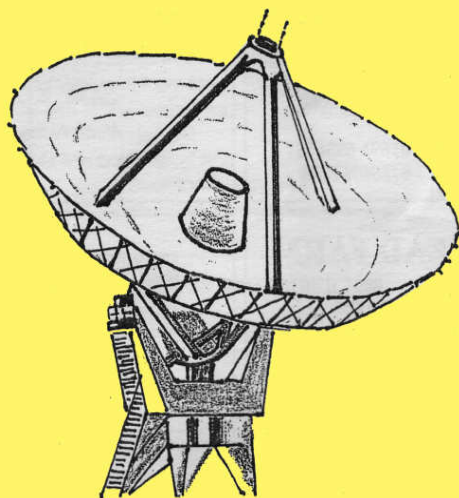


# Electronic Telescope News

March 2010



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# KINNERLEY

## KINNERLEY PARISH COUNCIL Allotments

**Kinnerley Parish Council is looking for land to create an allotment site.  
Do you have land that the community can use for allotments?**

Following publicity in the Telescope and letters sent to landowners, a field off Church Lane, Kinnerley was offered to the Parish Council for consideration as an allotment site.

The residents of Church Lane, Kinnerley expressed strong objections to the use of this field due to their concerns about the safety implications of any extra vehicles using Church Lane, an unadopted road, and the use of the junction by the Church to enter and exit the lane. Previous planning applications to build a dwelling on this land have been declined because Highways objected on the basis that the junction is sub-standard and therefore would not allow extra traffic to a new dwelling.

The Parish Council also received correspondence from the allotment group advising that they consider that the land would be suitable for allotments and proposed that the vehicular access could be restricted to delivery of equipment and supplies to the allotment site on an exceptional basis.

The Parish Council after careful consideration has decided not to proceed with this site because of concerns about the safety of access to this proposed allotment site, both by vehicle and on foot.

However Kinnerley Parish Council has agreed to actively continue the search for land. If you are a landowner in the Parish please contact the Parish Clerk if you have land that you are willing to let to the Parish Council.

The next meeting of Kinnerley Parish Council will take place on Monday March 15<sup>th</sup> 7.30pm at Kinnerley Parish Hall.

Parish Clerk:: Kate Sanderson [kinnerleypc@btinternet.com](mailto:kinnerleypc@btinternet.com) Tel:01691 831253

### Whist Drive

**No March Whist Drive** but two will be held in April - on Fridays 9<sup>th</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup> at Kinnerley Parish Hall at 7.30pm. Everyone is welcome, all ages and standard of whist player.



### 100 Club

The 2010 tickets for the 100 Club are now available at £10 for 10 draws, March – December. The top prize is £15 with 4 smaller prizes.

To buy a ticket for 2010 ring Siân West on 01691 682600.

### February Meeting

Despite the cold weather the women's institute turned out in force for Jim Almond's talk on Digital Photography. No one was disappointed. He spoke with enthusiasm and knowledge illustrating his talk with well chosen photographs. The business of the meeting was filled with information about outings available through the summer. Kinnerley WI has obtained, after hard work by our President, Janet Boulton a visit to Highgrove gardens in July. County are organising a trip to Ellesmere Port in May and another to Calendar Girls in June. Membership fees were collected from those members not

present last month, giving a very healthy bank balance as reported by our treasurer. The competition of 'an old photograph' was won with a framed photograph of Shrewsbury Buttercross brought by Hilary Bullen. Second prize went to Kathleen Hamlet and third to Sue Burden. The raffle was won by Joan Edwards

The March meeting will be a talk on the Severn Hospice by Rev. Harry Edwards.

The Competition: 'An Easter image'. This may be any form or object as long as it makes you think Easter. March 11th at 7.30pm in Kinnerley Parish Hall.

### Fun in the Snow

Kinnerley School managed to stay open during the cold, snowy weather. The children had great fun in the snow building snowmen and even a caterpillar.



For more information about Events and Services in the Parishes check the local websites

**Kinnerley:** <http://www.2shrop.net/KinnerleyParish>

**Knockin:** <http://www.2shrop.net/KnockinParish>

## **PRESS INFORMATION issued by Shropshire Council**

### **Your chance to influence planning policy in your own back yard**

Planning is a big issue for many people, and Shropshire Council is conducting a new project which could give residents more of a say on the planning policy in their neighbourhood.

An interactive approach specially tailored for rural areas, called a rural toolkit, is being piloted in certain parts of Shropshire – and the council needs people to get involved to help make it work.

The toolkit is based on a set of questions about what makes a community sustainable. The same questions are asked wherever it is used, so the answers can be used as a guideline for planning priorities in that area.

Parish councils are involved in the process, and every parish council in the county has been written to about the project.

A series of “community testing events” are being held, when people can discuss and put forward the sorts of community benefits and infrastructures that could help their community develop and thrive in the future. Up to 30 people are needed for each event, which are a great way to make sure the council has the best quality information possible about where you live, to help make long term decisions about housing development and needs for services. The Council is looking for a range of people from the communities in the parish and ideally therefore a balance of representation across an area.

