## **Bodenham Newsletter**



## February 2012

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2nd	Mothers' Union	24th	Flicks in the Sticks
4th	Flood Group Coffee Morning	25th	Bowling Club Social Evening
6th	Parish Council Meeting	27th	Leisure Club
6th	Gardening Club	28th	Flood Group Meeting
10th	Flicks in the Sticks	29th	An extra Day!!
13th	Leisure Club		
14th	BWg @ Weir Garden	March	
17th	Travels with a Camera	4th	Drama Dress Rehearsal
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21st	BWg Skittles evening		

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### St Michael's Church

Dear Friends,

Lent this year begins on February 22nd with Ash Wednesday. The weeks of Lent are a very important time, a time when we reflect on our own discipleship, how we live as followers of Christ.

At the services we hold on Ash Wednesday our foreheads will be marked with a cross of ash. These ashes are made from burning the previous year's Palm Crosses. So, paradoxically, Lent begins with light – a bright burning fire – the Palm Crosses are palms of praise, symbols of the palms that were waved in jubilation as Jesus rode into Jerusalem in triumph. Those palm branches were cut from the trees by eager people to welcome Jesus as King. The palms that are used to make the Palm Crosses we are given on Palm Sunday are now cut from trees in countries in Africa. It is not always easy to care for the trees when the weather changes and there is drought instead of rain, or floods during the growing season. Sometimes our Palm Crosses are small and thin because that year the trees have not grown as they should.

The ash that is produced from the burning palm is a symbol of repentance, and also a reminder of our own mortality. But hidden in the ash is an echo of that Palm Sunday praise, when wewelcomed the Creator of the Universe as our Saviour, riding a donkey into the city. The trees that God created gave up their branches to be waved in celebration of their Maker. When we kneel in church at the beginning of Lent, waiting for our cross of ash, we are caught up in the web of a global story. The ash is the end of a long journey beginning with the planting of palm trees, their growth, the harvesting of their fruits and branches, the production of crosses and their transportation and delivery into the vestries of our churches. God is everywhere in this journey, but we are also involved. God calls us to care for his world, to maintain the fragile web of life. Our worship is enriched and deepened by symbols of palm crosses and crosses of ash. They connect us to the people of countries we shall never visit, but whose livelihood depends on our actions. A disturbing report recently highlighted the catastrophe facing the growers of trees that provide the incense we burn – the frankincense of the Wise Men. We read and hear about food shortages and drought. This Lent, beginning with the ashes of Ash Wednesday, let us make part of our Lenten discipline a resolve to respect the earth, to know it as God's gift to us, to see ourselves as one part of the web of life, dependant on the strength and resilience of the whole. God has given us the earth and we thank him for his gift in our prayers and actions, every day.

The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it, the world and those who live in it; for he has founded it on the seas, and established it on the rivers. Psalm 24:1-2

The mighty one, God the Lord, speaks and summons the earth, from the rising of the sun to its setting Psalm 50:1

#### Yours in Christ, Heather

St Michael & All Angels' Church Bodenham SUNDAY SERVICES FOR FEBRUARY 2012

Feb 5 <sup>th</sup>	8.00am 6.00pm	Holy Communion Choral Evensong	(The Revd Heather Short)
Feb 12 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am 6.00pm	Sung Eucharist Evensong	(The Revd Heather Short)
Feb 19 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am 6.00pm	Family Communion Evensong	(The Revd Heather Short)
Feb 26 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am 6.00pm	Sung Eucharist Evensong	(The Revd Alison Leigh)

NB: Evensong will normally include hymns and be led by one of the Churchwardens

#### HOLY COMMUNION AT SIWARD JAMES CENTRE

There will be a celebration of Holy Communion at Siward James on Friday, February 25th at 11.00am. All are welcome to attend.

