing all kinds of things on a given day. Ranging from:

- Leading a small group of parishioners in prayer online which is spiritually nurturing and gives people an opportunity to come together.
- It is telling a story to a group of school children that has Christian values and helping them to understand that they have spiritual selves.
- It is visiting the local Care Home and praying with Residents, all in their 80's and 90's, and listening to them reminiscing about the good things that life has given them.
- It is helping the bereaved to prepare for a funeral service in which they can say farewell to their loved ones, and giving comfort.
- It is giving a listening ear when life throws people a curve ball, and often being a confidant. It is helping young people prepare for marriage and to the promises they are making.

Of course there are always masses of emails to accompany all these tasks, PCC meetings, Clergy meetings, school governor meetings, trusteeships....the list goes on!

Ministry is often misunderstood, it is not just on a Sunday. Actually it is about serving a whole community from the newly born to those coming towards the end of their lives. It is about continuing family traditions and values that have the church at their heart. It's about helping people on their spiritual journey and providing a place where people can come together. It is about representing the church on Charitable Trusts.

This is only able to happen because people give to the church. The parishes do not receive any financial support other than that which can be raised locally.

If you want this work to continue, then I encourage you **most earnestly** to consider giving to your local church. If you wish, you can contact me for the address of your local treasurer. You can pledge a regular amount of money by standing order or on the parish giving scheme as kind supporters already do, and consider including the local church in your will as a legacy ( this has helped many local churches greatly with their upkeep over the years)

Since Covid, the risk of local ministry not always being there is rather high. So please do think and pray about this.

With my best wishes

Richard

Priest in charge, Badminton Benefice website: [www.badmintonbenefice.com](http://www.badmintonbenefice.com)

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# Church Matters



St Mary's Church, Acton Turville

*The Christmas Service of Nine Lessons and Carols will be held on  
Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> December at 6.00pm.*

*Everyone is welcome.*

*Stay for mulled wine and mince pies afterwards.*



*The Christingle Service will be held on  
Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> December at 4.30pm.*

*Children are especially welcome.*



## Church Services for November 2024

Date	Time	Parish	Service	Minister
Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> November	6.00pm	Hawkesbury	All Souls Service	Rev R Thomson
3 <sup>rd</sup> November All Saints Day	9.30am	Lasborough	Matins	Churchwarden Led
	9.30am	Hawkesbury	Parish Communion	Lay Led
	11.15am	Didmarton	Remembrance Matins	Rev R Thomson
	5.00pm	Acton Turville	Evensong	Rev R Thomson
Saturday 9 <sup>th</sup> November	6.00pm	Hawkesbury	Festival of Remembrance	Rev R Thomson
10 <sup>th</sup> November Remembrance Sunday	9.30am	Lasborough	Holy Communion BCP	P Cheeseman
	10.50am	Great Badminton	Service of Remembrance	Rev R Thomson
17 <sup>th</sup> November 2 <sup>nd</sup> before Advent	9.00am	Didmarton	Holy Communion BCP	TBC
	10.00am	Hawkesbury	Family Service with Baptism	Rev R Thomson
	11.15am	Great Badminton	El Gubi Matins Service	Rev R Thomson
	5.00pm	Acton Turville	Evensong	Rev M Butler
24 <sup>th</sup> November Sunday before Advent	9.30am	Lasborough	HC CW	Rev R Thomson
	11.15am	Sopworth	Matins	Rev R Thomson
	5.00pm	Hawkesbury	Evensong	Rev R Thomson

See Benefice website for readings: [badmintonbenefice.com](http://badmintonbenefice.com)

## St Mary's Church, Acton Turville

*Free compost!*

It's the time of year to get busy putting the garden to rest. It's the time of year to feed the soil. There's a supply of compost in the churchyard at St Mary's, near the kissing gate, FREE to all who wish to take it.

There are strong black bags in the porch if you need them. Take as much as you like.

Please be kind enough to fill an extra sack or two to be left by the dustbins, so that they can be disposed of later. The entire heap has to be removed

# ACTON TURVILLE PARISH COUNCIL

## NOVEMBER 2024 REPORT

Current Actions: Over recent months the Parish Council has raised a number of issues with our District Councillors or directly with the relevant team in South Glos Council. In some cases, such as the recent spate of fly tipping incidents on the Sodbury Road, action has been taken promptly and the situation quickly resolved. Other issues are proving less straightforward to resolve, including the installation of Bus Stop signs, replacing the signs at the "Clump of Trees" to warn drivers of the dangerous corner, and dealing with an outbreak of dog fouling. We will continue to press for these and other matters to be dealt with, and will update progress in our monthly reports.

