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Tues 1 st	12.30pm	Lunch Club	Village Hall, Back Room
Wed 2 nd	7.30pm	Stock & Bradley Gardening Club	Bradley Village Hall
Sat 5 th	10am - noon	Children's Society Coffee Morning	Parish Church
Sun 6 th	7.30pm	Men in General'	Village Hall
Thur 10 th	7.30pm	Feckenham WI	Village Hall, Back Room
Sat 12 th	7pm	Harvest Supper	Village Hall
Sat 12 th & Sun 13 th	11.30am - 4.30pm	Scarecrow Weekend	Village
Sun 13 th	11am	Harvest Festival	Parish Church
Fri 18 th	8pm	FeckenOdeon-2	Back Room Village Hall
Sat 26 th	7.30pm	FeckenOdeon	Village Hall

Front Cover

A beautiful bloom presented at the Flower Show last month.



Photo by Ian Belion.

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Saturday 12th October 7pm

Feckenham Village Hall

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Readers and Intercessors

Sunday 6th

Trinity 16

11.00am

Sung Eucharist

Ruth 4: 13-18
Galatians 4: 21-26
Intercessions

David Street
Vanda Cookes
Ann Matthews



Sunday 13th

Trinity 17

11.00am Harvest Festival

Isaiah 35: 1-10
James 3: 13-18
Intercessions

Tony Perryman
Margaret Perryman
Cyril Warrilow

Sunday 20th

Trinity 18

6.30pm

Evensong

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Intercessions

Oliver White
Patricia Collins
John Calvert

Sunday 27th

Last after Trinity

11.00am

Holy Communion

Ruth 1: 5-18 Shirley Harman
Acts 15: 36-41 Bob Fish
Intercessions Mark Wheatley

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Mass is celebrated every Sunday at 10.15am in the Church

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Welcome to Feckenham

On the 2nd August, Jacqui Longhi and her 23 year old daughter Mia moved into the French's old house, The Orchard, number 3 Droitwich Road. They have moved from Webheath and Jacqui works at Mappleborough Green School. She also has a grown up son and two pugs – Ziggy and Boo.

Congratulations

Jo and Cyril Warrilow of Timber End, High Street, have been celebrating a 'family triple'. Their eldest granddaughter Imogen Parker having graduated from Nottingham University obtaining her BSc with a 2.1, whilst her younger sibling Ruby obtained three distinctions in 'Animal Care & Management' at Witney College and will continue her studies at Plymouth University. Samuel Warrilow not to be left out, obtained 9 GCSE's, A* - C, and will continue his studies in the sixth form at Trinity High School, Redditch. We are indebted to local and Oxford schools and teachers for their input and encouragement over many years.

For your information The Village Shop will be opening until 4.30pm on the Scarecrow Weekend (12th & 13th October), let's hope the weather is fine for this popular event.

We have added many more new lines and as the weather gets cooler you might fancy a curry! For an easy option there are Mr. Daves ready meals, just add rice and our plain or garlic

& coriander naans, and various Sharwood's curry sauces make the basis for your own preferences. Tortilla wraps are a great meal for the family, and the children will enjoy adding their own favourite fillings. New in are packs of

6 Pain Au Chocolat, lovely for an indulgent breakfast or snack.

You will notice that the till & counter area has gone through a facelift. We are always looking at ways to improve the environment within the shop for the volunteers and customers alike



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Thought for the month

Rev. Wyn Beynon

Dear Friends,

Our Jewish brothers and sisters celebrate New Year in the Autumn - this year 29th September. It is called Rosh Hashanah ("Head of the Year") and it celebrates of the • birth of the universe, the first humans and the enthroning of God as King. It makes a lot of sense to me since I was brought up in farming. The harvest is over and the fields are plowed ready for sowing either now or in the spring. It is in many ways the start of the annual cycle. The school and university year is based on this because children in rural areas had a long summer break to help with harvest. Harvest Thanksgiving should be so much more than "thank you for the flowers". It should be a celebration of creation, of matter, of createdness and embodiment. • Christians end the autumn with another celebration of the blessedness of creation with the incarnation "enfleshment" of God in Jesus, the Christ child.