## ASH WEDNESDAY Services of Holy Communion and Imposition of Ashes will be held at:

10.30am St Michael and All Angels, Bodenham

> 7.00pm St Mary the Virgin, Marden

> > Readings: Isaiah 58:1-12 John 8:2-11

#### PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

#### CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Happy New Year!

At the monthly meeting we discussed plans for celebrating the Queen's Diamond Jubilee. We are keen to hear from any individual or club/society who would like to be involved and volunteer to help organise a suitable event. This could be in the form Jubilee in order to not to conflict or overlap with of a party, a new project to improve the Parish, a community event or something else. If you have any ideas and would like to be involved please contact the Parish Clerk.

The Parish Plan has now been completed and accepted by the Parish Council. It has been forwarded to Hereford Council in order that all the relevant departments within the Council are aware of our results and proposed action Plan. In due course you will be able to view the complete document on the parish website; we will also print a quantity of the whole document and these will be available to purchase for a small charge which will cover the printing costs. Copies of the proposed action plan will be available to everyone. Derek Ling Chairman

#### PLANNING APPLICATIONS.

No planning applications have been received recently.

#### DINMORE SPOUT

The Parish Council has once again been notified by the Scientific Officer in the Environmental Health and Trading Standards department at Herefordshire Council that the water at the spring serving Dinmore Spout is not fit to drink.

#### LITTER PICK

Bodenham Parish Council is holding a litter pick on Saturday 10th March. Participants will be rewarded with soup and rolls at the Parish Hall after completing the litter pick. Watch this space. See also the 'Wombling Expedition' poster elsewhere in this Newsletter.

#### THE FUTURE OF THE LIBRARY AND OTHER SERVICES

Herefordshire Council is considering changes to its Cultural Services departments, which include its libraries. A public consultation has been launched. You can make your views known by emailing nsilver@herefordshire.gov.uk or by downloading a form at http://consult.herefordshire.gov.uk/ consult.ti/cultserv/consultationHome

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#### THE QUEEN'S DIAMOND JUBILEE

Bodenham Parish Council is seeking ways of celebrating the Queen's Diamond Jubilee and would welcome suggestions from anyone or any group in Bodenham. The Parish Council would also like to hear from any group, society, club or organization which has already made plans for celebrating the Diamond their plans.

#### DID YOU KNOW?....(1)

......that you can put dog poo in litter bins, if it is

The Parish Council have placed stickers to this effect on all its litter bins and in the bus shelters.

#### DID YOU KNOW?....(2)

.....about the parish website? At www.bodenhamparish.org.uk you can find an absolute wealth of information about Bodenham past, present and future. Take a look.

#### FINALLY....

The next Parish Council meeting will be held at 7.30pm on Monday 6th February at the Siward James Centre. Copies of the agenda are placed in advance on parish notice boards and on the parish website (www. bodenhamparish.org.uk). Everyone is most welcome to attend and raise any matters of concern during the slot reserved for this purpose during the meeting. If you prefer you can raise matters in advance by contacting Chris Smith, Parish Clerk, on 01568 797132 or by email at fork.lightning@gmail.com.

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#### BODENHAM CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

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Programme for February

5th	9.00am	Praise and Prayer
5th	10.30am	Worship Service - Keith Baldwin
12th	10.30am	Fellowship Service and Communion
19th	10.30am	Worship Service - Malcolm Healey
26th	10.30am	Worship Service - Steve Grisman

**Praise and Prayer** on **Sunday 5th February\_**will be followed by a simple breakfast. Coffee will be served after all services.

Café @ Chapel meets every Thursday morning - Why not call in for a coffee and chat at any time between 10.30am and 12 noon.

Midweek Study and Discussion Group meets on Thursdays at 7.30 for 7.45pm in members' homes. Visitors are welcome to meet with us as we continue a new series entitled 'Saving the Nation' - Heroes from the Book of Judges

Contact Peter Lefroy-Owen for more information.

Ladies Bible Study at the Chapel on Tuesday 7th
February. We conclude our study of Hebrews: 'Consider
Jesus'

Please contact Margaret Seccombe for further details.

#### Monday 13th February at 7.30pm Members' Meeting

Dates of Fellowship services and events can be found on the Bodenham website:

www.bodenhamparish.org.uk

Contact Peter Lefroy-Owen, Margaret Seccombe (797094) Secretary: Pat Horrigan (797044)

#### BODENHAM ROMANIA SUPPORT GROUP

Thursday 23rd February. Knit-In at 14 Brockington Road from 2 - 4pm. Visitors are always welcome. We don't charge anything and will provide you with wool if needed. Thank you to all who have given us wool - we can always use more!

