

FROM THE VICAR

As autumn begins to creep up on us, we approach the time of year in church and community when we look back, remembering those who've gone before us – family members and other loved ones who have died.

This year is of course the centenary of the end of the First World War, and so our Remembrance celebrations have a special resonance. On Page 6 of this magazine are details of the special concert in Cirencester church on November 2nd, in which our own Coln choir is taking part. There are Remembrance services in our various churches (fuller details next month), and the one in the western CHEQS villages will be a united service at Hatherop.

Before then is the festival of All Saints, when we look back with gratitude, and thank God for, not just the great saints of old but also those Christians whom we remember personally. There are details elsewhere in this magazine of our In Memoriam service at which we remember them by name.

There have been staffing changes in our team in the last few months. Two of our curates have moved on to take charge of churches of their own – Lynn Hayler to Derbyshire and Jonathan Clark to Hampshire. This summer Sarah Haslam, of Poulton, was recommended for training for ordination; she'll be commuting weekly to Oxford for that over the next couple of years, and we wish her well as she does so. No doubt we'll be seeing more of her in some of our churches in the process.

I'm particularly glad personally that funding has been found to provide some extra help with the 'other half' of my job – the three churches in the south of our Team that I look after alongside our own Coln, Hatherop & Quenington. Nick Scott will be joining us for two-and-a-half days a week to work in Kempsford & Whelford. That will not only give them some much-needed extra input, but will free me to do my job a little more thoroughly in my other churches, not least here in CHEQS.

So if you haven't seen much of me recently, let's put that right: invite me round for a coffee and let's catch up!

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "John Partington". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal stroke underneath the name.

FROM THE REGISTERS

Congratulations to **Rosie Partington & Steven Scott** and **Charlotte Murphy & Jonathan Shilland**, married in Coln church last month.

COLN ST ALDWYNS FETE

A record profit for the Coln St Aldwyns Children's Fete & CHEQS Produce Show

A great fun day out for children and their families, it made a record-breaking profit of £8,000 to donate to local children's charities. This is slightly more than last year when we made donations to the James Hopkins Trust, Noah's Ark Children's Venture, Hatherop and Southerop primary schools, Scrubditch Care Farm, Cotswold Counselling, the Friends of Paternoster School, Home-Start Cotswolds, and the Coln playground. Application forms for this year can be downloaded from our website www.colnfunday.com.

None of this would have been possible without the support of many people and local businesses who gave generously of their time and money. We'd like to thank Micky St Aldwyn for once again throwing open his beautiful gardens to host the fete and Cotswold Airport for being our overall sponsor again. Among our many other sponsors and supporters were AJ Arborists, Barbury Shooting School, Coln Community Stores, SE Controls, Sweetfuels, White Monk Building Contractors, bake, BBC Gardeners' World Live, CCM Ltd, Computer Solutions, Donkeywell Forge, Little Gems Facepaint, Lynwood & Co, Macaroni Organic Farm, The New Inn, Samantha Key, Abbey Home Farm, Barnsley House, BBC Gardeners' World Magazine, BBC Good Food Magazine, BBC Top Gear Magazine, BBC History Magazine, Batsford Arboretum, Piers Belmont, Bibury Trout Farm, Bowmoor Sailing Club, Buscot Park, Corinium Museum, Cotswold Distillery, Cotswold Farm Park, Cotswold Life, Cotswold Motoring Museum, Cotswold Outdoor, Cotswold Wildlife Park, Crocodile, Hidcote Manor, Sally Peachey, and Scrubditch Care Farm.

It's amazing and humbling that a small village and its friends can achieve so much...

QUENINGTON VILLAGE HALL COFFEE MORNING

Saturday October 13th, 10.30 am - 12 noon. We will have the normal delicious cakes and raffle. Anyone wishing to contribute cakes, please bring them along – costs will be reimbursed!



The League of
Friends of
Fairford Hospital

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR Saturday 17 November at Fairford Community Centre. 10.00am - 12 noon. Christmas cards, raffle tickets, cake sales, book and bottle stalls. Gifts, plants, refreshments, etc. will be available. Raffle tickets can also be bought at our Charity Shop in Lechlade with a first prize of £100 cash and many more prizes from local businesses.

