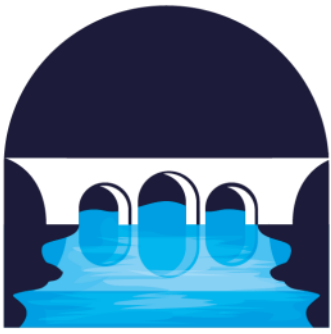




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1st Wednesday	Community Coffee Morning at The Bell 11:00am - all welcome
2nd Thursday	Mobile Library 09:45 to 10:00—Upper End, Eckington 10:05 to 10:20—Glenmoor, Eckington
1st Sunday	Quiz at The Bell 7:30pm
Every Thursday	Everyone Welcome 10am-12pm Coffee Morning Eckington Church

November

Sunday 2nd	Harry Arnold Furniture Village Hall all day
Sunday 2nd	Quiz at The Bell 7:30pm
Saturday 8th	RBL coffee morning Village Hall 10-12
Sunday 9th	Remembrance Service - cenotaph 10:45am
Tuesday 11 th	W.I Social at the Local The Bell 11:15am
Tuesday 11th	Eckington Parish Council Meeting Recreation Centre 7:30pm
Thursday 20th	Eckington Recreation Centre AGM 7pm
Friday 21st	Film Night at the Village Hall - Joyride 2022 (15) 7pm
Thursday 27th	St Richard's Coffee Morning - Eckington Church 10-12

December

Thursday 4th	F.O.E.S Wreath Making Workshop 6:30pm Under 5's Recreation Ground
Saturday 6th	Christmas Fayre Village Hall 2pm-4pm
Thu 11th	Carol Singing at Eckington Church 11am with "The Loose Ends"
Fri/Sat 13-14th	Christmas Tree Festival Eckington Church
Friday 19 th – 27 th / 28 th	Polar Express' 2004, (PG) 4pm start doors open at 3.30pm Village Hall Panto Village Hall Sleeping Beauty 6:30pm Village Hall

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20th of the preceding month. email
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Church Service Rota for November 2025

Date	Time	Place and Service	Presiding
2 nd	09.00am	Besford – Holy Communion	Rev Alma Organ
	09.00am	Little Comberton – Holy Communion	Rev Katryn
	10.45am	Bredon – Holy Communion	Rev Catherine Lack
	10.45am	Teddington – Holy Communion	Rev Katryn
	6.00pm	Eckington – All Souls Service	Derek Potter
	6.00pm	Bredon – All Souls Service	Rev Sooz Magee
9 th	9.00am	Bredon's Norton – Holy Communion with Remembrance	Rev Catherine Lack
Re-membrance Sunday	10.45am	Elmley Castle – Remembrance Service	Rev Katryn
	10.45am	Ashton Under Hill – Remembrance Service	Rev Gerard Moate
	10.45am	Eckington – Remembrance Service	Rev Sooz Magee and Rev Colin Butler
	10.45am	Bredon – Remembrance Service	Rev Peter Thomas
16 th	9.00am	Eckington – Holy Communion	Rev David Foster
	10.45am	Bredon – Holy Communion	Rev Peter Thomas
	10.45am	Elmley Castle – Holy Communion	Rev Katryn with Rev Sooz deaconing
	3.00pm	Messy Church – St Faith's Overbury	Rev Katryn
	6.00pm	Beckford - Evensong	Rev Katryn
	6.00pm	Bredon's Norton – Evensong	Lay-led
23 rd	9.00am	Great Comberton – Holy Communion	Rev Katryn
	10.45am	Defford – Holy Communion	Archdeacon Mark Badger with Rev Sooz Magee
	10.45am	Ashton Under Hill – Holy Communion	Rev Katryn
	10.45am	Bredon – Village Worship	Jim MacKay
	3.00pm	Messy Church – St Mary's Elmley Castle	Rev Katryn
30 th	10.45am	Group Service - Bredon	Rev Katryn with Rev John Fitzmaurice preaching

