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It's Showtime! Miserden Texels by Sue Andrews

Summer is here, although the weather may not have been told. Shows are well underway and the sun certainly shone at the end of May when Aubrey and I judged at Shropshire County show. I had some lovely Blue Texel sheep to judge and my breed champion went on to win the Interbreed Championship as Best in Show, so I was delighted.

We're now heading to Cornwall where Aubrey is judging the Blues, so all I have to do is appreciate two nights in a posh hotel and watch the proceedings. I will, of course, stand at the side and see if I agree with his placings and we'll have a chance to enjoy the show for the rest of the day.

Royal Cornwall is a lovely show where Aubrey has judged before, with numerous classes and well supported. A great position if the weather is good but can be very cold and windy in bad weather, so pleased the forecast is good.

The following week we have Three Counties Show at Malvern, where we will be exhibiting our three breeds of sheep and it's been good to see how the competition looks at these previous shows. Hopefully our sheep will be competitive but the cold wet weather earlier in the year has slowed their growth a little, although now the warm sunshine is bringing them on.

It's interesting to see sheep some exhibitors have spent a fortune on bought as lambs from other, better breeders simply to win at summer shows this year. I'm hopeful we may have something

homebred that can compete with, and possibly beat at least one of these expensive sheep.

It's been a busy year so far. Having sworn we would just lamb everything at one time, with just a few that didn't conceive initially being given a second chance on their next cycle, we hadn't bargained for Schmallenberg and Blue Tongue diseases to hit this country.

The Schmallenberg virus causes no end of problems, which have killed up to 80% of some farmer's lambs and calves through abortion, deformed or simply brain dead lambs, and dummy lambs that look fine but struggle to sort out sucking. We've been far luckier than many, but did find ourselves with about 25 ewes not in lamb, having reabsorbed their foetus and several lambs who seemed fine at birth but several days later couldn't remember how to suck from their mother, the only answer being to bottle them.

Blue Tongue brought another major problem. Fifty pedigree Texel ewes destined for Hungary were banned from export when a cow tested positive to Blue Tongue disease in Kent. Blue Tongue, like Schmallenberg, is air born from infected midges flying in from Europe, this disease causing swelling and ulceration of the tongue and mouth. Even though this was simply a positive result of annual surveillance for the disease, not a currently infected animal, all exports were closed.

This left us with fifty ewes we had to do something with, the obvious answer being to lamb them. Having just scanned and realised we had other sheep barren we ran rams with those as well which gave us over 60 ewes to lamb in May! Why is it that the last to lamb in both February and May produced triplets? Both doing it several days after the previous ewes have lambed, given me nothing to adopt a third lamb onto.

As luck would have it a couple of other lambs needed extra care so I simply started up another bucket from which the four problem lambs can self serve themselves, only having to clean and refill once a day.

While all of this is happening I'm trying hard to finish my fourth book, but sometimes envy the situation of those like the Brontës, who could sit quietly in the parsonage while the household staff cleaned, made the beds and cooked, and definitely didn't have sheep to look after.

Book four is called 'Sheep for a Reason' although I sometimes query that these days! Alongside the everyday dramas on both our farm and Pigworld at Bisley Lane Farm, it looks back to the history of English sheep, particularly the wealth gained from their wool. Research has been so interesting it's nearly taken over from the writing.

Without English wool we may never have seen the art works of the brilliant Michael Angelo, de Vinci and Botticelli, and had Henry VII lost to Richard III at Bosworth we may have been ruled by the descendent of a wool merchant, fascinating stuff. Watch this space, it will be out in October.





“Slugging it out!”
Gardening with Sue Spielberg

They say ‘a problem shared is a problem halved’, and I very much feel that for this edition at least, I need to get things off my chest. I was all prepared to write a nicely illustrated piece about plants for shady and semi-shaded positions, but my heart just wasn’t in it, because quite frankly I’m struggling to enjoy the garden right now.

Why? Because certain pests are thwarting my attempts at growing, and it feels like I’m losing my touch.