HOUSE-TO-HOUSE FINAL TOTAL, including Gift Aid. This year's House-to-House event raised £19,506 for The League of Friends. Another tremendous result. Our thanks go to all the volunteers who make this happen and to all our supporters in the community for their generosity. The League would also like to thank Coln Choir for donating the proceeds of their summer concert, £350.

For further ways of helping the League of Friends, see next page.

AT ST LAWRENCE, LECHLADE THIS MONTH

Oct 4th at 7.30pm: Men Aloud Out – Harvest festival at the Trout Inn. All men welcome to join (church-members or not). Call Chris for more information on 01367 252845.

Oct 12th at 12 noon: Serenade and Sandwiches – at St Lawrence Church Lechlade with Paul Turner on Piano. Classical pianist Paul Turner trained at the Royal Academy of Music in London, where his prize-winning studentship culminated in the Queen's Commendation for Excellence. Paul was later elected an Associate of the Academy. His programme offers an intriguing mix of jazz, ragtime and South American rhythms alongside the classic waltz and polonaise. After the recital Paul will join the audience for a light lunch

Oct 27th at 7.00 pm: Remembering the Great War. The Great War changed lives in many ways, and one hundred years ago the war was drawing to a close. This evening at St Lawrence church Lechlade we will remember in music, poetry and prose the many sacrifices made. Tickets from 1st September: Lechlade Post Office, Helen Jones 01367 252402 email helenfsjones@aol.com; and other Appeal Committee Members.

FAIRFORD HOSPITAL LEAGUE OF FRIENDS ...

... NEEDS YOUR HELP!

We need more volunteers to help us deliver our services within the community. If you think you can help in any of the following rewarding roles please do get in touch.

Lechlade Charity Shop

Can you spare three hours a week to help out as a volunteer in our Lechlade Charity Shop? We have a committed team of cheerful and enthusiastic volunteers that are great to work with but we do need more help. If you think you can help please contact Debbie Ash (Shop Manager) on 01367 252189 or call in to the shop at Lloyds Bank House, Lechlade.

Patient Transport Scheme

Volunteer Drivers Required

We have a team of volunteer drivers who provide over 700 journeys a year for people in our community who have difficulty getting to their medical appointments at GP surgeries and local hospitals. We urgently need more drivers to help with this vital community service. We do ask our drivers to complete a DBS check as this service provides much needed support and assistance to many vulnerable people in our community. Car running costs are paid for.

Do you think you can help? If so, please contact Christine Barker on: 07767 408409 or email fairford.lof@hotmail.co.uk

Edna Dawes Lunch Club

Minibus Drivers Required

Can you spare three hours a month to help get our Lunch Club Members to Fairford Hospital on a Monday or Wednesday? We need additional minibus drivers to pick up and take home our members from the Lunch Club held at Fairford Hospital. We do ask our drivers to complete a DBS check. If you are interested please contact Shirley Rice on 01367 253096.

QUENINGTON VILLAGE HALL AGM

Thursday November 22nd , 7.00 pm

We will be reporting another busy year for the hall and electing the management committee for the forthcoming year. All welcome, hope to see you there for a glass of wine and chat at 7.00 pm – business commences 7.30 pm.

GUIDE DOGS FOR THE BLIND ...

... is holding an Autumn Fair on Saturday 27th, 11.00 am to 3.00 pm at the Fairford Community Centre, GL7 4AF. Meet our Guide Dogs, Craft and Gift Stalls, Cakes, Raffle and Tombola. Donations of cakes and raffle prizes most welcome. Contact Tracey 01285 750676 or cirengdba@gmail.com.

FAIRFORD ART SOCIETY

Thursday 4th 7.30 pm at Fairford Community Centre – Demonstration by Catherine Beale Landscapes in watercolour V.isitors welcome £3.00 coffee and raffle.

Saturday 20th, 10.00 am till 4.00 pm: Workshop with Catherine Beale at Fairford Community Centre Keble Room, £35.00; limited spaces. Contact Sue O’Connell on 01285 711115.

Get together painting sessions Tuesdays 2nd & 9th and Thursdays 18th & 25th. Subject ‘Rivers’ or do your own thing. Bring your own source material. £3.00 per session; visitors welcome. Contact Sallie Seymour on 01367 850385.

COLN CINEMA INVITES YOU ..

... to a showing of “The Post”

at Vicarage Cottage Barn on Friday 9 November at 7.30 pm. (doors open 7.00 pm.)