Midweek Communion

19th November – Little Comberton – Iona Communion – Rev Katryn

26th November – Overbury – Iona Communion – Rev Katryn

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*Anyone requiring Holy Communion at
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Open Church for Private Prayer

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Sundays 10am-12pm

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Outside of above times if

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If you have a general inquiry or a specific query about baptisms,
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News from Worcester Diocese

New Archbishop of Canterbury announced:

<https://cofe-worcester.org.uk/news/new-archbishop-of-canterbury-announced.php>

Remembrance Sunday:

<https://cofe-worcester.org.uk/news/remembrance-sunday-4420.php>

Changes at Faith at work in Worcestershire:

<https://cofe-worcester.org.uk/news/faith-at-work-in-worcestershire-becomes-completely-volunteer-led.php>

Safeguarding Sunday:

<https://cofe-worcester.org.uk/news/safeguarding-sunday-2025.php>



Carol Singing at Eckington Holy Trinity Church Thursday 11th December at the weekly coffee morning 11am

Following from last year's success, 'The Loose Ends' (Catherine Lack, Ruth Kessell accompanied by Angie Godsell will be singing a few carol duets and taking requests for community singing. Come and join us for some Christmas favourites.



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Welcome to Holy Trinity Church, Eckington

Remembering

We are soon going to gather around memorials in our town centres or in our Parish churches to remember. What is it that you are remembering?

I stand before war memorials remembering different things: those who lost their lives in wars, those named on these memorials and those not named, the civilians who lost lives as a result of war; I remember that not all wars are 'just' wars and that sometimes the loss of life is senseless; I remember the impact of war on nature, the flora and fauna of a place. When I walk Bredon Hill in the summer and see the glorious swathes of poppies, I remember how they burgeoned in the churned up fields of Belgium and France in the first World War.

Remembering in the Bible is more than just holding past events, events which may be recent or even several millennia in the past, in our minds and reflecting on them and thinking, "Oh well, that was that." We remember in order to live today upholding faith and values which honour God, people, land. We remember in order to avoid all which devalues God, people, land. Remembering is life-giving, it is using our members, hands and feet and voice among them, to foster life and not death. This is truly godly, holy.

For the Christian all death is a scandal, even though it is natural, part of the 'life cycle'. There is something within us which makes us shake our heads in the face of death, "This is not right," ripples in our consciousness. In the story which unfolds in many voices in the Bible, death is not

meant to have the last word. Jesus' resurrection, that bizarre truth upon which the Christian faith is founded, reinforces this deep sense of death not being OK. This extra ordinary story ripples in our consciousness, synchronized with the sense that death is a scandal. That life is the last word gives us hope and energy to work for all that is life giving. That life will enfold death transforming it, redeeming it, gives us hope.

Alfred Nobel left a lasting memorial of a different kind, a prize. A prize that would enable life-giving action to take root and make a difference in the world in all the spheres of life which impact people most: physics, chemistry, medicine, literature, economic sciences, making peace.

This year's peace prize went to a woman who is striving, at great cost, to promote peace in her country. Dictatorship brought fear, and 'significant social and economic challenges' as one reference coyly put it. God, people, land are not being respected. The Nobel Prize committee have put the spotlight on work which seeks to bring peace. Their investment has no guarantees of success, but it is a powerful sign of faith and hope, a deep conviction that their actions can make a difference, will help to make a difference.

As we gather around our memorials this year. As we hear the words 'never again', the reason these memorials were erected, can we think about the way we use our influence and means to foster life and not death in our worlds.

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Eckington Remembers 2025

10:45 Hrs on 9th November

The Royal British Legion will again be participating in a Service at the Cross in Eckington commencing at 10:45 Hrs on 9 November to include the 2 minutes' silence and the 'reading of the names'. The RBL and other Wreaths will be laid as a part of this Service. Anyone wishing to process from the church to the War Memorial is invited to assemble outside the Church on the pavement at 10:40 Hrs, noting for safety purposes that the Road (Church Street) will not be closed until 10:30 Hrs. Wreath layers are invited to join this short procession or to simply join the Wreath Laying Party when it arrives at the Cross. The service will continue in Church from about 11:20 Hrs when the ceremonies at the Cross are complete. You are most welcome to join us.