An event will be held for residents of Kinnerley parish, and will include up to three parish council representatives and the local Shropshire Council councillor for the area, Councillor Arthur Walpole. It will take place on the evening of Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> April 2010, at the Parish Hall in Kinnerley.

Shropshire Councillor Gwilym Butler, Cabinet member for community working, said: “The approach is about working with local communities to identify and act on their needs, and continuing to work with them into what we all hope will be a healthy and happy future. The challenge is to test us, so we really need a range of people from the local area to reality-check the things we think

“One of the main sources of information is parish plans, but the other main source is what is in people’s heads. If you would like to put your head together with us, and use your own local knowledge about your area, we would like to hear from you.”

The Kinnerley community testing event will include refreshments. It will be held at the Parish Hall, Kinnerley, on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> April 2010, from 6p.m. to 9p.m. including a midpoint break for High Tea.

Organisers are encouraging people to get their names in on a first come first served basis by Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> March 2010, to Mrs Lois Dale, Principal Rural Policy Officer. Contact details are 01743 255667, or email [lois.dale@shropshire.gov.uk](mailto:lois.dale@shropshire.gov.uk).

### **Dovaston & Knockin Heath & others Litter-pick on January 23<sup>rd</sup>**

Approximately 20 people, aged from 9 to 95 years assembled at Dovaston United Reformed Church car park at 2pm on Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> January to help with a litter-pick. It was one of the warmer days of this winter. Armed with green rubbish sacks, colourful tabards and pick-up sticks or gloves as required, all of which were provided by Shropshire Council, small groups set off to clear the rubbish from the highways and byways. An astonishing amount of litter was collected. The full sacks were left on the verges to be picked up by Stuart LeClaire and stacked at the top of the drive at Dovaston House. Shropshire Council removed them the following morning.

Delicious refreshments were served in the Dovaston Schoolroom. Well done everyone and thank you for turning out. Thank you also to Nick Williams of Shropshire Council for providing the equipment and removing the sacks of litter so quickly. Lastly thank you to Dovaston URC for the use of the schoolroom and kitchen.

If only people would take their litter home what a beautiful place Britain would be particularly for all those visitors we expect for the 2012 Olympics! Please help to Tidy Up and take your litter home.

We hope to make the litter-pick an annual event. *Maureen Austerberry*



# **KNOCKIN**



**Knockin WI** held its February meeting in Maesbrook Village Hall on 4th February; it was presided over by Jane Edwards. The meeting was well attended and we were pleased to welcome two new members this year. The award for winning 2009 competitions was presented to Mary Harper. Mr Glyn Williams gave us a most interesting and informative talk on honey bees. Despite bees having been in existence for something like 75,000,000 years, they are sadly

under threat today. Hopefully, current research will now find a way forward. The competition (uses from bee by-products) was won by Mary Brown and refreshments were provided by Shirley Rodgers and Margaret Salisbury.

Next month's meeting will be held on 4<sup>th</sup> March at Knockin when Ms Jacky Clarke will be talking about the Bowen Technique. New members are always welcome, Contact Lesley Brown  
Tel: 01691 682119

## **Knockin Lent Lunches in the Assembly Rooms unless otherwise stated**

The lunches will be at 1pm and the cost is £1

March 1<sup>st</sup> Campbell and Vanessa Keay at their home, Carneal, Knockin

March 8<sup>th</sup> Miranda Lawson

March 15<sup>th</sup> Daphne Lovell

March 22<sup>nd</sup> Mary Brown

March 29<sup>th</sup> Combined

The AR Management Committee has been awarded a grant by the Local Joint Committee. This money will contribute towards the cost of crockery and cutlery, which when purchased will be for the benefit of the community when using the Knockin Assembly Rooms. Thank you.

***Jane Edwards***

## **Knockin Badminton Club Quiz Night**

Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> March at 7.30pm

Knockin Assembly Rooms

All are welcome

A maximum of five per team; £2 per person, £1 Children

Tel: Maureen Tel:01691 656833 or David Tel: 01939 260329

There will be an interval and Raffle.

Please bring your own refreshments.

## **KNOCKIN LUNCH CLUB**

The Lunch Club continues to meet fortnightly on a Thursday in the Village Hall. An excellent meal and very good company is enjoyed by all who attend.



The Club applied to a special fund available from Age Concern/Help the Aged advertised just before Christmas. This was to provide a Winter Outing or Event for older people in a group. We were successful and received £150 but as this arrived after we had finished for the Christmas break we now have the pleasure of arranging something for the new year. Members have indicated that they would like to go out for a meal, and this may well mean a Sunday lunch somewhere in the locality.

We are now cooking for around 24 people every time and this puts some

pressure on both the cooks and the equipment, so we are addressing ways that these things can be improved.

Firstly we would welcome new volunteers. It takes three people in the morning to prepare and cook the lunch, which we do from fresh ingredients on the day. Then there are tables to be set and people to greet at 12.15. If you think you could give an hour or so on a rota basis we would love to hear from you.

It really is a cup of coffee and a good chat together with the cooking and no one needs to have an onerous responsibility – we do something we like for people who appreciate it a great deal, so it is very rewarding.