Steven Spielberg directs Meryl Streep and Tom Hanks in The Post, a thrilling drama about the unlikely partnership between The Washington Post’s Katherine Graham (Streep), the first female publisher of a major American newspaper, and the editor Ben Bradlee (Hanks), as they race to catch up with The New York Times to expose a massive cover-up of government secrets that spanned three decades and four U.S. Presidents. The two must overcome their differences as they risk their careers – and their very freedom – to help bring long-buried truths to light.

115 mins. Cert. PG - 13.

QUENINGTON VILLAGE HALL 100 CLUB- August Winners

1st No. 48 M.Stranks, 2nd No 59 J.Sayer, 3rd No 10 S.Norris

New members always welcome. Numbers cost £12 for the year and all profits go towards the village hall funds. Contact David /Bostock on 01285 750456 for more information.

THE ELEVENTH HOUR

Celebrate the coming of peace in 1918 with Coln Choir and friends in a charity concert at Cirencester Parish Church on 2nd November!

The assassination of the Arch Duke Franz Ferdinand in Sarajevo led to the inexorable slip to war between the European powers in 1914, and began a conflict which ranks among the deadliest in human history. It was a

conflict which decimated a generation of young men in this country and in mainland Europe. Many of the dead and injured came from far-off parts of the then British Empire, and were brought over to suffer the rigours of the battlefields in Europe and beyond.



Join Coln Choir and friends for a programme of music and words as part of a Cirencester-wide festival to mark the centenary of the Armistice at the end of the Great War in November 1918. We look at the sacrifices made by soldiers and civilians on both sides of that conflict but, more importantly, celebrate the coming of peace after 4 years of bitter conflict and the loss of some 15 million lives.

There will be songs and music of the time, and music relevant to the conflict; stories of major events during the war, and readings from contemporary poetry and prose. Letters and reports from the front highlight the experiences of men and women from the Coln Valley, Fairford, Eastleach, and other local communities, and we look at the role of the Gloucestershire Regiment in the major battles.

Proceeds go to local health charity Cobalt, to support their research and diagnostic work carried out for the NHS on cancer and dementia, and also to the Royal British Legion (in aid of their annual Poppy appeal), which continues to provide assistance to servicemen and women in need of help and support.

There are many incredible tales of valour and heart-break to be told, and we would love to share some of these with you. So please join us for an evening of celebration and remembrance, and enjoy an occasion full of good music and stirring stories.

The concert starts at 19.30. Tickets are priced at £25 and £15 (some with restricted view), and are available at Coln Stores or on our website at www.colnchoir.weebly.com

If you would like to advertise in the programme for this event or to donate to the charities involved, please contact Jenefer Greenwood by email on jenefergreenwood@gmail.com or on 07778 175671

Why not join us and help to make this an evening to remember!!

MERRY OPERA

This professional opera touring company, is bringing its staged production of Handel's *Messiah* to St Mary's Parish Church, Fairford on **Sunday 28th October** at **3.00pm**. The performance lasts 2 hours 20 minutes, including a 20 minute interval

From the moment when twelve apparently unconnected characters are seen entering the church it becomes clear that this production of Handel's Messiah is like no other. There is no staging, nor any special lighting, just the church as it stands. Instantly recognisable as everyday characters, the singers move throughout the building, sometimes sitting with the audience, or leaning against a pillar. Arriving damaged by the doubts and worries they have brought with them, they enact the piece together and begin to form an understanding of each other's predicaments. By the end of the performance each of them reaches some form of resolution and can face the future with a degree of hope.

Tickets £15.00 from www.merryopera.com 03336 664 466 (booking fee applies) or at the door.

ST MARY'S, FAIRFORD – Sunday: 8.00 am Holy Communion (BCP), 10.00 am Sung Eucharist (Family Service on last of the month), 6.00 pm Choral Evensong (BCP). 'Funday Sunday' 4.00 - 6.00 pm on second Sundays – crafts, games, worship & a cooked tea.

ST LAWRENCE, LECHLADE – Sunday: 8.00 am Holy Communion (BCP), 10.00 am Morning Worship with children's activities (HC 1st, 3rd, 5th; Informal 4th, All-Age 2nd); 6.00 am Evening Worship (Evensong 1st, 3rd, 4th; Holy Communion 2nd; Healing 5th). For weekday activities see www.stlawrencelechlade.org.uk

St Lawrence's Lechlade & St Mary's Fairford both celebrate Holy Communion on Thursdays: at 10.00 & 10.30 am respectively. CHEQS residents are warmly welcome!