At 1100 Hrs on the 11th day of the 11th month (on Armistice Day) there will be a further 2 minutes silence, however, the local RBL will limit activity to a reading of names in Pershore Cemetery. If you do not wish to attend this Service (on 9 November) but wish to read the names privately of those who fell from this Parish in the 2 Great Wars (and add anyone known personally to you who has died whilst serving their Country) then you may wish, before reading the names, to use the lines from the poem 'For the Fallen' by Robert Laurence Binyon 1869-1943, first published in The Times newspaper on 21 September 1914:

'They shall grow not old, as we that
are left grow old: Age shall not weary them,
nor the years condemn. At the going down
of the sun and in the morning

We will remember them.'

1914 -1919

C W Aldington, J Aldington,
C H Brown, F A Cross, A Cull,
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A E Tyler

1939 - 1945

A R T Batley, J W Bellamy, W J Cull,
D Mitchell, H J Swinbourne

Followed by the Kohima Epitaph:
'When You Go Home, Tell Them Of Us
And Say, For Your Tomorrow,
We Gave Our Today.

Thank you for reading this, I do hope you will be able to support us - in person or in spirit this year - and anyone wishing to make a donation towards the superb work done by the RBL in support of former Servicemen and women and their families can do so via the Website: <https://www.britishlegion.org.uk/get-involved/remembrance>

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October update:

The new AV system was used for the first time at Film Night on Friday 17th October. As one-member of the committee, it is brilliant. It is so much quicker to set up and put away! We had our second biggest audience to date. Thank you to all who came out to join us and make the evening a big success. We must also thank our Film Night sponsors, the Parochial Church Counsel. Thanks also to Councilor Adrian Hardman for his donation and The National Lottery and Elmley Foundation for the grants.

November Events:

- **Sunday 2nd** – all day, Harry Arnold Furniture
- **Tuesday 4th** – 2pm to 4pm Bingo sponsored by Worcester Awnings. Also includes the Lottery draw
- **Saturday 8th** – 10am to 12pm RBL Coffee Morning. All donations will go to RBL.
- **Friday 21st** – 7pm start, doors and bar open 6.30pm. Film Night sponsored by the PCC. **‘Joyride’** 2022, (15) 1hr 34mins. With Olivia Colman. Follows Joy, a train wreck on an adventure who is ready to give away her new-born baby. Joined by a cheeky street urchin, they are two diamonds in the rough on the run. £5 entry.

December Events:

- **Tuesday 2nd** - 2pm to 4pm Bingo sponsored by Worcester Awnings. Also includes the Lottery draw
- **Saturday 6th** – 1pm to 4pm Christmas Fayre. Sponsored by HAUS Installations. Lots of fun to be had. See Father Christmas, Tombola, spin the wheel bottle stall, raffle, craft stalls, lucky dip and many other activities. Refreshments also available. Includes BONUS lottery winners; 2 extra prizes of £150 each
- **Friday 19th** – 4pm start doors open at 3.30pm. Film Afternoon sponsored by PCC. **‘Polar Express’** 2004, (PG) 1hr 39mins. Free Entry – donations greatly appreciated. Last day of school term, bring the children along for a great start to the Christmas break. Refreshments will be available.
- **Saturday 27th** – 6.30pm start Panto time. **‘Sleeping Beauty’** production by Aunty Jen Productions.
- **Sunday 28th** – 2.30pm start. **‘Sleeping Beauty’** production by Aunty Jen Productions.
- Tickets will be available online through auntyjenproductions.co.uk or from The Eckington Village Hall very soon.