Of course, it doesn’t help that we’ve experienced record amounts of rainfall from winter right through to spring, resulting in seedlings damping off, and Mediterranean plants such as thymes, lemon verbena, lavenders, teucrium, salvias and agastache all succumbing in our permanently saturated ground. This I can cope with in moderation, because I am inclined to see plant losses as an opportunity to try something different, but when that prized new plant gets eaten off before it has even had time to put down its first roots, that’s galling to say the least!

For months I had been cursing the pigeons for taking chunks out of the brassicas and chard where the protective netting had blown off; also where our borders should have been ablaze in spring with purple honesty (Lunaria annua), little but grazed stumps remained. It was only when we spotted a mother and baby muntjac munching happily in the borders, that reality dawned, and we knew we had been blaming the wrong culprits!

I suppose we should not have been surprised as their population has been steadily increasing in Whiteway, and they had already made themselves at home in several neighbours’ plots, but ours is a more ‘gardened’ space and therefore seemingly less congenial to any deer seeking a quiet life.

Reeves’ muntjac is a small Chinese species, not much bigger than a labrador, which was introduced to Woburn Park in the early 20th century, and has rapidly spread into the surrounding countryside. As an alien species, it has no natural predators in this country to keep its population in check, and as a result has become a major pest of woodland, parkland and rural gardens.



Deer in Whiteway (photos by Imogen Moffatt)





Having done some research, and other than dispatching them with a shotgun (try taking that one to the Colony Meeting…!!), a deer fence with a mesh size of 75mm (3in) square, and 1.5m (5ft) high, is the surest deterrent. We are hoping that a temporary electric fence around the vegetable area, as well as makeshift extensions to the perimeter gates, will put them off, at least until we can come up with a more attractive solution to Stalag Luft III, but I'm not holding my breath…

Slugs are the other great bane of my life, and in this I know I am not alone because every other gardener I have spoken to is in the same boat. The warm wet conditions of recent months have been perfect for them, helping mollusc numbers to increase exponentially as a result.

Strangely though I don't dislike slugs as much as I used to. Maybe the RHS' recent PR campaign, encouraging us to see them in a new light, has had the desired effect. For a start, not all slugs are bad, and all play an important part in the natural ecosystem, helping to recycle decaying garden matter, and providing a valuable food source for birds, frogs, toads, hedgehogs, slow-worms and ground beetles. As a result, my response to them is targeted rather than total annihilation.

Here are a few tips, gleaned from sources like the RHS and no-dig guru Charles Dowding, that I'm intending to put into practice during the coming months:

• Avoid using slug pellets, especially the blue ones containing metaldehyde which is poisonous to mammals and birds, but even the so-called 'organic' ones that contain ferric phosphate have been found to be toxic to earthworms.

• Don't put out any young plants if the soil is damp and the temperature too cool; much better to wait until the weather has improved as plants will grow away quickly and will be better able to withstand slug attack.

• Sturdy, well-hardened off plants are less susceptible than tender young seedlings.

• The best time to look for slugs is at night by torchlight and to remove them. How you deal with

them is up to you but as they are detritivores, it makes sense to put them to good use on the compost heap. After we planted our dahlias - a well-known slug delicacy - my partner Richard took to nightly forays, and has already picked off around one hundred and still counting…!

• Encourage their natural predators into the garden by putting in a pond, installing bird feeders, creating dry hedges and habitat piles with woody prunings, and building compost heaps. A little-known fact is that rove and ground beetles are among the slug's top predators.

• Try using a biological control (often sold as 'Nemaslug') which is a naturally occurring microscopic nematode that only kills slugs, and is totally safe to other lifeforms.

• Follow no-dig principles and avoid turning over the soil, because it has now been found that slugs are attracted to the smell of fermentation that occurs in compacted, anaerobic soils.