ST THOMAS OF CANTERBURY (ROMAN CATHOLIC), FAIRFORD (Horcott Road) – Saturday 6.00 pm Vigil Mass, Sunday 11.00 am Mass (Children's Liturgy of the Word offered whenever possible). For details of other activities, see www.stthomasparish.plus.com or contact Fr Michael Robertson on 01285 712586 or michael.robertson@priest.cliftondiocese.com

FAIRFORD UNITED CHURCH (CONGREGATIONAL/METHODIST) – Sunday: 10.30 am Morning Worship & children's activities. Fairly-traded goods for sale. Our next Contact Group meetings are on Fridays 5 October & 2 November, 12.30 - 2.30 pm: meet friends old and new over tea/coffee and light refreshments. and 5 October.

LECHLADE BAPTIST CHURCH – Sunday 10:30 am Morning Worship (with prayer from 9.45 am); 6:00 pm Evening Worship (2nd & 3rd Sundays) For weekday activities etc see www.lechladebaptistchurch.org

SERVICES IN OCTOBER

Sunday 7

8.30 am	Holy Communion	Hatherop	<i>RS</i>
9.30 am	Holy Communion	Southrop	<i>AC</i>
11.00 am	Holy Communion	Coln	<i>RS</i>
11.00 am	Morning Prayer	Eastleach	<i>GL</i>
6.00 pm	Evening Prayer	Quenington	<i>MS</i>

Sunday 14

9.30 am	Holy Communion	Quenington	<i>JP</i>
11.00 am	Holy Communion	Eastleach	<i>PS</i>
6.00 pm	Evening Prayer	Southrop	<i>IT</i>
6.00 pm	Evening Prayer	Coln	<i>JK</i>

Sunday 21

8.30 am	Holy Communion	Hatherop	<i>JP</i>
9.30 am	Holy Communion	Southrop	<i>AC</i>
11.00 am	Holy Communion	Coln	<i>JP</i>
11.00 am	Morning Prayer	Eastleach	<i>AC</i>
6.00 pm	Evening Prayer	Quenington	<i>?</i>

Sunday 28

9.30 am	Holy Communion	Quenington	<i>JP</i>
11.00 am	Holy Communion	Eastleach	<i>RL/JE</i>
6.00 pm	Evening Prayer	Southrop	<i>GL</i>
6.00 pm	Choral Evensong *	Coln	<i>JP</i>

** with Coln choir*

IN MEMORIAM

This year again at All Saintstide we're taking the opportunity to remember by name those who have died – those whose funerals we've conducted during this past year in our parishes and all those who are remembered tenderly by our church members and others.

There are various services of remembrance around our team, including one at 6.00 pm on November 4th in Quenington church. If you'd like a loved one remembered by name at that service, or at any other in our team of parishes, please let the clergy know.

On the first Sunday of November our services will be at the usual times:

*8.30 am Holy Communion at Hatherop (RS); 9.30 am Holy Communion at Southrop (RL);
11.00 am Holy Communion at Coln (MB); 11.00 am Morning Prayer at Eastleach (JE);
6.00 pm In Memoriam at Quenington (JP)*

KEY TO WORSHIP LEADERS

AC – Andrew Cinnamond; HPW – Hugh Poole-Warren; JE – John Exelby; JK – Jane Kidd;
JP – John Partington; MB – Margaret Bettis; MS – Mike Stranks; PP – Patti Price;
RL – Ron Lloyd; RS – Roger Scoones

READINGS, PSALMS, HYMNS & COLOURS

Hymn numbers refer to C, H & Q only – for E & S see separate rotas

- 7** (*Trinity 19*) Psalm 8; Hymns 721, 370 (*tune 337*), 739 *green*
Genesis 2. 18-24; Mark 10. 2-16
- 14** (*Trinity 20*) Psalm 90. 12-17; Hymns 453, 335, 787 *green*
Hebrews 4. 12-16; Mark 10. 17-31
- 21** (*Trinity 21*) Psalm 91. 9-16; Hymns 628, 143*, 604, 754 * *Coln only* *green*
Hebrews 5. 1-10; Mark 10. 35-45
- 28** (*last after Trinity – Bible Sunday*) Psalm 19. 7-14; Hymns 810, 381, 507 *green*
2 Timothy 3.14 - 4.5; John 5. 36b-47
- 4** (*All Saints*) Psalm 24. 1-6; Hymns 300, 298 (ii), 310 *white*
Revelation 21. 1-6a; John 11. 32-44