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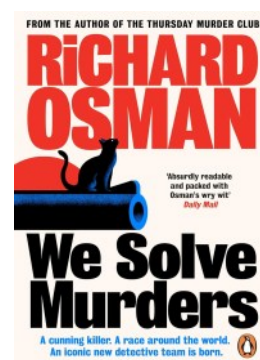
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At our October meeting we had extremely interesting speaker Maggi Davis, who gave a very informative talk on the Arts and Crafts movement in The Cotswolds. The Cotswolds became a major centre for the Arts and Crafts Movement between 1890 and 1930. The movement championed traditional craftsmanship, opposing industrial mass-production by promoting handmade goods and fostering a moral crusade to improve society through art and design. Maggi showed us a great variety of items produced during this period such as textiles, wallpaper, glassware, stained glass windows, ceramic tiles and furniture. We were shown a fascinating Victoria and Albert museum video of one of William Morris designed wallpapers, and how it needed 30 hand carved blocks and 15 different colours to hand print a roll of wallpaper. This method could take 4 weeks to complete the finished design. Maggi's finishing thought at the end of her talk was a quote by William Morris "Have nothing in your house that you do not believe to be useful or to be beautiful".

Our Presidents challenge for this meeting was to bring along an 'Arts and Craft' item and we had a remarkable selection of items brought along.



If you are interested in watching the short video on the making of William Morris wallpaper the link is:- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=quhnejd-h14>

Instead of meeting in the afternoon for our 'Social ant the Local' at the Anchor for October we had a members own evening at the Anchor to play pool. We had a really fun time although none of us can play the game that well, but certainly we had all improved since we had first played. I think what we enjoyed the most was the delicious home-made pizza and yummy chips and a chance to have a great get-together.

Our next 'Social ant the local' will be on Tuesday 11th November at the Bell but we shall be meeting **at 11.15** to allow everyone to be able to have their silent remembrance at 11 o'clock. Just a reminder that this is a get-together for any ladies, members and non-members so pop along for a cup of coffee and a natter.

Our November meeting on Wednesday 5th November at 7.30 in the Village Hall. This will be a bit of a 'hands on' meeting where you will be instructed on making some very attractive paper decorations and bird seed cakes. Do come along as a visitor and have a go at the activities, admission is only £4 and includes refreshments. We look forward to seeing you there.

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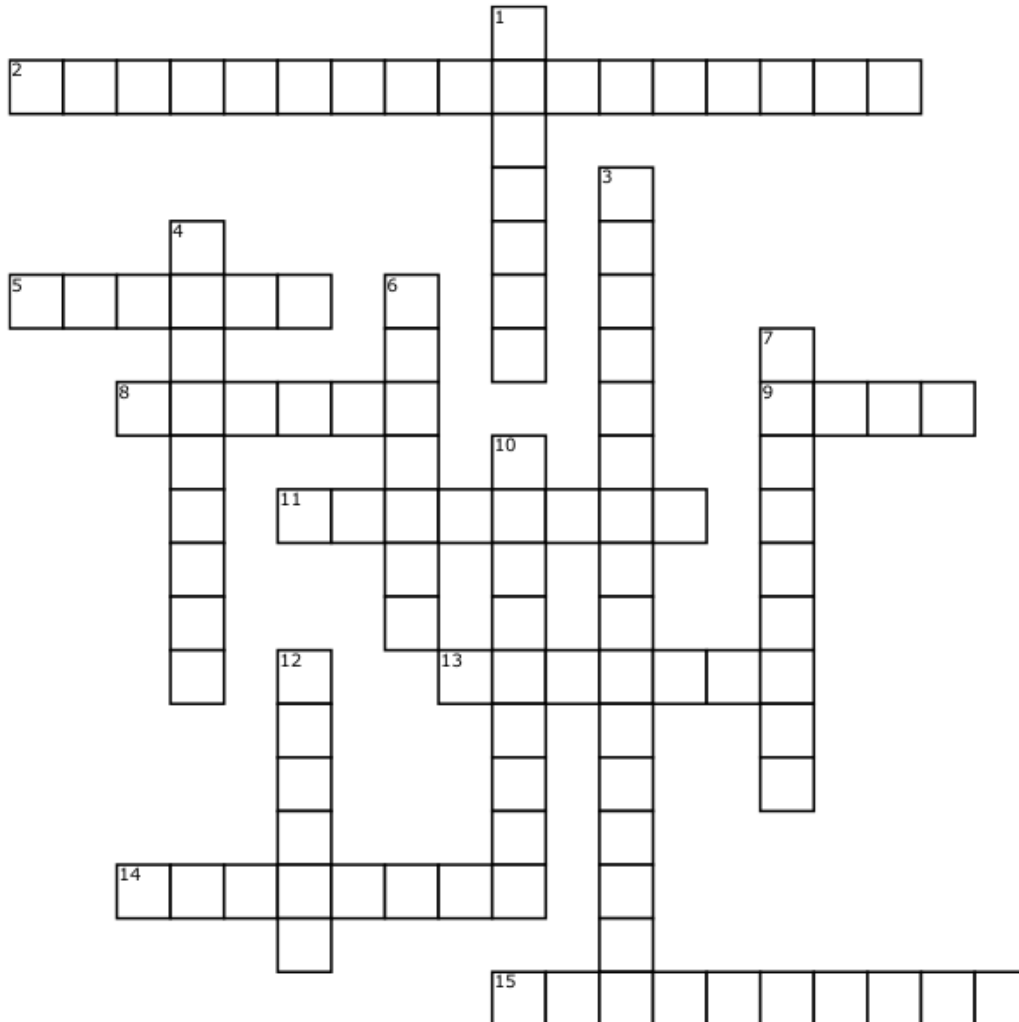
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Puzzle Time