Chairman: Pat Horrigan - 7978044

#### **BODENHAM MOTHERS' UNION**

**Thursday, 2nd February** at 10.30 at 14 Brockington Road Mrs Sylvia Bland will talk about Fostering. Visitors are always welcome.

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#### **BODENHAM BOWLING CLUB**

The 2012 season for outdoor bowls is fast approaching and it is good to see the days lengthening and brightening and the green being prepared.

The first event of the year will take place on **SATURDAY 25th FEBRUARY** from 18,30 - 21.30 at the Siward James Centre. This will be a social evening, mulled wine on arrival followed by soup and crispy rolls, an array of delicious desserts and coffee. There will be a raffle (any contributions to this will be gratefully received) and a quiz. We can look forward to a happy evening . Tickets available at a cost of £7.00 from the Treasurer, Chairman or myself. You don't have to be a bowler to come all are welcome.

The REGISTRATION evening will take place ,again at the Siward James Centre on FRIDAY 30st

March 19.00 - 21.00. The subscription has been held at the same rate as last year.

The **OPEN DAY** will be on **Saturday 21st April** from 15.00. If you have never bowled but would like to have a go then just turn up.

All you require are a pair of FLAT SOLED shoes, the club have bowls you can use.

The first club evening will be on

Wednesday 25th April 18.15 for a prompt 18.30 start. The first match is scheduled to take place on our green on Saturday 28th April.

Looking forward to a cheery evening on Saturday 25th and a good playing season for us all. Barbara Gibson (secretary) 797643



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#### **BODENHAM LEISURE CLUB**

On **Monday 13th February** we meet in the Parish Hall at 2.30pm when we shall have a talk entitled, "My Life as a War-Time Evacuee" given by Kenneth Reeve. I am sure this will be most interesting.

We shall have the Bring & Buy Table, Raffle and Light Refreshments.

We shall be in the Parish Hall again on **Monday 27th February** at 2.30pm for a fun afternoon when we have a "Beetle Drive"!

Please support the Sales Table and Raffle. Light Refreshments will be served.

We look forward to seeing members and visitors at these meetings. Visitors £1 entry.

Gwenllian Bowden

Secretary/Programme Secretary

#### New Year! New Start! New Course! Home Start!

This year you could make a real difference! Get involved with Home-Start Herefordshire Put the smile back on somebody's face.....

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Home-Start Herefordshire supports families that have at least one child under the age of 5 throughout the county. Are you a parent or grandparent willing to offer 2 or 3 hours a week to give help & support to other parents finding life hard by using your own experiences?

We all want to give our children the best start in life and no matter how hard we try sometimes this seems a difficult task. Home-Start volunteers give weekly support within the family's own home, helping parents by offering understanding, a listening ear and practical help to meet the needs of each family

All of us make New Year's resolutions which we intend to keep but somehow they get lost by the wayside. This year make your resolution a reality.

All our volunteers attend a course of preparation and have ongoing training and support. Whilst offering help to families our volunteers find they get a tremendous sense of satisfaction and enjoy the time they spend together, often making real lasting friendships.

The preparation course is a **free 10** week course with all travel expenses paid, and we are delighted to now be able to offer it at an **accredited** level which requires a fee of £22. Our Scheme manager and organisers are fully qualified and experienced to deliver this valuable course, the purpose of which is to explain the ethos of the charity and to obtain an understanding of the different needs the families may require.

One volunteer told us 'I feel I get as much out of it as the family does, it's a real privilege to be allowed into a family and be able to help another mum. I would have loved to have had a Home-Start volunteer myself when my children were little.'