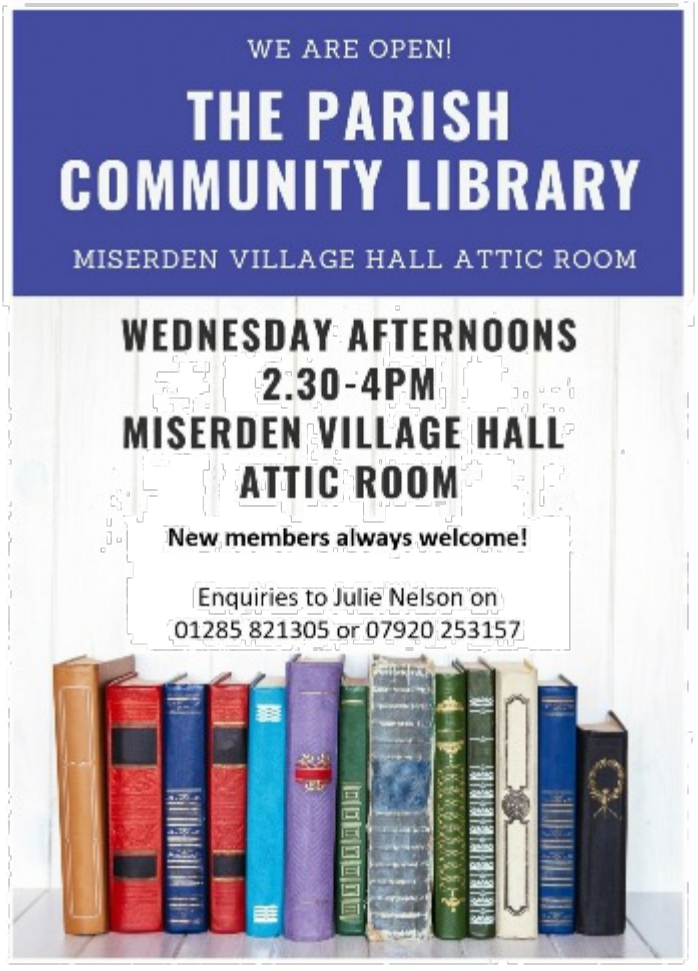
• Following on from the above, you can put down slug traps with cheap beer for them to drown in (Stella Artois is apparently irresistible!), or make your own solution. I use this recipe from one of our neighbours: to an old plastic milk carton add 1 litre of water, 1 dessert spoon of flour, 1 dessert spoon of sugar and 2 teaspoons of dried yeast. Shake to combine and use in lidded slug traps that you can buy cheaply online. So far this has proven to be the most reliable method of control, especially when the liquid is renewed after about a week.



Hedgehogs are a natural predator of slugs

I only hope that through the natural cycle of boom and bust dynamics, next year pest numbers will plummet. Otherwise I'm giving up gardening for good!!









Major Tom Wills LVO DL

Traditional country gentleman with a dedication to duty

Tom Wills, who died this year aged 83, was a character from a previous era: a landowner, forester and English watercolour collector, who served for 14 years in the Coldstream Guards. Dedicated to the conservation, cohesion and welfare of his locality in Gloucestershire, he was respected by many for his self-effacing disposition, gentle sense of humour and high standards, which were easily discernible from his immaculate, unvarying wardrobe. Unfailingly courteous, solitary and peaceful, this gentleness masked a spirit of persistence that repeatedly overcame obstacles which might have defeated more vocal or overt figures.

Tom was born in Alexandria, Egypt in 1940 with his twin brother, Freddie, as their mother Maimie had followed her husband Michael to North Africa, where he was fighting with the 3rd Battalion Coldstream Guards. The family was evacuated to Durban, South Africa where their younger brother, John, was born and where they remained for the next 4 years until the end of the war. Michael, their father who they had rarely seen, was posted as missing after the battle of the Mareth Line in Tunisia on the 17th March 1943 and it wasn't until Christmas Eve that he was finally posted as killed in action, at the age of 27. Boarding the troop ship- *The New Amsterdam* their widowed mother and the three boys arrived back in Liverpool in July 1945.

Tom was educated at Abberley Hall prep-school and then Eton. Summers were spent in Ross-shire fishing in the hill lochs since his grandmother grew up at Strome, Lochcarron and mother at Berryfield House, near Inverness and he maintained a love and connection to the Highlands. Meanwhile his stepfather (Colonel Tim Gibbs, who Maimie had married in 1947) and David Wills, Tom's uncle, helped raise and instil a sense of duty and responsibility in the young man.