**COME AND SEE.**

Contact Beryl Howell 01691 682693

If you are retired and would like to have a luncheon meal, which is two courses, with fruit, chocs and coffee for £3.50 please -

Contact Lesley Brown 01691 682119

### **Computer classes for those who want to learn a bit more.**

#### **Introduction to Powerpoint**

How to create a slide presentation to include pictures.

**Mon 22nd March 9.30am – 10.45 at Knockin Assembly Rooms Cost £5.00**

#### **Making posters on the computer and other fun things**

This session will show you how to make posters or leaflets in Microsoft Word and Publisher.

**Mon 29th March 9.30am – 10.45 Cost £5.00**

Contact Flavia Humphreys ; Broadplace Support Officer:  
flavia.humphreys@shropshire.gov.uk; Tel: 01743 210311

## **Knockin Parish Council Report**

A meeting of Knockin Parish Council was held on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> January in Knockin Assembly Rooms.

### **New Councillor**

Mr Guy Jones was welcomed as a new councillor

### **Speed Limit Campaign**

Councillors and residents are still concerned that the new 30 mph speed limit has had little effect on the speed of traffic through the village. The Parish Council have had approval to produce some notices to raise awareness of the 30 limit. They are also working with Cllr Arthur Walpole and Shropshire Council Highways department to look at additional ways in which the traffic can be slowed down. It was also reported that an electronic speed visor has been applied for and that Shropshire Council will be assessing the speed of traffic in the 30 and 40mph zone prior to making a decision on funding this item.

### **2010/2011 Budget**

The budget for the next financial year was discussed at it was agreed to raise the precept by £150. The council agreed to continue to employ a contractor to cut the amenity area

more regularly

### **Knockin Community Website**

Knockin now has a community website that has been set up by the Parish Council. It can be viewed at [www.2shrop.net/KnockinParish](http://www.2shrop.net/KnockinParish). If you would like to publicise an event you are holding in the parish or would like your organisation to have a page on the website please contact Penny for more details.

### **Amenity Area**

The Parish Council are aware that the amenity area behind the Assembly Rooms is being used more often by families and young people. At a recent meeting they discussed whether there was a need to apply for a grant to purchase some small scale play equipment for the area e.g. swings and a slide. Prior to doing this the Parish Council would like to hear the views of local people as to whether you consider that play equipment is needed on the amenity area or if the area should be left as an open space.

If you have any views on this proposal please contact Penny O'Hagan to discuss your ideas.

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be on Tuesday March 9<sup>th</sup> at 19.30.

### **Children's Society Boxes**

It's that time of year again – time to open the boxes.

If you would be good enough to give your box to Sandy at the shop, I can collect your box, count the money and return the box to you ready for next year's collection.

Many thanks for your help this year and I'll keep you posted as to how much money we have raised this year. *Miranda Lawson*

# MAESBROOK

## Maesbrook Library Bus and Coffee Morning

This month's dates for the Library Bus and Coffee Morning are March 11<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>. On March 25<sup>th</sup> our local community police will be holding a PACT surgery from 10 – 10.30. As always there will be tea, coffee and cakes in the Village Hall and Terry on the bus is always happy to help you with all your literary needs. You don't have to use the library to come and have a nice cuppa and a good natter.

A huge thank you to all who came to the coffee morning when I collected for Haiti – a magnificent £40 was raised. **Chris Cole**

### **Maesbrook Village Hall AGM**

The Annual General Meeting for Maesbrook Village Hall will be held on **Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> March at 7.30pm**. Please come along and support your local village hall. All are welcome.

## **Maesbrook Weather January**

January 13<sup>th</sup> is celebrated as Saint Hilary's Day. This unfortunate 4<sup>th</sup> century bishop of Poitiers fell out with his boss and was banished to Phrygia in modern day Turkey where it is hot. It is an irony, therefore, that his feast day occurs on what is usually the coldest day of the year.

This year in Maesbrook the coldest day (so far) came a little earlier, on the 8<sup>th</sup>, when the mercury plummeted to 8°F (-13.3°C). According to the Met Office it was probably the coldest January since those of 1963 and 1947. This proves that a) Global Warming isn't happening otherwise it would be getting warmer, or, b) Global Warming is happening and has diverted the Gulf Stream away from our shores making us colder.

The warmest day-time temperature was a balmy 48°F (8.9°C) which we enjoyed on both the 19<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> of the month.

Rainfall, which came as snow on at least five days, amounted to 2.07in. (53mm). This is less than the average for the month of 2.79in. (71mm)

A belated Happy New Year. *Bill Cole*

## **MAESBROOK BARN DANCE**

The Barn Dance planned for 6<sup>th</sup> February had to be cancelled at the last minute due to dense fog in Maesbrook. Fortunately we have been able to arrange another fairly soon for Saturday March 13<sup>th</sup> at 7.30 pm. Light refreshments provided. Do come along even if you haven't been to one before. All dances are walked through beforehand - and it can also be a lot of fun. Leslie Oppitz. 01938-590324.

## **Maesbrook Village Hall Email**

Please note Maesbrook Village Hall now has its own email facility at: [maesbrookvillagehall@googlemail.com](mailto:maesbrookvillagehall@googlemail.com). Emails sent to this address will be received by all members of the village hall committee.