We have a Volunteers Preparation Course starting on Friday February 3rd 2012 10.00 - 2.30pm Running for 10 weeks every Friday

If you would like to know more about how you become a volunteer, help us with our fundraising or events please do give us a call 01432 371212

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20 February - Carers Assessments & Dementia Care
19 March - Contingency Planning - what happens if the carer is ill
16 April - Telecare - gadgets to help maintain independence

21 May – Falls Prevention \* open meeting for anyone who has fallen or is worried about falling

for more information phone

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If you need alternative care for the person you care for, or a lift, please let us know and we may be able to provide this. If you need alternative care we need to know at least two weeks prior to the meetings.

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Did you know - that you can order your prescriptions at the Bodenham pharmacy by email - here's how:

- Log on to the surgery website (www. marchessurgery.co.uk
- 2. Choose Prescriptions from the index on the left hand side of the home page.
- 3. Under paragraph entitled Bodenham patients, click on Repeat Prescription Service.
- 4. Complete details (medication, name, etcetera).
- 5. Click on arrow next to Select a Chemist option and use drop down menu to select Bodenham.
- 6. Click on Send / Submit.

## BWg

## For women from Bodenham and surrounding areas FEBRUARY

Weir Garden to see the snowdrops Tues 14th Feb Free to NT members, otherwise £5.20

Option of going on to Oakchurch garden centre/café afterwards

Meet Parish Hall car park at 10.20am for 11am at Weir

Please contact organiser Nina Dowler by 7th Feb 01568797363

Skittles evening Tues 21st Feb. 7.30pm for 8pm at Snooker hall in Coningsby St., Hereford £1 contribution each to the 'stickers' Deadline for names 7th Feb

Please contact organiser, Brenda Carter 01568797008 brenda.carter@tesco.net

#### MARCH

Anniversary supper at Brockington Golf club. Thurs Mar 15th 7 for 7.30

Filled jackets(choice), salad, homemade desserts, tea/coffee £10

Numbers are limited so buy tickets asap from organisers

Nan Murdoch 01568797595 or Kath Tremain 01568797751

#### APRIL

City Walk

Organisers Pat Austin Ann Herbert

For membership details phone our Treasurer,

Anita Griffiths 01568797929 or any below

 Sally Doody-Henshaw
 01568 797066

 Carol Kirkpatrick
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Sunday 15th February meet
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#### PARISH HALL NEWS

PUDDING CLUB ......ADVANCE NEWS.....

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

FRIDAY 23rd MARCH at the Parish Hall. You don't have to be a member, just to love puddings, desserts, 'afters'....call them what you like. More details later.....

Flicks

The next film, Jane Eyre, needs no introduction and is on **Friday 10th February** at 7.30pm. On **Friday 24th February** we have The Guard', a comedy thriller set on the West coast of Ireland. These films should cheer us up on these cold damp days which seem to last forever. The normal price of £4 applies. Mr Popper's Penguins was a huge success in December. This was a real 'feel good', laugh out loud film with mince pies, a Christmas quiz and a special visit from Father Christmas in the interval.

Congratulations to the prize winners Hannah Gateley and Linda White.

#### Parish Hall Management Committee meetings

These are held at least quarterly, usually in the Parish Hall and members of the public are very welcome to attend. The next one is on Wednesday 22nd February at 7.30pm when we will be further discussing the kitchen refurbishment and the grant application for the play area.

#### 100 CLUB

The next draws are at the Gardening Club on 7th February. There are currently 104 members. If you feel like you're missing out then contact me, Mary Nickols on 01568797144, The Forge, (by Bodenham bridge) and you can have ticket number 105 for £2 for the remaining 2 months. There's nothing to stop us having more than 100 members. Exactly half the income will be paid out in prizes regardless of how many people take part. I will be sending a letter to all existing members in late March to explain how to renew for the next year, starting 1st May

#### The Kitchen

Desperately in need of major refurbishment, the kitchen is the next big thing on our list for action. If you are a Hall user and have ideas for what you would like to see done, then please get in touch with one of us. Also if you have contacts which might help ease the cost or the work we would be very pleased to hear from you. We are hoping to get a grant to add to what we already have in our savings account.