SOUTHROP C of E PRIMARY SCHOOL

The Year 4, 5 and 6 children enjoyed an action-packed residential at The Wilderness Centre in the Forest of Dean shared with Bibury and North Cerney Schools. Everyone rose to the challenge of the activities, which included canoeing on the Wye, abseiling off the building, crate stacking and bushcraft. Many new friendships between the schools were forged. Back at school the Year 3s and the Infants undertook an enrichment project, My Future, which included a great trip to Kidzania in London.

This term the Juniors have been engrossed by their topic of World War II. Trips have been undertaken to the STEAM museum, for evacuation and air raid experiences, and to Coleshill, to understand how members of the British Resistance were trained there to sabotage any potential German invasion. It was fascinating to learn that something so extraordinary and secret took place just a few miles down the road from us. In addition, visitors came in to talk about their childhood during WWII, including a villager who was a pupil at our school when the evacuees arrived from the East End of London.

Our team of Y4 and 5s participated in the Spelling Bee competition at Farmor's School, gaining not only 1st prize for best individual speller, but also coming 1st as a team.

The whole school community joined together at the end of term for a hot and sunny Sports Day, followed by our biennial art exhibition. It was a happy but also sad occasion, as we also said goodbye to four of members of staff. Thank you to Mrs Windett for her time teaching in our infant class, to Mrs Wilkins for her great contribution to the school as midday supervisor and for her unfailing work on the PTA and to Mrs Brickley who has been our SEN Teacher for 10 years. Finally, we say a huge thank you to our Head Teacher, Allan Brown, who is retiring. Mr Brown has worked at the school for 14 years and been Head Teacher for 10 of those. He will be greatly missed by us all, not least the children, who always enjoy his poetry performances and ability to use such a range of accents in his storytelling! Our Infant and Junior teachers will be taking over as Co-Heads and so we look forward to welcoming two new teachers to the school as class teacher job-shares.

We also say farewell to pupils Joshie and Sasha and, as ever, to our brilliant Year 6 group. We wish them all well as they embark on the next stage of their education.

SOUTHROP VILLAGE HALL

SATURDAY 13th OCTOBER, 7pm for 7.30pm

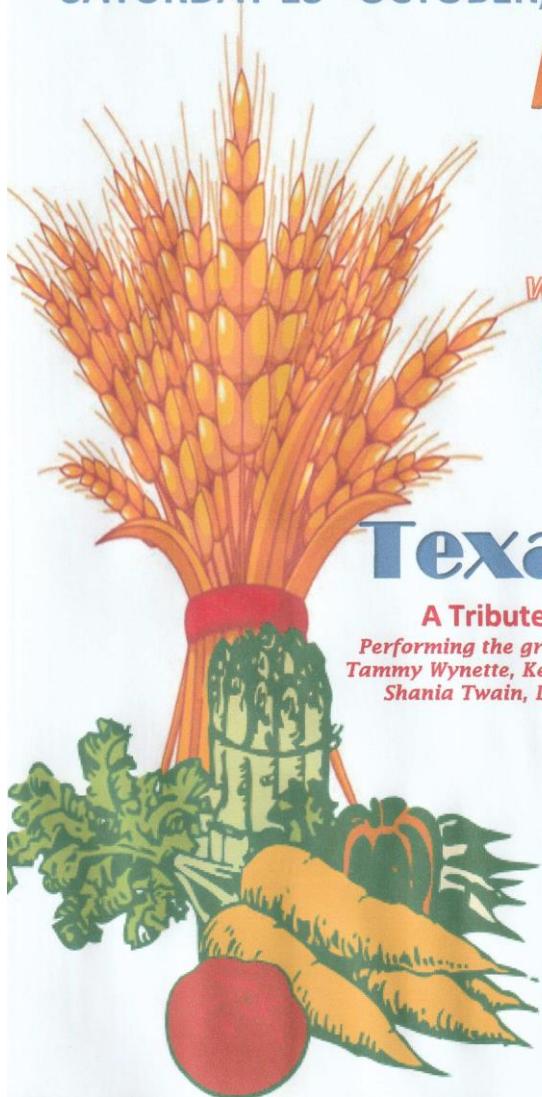
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EASTLEACH DEFIBRILLATOR

At the Annual Parish Meeting in April, it was suggested by a member of the village that Eastleach could do with a Defibrillator, the suggestion was welcomed by the rest of those in attendance and got unanimous approval from the Parish Council.