# MELVERLEY

## Melverley news

This may well be the last Telescope News that I write, as, if all goes according to plan, I am going to live near Maidstone, Kent near to my daughters and their families. No doubt I shall hear all the local news from my friends here. I shall certainly miss Melverley. Lynne will be taking on the church news and relaying it to Karen.

We are looking forward to seeing lots of people at the Mothering Sunday Service on Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> March. Not only will there be posies for mothers--- there will also be a baptism, so it should be a lovely service.

Palm Sunday is March 28<sup>th</sup> and the service will be at 10.00am. On behalf of Melverley we would like to thank the ladies of Kinnerley for hosting the reception after the Confirmation Service on 7<sup>th</sup> February. It was a wonderful occasion. ***Jane Sprackling***

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## Melverley Village Hall News

### Dates for your diary.

At last I have some dates for your diary for events happening at the hall this year.

Posters for each event will appear around the village nearer the time.

Saturday March 20<sup>th</sup>

Easter Quiz

Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> July

Village Bar B Q

Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> October

Skittles Annual Championship

Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> November

Fireworks

Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> December

Christmas Quiz

Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> December

Children's Christmas Party

The committee always welcome new ideas for things to do during the year so if anyone out there wants to do something different please get in touch.

As with most events, any donations of prizes for raffles are always gratefully received and can be given to any committee member.

## Paper Bank News

Thank you everyone. The paper bank has been filled in extra quick time this time so it looks like we will have managed four collections this year.

## Grant

Once more the hall has been lucky enough to receive another grant for £2000 which was acquired by Steve Bostock. This will be added to funds to continue with the refurbishment of the old school room.

## And finally...

It's Sunday evening and I am sitting here trying to think of something to write and all I can think of is that I fancy some chocolate. **Not** a good

idea as I could do with losing just a little bit of weight but hopefully now the nights are drawing out I should have more time to get out and about and do some more exercise!! Well

that's the idea.  
Sorry, but I have no will power and a chocolate bar is beckoning.  
Look forward to seeing you at the Easter Quiz. **Karen**

***Don't Forget:***  
**On 5th March at Kinnerley Parish Hall**  
**Starting at 7.30 pm**

***“Remembering Sandy”***

An Evening of Songs and Music in Memory of our friend the late Rev. **Sandy Mowat**; presented by **Oswestry Folk** and **Bram Taylor**

There will be a Bar with Beer, Wine and Soft Drinks and we will be organising a Raffle. Any Raffle Prizes will be very welcome.

All proceeds from the evening will be divided equally between the St Mary's Church Restoration Fund and the British Heart Foundation.

Tickets £5 per head; Enquiries to John and Lesley Evans, 01691 682537

**ANNUAL CHARITY LUNCH at Kinnerley Parish Hall**

Thank you to everyone who in any way contributed to the success of this Annual Event. **£740.00 was donated to each of the following:-**

- \* **Multiple Sclerosis Society**
- \* **Kinnerley Parish Hall refurbishment fund**

# PENTRE AND EDGERLEY

## PENTRE

We are planning a litter pick on the Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> March. We hope lots of you will join us, there will be refreshments when we get back. Please can we all meet at The Grove at 10.30 am. Look forward to seeing you.

We will also have a village meeting on the evening of March 16<sup>th</sup>, Rushy Leasowes at 7 pm. Please bring along lots of ideas for events in 2010.

*We hear that Arthur Mottram is not well at the moment, and we would all like to send our best wishes to him at this time. Hope you feel better soon Arthur.*

## Fieldman

Wasn't it cold in January and February. At the end of January on one of my early morning visits around the sheep, I found an unexpected early lamb literally frozen to some leaves under the hedge – its mother being a first time lamber was lacking in the experience needed to protect this little soul. Tucking this cold, slimy bundle into the inside of my coat I quickly made for the Rayburn oven, and I was surprised that within an hour I could hear it shouting for some food. Its mother is now the proud parent of a mischievous little lamb, that runs and prances with the rest of the gang. The smaller the animal, the more susceptible they are to chilling, so the quicker they are warmed the better chance they have of survival.

Those people who do the regular drive from Osbaston to Oswestry will have noticed how tame, and some days how sad the buzzard looks



perched on the road side fence posts.

Having said that, he was still bright enough to realise that when the farmer put a large pile of manure on the field, it was a

much more comfortable perch, with the steam and warm air rising from the composting muck! He probably wouldn't be able to find much food, as most of the small birds and animals would be huddled up in the hedges and hedge bottoms, and with the ground being so frozen, the normal diet of beetles and earthworms would not be available. So, sitting close to the road was his best opportunity for a meal, some small bird hit by a car would keep him going for another few days, because at this time of year the birds inactivity uses less energy, so needs less food.

But by the time you read this article

the new breeding season will have crept up on us, and all the wildlife will be getting ready for the mating season, so keep the feeders full. Talking of filling feeders, I have never known a year when I have bought so much wild bird seed. There are 2 schools of thought on feeding birds and I leave it to you to choose for yourself which one to follow. The first one, and the one I believe should be followed, is to

feed the wild birds so that they will stay in the area where I can see them and enjoy them to the full. The other school of thought is that those of us who do feed the birds are creating an artificial eco-system by providing them with food that is not natural to their habitat, and would not be found in those quantities.