5th November



Across

2. What building did Guy Fawkes attempt to blow up?

5. A model or dummy made to look like somebody or represent someone.

8. Room where explosives were hidden

9. What is a secret plan by a group of people to do something illegal?

11. Guy Fawkes's fate

13. A large outdoor fire

14. What month is Guy Fawkes Night on?

15. Who did Guy Fawkes want to kill?

Down

1. Crime of disloyalty

3. The most secure castle in the land

4. Small containers filled with explosives

6. What the explosives were hidden in.

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12. How did the King find out about the plot?

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Throughout the decades Derek has been a pillar of reliability & compassion, primarily serving as a social car scheme driver. He has ensured that countless customers have gotten to their essential medical appointments, often stepping in at short notice to help those in need. Derek's quiet dedication, flexibility & care for others has made a lasting difference in the lives of so many.



Pershore Plus Volunteer Centre

Now in our 40th year, we have been working to improve the strength and well-being of the community in and around Pershore since 1984, becoming a local independent charity in 1995. Our services and the area we work within have continued to grow in the 40 years we have been operating, and our area map shows just how wide reaching our work is. New legislation in 2016 enabled us to become a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (no. 1166141).

We offer a wide range of services from volunteering, community transport, lunch clubs and many more. Our work is vital to both individuals and voluntary sector organisations in the Pershore area; with your help and support we are able to work together to reduce social isolation and improve health and well-being outcomes for all.



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ECKINGTON Remembers



This year the Church is adorned by a splendid cascade of hand knitted poppies made by a creative group of ladies from the Village



The creation has taken 12 months to reach completion and there are over 160 individual poppies contained within the installation including purple poppies to commemorate the animals that died during the conflicts too.

Please feel free to stand and reflect upon this marvellous creation at your leisure and I am sure you will join me in thanking the ladies led by Anne Daley for their wonderful contribution this year.

‘Recollections of Eckington, Worcestershire in World War II (1939-1945)’ © Harold Checketts and Nils Wilkes.

CLIFFORD VAUGHAN

Born in 1937, Clifford was only a small boy when war started. He lived throughout the war as one of a large family of children at the Lock House, on the island at the bottom of Mill Lane. When small in the early part of the war, walking across to Strensham itself was no problem, but later barbed-wire was fixed to deter people, effectively blocking access to the Strensham side. When he was small Clifford recalls, there were still the remains of an earlier flour-mill on the island, near to the sluice.

