

# Our Parish Matters

The newsletter for Cockshutt Cum Petton Residents

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*Welcome ..*

to the Autumn edition of the Parish newsletter

I would first like to thank Councillor Linda Baumgartl for her service and dedication to the Parish Council as representative member of Petton Ward. Linda joined the Council in June 2012, but unfortunately as had to stand down as she was moving out of the Parish.

Since the publication of our last newsletter we welcome two new Councillors representing Cockshutt Ward, Ian Webb and Julian Bowers. Ian and Julian are long-standing residents in the Parish and will bring their individual expertise and valuable input to the Parish Council. If you are interested in becoming a Parish Councillor, please contact our Clerk Lynda McCormack, or any Councillor. It is worth noting that at the present time, Petton Ward is not represented. All contact details on the back page of this newsletter.

The CLP (Community led Plan) is moving forward, and we now have the data analysis from the CLP Questionnaire, more on this in our 'special edition' newsletter enclosed.

The Parish Council has agreed to fund a further VAS (Vehicle Activated Sign) at the northern end of the village, and we are in the process of arranging delivery and installation.

In this edition there are updates on the CLP, Defibrillator, along with articles from Millennium Hall, Cockshutt School, Parish Paths (P3), WI, and Church.

John Cooling  
Chair  
Cockshutt cum Petton Parish Council

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## *A message from your new Councillor*

I was pleased to be asked to join the Parish Council earlier this year.

My family and I moved into Cockshutt some 32 years ago and very quickly discovered the village's very strong community spirit.

Over the years I have enjoyed being part of many aspects of that vibrant village life and in particular have been involved with the Millennium Hall, both in serving on the committee and with its maintenance. More recently I became a member of the Steering Group for the Parish Community Led Plan.

As a semi-retired civil engineer I hope to contribute my engineering & business skills to the decision making processes of the Parish Council in all matters and I will do my best to serve the whole community. I am of course available if you wish to contact me on: 01939 270265

Kind regards  
Ian Webb

## Horticultural Show 2018

Petton with Cockshutt Horticultural Society held their 15th Annual Show on Sunday 9th September in the Millennium Hall. The Hall was full of entries, and visitors. The Judges did a splendid job, and everybody enjoyed the refreshments and displays.

The show was opened by Rev. Maureen Read, our Parishes vicar, who also chose the entry for the Best in Show Cup.

There were fewer entries for the flowers and vegetables, due to the wonderful summer weather we had, but unfortunately not for flower and vegetable growers. The Cookery Section was well supported, from jams and cakes, to bread and soup entries. There was a very varied entry of photographs, and the floral art section tempted quite a few to have a go, with some beautiful results. The paintings, drawings, knitted and sewn articles, and other craft items in the Handicraft section were of the usual high standard. And thanks to Cockshutt School there was a wonderful display of young peoples' talents.

The Winners of the Cups were: -  
Silver Perpetual Challenge Cup for the most points in the Show; Dominica Kunz.  
Farmers Cup for the most points in flowers, fruit, and vegetables sections; Rosemary Allen.  
Red Lion Cup for the most points in Floral Art; Phyllis Dean.  
Pochin Perpetual Challenge Cup for the most points in Handicraft and Photographic Section; Pauline Williams.  
Perpetual Challenge Cup for the most points in the cookery section; Jan Durham.  
Bob Reeves Perpetual Challenge Cup for the most points in the Young Peoples' section was Archie Whitfield.  
The Crowhurst Challenge Cup for best exhibit in the Show; Sarah Tadros.  
Pauline Povall Memorial Cup for the most points gained by a Cockshutt WI member; Dominica Kunz.  
Cup for best exhibit in the Handicraft section; Verna Roberts.  
Cup for best exhibit in Photographic section; Ken Nelson.  
Cup for best exhibit in the Egg section; Luke Eccleston.

Donated entries were auctioned towards the end of the show, the most spectacular was Sarah Tadros's Autumn Wreath, and there was a lovely selection of raffle prizes.

The next show will be at the beginning of September 2019, so keep an eye open for the Schedules and notices in the Spring. If there are budding volunteers out there, please get in touch with us, as we are always looking for more helpers.

## A note from your vicar,

It is now twelve months since I became the Vicar for Petton and Cockshutt (as well as Lyneal, Colemere and Welshampton). I want to take this opportunity to say 'Thank You' to everybody who have helped John and I settle over this last year.

I am delighted with the way people pull together within our communities. The churchyard at Cockshutt is looking so much better than when I arrived. Functions at Petton Church are very well attended and both are down to the hard work of volunteers who want to make a difference to the place where they live.

I am your Vicar, whether you come to church or not, I am available if you need to talk in confidence about anything, related to the Christian faith or not.

With my love,  
*Revd. Maureen*

## Cockshutt Parish Paths (P3) Update

Cockshutt Parish Paths Partnership (P3) group has been very busy over the summer replacing stiles with kissing gates around Kenwick Lodge Farm, making it easier to access the great outdoors. We have also been cutting back vegetation on the rights of way to make path finding easier.

The P3 group meets every Wednesday morning and we walk for an hour or so, assessing the rights of way, establishing where stiles need replacing and enjoying friendly chat and exercise. If you would like to join the P3 group or you have any comments to make about the public rights of way around Cockshutt and Petton please contact Janet Hankey on 01939 270565

*Janet Hankey*



**Cockshutt WI**  
*'It's not all 'jam and Jerusalem'*

In fact, you will see very little jam or Jerusalem at any of our monthly meetings. What you will see is a lot of fun, some very interesting, entertaining, and sometimes thought-provoking talks on all manner of subjects, some hands-on tasks where we have a go at making things or doing things, and lots of optional extra activities such as regular skittles evenings, quizzes, rambles, outings, and visits to other local WI's.