My thoughts are if you can help, why not?

## **Flicks in the Sticks Presents**

### **BRIGHT STAR**



**Kinnerley Parish Hall  
Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> March 2010**

Bright Star is the biography of John Keats final years, and his love affair with Fanny Brawne, and it is first and foremost a romantic story. No surprise there then. But what is surprising is how well Janes Campion's thoughtful film manages to marry what was romantic comedy 150 years ago with what romantic cinema is today. John Keats died at the age of 25, his one great romance was with Fanny Brawne, who was a popular seamstress in her own right.

**Adults £3.50, Children £2.00  
Bar open 7.00 pm, film starts at 7.30 pm**

**No need to book, just come along on the night**  
*Enquiries: Maggie 01743 741213 or Margaret 01743 741249*

## DIARY DATES for MARCH 2010

Mon 1st	10.45am	Basic IT	Knockin AR
Mon 1st	6pm	Revolution Dance Academy	Knockin AR
Mon 1st	8pm	Village Hall committee	Knockin AR
Wed 3rd	6pm	Revolution Dance Academy	Knockin AR
Wed 3rd	7.30pm	RBL Committee	KPH
Thur 4th	2pm	Mothers' Union	KPH
Thur 4th	7.30PM	Knockin WI	Knockin AR
Fri 5th	2pm	Womens' World Day of Prayer	Melverley Methodist Chapel
Fri 5th	2pm	Basic IT	Knockin AR
Fri 5th	7.30pm	Folk Group 'Remembering Sandy Folk Concert'	KPH
Sat 6th	9.30am	Quilting Class	KPH
Mon 8th	7.30pm	St Mary's Knockin PCC AGM	Knockin AR
Tue 9th	7.30pm	Village Hall AGM	Maesbrook
Tue 9th	7.30pm	CPRE—Dr Andy Wigley 'Shropshire Landscapes' Memorial Hall, Oswestry	
Thur 11th	10am	Coffee, cakes & Library Bus	Maesbrook VH
Thur 11th	12.15	Luncheon Club	Knockin AR
Thur 11th	7.30pm	Kinnerley WI	KPH
Fri 12th	5-6.30pm	School Disco	KPH
Sat 13th	7.30pm	Barn Dance	Maesbrook VH
Sat 20th	2pm	Royal British Legion Rummage Sale	KPH
Mon 22nd	9.30am	Basic IT	Knockin AR
Thur 25th	10am	Coffee, cakes & Library Bus	Maesbrook VH
Thur 25th	11.15	Coffee Morning	The Rectory, Kinnerley
Thur 25th	12.15	Luncheon Club	Knockin AR
Fri 26th	7.30pm	Kinnerley WI Annual Quiz	KPH
Sat 27th	7.30pm	Quiz Night	Knockin AR
Mon 29th	9.30am	Making Posters	Knockin AR

### **Looking Ahead ORGANISERS PLEASE TRY TO AVOID CLASH OF DATES**

April 13th	Shrops Council Rural Countryside Engagements 5-9pm	KPH
May 19 <sup>th</sup>	Talk on Knockin Telescope	Knockin AR
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June 11th	CPRE Garden Evening	Tedsmore Hall
June 14 <sup>th</sup>	Playgroup Fashion Show	KPH
July 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Band Concert	KPH
July 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Fun Day	Dovaston URC
July 4 <sup>th</sup>	Proms, Praise & Picnic	Dovaston URC
July 17 <sup>th</sup>	Kinnerley Annual Fete	KPH
Sept 17th	Horticultural Evening	KPH
Oct 30th	Dance	KPH
<b>2010</b>		
May 16	Fashion Show	Knockin AR

### Regular Events

Mon	10.45	Basic IT	Knockin AR
Mon	11-12 noon	Line Dancing	Knockin AR
Mon	9-11.45am	Play Group	KPH
Mon	4:30-5:30 pm	Supa Club	Knockin AR
Mon	6pm	Revolution Dance Academy	Knockin AR
Mon	6-7pm	Junior Table Tennis	KPH
Tue	11.30-3pm	Play Group	KPH
Tue	7:30-8:30pm	Circuit Class	Knockin AR
Wed	10-11.30am	Yoga Class	KPH
Wed	6pm	Revolution Dance Academy	Knockin AR
Wed	7.30pm	Badminton	Knockin AR
Wed	7.30-8.30pm	Pilates	KPH
Thu	9-11.45am	Play Group	KPH
Thu	8.00pm	Melverley Whist Drive (Every 4 <sup>th</sup> Thu)	Melverley VH
Fri	9 -3.00pm	Play Group	KPH
Fri	10-11am	Pilates (beginners)	Knockin AR
Fri	6.30-7.30pm	Friday Club for children aged 5 to 11	Melverley VH
Fri	7.30-9pm	Youth Club	Knockin AR
Sat	10am	Revolution Dance Academy	Knockin AR
Sat	10.30-12 noon	Free coffee and chat at St Mary's Church	Kinnerley
Sun	10am	Maesbrk Sunday Club (1st Sun of month)	Maesbrk MC
Sun	10am	Junior Church 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th Sundays	KPH