Whenever there was a flood, and there were many, particularly in the winters of the war years, Mr Vaughan, Clifford's father, would get out his punt and row across to just below Jacksons' farm to fill containers with fresh water, a return journey of about threequarters of a mile. Quite often he would have with him Cathy and Shiela, Clifford's elder sisters, as well as Clifford himself. Making his way along the channels which had the hard road beneath the water, he would "beach" his punt on the small rise just below the farm-house, at the gate through which was the well. The track down to the Locks was rough, the hedges tall and there were big elm trees farther up the lane, opposite where Charlie Evans lived, on Fincher's ground. Jack Dance lived in the thatched cottage just above Charlie's.

Clifford remembers the searchlights along at Bredons Norton and around Defford Aerodrome. Dronings of German planes would be followed by searchlights being turned on, and the best view of those was from the Pershore Road going out of Eckington.

FESTIVE MENU

6TH DECEMBER - 24TH DECEMBER

STARTERS

Homemade sweet potato & chilli soup

Crusty bread

Creamy garlic & spinach
portobello mushrooms

Toasted focaccia

Breaded camembert

Rocket salad, spiced apple chutney

Crispy duck
& cranberry salad

Asian dressing

MAINS

Traditional roast turkey

*Roast potatoes, stuffing, pig in
blanket, red wine gravy*

Slowly braised blade of beef

*Dauphinoise potatoes,
pancetta & red wine gravy*

Traditional fish pie

*Smoked haddock, king prawns & salmon
topped with cheesy mashed potato*

All served with a selection of seasonable vegetables, sauteed sprouts with chestnuts & pancetta

Homemade tomato, onion, pepper,
courgette & goats cheese pie

*Buttered new potatoes, fresh vegetables,
red pesto cream sauce*

Homemade five bean chilli

Basmati rice

DESSERTS

Chocolate & orange trifle

Panettone bread & butter pudding

Brandy custard

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COFFEE & WARM MINCE PIES

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Onion chutney, granary toast

Chickpea & feta salad
Honey & mustard dressing

MAINS

Roast sirloin of local beef
*Served pink, homemade Yorkshire pudding,
red wine gravy, horseradish sauce*

Roasted chicken supreme
*Creamed leeks, crispy bacon,
roasted new potatoes*

Roasts are served with roast potatoes, new potatoes, cauliflower cheese & fresh vegetables

Homemade tomato, onion, pepper, courgette & goats cheese pie
Buttered new potatoes, red pesto cream sauce

Grilled fillets of sea bass
*Cherry tomatoes, crushed new potatoes,
lemon & dill butter*

Rich venison & root
vegetable casserole
Herb scones

DESSERTS

Festive sundae
*Vanilla & mince pie ice creams, red cherry compote,
chocolate sauce, Chantilly cream & wafers*

Lemon tart
Raspberry sorbet

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Thursday 4th December 6.30pm
Eckington Under 5's
(at Eckington Recreation ground)

Some of the amazing wreaths made last year

Example of a wreath made at the workshop




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Saturday 6th December 1pm to 4pm

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ECKINGTON RECREATION CENTRE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

You are invited to the Eckington
Recreation Centre AGM.

Join us to review the past year and look
ahead at future plans.

Everyone is welcome!

<i>Detail</i>	<i>Information</i>
Date	Thursday 20 th November
Time	7:00 pm
Location	Recreation Centre, Perschore Road, Eckington

Drinks and Nibbles provided.

Your input is valuable – we look forward
to seeing you there!