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#### BODENHAM PARISH HALL MANAGEMENT

Would the owner/s of the dog/s who are fouling the Parish Hall car park please be more considerate and clean up after them? Especially the owner who allowed their dog to foul outside the boiler room door! Better still do not use the car park as a dog's toilet! (Not sure why anyone would need to be with a dog in this area of the car park.)

The Secretary

Bodenham Parish Hall Management

Bodenham Parish Hall Regular Activities Schedule Clubs & Societies

Club	Meets	Contact
Leisure Club	Monthly on the 2nd and 4th Mondays, 2.30 - 4 pm .	Secretary - Gwenllian Bowden 01568 797868
Gardening Club	Monthly on the 1st Tuesday, 7.30 pm .	David <i>G</i> riffiths - 01568 797427
Sequence Dance	Monthly on the last Saturday, 8 pm .	Mrs Potter - 01432 880373
Flicks in the Sticks	Sep-Apr; One Friday each month, 7.30 pm .	Chris James - 01568 797451

The Week's Regulars

Day	Activity Contact		act
Monday	Tai Chi 10.00-11.30am (TT) Keep Fit, Body Tone, Aerobics 6.30-7.30pm .	Julian Kemp Emma Caldwell	01568 614468 01568 797210, 07971009691
Tuesday	Pilates 6-7 pm . Airgun Club 8 pm .	Jennifer Grumbley Ian Linton	01568 797395 01568 797375
Wednesday	Tai Chi 9.30-11.00am (TT). Yoga 6.00-7.30pm(TT) Badminton 8 pm .	Julian Kemp Fiona Hawkins Rob Parker	01568 614468 01432 860270 01568 797091
Thursday	Bellydancing 7 - 8.00 pm and 8 - 9.30 pm	Abbie Mason 07962161081 E: alanya@alanyabellydance.com www.alanyabellydancer.webs.com	
Friday	Pilates 10 am	Jennifer Grumbley	01568 797395

(TT): term time only

#### Village Hall Committee

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> Travels with a Camera at Bodenham Chapel 7.30pm Admission £2.50 Contact:Dave Hill 01568-797531

Wednesday 1st February - "Dutch Impressions" presented by Brian Skinner

Friday 17th February - "Stunning views and mysteries of South America" presented by Richard Morgan

#### ST MICHAEL'S PRE-SCHOOL

We are situated within St Michael's C of E Primary School in Bodenham. We have our own playground and access to the main playground and playing field.

The Pre-school is run by staff with Early Years qualifications and experience of working with pre-school children. We are managed by the Governors of the School.

Pre-School is normally open during school term-time.

Full details of our sessions can be viewed at: www.stmichaelsbodenham.co.uk/PreSchool.htm

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1. We are holding our annual PANCAKES AND TEA event on

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There will also be a RAFFLE and CAKE STALL. We look forward to seeing you.

- 2. Our CHRISTMAS BINGO EVENT held on the 2nd December 2011 at the Parish Hall raised £427.00 for CANCER RESEARCH UK. We had a really good crowd and thank you to everyone who supported us.
- 3. We had a good 2011 in that the total raised for CANCER RESEARCH UK, including in-memoriam donations, was £20,200 our best ever!

The Committee members would like to thank all those who have supported us, in whatever way, in enabling us to achieve this fantastic figure.

#### **BODENHAM FLOOD PROTECTION GROUP**

The Bodenham Flood Protection Group have been asked to help provide a list of ALL Insurance Companies or Banks who have either been awkward or refused to give a quote for property insurance because of their property's post code or because it is in Bodenham.

If this has happened to you or someone you know, could you please email me on BabsMitcheson@aol.com or contact me on 01568 797170 with all the details.