### VILLAGE HALL CONTACT NUMBERS

Kinnerley Parish Hall	Enid Harrison	01691 682363
Knockin Assembly Rooms	Jane Edwards	01691 682215
Maesbrook Village Hall	Nicola Hodges	01691 682392
Melverley Village Hall	Sally Herbert-Jones	01691 682240

### **Your Telescope representatives are:**

Kinnerley	Judith Leach	01691 682639
	Angela Clarke	01691 683881
Knockin	Mary Brown	01691 682519
	Chris & Bill Cole	01691 682419
Maesbrook	David Slaughter	01691 682342
	Lynne Lloyd	01691 682455
Melverley	Karen Davies	01691 682659
	Hazel Hancocks	01691 682320
Dovaston	Hilary Bullen	01691 682231
	Christine Jones	01691 682333
Knockin Heath	Christine Jones	01691 682333
Pentre & Edgerley	Maggie Williams	01743 741213

Please hand in items for **April 2010 Telescope before Monday, March 15th** Or email to:  
**telescope.kinnerley@googlemail.com before this date**

# SCHOOL NEWS

## In School

We are still collecting the Nestle “Box Tops for Books” and also Flora “Cooking with Schools” tokens.

At the end of January school had a ‘Hats for Haiti’ fundraising day. Both children and staff were invited to wear a hat to school in exchange for £1. Also, there was a cakes and biscuits sale at the end of the day. The funds raised will be used by Unicef as part of their Haiti Earthquake Children’s Appeal.



## Out of School

As part of their work in art and history, Class 4 pupils visited the Jackfield Tile Museum at the beginning of February. The children were given the opportunity to design and create their own tile, using traditional Victorian techniques. Following on from this, at the beginning of March, the same pupils will visit Blists Hill Victorian Town giving them a opportunity to be immersed in a complete Victorian experience.

Don’t forget to check out the school blog @ [www.kinnerley.ethink.org.uk](http://www.kinnerley.ethink.org.uk)

## Dates for your Diary

Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> April – School breaks up for Easter.

Monday 19<sup>th</sup> April – Back to school.



# Kinnerley with Knockin Playgroup

Reg Charity No.1018895

## Meets at Kinnerley Parish Hall



### Session Times

Monday 9am– 11.45am

Tuesday 11.30am—3pm

Thursday 9am—11.45am

Friday 9am—3pm



**Contact Pauline Eveson 01691 682253**

**Kinnerley Men's Breakfast**

**Wednesday, 10<sup>th</sup> March 2010  
6.45-7.00am to 8.30am**

**The Tontine  
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**Speaker is David Thomas**

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**'LADIES THAT  
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The next meeting will be  
Wednesday, April 7<sup>th</sup> at 12.30  
At *The Black Horse*, Maesbrook

**Speaker TBA**

£6.00 Book (in advance) with  
Chris (Wright) on 01691 682301  
or by email to

[wednesdayladiesatlunch@googlemail.com](mailto:wednesdayladiesatlunch@googlemail.com)

**Maesbrook Gardening Club**

Meets at 7.30pm on the last Tuesday of  
the month in Maesbrook Village Hall. All  
are welcome to come.

The speaker for the meeting on 30th  
March is Margaret Thrower and her talk is  
entitled 'Seasons of Colour'.

**COFFEE MORNING.**

**Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> March.**

**11 am– pm**

**Kinnerley Parish Hall.**

Raffle prizes: Round of golf for 2, rubbish skip hire, meal for 2, cordless drill,  
No.7 make over + lots more!!  
Tombola, cake stall, lucky dip.  
Coffee, tea and biscuits 50p.

This is a fundraising event to help fund a special wheelchair bike for Libby  
Contact Sarah Jones for details – 01691 683802

For Louise - a fan of the recipe page

## **Peppered Mushroom and Stilton Pie** (Ingredients for 4)

Pastry \_\_\_\_\_ 225g (8oz) plain flour  
100g (3½oz) butter  
1 egg  
A little milk to bind, if needed  
1 beaten egg to glaze



### Method

Use your own method for pastry, wrap it in cling film and chill it for 30 mins.

Filling \_\_\_\_\_ 1 onion, sliced  
500g (1lb 2oz) button mushrooms, halved  
2 tbsp vegetable oil  
1 tbsp tomato purée  
1 tbsp soy sauce  
1 tbsp green peppercorns in brine, drained  
250ml (9fl oz) vegetable stock  
Salt and freshly ground black pepper  
200g (7oz) stilton cheese, crumbled

Fry the onion and mushrooms in hot oil until soft.

Add the tomato purée and cook for 5 minutes, then add the soy sauce, peppercorns and stock. Bring to the boil, then reduce the heat slightly and cook until the liquid has reduced by half. Season to taste.

Divide the filling mixture between four individual pie dishes. Divide the stilton between the dishes too.

Preheat oven to 200°C/ Fan 180°C/Gas 6. Cut the pastry into 4 pieces and roll into four circles, just bigger than the dishes.

Damp the rim of the dishes with water and cover them with pastry, trim the edges and cut a little hole in the top of each. Brush over with egg wash to glaze. Bake the pies for about 20 minutes until crisp and golden. Serve with buttery mash and green beans.

