

WESTON UNDERWOOD NEWS

Hi everybody

CONGRATULATIONS to Michael and Joanna Page on the birth of their daughter, Georgina Elizabeth, on 25 October; a first grandchild for Elizabeth!

FANTASTIC FUNDRAISER

Congratulations to Beverley Phillips and her team of Boob and Cup Cake makers on their amazing Breakthrough Bakeoff on 17 October. £714.90 was raised for Breakthrough Breast Cancer. What a result; Well Done!

HARVEST FESTIVAL AND SUPPER

The Harvest Festival on the evening of Sunday, September 21st was Janet Lawrence's last service at Weston Underwood and was well attended. Freddie Barnes ably assisted during Janet's talk and there was an auction of produce following the service. A collection of tins, packets etc was also delivered to MK Food Bank.

The Harvest Supper took place on Saturday, October 4th with an attendance of over 40. The new padded chairs in the Village Hall were much admired and appreciated! The customary fare of shepherd's pie followed by crumble was enjoyed by all. Nigel Roper devised a delectable biscuit quiz and Hugh Hadland auctioned an array of fabulous lots. Together with the proceeds of the Harvest Festival auction we will be sending a cheque for £334 to Willen Hospice.

Thank you to all those who came and a particularly big thank you to those who helped with the organising, setting up, washing up, clearing up and cooking up!

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CHURCH THINGS

The Churchyard clear up will be on Saturday 6 December. The Church cleaning and decorating will be the next Saturday, 13th. Help for both these will be much appreciated, we will meet at 9am.

The Carol Service is on Sunday 14 December at 6pm; there will be mulled wine and mince pies following the service.

Unfortunately the Christmas Day service is again at 11am, so you'll have to leave Granny in charge of the turkey!

CHRISTMAS WREATH COMPETITION

If you would like to take part, please hang your homemade wreath on the door by Sunday 21 December. The prize is a 2 course meal at the Oak.

Talking of the Oak, Tim writes:-

As some of you may have heard, the Cowpers Oak are launching their first **Sloe Gin evening** on Sunday 28th December from 7pm. This is an opportunity for you to show off your much-fabled family recipes. Entry is £5 per bottle and will entitle you to sample all other offerings as well as judging your favourite. There will be a prize for the winning Sloe Gin and it should be a fun evening for all. Please ensure you have at least a 500ml bottle ready for judging.

PARISH COUNCIL

The October meeting started with a presentation from the Olney Town Council Neighbourhood Plan steering group, the key issue being future housing site allocations. This subject attracted an attendance of 24 members of the public! 300 plus dwellings will be on the plan; the fields on the Weston side of Aspreys are all allocated as possible sites, the biggest concern being the one on the

corner, although we are told this will be the least likely site. There will obviously be an increase in traffic through the village; a speed limit of 40mph between Weston and Olney has been suggested through the capital programme for highways works. Residents' letters will back this up. The Alcove lease is with MK Council legal department so the pace has now slowed. At the November meeting the SRW Club was awarded a £100 donation that was held back earlier because there was some question over it being able to continue luckily this has now been sorted. A planning application for the removal of the agricultural tie on Overbrook House was discussed at length, the conclusion was that more clarification is required.

There was a theft from a car in Cowpers Orchard a few weeks ago. Please be vigilant and lock your vehicle at all times.

The Village Hall is available for hire. Contact Angus or Sheridan Clarke on 712047.

Any items for the next issue to westonunews@gmail.com, phone 711677 or call at Old PO.

I would like to wish you all a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Pat