Tom was commissioned into the Coldstream Guards in 1959, becoming everything a Coldstream officer should be. It was an era when adjutants could be very tough, but when Tom was adjutant of the 2nd Battalion he led by example, patience, wisdom, kindness and was always prepared to listen. It was during his 14 year army career that he flourished, making a great deal of his best friends, revelling in his sense of style and never missing an

opportunity for fun. He was a lynchpin of the Regimental polo team having been taught to ride by the Irish Olympic three-day event rider Colonel Joe Dudgeon.

The 1st Battalion was deployed to Aden in April 1965, where the paramilitary organisation the National Liberation Front (NLF) led an armed rebellion, including grenade attacks, parcel-bombs and the laying of mines. The seriousness of the threat didn't deter Tom, who turned up on a later flight, looking immaculate wearing a tie and his Regimental boating jacket. Between patrols "up country" and manning road blocks there was opportunity for polo and a boat was even acquired for water skiing too. In a letter to his brother, John, the only complaint was that his copies of *Horse and Hound* always arrived about seven days late leaving him "out of touch"!

He left the Army in 1973, with the affectionate moniker *Major Tom* which stuck with him for the rest of his life, to carry out a two-year course at the Royal Agricultural College in preparation for taking over the management of Miserden Estate from his grandmother. His particular attachment to trees and forestry was evident: he personally oversaw the establishment of the beech woods and was more than upset to witness the nurse crop of Ash devastated by the "die back" in recent years. He entered the forestry at Miserden in to the RFS Duke of Cornwall's Award for Resilient Forestry, only to be beaten by the Duke of Cornwall's Duchy Estate, an episode which made him question his allegiance to the Crown!

He planted and maintained an Arboretum in the gardens with many Sorbus and Cornus, and replanted the two 100 metre long herbaceous borders above the house in collaboration with Sylvia Morris. He was proud of the garden's affiliation with the National Garden Scheme, where the garden had been open for 91 years, continuing the tradition set by his grandmother. Before handing over management of the estate to his son Nicholas, he set in motion the construction of a village-wide Biomass heating system supplying much of the village and church.

Major Tom contributed tirelessly to the benefit of young people in the county and local community. He was a Governor and later Chairman of trustees of Rendcomb College for 50 years. Founded and funded by his grandfather Noel Wills in 1922, it was originally a school for 60 Gloucestershire boys who needed but could not readily afford boarding-school education.

In 1982 he was appointed a Deputy Lieutenant of Gloucestershire and in 1985 he was appointed High Sheriff of the county. From 1993 until 2010 he was an officer of the Queen's Body Guard of the Yeomen of the Guard. This role gave him the opportunity to serve again with former soldiers and was connected with his love of pageantry and tradition, as well as giving a good excuse to frequently use his London club, Boodle's. He would always stand for the slow and quick march past during the Queen's birthday parade with a glass of champagne while watching on the television.

In his memorial address Canon Andrew Bowden said "at the memorial service we shall hear about Major Tom the soldier and courtier, but I would hazard a guess that his greatest achievement was Miserden. Look around you – the excellent pub, the excellent shop, the excellent school, a practical village hall, our very special church"

Cancer had been Tom's nemesis for the last twenty years, which he managed with great fortitude and stoicism, although it significantly affected his confidence. When asked by a friend how he was getting on with his treatment for bowel cancer Tom replied with characteristic sparkle in his eye that he was looking forward to "returning to mains drainage next week". Latterly in his final weeks a friend telephoned asking for an update and Tom said 'he was on the way out' with such a casual air that his friend assumed he meant he was heading out for a dog walk or something, replying "Oh, sorry I'd better leave you to it"!

Canon Andrew Boden concluded: "Everyone speaks of Major Tom with respect and affection – and unaffected sadness. A good man has left us. And if we are sad – his friends and neighbours – how much more his family who have seen to it that he was able to live his last days in his home, cherished, meticulously cared for and visited by family, friends and neighbours"

On the Pilgrim Trail
by Ernest Nelson

"On the pilgrim trail, in search of the Holy Grail, the going was rough and slow And at the very start it was with a nervous heart there remained 60 miles to go."