As climate change reaches a point where it is going to be irreversible Christians must join with all people of good will to do what we can to mitigate the effects of this ecological catastrophe and change our attitudes to the earth and our care of it.

The political uncertainty (as I write it is changing by the hour!) reflects the unknown future of our good earth and its amazing complexity of life systems. Thankfulness and humility would be a good place to start on the long road back to healing and wholeness.

best wishes, Wyn

Friends of Feckenham Church



The **AGM of the Charity** will take place at The Church of St John the Baptist on Friday **15th November 2019** at 730pm.

All are very welcome to come and hear about the projects completed and those being proposed and to view the finances of the Charity.

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Sunday, 6th October
MEN IN GENERAL
"A Capella Quadruplets"



Men in General - Village Hall - 6th October

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THE SHOP SPONSORS THE MEN

The performance by Men in General is sponsored by The Village Shop. Proceeds from all Live & Local (Shindig) shows are used to maintain and upgrade the Hall.

Village Hall

Improvement Fund 2018/19



August Winners

69 Dave Mitchell	£25
83 Mark & Barbara Wheatley	£15
95 Minky Waters	£10

September Winners

101 Douglas & Ann Curtis	£25
76 Wren Chute	£15
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This Month: Fasting, Feasting

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Details from Marion Chute - 892285

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Feckenham Churches Harvest Supper

Saturday 12th October : 7pm

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Weekend

12th & 13th October

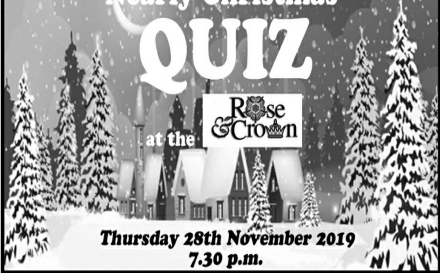


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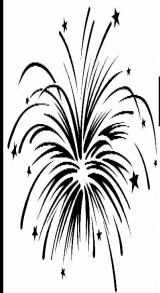
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Feckenham Cricket Club

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Saturday, 2nd November

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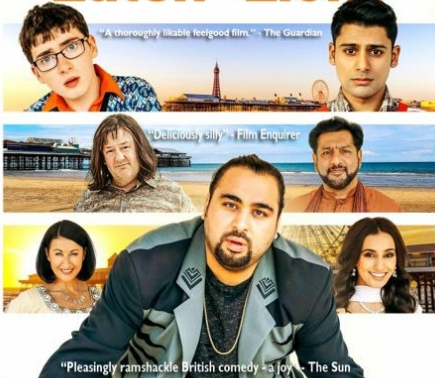
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Saturday, 26th October - 7.30pm

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FeckenOdeon Cinema Society

Ian Bellion



LIONS LOVE BLACKPOOL

Fecknodeon 2 has a bit of un for a Friday night in the form of "Eaten by Lions". Omar and Pete are half brothers. When their parents are eaten by lions they embark on a journey to find Omar's real father. What follows is a funny, heart-warming journey of self-discovery for both boys...in Blackpool. What will the brothers make of their eccentric newfound family? Will they be going to Mecca or Mecca bingo? A British comedy that's sharp, current and very funny.

"EATEN BY LIONS"

Friday, 18th October at 8pm



REAR WINDOW.... ON MURDER

None of Hitchcock's films has ever given a clearer view of his genius for suspense than Rear Window. When photographer Jeff Jeffries (James Stewart) is confined to a wheelchair, he watches his neighbours from his rear window. He suspects a salesman may have murdered his nagging wife and decides to investigate... and that leads to one of the most gripping endings in all of film history.

This film was withdrawn from the last season because of distribution problems - but now it's back and the show will definitely go ahead!

"REAR WINDOW"

Saturday, 26th October at 7.30pm

Tickets for all FeckenOdeon shows are on sale at The Village Shop and The Rose & Crown. You can also book by phone (through TicketSource) on 0333 666 3366 or online at www.fecknodeon.co.uk



SCARY SWANS

Swansbrook Radio will be at the Scarecrow Weekend on October 12th & 13th. Just look for our sophisticated pop up studio (a blue tent) on The Square. You're welcome to visit - but comments about the similarity of the broadcasters to the other exhibits will not be appreciated.