Community

Coffee Morning

at The Bell

1st Wednesday of the month 11am

ALL Welcome

Quiz at The Bell

Sunday 2nd 7:30pm

Bingo & Lottery

Village Hall

Tuesday 4th 2pm-4pm

ALL Welcome

RBL Coffee Morning

Village Hall

Saturday 8th 10am-12pm

ALL Welcome

St Richard's Coffee Morning

Eckington Church

Thursday 27th

10am-12pm

ALL Welcome

**Eckington
Remembers 2025
10:45 Hrs on 9th
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REMEMBRANCE DAY

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Bat Out of Hell: The Musical

Fri 21 Nov – 7.30pm

An evening that promises a spectacle that will leave you breathless! This heart-pounding experience, with a powerhouse eight-piece band pushes the boundaries of theatre. £16



Granny's Attic

Thu 27 Nov – 7.30pm

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For further details see www.number8.org



Tewkesbury & Bredon Hill Probus Club

The club for retired and semi-retired professional business men

<https://probusclub.net/tewkesbredon/>

There are a good number of car enthusiasts in Tewkesbury and Bredon Hill Probus Club and nearly all of them went on a guided tour of the iconic Morgan Motors Car factory in Malvern Link. Although the factory has been in Malvern since 1910 when it was set up by HFS Morgan, it is substantially the same as it was more than 100 years ago.

At the start we gathered in a presentation area to watch a promotional video about the company and to introduce our two guides who then took us on the factory tour. We viewed the latest models outside, then moved into the storage areas where the all-aluminium chassis are kept before assembly inside the factory itself.

Morgans are built like no other car. For anyone who has visited a modern mass production car factory with frenetic activity and robots assembling the cars and components, the Morgan factory is a revelation. There are no production lines, just individual human beings building cars, often an individual car being built by just one person. I noticed that our guide referred to the operatives building the cars as engineers, rather than assembly workers. His reply to my observation was that other manufacturers just assemble cars, but

Morgan actually *builds* them.

Despite the age of the buildings, the factory is very clean and the personnel in each of the workshops seem to have a relaxed approach to building the cars and their components. It was astonishing to watch the engineers' skills in manipulating their specific components to ensure a perfect fit. Morgan cars are unique in having an ash frame and it was fascinating to watch skilled woodworkers using hand tools to create the perfect finish of the wood frames before the all-aluminium panels are attached.



The last area we visited in the factory was the finishing and testing facility where final preparations are undertaken before the cars are sent to their proud new owners.

This was a memorable visit to a unique company which is still thriving and supplying an exclusive product to many happy customers around the world.

Forthcoming Events in November

4 Nov - Stories from the Concorde flight deck (with Capt. John Hutchinson)

11 Nov - The French Foreign Legion (with Richard Jeynes)

18 Nov - The Javelin Park incinerator (with Diane Green)

25 Nov - Spies and spying (with Gavin Coulthard)

Chris Brown



<https://probusclub.net/tewkesbredon/>

Pershore Rotary Tree of Remembrance Appeal 2025



Pershore Rotary are offering this special way to remember your loved ones, past and present, this Christmas and at the same time help three local charities who support us and our loved ones at crisis times in our lives. They get little Government funding and rely on our generosity.



Donations in memory of those loved but lost can be made online by scanning the QR code; by going to <https://www.pershoretreetofremembrance.com> or by completing this form and sending it with a cheque to the address below.

Name(s) of those you wish to remember (block capitals please):

1..... 2.....
3..... 4.....

Your Name:

House name or number: Post Code:

I enclose a cheque (**not cash**) for £ Please make it payable to 'Rotary Club of Pershore' and place in the Rotary Post Box at Pershore Town Hall, or post to: Rtn Lynne Raymer, Woodward's House, Cook Hill, Wick, WR10 3PA.

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Loved ones names will be displayed on a list at Number 8, Pershore from Monday 3rd November and also on 'The Memory Tree' at Acorns Hospice shop at 24-26 High Street, Pershore, and on www.pershoretreetofremembrance.com and Pershore Rotary's Facebook page. The list of names will be displayed in full in the new year in the Pershore Times and the Evesham Journal.





As autumn settles in and thoughts turn towards Christmas, Pershore Rotary is once again focusing on remembrance, community and global causes.