This filling could also be covered with mashed potato, sweet potato or a mix of mashed root vegetables. You could also use a savoury crumble on top or even put the filling without a top on some pasta or serve with some warm crusty bread. The choice is yours.

### **Free to a good home**

Olivetti Lettra 32 typewriter in carrying case.

Good cosmetic condition.

Needs a new ribbon and some use to free up the keys.

Everything seems to work.

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# COMMUNITY PAGES

## **Community Car Scheme Kinnerley, Knockin & Molverley**

The Community Car Scheme is operating within the three Parishes of Kinnerley, Knockin and Molverley.

If you have transport difficulties, for whatever reason, why not ring the coordinator on **07929 972413** and find out whether Community Cars can help you..

**More drivers would be most welcome. If you think that you can help would you please contact Joan & Rob Edwards on 682109. Thank you.**

## **MOBILE LIBRARY**

### **Route 11**

#### **Alternate Thursdays** **(Mar 11<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup>)**

Maesbrook VH 10.40-11.15 am  
Molverley, Tontine 11.30-11.45 am  
Kinnerley Mountside 12.00-12.15 pm

#### **Route 4 Alternate Thursdays** **(Mar 4<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup>)**

Pentre, The Grove 11.30 am-12.00 pm  
Edgerley, phone box 1.15-1.30 pm  
Kinnerley, Cross Keys 1.40-3.45 pm  
Knockin Heath, Crossroads 3.55-4.10 pm

#### **Route 8 Alternate Mondays** **(Mar 8<sup>th</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup>)**

Knockin, Knockin AR 1.00-1.10 pm  
Knockin, Old Police House 1.15-1.30 pm

Visits may be subject to change due to inclement weather, vehicle breakdown etc. For further information please telephone 01691 653211



## **COMMUNITY POLICEMEN**

You can contact the local community policeman PC Pete Dale who is based at Oswestry Police Station, **Tel: 0300 333 3000** or the Community Support Officer Colin Gordon: **Tel: 01743 264703** and ask for Oswestry Police Station. If PC Dale is unavailable leave a message on his answer phone using collar number 3078, or Email:



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[colin.gordon@westmercia.pnn.police.uk](mailto:colin.gordon@westmercia.pnn.police.uk)

## **Parish Computer and Projector**

A Laptop and Projector have been purchased for the benefit of the Parish. The equipment is ideal if you are planning to give an illustrated talk. DVDs can now be played as we have purchased some speakers. A donation of £5 would be appreciated towards depreciation costs and a spare bulb. Ring:

**Ring: H Bullen (01691 682231)**  
**M Williams (01743 741213)**



**For information contact:**  
**Melanie Lomax Tel: 01743 280070**  
or **Email: Mlomax@redcross.org.uk**

# St Mary's Church, Kinnerley – Quiz Answers

Section 1 - simply replace the capital letters with the words they represent e.g. 26 L of the A is Letters of the Alphabet.

1	4.55 L equals an I G	Litres in an Imperial gallon
2	27 B in the N T	Books in the New Testament
3	8 T on an O	Tentacles on an Octopus
4	16 O in a P	Ounces in a Pound
5	640 A in a S M	Acres in a Square Mile
6	3 F H	French hens
7	1969 F M L	First Moon Landing
8	1 U P is a B	Under Par is a Birdie
9	54 C in a D (with the J)	Cards in a Deck (with Jokers)
10	208 B in the H B	Bones in the Human Body
11	1485 B of B F	Battle of Bosworth Field
12	7 S to a H	Sides to a Heptagon
13	15 Y for a C W A	Years for a Crystal Wedding Anniversary
14	18 H on a G C	Holes on a Golf Course
15	12 D of J of N	Disciples of Jesus of Nazareth
16	57 H V	Heinz Varieties
17	64 S on a C B	Squares on a Chess Board
18	9 L of a C	Lives of a Cat
19	1403 B of S	Battle of Shrewsbury
20	79 A N of G	Atomic Number of Gold

Section 2 – find the place name in Great Britain from the clue provided.

21	An Armada made entirely of timber	Fleetwood
22	Count Dracula came ashore here	Whitby
23	Where on earth is Splott	Cardiff
24	Train set manufacturer	Hornby
25	A saucy town	Worcester
26	What you do after a shuffle	Deal
27	Peter Pan's girlfriend	Wendy
28	Not one of Henry Ford's black ones	Redcar
29	Can you find mint cake here?	Kendal
30	Rise call reordered	Carlisle

Section 3 – find the car make or model (old and new) from the clue provided

31	Spanish Holiday	Fiesta
32	Official Messenger	Herald or Mercury
33	Very least perhaps?	Mini
34	12 signs of it	Zodiac
35	Sweet with a hole in	Polo
36	Spanish painter	Picasso
37	WWF mascot	Panda
38	Wartime saviour	Spitfire
39	Young male horse	Colt
40	Lens adjustment	Focus
41	Success	Triumph
42	Abominable snowman	Yeti
43	Peoples' car	Volkswagen

44	Fought against the Roundhead	Cavalier
45	Gentle wind	Zephyr
46	Type of dancing	Morris
47	Authorisation	Fiat
48	Pleasure boats place of residence	Marina
49	Balearic island	Ibiza
50	Insect	Beetle

Missing Word: Stuffing

The winner of the Quiz was a Mrs B Ives from Hertfordshire. Thank you to all who took part.