Pop in for a chat, drop in a request for a favourite piece of music - or to suggest a subject for a programme. We'll be delighted to see you. We may not be in personal attendance throughout the day so, if you find only a scarecrow in the studio, just leave us a note and we'll get back to you.

REMEMBER THOSE FAR AWAY...

Christmas is coming - there's no avoiding it - and it's a time for thinking of loved ones far away. Perhaps you have family or friends who've decided that life down under is for them. Perhaps you have almost lost touch with someone who has moved out of the village. Our internet radio station can be heard all over the world - and that means that you can send your festive greetings to anyone you like along with a request for a suitable piece of music. Just email us at radio@feckenham.com and we'll make it happen!

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ADVANCE WARNING

CAROLS ON THE SQUARE

Will take place as usual
CHRISTMAS EVE - from 6.30pm

Scarecrow Weekend



SCARECROWS ARE COMING

Feckenham Scarecrow Weekend is back. The event will take place on **Saturday, 12th October and Sunday, 13th October** and the Scarecrows will be on parade from 11.30am to 4.30pm each day.

There'll be a Scarecrow Trail to follow with maps available at the start on The Square - where you'll also find the (in)famous pink Tea Tent with a mouthwatering array of cakes to be washed down with tea, coffee or soft drinks. There'll be games and novelties for the youngsters.

MAKE YOUR OWN...

Without scarecrows there would be no Scarecrow Weekend so this is where YOU come in. We want you to make the most eye-catching and original scarecrows you can imagine. Your scarecrow must be placed where the public can see it from the pavement and be within the central village. If you live outside you'll be welcome to display your masterpiece on The Square. There'll be prizes for the BEST SCARECROW.

PLEASE NOTE: So that the Scarecrow Trail Map can be prepared in time we **MUST** have received your entry form by 6th October .

SCARY HELPERS NEEDED!

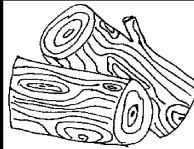
This event is being run by Feckenham Wake Committee and Feckenham Entertainments Committee in aid of the Square's Tree Fund.

If you can spare an hour over the weekend, help to erect the tent or help us prepare and sell teas please contact Marion Chute on 892285

What's On this month in STOCK & BRADLEY

12th HARVEST SUPPER
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Feckenham C. C.

Bob Gordon



As I write, the summer seems to have departed with some haste and left mornings and evenings noticeably cooler than we had become used to – the “Season of mists and mellow fruitfulness” are with us.

As had been anticipated from its early stages, the restructured Worcestershire County League – which comprised existing teams plus a number of clubs that joined from the stronger Birmingham League – has been very tough for a number of clubs. Both our first and second teams have struggled and will be dropping a division or two as we and other clubs enter discussions with the league in an attempt to find the right level for next season.

As much of a challenge for Feckenham Cricket Club will be to attract additional players. A few have been lost this season due to injuries, relocation and the demands of new families and consequently, getting full teams out this season has been a major issue. To add to the problem, two of our stronger players have placed their last games for the club. Tom Coulson started as a youngster and became one of the best bowlers in the league, achieving the unbelievable feat of taking all 10 wickets in a match against Malvern CC in 2015. After finishing university last year he relocated to London but still managed to travel back to Worcestershire for every game this season in order to match his skills against Premier Division opposition. For a struggling team he took 50 wickets, which is quite remarkable.

Josh Stacey also came through the youth system and similarly moved to London after university – unfortunately, his work made it very difficult to play on Saturdays, but did manage a handful of matches for us. Josh was always a great batsman to watch and probably the most exciting that I have seen playing for the club. He played aggressively and scored several centuries, including 119 against Ombersley in 2015, when he achieved more than 1,000 runs for the season. My favourite memory was seeing Josh scoring a swashbuckling 76 in a great win at Redditch in which he several times lofted the ball onto the roof of the squash centre. On one occasion an emerging squash player made a rapid about-face and return to its safety as another ball clattered down. **Tom and Josh – you will be missed.**

Ladies softball cricket is taking off in a big way at the club. This is a game played with eight players who bat in pairs for two overs and are then replaced by the next pair. Everyone bowls!