On 24 October, Rotary members will join the worldwide observance of **World Polio Day**, supporting Rotary International's *End Polio Now* campaign. Since its launch in 1985, the initiative backed by organisations such as the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation—has reduced polio cases from hundreds of thousands each year to just a handful, with Pakistan and Afghanistan the only remaining endemic countries. Over the past 35 years, Rotary members have raised more than US\$2.1 billion and dedicated countless volunteer hours to the cause, helping to save over 1.5 million lives.

Closer to home, Pershore Rotary will launch its annual **Tree of Remembrance Appeal** at the Georgian Christmas Fayre on 28–29 November. In return for a donation to our nominated charities, readers and families are invited to remember a loved one by completing the online form at www.pershoretreeofremembrance.com or by completing and submitting the attached form. The names of those remembered will be displayed at Number 8 Arts Centre, Acorns Hospice shop, on Pershore Rotary's Facebook page and at www.pershoretreeofremembrance.com.

Funds raised will support Acorns

Children's Hospice, St Richard's Hospice and the Midlands Air Ambulance. Collections will take place outside Asda, the Co-op and during the Fayre, with festive music and carols performed by local choirs and bands outside Asda in December. The familiar sound of carols outside the supermarket last year added to the spirit of Christmas, with many shoppers stopping to listen or sing along.

Rotary is one of the world's largest humanitarian organisations, with 1.4 million members in 35,000 clubs across more than 200 countries. Pershore Rotary continues to channel time, energy and enthusiasm into local and global initiatives. Anyone interested in joining or supporting the club can find more information at www.pershorerotary.club, via Facebook, or by emailing secretary@pershorerotary.club.



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- Phone contract scam calls
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- Fake caller ID

How can I protect myself from scam calls?

- **Say no:** Ignore a caller that asks you for personal information, such as your PIN, or tells you that your computer has a virus. A genuine organisation will never ask you for these details over the phone, in an email or in writing.
- **Report any scams:** Forward unwanted texts to **7726** for free so your mobile phone provider can flag potential scams.
- **Check the line:** Be aware that scammers can keep your phone line open even after you've hung up. Use a different phone, call someone you know first to check the line is free, or wait at least 10 to 15 minutes between calls to make sure that any scammers have hung up.
- **Use an answerphone:** You can use an answerphone on your landline or voicemail on your mobile to screen your calls.
- **Check your calls:** Get a caller ID device to see who's calling. But be aware that some scammers appear as a legitimate number, for example, your bank or utility company.
- **Try call blocking:** Some phones have call-blocking features to stop unwanted calls. If yours doesn't, you can use a separate call blocker. Some blockers come pre-programmed with known nuisance numbers and some allow you to add numbers to that list when you get a nuisance or scam call. You can buy call blockers from various retailers and some local authorities provide them.
- **Cut the cold calls:** Join the free [Telephone Preference Service](#) (TPS). This should cut the number of cold calls you receive, though it won't necessarily block all scammers. TPS has a service to stop cold calls to mobile phones too. Go to their website or text 'TPS' and your email address to **85095** to register.
- **Call the company:** If you get a phone call from an organisation asking you for personal information, contact the company directly using a known email or phone number to check the call is legitimate.
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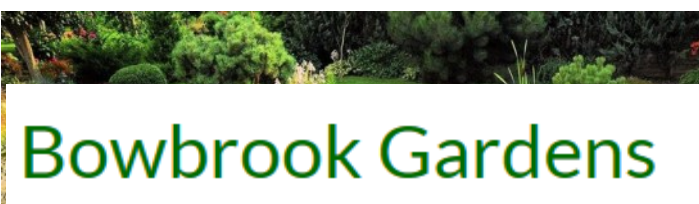
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Running a festival takes a lot of time, effort, and blood, sweat, and tears from our small but mighty team – and with costs rising faster than a Gary Moore guitar solo, we've decided it's time to hit the pause button.

We'll spend this time recharging, regrouping, and figuring out the future of Eckstock – and maybe enjoying a pint or two at The Bell. Thank you to everyone who's played, volunteered, donated, danced, and helped make the festival what it is. You're all part of the band.

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