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**March 6th** The Kitchen Garden with Roger Umpleby

**April 3rd** New Herbaeceous Perennials with John Sutton plus Daffodil Show.

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY 2012

Friday 24th February- "The Guard" Friday 9th March- "The Debt" Friday 13th April- TBC Friday 11th May- "The Iron Lady"

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#### Meetings are open to ALL MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

All Meetings, unless otherwise notified will be held on the last <u>Tuesday</u> of the month at Siward James Centre starting at 7.30 pm

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#### **BODENHAM RAMBLERS**

**Programme for February & March** 

Date	Description	Miles	Start	Grid	Leaders
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Feb	Leintwardine	5 Miles	Roadside Parking on Green	Exp 203	Sylvia Winney
Wed 8th	Traditional Fish & Chips in Sun Pub. Good walk.		over the River Bridge	404 739	01432-830486
Sun 19th	Ledbury to Eastnor	4.5	Market Hall Ledbury.	Exp 190	Maurice Spratt
		Miles	Use any Town Centre CP	711 376	01432-860572
			Lunch to be advised @ AGM		
Wed 29th	Aymestry. Meadows	5 Miles	Riverside Inn on the A4110 at	Exp 203	Mary Watkins
	& Woodland.		Aymestry	425 655	01432-273432
	Easy/Moderate. Very few stiles				
March	Llangrove &	5 Mile	Royal Arms PH Llangrove	OL 14	Stephen Locke
Sun 11th	Llagarran.			523 195	01432-880950
	Moderate/Undulating				
	hills				
Wed 21st	Harewood End.	4 Miles	Harewood End Pub	Exp 189	Wendy Jones
	Pleasant walk and			269 529	01432-272031
	mainly easy going				

All walks will start at 10.00am unless otherwise stated. For details of these walks please contact the leaders. For details of the Bodenham Ramblers please contact the Chairman, Eddie Phillips on 01432-266994.

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If you would like to join a group, or attend our two hour FREE training to lead a walk in your area, we would love to hear from you. Please contact "Let's Walk Herefordshire" co-ordinator at: award@herefordshire.gov.uk or call us on 01432 261 864

#### Dancing in Sutton Village Hall

Dance classes for beginners are held in Sutton Village Hall on Wednesday evenings at 8.00pm. Waltz, Quickstep, Rumba, Tango, Cha Cha etc. All are taught by a qualified sequence dance teacher. If you would like to join in the fun and learn to dance in a friendly social atmosphere, please ring Ann Potter on 01432 880373.

#### Traditional orchards in Herefordshire – can you help?

Traditional orchards\* are a valuable and distinctive feature of the landscape in many parts of Herefordshire. They are one of the most important habitats for wildlife in the county and are often also of great cultural and historical interest in the local area.

Some owners and organisations are already carrying out excellent work to conserve traditional orchards. However, recent survey work has revealed that there are almost 3400 traditional orchards in Herefordshire and it is estimated that many of these are in poor condition, so there is much still to do. For this reason a partnership of interested bodies across the orchard-rich counties of Gloucestershire, Herefordshire and Worcestershire has recently been formed to help develop project ideas and to prepare funding bids to help support more locally based orchard management.

Please contact us if you:

- are interested in volunteering in some capacity to help conserve Herefordshire's traditional orchards (e.g. receiving training to carry out wildlife or archaeological surveys, getting involved in community events or carrying out tasks such as tree planting or pruning);
- are the owner of a traditional orchard and would like some help with its management;
- have some relevant knowledge or expertise that could be shared with others.

It is anticipated that applications to funding bodies to support orchard conservation work will be made in Spring 2012. The more people who register an interest in this subject the more likely it is that these applications will be taken seriously and funding be granted, so please do get in touch.

Please contact the Malvern Hills Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB) Partnership office for further information or to register an interest. Email:aonb@worcestershire.gov.uk. Tel: 01684 560616.

More about this project and the partnership behind it can be viewed at: http://www.malvernhillsaonb.org.uk/orchard\_project.html

\* Traditional orchards tend to contain tall, 'standard' trees which have been allowed to grow and mature. They tend not to be intensively managed and often contain distinctive local varieties of fruit or nut tree.

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From the Editor,

The next issue is March 2012. The deadline for contributions is 18th February. Please be prompt with your contributions as we're a couple of days short this month! Have the newsletter delivered automatically to your computer by signing up at www.bodenhamnewsletter.co.uk Contact me: orchardthings@hotmail.co.uk

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See the newsletter and find out more about the village on the village website: www.bodenhamparish.org.uk
Susan Haworth (Editor)





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