This year I decided to celebrate my 72nd birthday with a challenge. To walk the 60+ miles from Tavistock in Devon to Truro Cathedral over four days and arrive on my birthday, April 30th. It was the last stage of a walking pilgrimage which I had started many years ago.

With a week to go the weather seemed set fair and I only packed my lightweight waterproofs. But this wet Spring had other ideas and my last two days were greeted with persistent heavy rain.

On the final day as I trudged along, I was drenched and tired, and in my delirium began to mumble erratic verse to myself. I realised that I was: *Walking like Joe Biden - Talking like John Wayne.*

Little was I to know that there was worse to come. With just a couple of miles to go, the end in sight, disaster struck! The tale of the final stage is re-counted in the following monologue.



Walking like Joe Biden - Talking like John Wayne

Less than three miles to go but I want you to know, that the the milk and honey can curdle

If you take your eye off the ball you will probably fall before clearing the final hurdle.

So it was outside the church of St Clements on banks of the meandering Fal

That the persistent rain resurged again like the return of an unwanted pal.



When I noticed a welcome convenience that offered its use for free

So to prepare for a comfortable finish I decided to stop for a pee.

Sadly the space was confined and my ruck-sacked behind

Prompted the hand drier to let forth its roar,

And as I hitched up my trousers for welcome relief

my smartphone fell onto the floor.

Disaster had struck, for unlike a duck, the phone was un-suited to wet

With water in the back, the screen had a crack. How much worse could it get?



Worse believe me much worse - The phone will no longer respond.

No maps, no snaps, no clock, no calls - Just The Slough of Despond.

So there was no photo finish to this epic trip, In fact no photos at all.

No way to record the final reward of the pilgrim and his spiritual haul.

Three-spired Truro, jewel of Cornwall, and Cornubia - Land of the Saints

Now committed to memory and just this “poetry” rather than pictures or paints





Pets Corner
by Claire Coles-Jones

There is a new law that will be coming in to place on the 10th of June. This law requires ALL cats to be microchipped. As a Vet Nurse and Vet receptionist, I have seen many, many cats over the years that strayed (either left home due to new baby/dog/new cats/stressful environment), some not far, some hundreds of miles away from home. I have also seen many injured, ill or deceased cats that have been brought into our practice.

Sadly, far too often, the cat has not been reunited with it's owner, as without a microchip it is often very difficult (even now with Social Media) to track the owner down. Healthy stray cats will end up in homing centres if they are not reunited. Injured or ill cats will receive emergency pain relief, and if all efforts to find the owner fails, if the cat is likely to survive without lots of invasive treatment, it will go to a rehoming centre - IF they have room/will take it.

If we cannot find an owner for a badly injured/very unwell cat, then euthanasia is the only option. A simple microchip would prevent this. We do not recommend collars for cats as we see horrible injuries far too often - especially the ones with the little elastic piece.

Microchipping your cat is not just about helping us reunite your beloved cat back to you, should it get climb into the back of a van and get driven around half the country, or if it should get knocked over and the driver brings it to the vets. It's also about educating people that cats aren't an 'easy/cheaper option', and they cannot be dumped/left to their own devices. They need microchipping, neutering, parasite control, grooming, and vaccination. There will be many microchipping offers on currently, as all Vets and rescue centres are keen and obliged to help enforce this new law.

The microchipping itself is a quick procedure. It mirrors giving an injection (the chip is injected under the skin, usually between the shoulder blades) and is over very quickly. The chip carries a unique code. The microchip can be scanned and matched to the owner's contact details, which are kept on a national database, such as PetLog, or Identibase.

It's such a simple yet incredibly effective way of helping us to reunite you with your pet. We have some great stories over the years of cats been missing for over a year, and seeing the owners come to collect their pet, can be an emotional time for us all!. So if your cat is not yet microchipped - get in touch with your Vet. They will be able to get this done in a simple appointment for you!