### **Local Joint Committee Meeting Morda**

There will be a chance to find out more about developments in local health services, and about how you can get involved, when the St Oswald and Llanymynech Local Joint Committee (LJC) meets on 29 March at Morda & Sweeney Village Hall in Morda.

Speakers from Shropshire PCT and CInCH (the Shropshire Link for Community Involvement in Care & Health) will be at the meeting. Decisions will also be made on applications to the committee's Community Fund and there will be a presentation on the Love Food, Hate Waste campaign.

Doors open at 6.30pm for a chance to talk to speakers, local Councillors and Shropshire Council officers, and the meeting proper begins at 7pm.

Local Joint Committee meetings offer you the opportunity to raise issues that matter to you and your area.

The meetings are overseen by a panel of councillors from local town and parish councils and Shropshire Council.

St Oswald and Llanymynech Local Joint Committee is one of 28 LJC's that are now meeting regularly across Shropshire.

Thank you

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### **St Oswald and Llanymynech Local Joint Committee (LJC)**

29th March at 7pm at Morda Village Hall. The focus of the meeting will be funding projects for older children. Children and young people are particularly welcome to come along.

## Police Notes

PC 3078 Pete Dale, LPO, Oswestry Rural South



Barely 18 months ago we were dealing with the unbelievable tragedy at Osbaston House involving the Foster family. It beggars belief that we are now faced with a similiary horrifying incident within such a close proximity. Having personally dealt with the Mcfall family, on several previous occasions for unrelated matters, I can only concur with the comments made in the media by friends and family. They really were a lovely family and it is not only a great loss to their relations who remain but also to Oswestry itself.

On a happier note, general crime on the rural area has been fairly quiet, for another month and there have been no serious road traffic collisions. Always good news.

The interest in Rural Watch has been far more encouraging of late since our recent features in the magazine. Anyone else who is interested please contact either Colin, Hannah or myself.

As I compile these notes the sky outside is clear blue and the sun is shining brightly. Spring appears just around the corner. However, the Police Station is presently undergoing refurbishment around the front counter area, in order to facilitate wheelchair access. The constant banging noise from the builders is sending me crazy so it's time to sign off and get back out on patrol! But first I will let you know the PACT dates.

The following PACT surgeries have been scheduled for:

Knockin Village Hall - Mon 22 Feb 10 - 1800 hrs

Maesbrook Village Hall - Thu 25 Mar 10 - 1030 hrs

The next PACT meeting as part of the Local Joint Committee meeting is scheduled for: Morda Village Hall - Mon 29 Mar 10 - 1900 hrs.

### **FITNESS CLASS**

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# SPORTS PAGE

## Knockin and Kinnerley Cricket Club

It's on the way up at last! As some of you might have noticed after a few setbacks and delays due to bad weather our new pavilion has started to go up. It's a race against time now to get it ready for the start of the season at the end of April. Despite the fact that the build is progressing well, we are still busy fundraising in order to raise the rest of the money needed to complete the project!



We have already had two successful events this year. A very successful Quiz Night was held in January at Kinnerley Parish Hall. Thanks to all the organisers and helpers and, of course, huge thanks to those who turned up on the night and made it a great evening which raised about £500. Our second fundraiser of the year was a Roaming Valentine's Supper held in February. Thanks to Allen & Fiona Hammond, Anna & Barry Jones and Kirsten & Ed Nicholas for hosting the 3 courses of the meal. Special thanks also to Felicity Morgan ([www.felicitymorganflowersoswestry.co.uk](http://www.felicitymorganflowersoswestry.co.uk)) for donating the most beautiful bouquet of Valentine's flowers for our raffle. Our next event will be the Easter Fun Ride on Easter Sunday (April 4<sup>th</sup>) starting at Hilley Farm, Pentre.

In the meantime, pre-season nets have started at Packwood School every Sunday 8pm til 10pm. With 3 teams to field this season we are looking to attract some new recruits. We cater for all comers, young and not so young, of what-ever standard, so why not come along and give it a go. The Tea Ladies will soon be starting to think about the Cricket Tea Rota! To keep up to date with all our news and events, log onto our website at [www.kkcc.btik.com](http://www.kkcc.btik.com); or contact **Tim Hammond 01691 682 780..**

### Flicks in the Sticks presentation

Firstly, thank you to those who braved hail and rain and snow, to come to the last two films at Flicks in the Sticks. It is really good to get your support, and it is allowing us to make a small profit (now that all the equipment is paid for).

From the extra money raised by running a bar at Flicks in the Sticks it has been decided to support the local community, this time with a donation of £300 to the Kinnerley and Knockin Cricket Club to help with the funding of their new pavilion. On Thursday 18th February a cheque for £300 was presented to Tim Hammond on behalf of the Flicks in the Sticks team. We look forward to hearing good reports of the 2010 Cricket Season.

*Maggie and the Flicks team*