

Claydon with Clattercote Newsletter

October 2018

ANOTHER CRACK IN A WALL



The large crack shown in the photograph above is just one of several signs of deterioration in the wall which separates the two village greens.

This has prompted the Parish Council to survey villagers on whether they wish to fund an expensive repair, which will only cover part of the wall, or consider other alternatives.

Survey forms have been delivered with this Newsletter.

Please take the opportunity to have your say. Please return the forms to any Parish Councillor or to 13 Bignolds Close before 3rd November.

VILLAGERS SUPPORT MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING



On 28th September villagers took part in the Macmillan's World's Biggest Coffee Morning, thanks to the organisational skills of June Allen, Margaret Atkins and Claire Stanley (photographed from left to right above).

The event raised £800.65. In addition to the coffee or tea and cake enjoyed on the day, there was the opportunity to purchase a cake to take away, or browse the book stall.

No village fundraising event is complete without an Anne Hoggins raffle (pictured on the next page). Included in the total the raffle itself raised £131, and the accompanying 'Guess the name of the Teddy Bear' raised £21. The name of the bear was Grumpy.

Thanks to everyone who organised, contributed to and supported the event.



Invitations

Everyone is welcome to attend a **Halloween Party** on Saturday 27th October starting at 6.00 pm in the Orchard behind Priory Cottage. Fancy Dress is optional.

Offers of help would be much appreciated, to make punch, bake cakes etc or help in setting up. Children are encouraged to bring a pumpkin or some spooky decorations.

There is an event for this set up on the Claydon Facebook page.

Contact Mel Love on 07743184919 or email mellove1894@aol.com

SENIOR CITIZENS' CHRISTMAS LUNCH

The Senior Citizens' Christmas Lunch will take place at Cherwell Edge Golf Club on **Friday 14th December** at 12.30 for 1.00 pm. A two course meal will be served for £16.50 per head. If you would like to attend please contact Margaret Bricknell on 690279.

REMEMBRANCE

The 2018 Armistice Project, [There But Not There](#), aims to educate all generations in this year of remembering 100 years since the end of World War I in 1918.

As part of the campaign seated silhouettes will be placed around the country to remember the fallen of this war in particular. They will remind local communities, as names are read once more from memorials that these are real people, and we place them back into the spaces they left behind.

The Shires' Edge Benefice (churches in Claydon, Cropredy, Great Bourton, Mollington and Wardington) has received a grant to fund 5 silhouettes, which will be placed in each church as part of the Remembrance Day services. The grant was made under the Armistice and Armed Forces Communities programme, which makes awards to bring communities together and to think about the Armed Forces today.

Revd Hilary Campbell

Austin Spencer Hadland



Cptn. Austin Spencer Hadland, was born on March 11 1877 at Clattercote Priory and baptized in St James the Great church, Claydon. He was killed in action on the Western Front in the Great War on March 24th 1918.

an awful shock, broke out into a profuse perspiration and turned over on my back to get into the shell hole as much as possible feeling very faint. I lay quite still to make them think I was done in. Bullets and shells were flying about and I was horribly uncomfortable. Added to this I could not get back except by risking being shot again. I had to face a stay of how long I did not know. It was most unpleasant. However, as luck would have it after a long wait their fire slackened down, another company of our men came through then I crawled out and got back to our assembly trench where the stretcher bearers bound me up. From there I got back and eventually found myself in hospital at Rouen. There I stayed for a week and was then sent home. This is a lovely country house [Lady Cooper's Hospital for Officers at Hursley Park] and there are about 40 officers here. We are in the lap of luxury, splendidly looked after."

In December 1917 Captain Hadland returned to the front and took on duties as 2nd in command of the Batt, with temporary rank of Major. The "big show" began on March 20th and on Sunday March 24th he was killed in action "whilst walking about encouraging his men, although wounded and exhausted". It was Palm Sunday. On a day of Christian celebration yet another young life was sacrificed in obscene carnage of the western front.

Don Siviter

POPPY COLLECTION

Anne Hoggins will be touring the village collecting for the British Legion Poppy Appeal from Saturday 27th October to Saturday 10th November.

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Post from Bear Gryll's Instagram Page

“Respect to the Commando team. Did you know that nine out of ten people fail the toughest mountaineering challenge in the UK, but then nine out of ten people aren't Royal Marines from 45 Commando Recce Troop. Not only did they complete the gruelling Cuillin Ridge on the Isle of Skye, but they shaved nearly one third off the time it normally takes expert climbers.”



The team was led by Claydon's own Captain Arron Broughton, (pictured far right)

The 12 km route normally takes most experienced climbers 30 hours to finish. Recce Troop achieved it in 21 hours 45 minutes wearing military fatigues and using military kit.

POST BOX

The village post box is now back in operation.

Diary Dates

HALLOWEEN PARTY

Saturday 27th October 6.00 pm in the Priory Cottage Orchard

HOLY COMMUNION

Sunday 28th October 11.00 am at St James Church

EVENING PRAYER

Sunday 4th November 6.00 pm at St James Church

REMEMBRANCE SERVICE

Sunday 11th November 10.50 am at St James Church

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Tuesday 13th November at 7:30 p.m. in the Church Room

LITTLE LIGHTS GROUP

Thursday 15th November 10.30 to 12.00 for pre- school children and carers in the Church Room

BCP HOLY COMMUNION

Sunday 18th November 8.30 am at St James Church

COFFEE MORNING

Wednesday 21st November 10:30 am in the Church Room

LITTLE LIGHTS AND CHRISTINGLE

Thursday 13th December 10.30 to 12.00 for pre- school children and carers in the Church Room

CAROL SERVICE

Sunday 16th December 4.00 pm at St. James' Church

CRIB SERVICE -

Christmas Eve Monday 24th December 3.00 pm at St. James' Church

CHRISTMAS DAY - COMMUNION

Tuesday 25th December 10.00 am at St. James' Church

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