This year at Cockshutt we have had talks from representatives of the Lyneal Trust and Riding for the Disabled, we watched a magic show given by

a brilliant young magician, we made pincushions and tasted cheeses – this is just an example of the many and varied topics we cover throughout the year. We are now finalising the programme for next year and will be offering another great mix of interesting topics for 2019.

And of course there is cake – there is always cake!

Cockshutt WI meetings take place on the second Wednesday of every month (except August) and membership, which runs from January to December, is a very reasonable £42 for the year (pro-rata if you join mid-year). Visitors are always welcome so if you're not sure but want to find out more, why not come along to one of our meetings? If you would like a copy of our programme for 2019 please contact us.

## Defibrillator update

Most of you will be aware that we now have a Defibrillator which is located at Cockshutt Primary School. The funding for the Defibrillator was a joint effort between the School, WI, the former Fish & Chip shop, and various other fund-raising events. The Parish Council would like to thank everyone who has contributed to this vital piece of equipment.

There will be an event held at the Millennium Hall on **Friday 16th November at 7.30pm**. Come and learn how to use your Defibrillator, and carry out affective CPR.

John Cooling



Cockshutt CE Primary  
School & Nursery

*Back to School*

We have had a great start to the school year, pupils and staff are enjoying working together on our Heritage Project and we have been digging deep into the Victorian Period as our school was opened, in this building in 1857. The pupils have visited Blists Hill Victorian Town and had a go at doing the laundry and making bricks.

The Y5/6 pupils have had great fun at Arthog this term with Mr. Wedley and Mrs. Twigg. They enjoyed surfing and gorge walking among many activities completed during the week. The children have returned refreshed and a little more 'grown up' which is wonderful to see.

Our Nursery continues to grow and we are delighted to be able to welcome children from the age of two into our setting. All children are part of the school from the day they join us and seeing them all have lunch together is a highlight for me

every week. We love the way nursery prepares our pupils to enter the main school, in fact the transition was seamless this year. If you have nursery age children, please come along and see the setting on a Wednesday morning from 10 - 11am. We are currently consulting on offering wrap around care for nursery children like we do with our main school, if this is something you would be interested in please let us know.

We would like to say thank you to the members of the community who have taken the time to visit us this term and tell us about their experience of school, Cockshutt is a special place and we enjoy connecting with you all.

*Mandy Jones*

Executive Head Teacher

Criffins CE and Cockshutt Primary School

# HALL

Long Service:

We would like to thank Pam Hamner for her hard work over 30 years' service on the Hall Committee, she is still a very active member who is always cheerful, friendly and ready to help

## Community Lunch Club

There will be a Christmas Community Lunch in the school on Wednesday 5th December.

## Millennium Hall Regular Events

### Cockshutt Community Coffee Cakes and Chat

is held in Cockshutt Millennium Hall every other Thursday from 10.00 to 12.30 (i.e. Green Bin week).

We would like to thank all those who supported the MacMillan coffee morning where we raised £145.50

### Creative Cockshutt

Meets on the first Monday of the month from 2-4pm at Cockshutt Millennium Hall, the cost is £2.00 per session.

### Short Mat Bowls

Every Thursday starting at 19.30 where all are welcome

### Bingo

The dates for Bingo which has doors open 19.00 eyes down at 20.00 with a 22.00 finish are: 3rd November and 17th November and the 15th December.

### “Tea and Talk” afternoon

Once a month on the 3rd Monday of the month from 14.00 -16.00.

### Millennium Hall Pub Night

Millennium Hall Pub Night is run on the 1st and 3rd Monday of every month from 19.30 – 22.30, we now have a full size pool table plus there is table tennis, darts, dominoes and cribbage.

The bar is open; entry is free and secondary school children are welcome if accompanied by their parent or guardian.

### Table Tennis

This is a Table Tennis session for adults on Monday mornings from 10.00 – 12.00. If you are interested in joining / playing, then please us or just come along.

All welcome to our events. If you would like more information, please use the contact numbers given.

Please see the Cockshutt Village Facebook page for all future events at the Millennium Hall.

For more information, contact us

<http://www.cockshuttvillagehall.co.uk/contact>

## Upcoming Events

### Cockshutt Christmas Fayre

The Christmas Fayre is being held on Saturday 8th December and will have a large variety of stalls, plus of course Father Christmas will be in his Grotto

### Post Office

Don't forget the Post Office is open all day Tuesdays and Wednesdays for all your banking and postal needs.

### Library van

The library van visits Cockshutt regularly on “Black Bin” Wednesdays parking in the lay-by / bus stop near the church, from 14.35 to 15.50 (**please note the new times**).

This important service needs your support if we want to keep it open, so please go along, join the library and take books out even if you don't read them it will help to keep our service alive.

## Useful ContactDetails

### Parish Council

#### Cockshutt Ward

Julian Bowers 07759 985835

John Cooling (Chair) 01939 270309

Julie Dean

Ian Morris (Vice Chair)

Ian Webb 01939 270265

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#### Petton Ward

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To Book the Millennium Hall: -

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Tel: 01939270816

E-mail: [bookings@cockshuttvillagehall.com](mailto:bookings@cockshuttvillagehall.com)

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### Shropshire Councillor

Brian Williams

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### How do I report it?

To report problems including:

- Potholes
- Dog Fouling
- Overgrown verges and hedges
- Litter problems and fly tipping
- Dead animal on the road
- Vandalism or anti-social behaviour
- A stray or lost dog
- Low supplies in salt/grit bins

Contact Shropshire Council customer services on 0345 678 9006

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