The Worcestershire County Cricket Board helps to run softball tournaments, which can have for clubs or more competing. A club typically plays two or three games on a reduced pitch size, with multiple games taking place concurrently.

Our ladies played at New Road Worcester a month or so back and won two of their three games while at Romsley on 8th September they played and beat local rivals Astwood Bank and Cookhill. The latter game was nail-biting, as Rebecca Eost faced the last ball, needing just one run to win but showed no nerves as she struck the ball cleanly and another victory was sealed. Our ladies have a great time together and delight in this fun form of the game. There is even talk of joining an indoor league for the winter and it is highly likely that a tournament will be held one weekend next summer.

By the time that you read this, we will have carried out the important annual task of preparing the 20+ wickets by scarifying, adding loam and reseeding. Work is also needed on a number of damaged boundary boards and a few more will be constructed.

We are hoping to find funds to dredge the stream that runs along the North edge of the field and carries water down to the Whirly Hole (the mill pond for those not familiar with the village). It has become overgrown and clogged and so needs to be cleared in order to help water run off the ground and be carried away by the stream on wet days.

Feckfest took place on August Bank holiday Sunday in torrid conditions, with the thermometer up to 33 degrees. It was a great success, although the extreme heat did seem to reduce appetites as the food vendors did much less trade than expected. Although we have not received the final invoices the final profit is not absolutely clear yet but it is anticipated that we will be able to donate a four-figure sum to Midlands Air Ambulance.

As Autumn gets a grip, we now look ahead to the annual Bonfire and Firework event, which this year will take place on Saturday November 2nd. As usual there is no admission charge but there will be a bucket collection – if you join us, please give generously as you will be helping to pay for 2020's fireworks!

Stock & Bradley Gardening Club

Rob Cole

NEXT CLUB EVENT - Wednesday 2nd October at 7:30pm Our speaker is a welcome return by Bob Brown from Cotswold Garden Flowers at Badsey. Bob is a knowledgeable and entertaining speaker and will give us a talk entitled 'A Garden for November' in which he will guide us through some choices for the November garden.

The theme for our members' monthly competition will be 'Autumn'. Our speaker will act as judge, and every entry will win a point, and 1st, 2nd, and 3rd will be awarded additional points. The member with the most number of points in the year will then be awarded a prize of a £20 gift token at the December 2019 meeting.

On Wednesday 6th November at 7:30pm

Howard Drury will give us a talk entitled 'My Favourite Women Gardeners'.

The theme for the members' monthly competition will be 'November Fruit'.

Club meetings are held on the first Wednesday of each month at the Village Hall, Church Road, Bradley Green starting at 7.30pm, and are free to members for an annual subscription of £5.00 for 2019. Visitors are made very welcome and may attend for £3.00 per meeting.

If you require any further information, ring Dinny Pynsent (Secretary) on 01527 821355 or Rob Cole (Chairman) on 01527 821156.

Feckenham W.I.

Glenda Smith



We had a very successful September meeting, with two lovely ladies, Ingrid and Charmian from Droitwich Waitrose telling us about the history of Waitrose and the John Lewis partnership and providing us with wine and cheese tasting. Both were very passionate about what they do, Ingrid extremely knowledgeable about wines and like wise Charmian very knowledgeable about cheeses. Members and visitors were able to taste a variety of wines with appropriately matched cheeses with accompaniments and a lovely selection of soft drinks also available. Ingrid and Charmian were happy to answer our questions and members agreed tasting wine and eating cheese was definitely a good way to spend an evening especially with the company of friends.

Our October meeting is on Thurs. 10th

- Worcester Porcelain - A Collector's Tale with Colin Millet. There will be a quiz, and you are welcome to bring items for comment. Visitors welcome £4.

OUTINGS

30th Oct. "Swan Lake" at The Palace Theatre
31st Oct. Evening at 'The Rees Cafe', Redditch
19th Nov. "Cats" at The Palace Theatre.
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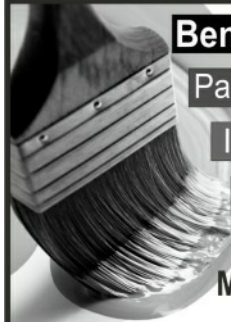
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