I'm delighted to say we now have the Defibrillator and it will be installed in the coming few weeks at the rear car park entrance at the Victoria Inn. The purchase of the Defibrillator was made using the "Bazley Fund" which is an entirely right and proper use of this bequest from the Bazely Family as it was intended for the good of the Village and its People.

I would like to extend our thanks on behalf of the village to Tom & Maya Gabbitas and Arkell's Brewery for their help and assistance throughout the process.

Pete McHugh Chairman Eastleach Parish Council

HATHEROP C of E PRIMARY SCHOOL

We have had a lovely start to our new year and the school is buzzing with new children. The Reception year is full and the older children have been keen to welcome them into the Hatherop family. They have been putting our Value for the Term, Friendship, into good practise.

As a Church of England School, we are developing our Christian Distinctiveness and the school hall and entrance area are now brightened up with new school banners to illustrate our new Vision Statement, 'Caring, Believing, Achieving'. The School Council are working on ways to demonstrate our vision with fundraising, developing our reflection areas and coming up with ideas for us to celebrate achievements.

Every week, either Revd John Partington, Revd Roger Scoones or the Open the Book team visit the school to lead worship. The children love the stories that are brought to life by these visitors. Recently, the Creation Story was recreated with the children helping with props – birds, animals, fish, plants, the sun and moon – all adding to the colour and vibrancy of this retell.

We will be celebrating Harvest in St Nicholas Church, Hatherop on Wednesday 3rd at 2.00 pm and we welcome everyone to come and join us.

To stay up to date with the latest news from our thriving village primary school, please look at our website, www.hatherop.gloucs.sch.uk.

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WINDOW CLEANING Commercial and Domestic traditional window cleaning – also pressure washing and gutter cleaning. For more info <i>steve.rix@hotmail.co.uk</i>	01285 752 703 07731 552 250
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CHEQS DIARY

Oct 4	7.30 pm	Fairford Art Society
Oct 6	10.00 am	Charity Fair Fairford
Oct 7	11.00 am	Quenington Car Boot Sale
Oct 9	6.30 pm	CHQ PCC
Oct 12	12 noon	Serenade & Sandwiches – Lechlade church
Oct 13	10.00 am	Children in Need ramble
	10.00 am	Quenington Village Hall coffee morning
	7.15 pm	Southrop Harvest Supper Southrop
Oct 20	2.00 pm	Quenington Village Hall Seed Swap
Oct 22	3.00 pm	‘Lost in Translation’ at Coln Vicarage
Oct 27	11 am -3 pm	Guide Dogs Fair, Fairford community centre
Oct 28		<i>British Summer Time ends</i>
	3.00 pm	Merry Opera – Handel’s ‘Messiah’, St Mary’s Fairford
Nov 2	7.30 pm	The Eleventh Hour – A Concert of Remembrance
Nov 4	6.00 pm	In Memoriam service – Quenington church
Nov 9	9.00 am	Hatherop School Remembrance service
	4.00 pm	Hatherop Castle school Remembrance service
	7.30 pm	Coln Cinema – ‘The Post’
Nov 17	10.00 am	League of Friends Bazaar, Fairford Community Centre
Nov 19	3.00 pm	‘Lost in Translation’ at Coln Vicarage
Nov 22	7.15 pm	QVH Annual Meeting
Nov 25	4.00 pm	4Families service at Hatherop church
Nov 30	7.30 pm	Coln Cinema – ‘The Phantom Thread’
Dec 2	9.00 am	Hatherop Patronal Breakfast
	6.00 pm	Advent Carol Service – Coln church
Dec 13	6.30 pm	Hatherop Castle School Carol Service
Dec 14	6.00 pm	Hatherop School Carol Service
Dec 16	6.00 pm	Christmas Carol Service – Coln church