Speeding in the village remains a concern, particularly traffic entering the village on the Luckington Road, which has resulted in a spate of collisions. So far the consequences have been confined to vehicle damage, but the risk of someone being seriously injured or killed is very real. A group of villagers, supported by the Parish Council, are now taking this up with our local District Councillors and Police, to see what action may be taken to manage the problem. Concerns have also again been raised about traffic in the vicinity of the school at drop-off and collection times. Once again, options for preventing a serious incident are being discussed with the relevant authorities.

Police Update. As previously reported, our local PCSO Cheryl Dibble from Avon & Somerset Police has been making regular visits to the village in the Community Police Van. The next scheduled visit is planned for the 10<sup>th</sup> December from 10am to 11.30am in the Fox & Hounds car park. However, the Police report that very few people have been making use of the service, and the need for future visits is being reviewed. The van provides an excellent opportunity to chat informally to our local Policing team and it would be a shame if the facility was withdrawn so why not pay them a visit and say hello?

Parish Councillors:

Chair: Sybil Haddrell 218772, Vice Chair: Ian Carter 07789 057168, Sally Smith 218510,  
Claire Broomsgrove 07702 375620, Mark Studden 07885 791314

**Next Meeting: Monday 11<sup>th</sup> November 2024 @ 7.00pm**

**Venue: Trinity School, Acton Turville.**

*Details on Parish Notice Board/Website*

Parish Clerk: Sue Radford-Hancock Tel: 01249 650052

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01454 218224

## Christmas Menu

<h3>STARTERS</h3> <p><b>Prawn &amp; Salmon Cornets</b> with bloody mairé sauce</p> <p><b>Baked Mini Sussex Smokey</b> topped with grilled cheddar</p> <p><b>Homemade Winter Broth</b></p> <p><b>Baked Mini Camembert</b> with redcurrant &amp; sole gin sauce</p> <p>All served with Crusty Bread</p>	<h3>MAIN COURSES</h3> <p><b>Traditional Roast Turkey</b> with all the festive trimmings</p> <p><b>Roast Sea Bass</b> with a honey &amp; orange glaze</p> <p><b>Pork Tenderloin</b> chestnut &amp; herb stuffing, wrapped in bacon, with a herb cream sauce</p> <p><b>Cranberry, Sweet Potato &amp; Cream Cheese Parcels</b> with a cream cheese sauce</p> <p><b>Roast Beetroot Wellington</b> with a herb sauce</p> <p>All the above served with new, roast potatoes &amp; fresh vegetables</p>	<h3>DESSERTS</h3> <p><b>Traditional Christmas Pudding</b> with brandy cream</p> <p><b>Caramel &amp; Apple Sponge Pudding</b></p> <p><b>Christmas Triple Chocolate Cheesecake</b></p> <p><b>Mango &amp; Raspberry Eton Mess</b></p> <p><b>Cheese Board</b> £4.00 extra</p>
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**£34.00 per head**

A non-refundable deposit of £10.00 per person is required at time of booking  
Christmas Menu booking forms (available from the Bar) must be returned 10 days prior to your booking

## CARER AVAILABLE

My name is Julie Mildon and I am an experienced carer living in Badminton. I am able to offer a range of caring services:

Daytime visits & overnight care  
Short term cover for holidays, etc  
Experience working with the elderly and those suffering from dementia

Fully DBS checked - references available

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## PICTURE GALLERY



Autumn always throws up wonderful photo opportunities. This year we've experienced some amazing colours across the sky at dawn and dusk, including on a few occasions the Aurora Borealis. Did anyone get any pictures of that?

This month we have Chris Farrell and Dan Gooding to thank for capturing some very atmospheric shots. Chris interrupted his dog walk to take pictures of the sun rising across a very misty landscape before the haze lifted to leave a gloriously autumnal day. Dan's picture proves that the green leaves of summer are still hanging in there. As the roads winds its way into Badminton, the light flooding through the trees illuminates the vivid greens of the leaves and grass verge making for a masterful composition. Thanks to Chris and Dan for taking the time to send in their pictures, we always enjoy seeing them.