Now - as I type this, the sunshine is absolutely glorious. All three of my dogs are laying in the full sun, and periodically they slowly get up, panting, and make their way to the shady spots when the heat becomes too much for them. Remember that

if it's too hot for you to walk with your coat on - it's too hot for your dog. Heat stroke can occur in any dog - but especially short nosed dogs



(pugs/frenchies/bulldogs) and heavy coated breeds.

Early signs of heatstroke include heavy panting and rapid breathing, excessive drooling, dry mucous membranes, bright red gums and tongue, skin that's hot to the touch, and a higher heart rate. Affected dogs become hyperactive and may have difficulty maintaining balance.

Cool your dog by immediately getting it to the shade. Spray with tepid water, offer drinks, and ideally place near a fan if possible. Once your dog appears to be slightly improved - get it to a vet. But it's important to cool it before transporting it.

Early morning walks (very early!) are the coolest time of day. We are incredibly lucky to have places to walk in the shade of trees. Incidentally, there is a reason why the shade of a tree feels cooler than the shade of an umbrella.

Trees block heat from reaching the ground. These canopies can block up to 90% of the sunlight—and the heat that comes with it. Not only does it block the sunshine, there is the cooling effect of evaporation (in the same way that we sweat - the evaporation cools us) But with trees, the cooling effect is felt below and around the canopy. Enjoy our beautiful surroundings - especially under the shade of a tree on a hot Summers day.

"The true meaning of life is to plant trees, under whose shade you do not expect to sit" - Nelson Henderson

Have a great Summer! Claire

Scouts

Interested in Helping Out, or have you a Skill/Experience to Share?

Might you be interested in joining the dynamic group of adults who currently lead a thriving group of Beavers, Cubs and Scouts based at Cranham Scout Centre?

We are looking for:

- Assistant leaders on a Wednesday evening for Beavers aged 6-8 years, 4.45-5.45pm, or Scouts aged 10-14, 7.30-9pm
- People with a specific interest/experience, who might come and talk to the Beavers/Cubs/Scouts for an evening.
- People prepared to be part of the Executive Committee supporting the leaders.

If you think you might be interested in finding out more, or attending a session to see what it entails, please contact Nicki on cranhambeavers@gmail.com

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Parish Council News
By Kevin Allin, Chairman

So this is my first parish article being the Chairman of Miserden parish council. Most people know me as the landlord of the Carpenters at Miserden or Kevin, but there is another side to me, I love living in this parish – the sense of community spirit and the true values of the residents make this a community close to my heart.

I decided a few years ago that I wanted to be on the council to represent the parish and try to make a difference. As the new chairman, my priorities are to target speeding and crime in our community, and to make our parish safer.

Being the publican of the parish local, I have first hand contact with parish residents and am able to meet the members of the parish daily. I am always available to discuss with you anything that needs to be addressed on council maters, so please feel free to email, call, or pop in and have a chat about any concerns you may have.

This year we see a different council as Cllr Gideon Duberly moved away from the parish and resigned, and Cllr Richard Dangerfield resigned due to other commitments, we truly thank them for their contribution to the parish in the years they held office. And they have both assured us that we can draw on their knowledge in the future if needed.

The remaining council and the clerk tried their best to let everyone know about the upcoming election and to get nominations. All five seats were filled and uncontested, so there was no need to wait for a ballot. We are very fortunate that the two new councillors have previous experience.

This year saw a change as the chairman Cllr Martin Ractliffe who served faithfully for 22 years announced he was standing down as chairman, but would be staying on as a councillor.

We are all grateful for Martin's decades of service to our council and we were even more grateful that he is staying on as a councillor sharing his vast wisdom and experience of our parish.

At the first parish council meeting on the 8th May, I was elected by the council as chairman for the ensuing year 2024-2025 with Cllr Tim Shields being elected as vice chairman. I have already served the parish council as the vice chairman, and despite my full schedule I am committed to giving my best to the parish.

This year the council has implemented "Special Council interests" of each of the councillors: see the facing page for a list. It is hoped that this way the work can be evenly distributed and more efficient, as well as the parishioners knowing which councillor is on the case for anything that may arise. You can of course approach any of the councillors with any questions or concerns.

Telephone Boxes In the last few weeks you may have noticed that the three iconic telephone boxes have been refurbished. Although they are no



Meet your Parish Councillors



Kevin Allin (Chairman)
Special interests: highway maintenance, road safety

Tim Shields (Vice Chairman)
Special interests: public footpaths, community and public consultations





Laura Cobb
Special interests: crime prevention, biodiversity, nature restoration and sustainability

Martin Ractliffe
Special interests: tree planting, the parish post and Sudgrove liaison





Vanessa Price
Special interests: Whiteway / Miserden community liaison, community events

longer used for telephones and haven't for quite a few years, these "defibrillator kiosks " had began to decay due to weather and passage of time.

Finding the right tradesperson for the restoration project wasn't easy so the contract went out to tender and was awarded to a local tradesperson Pete Lee who the council felt not only gave the parish a good deal, but did a quality job, using the official paint colours of traditional phone boxes. Including restoring the crowns back to bright golden colour, which had been lost over the years. Thank you all for your patience and hope you agree it was a well done job.

Community drop in The first item on our agenda this year is to hold a community drop in at **Whiteway Colony Hall on 15th June From 10am until 3pm**. Along with many of your parish councillors Gloucestershire county councillor Sue Williams has committed her entire day to meeting with the parish, to listen to your concerns about road safety, traffic calming, and any other issues you might have. Our local PCSO Nicky Wood will be on hand to talk about crime prevention in light of recent break-ins. What we hope to gain from this community consultation is to identify all the areas of concern-particularly traffic "hot spots" for dangerous drivers, speeding and dangerous roads. Do take the road safety survey which is available from Miserden post office.

Tree planting Led by Cllr Martin Ractliffe , the council hopes to obtain a tree planting grant from Cotswold national landscape to procure and plant not only the trees lost to ash die back but as many trees as appropriate in our parish. Cllr Ractliffe plans to lead community tree planting days where young and old can get involved.



Litter picking days One item of concern to the council as well as many residents is the amount of roadside litter. Bullbanks, Wishanger and Calf Way are common stretches of road where inconsiderate litter bugs dispose of their unwanted litter. The council will be hosting a parish wide litter picking day where volunteers from the parish will be allocated areas in teams, supplied with high-vis vests litter pickers and refuse bags to tackle this problem head on. Then afterwards back to either Whiteway colony hall or the village hall at Miserden for a well earned hot meal and refreshments. Details will be posted on parish notice boards, Miserden stores and the Carpenters Arms.

Parish Post council article Each issue there will be a parish post article informing the local parish residents of what is happening in the parish. Each post will be by a different councillor, this will let you get to know each and all of us and show that we are here to listen and work on your behalf.

I am looking forward to working with my fellow councillors to try as hard as we can to make a difference in our community. Please give us your support and work with us.

St Andrew's Church Miserden



Services 11am every First, Third and Fourth Sundays of the Month

Second and Fifth Sundays: Please see *Parish Connections* Magazine and Benefice website
www.erminwestbenefice.org.uk

For further information call 07714 707310 or email enquirieserminwest@gmail.com



The Whiteway Colony Fete & Dog show is on Sunday 1st September

We will have lots of stalls again this year, ranging from the enormous Bric-a-Brac stall, Traditional Tombola, plant stall, book stall, charity stalls, and lots of other stalls to do a little shopping - maybe even for Christmas? Have your fortune told, or try your hand at the traditional game of skittles.

The Morris Dancers will back again (it wouldn't be the same without them) as will some live music! The tea tent will have some delicious homemade goodies for you to have with a cup of tea. Or maybe you'd like a burger with glass of something cold?

If you would like a stall, contact Claire asap- email cmorgan47@hotmail.com or phone/text on 07944931992



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The Parish Post is created from stories written by our readers. We have great regular contributors but we would love to hear from more writers.

Stories, photos and memories are all welcome. Your friendly editor is always willing to help get the article into shape if you are not used to writing.

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