



Village Scene



Hampton Bishop

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Village Updates

Spring isn't too far away! The days are getting lighter, spring flowers are coming up and Easter is just around the corner.

The Village Hall is seeing a steady increase in bookings. The January Produce Market was, as expected, a little quieter than previously - but a success nevertheless. We've put the cafe area in the main hall along with the stalls, which was popular, so we'll continue doing that in future. If you haven't been yet, why not come along next time? **March 18th, 10 to 1pm.**

Short Mat Bowls has proved popular and will be a regular activity. We are planning other community events throughout the year but please tell us what you want to see happening.

With Village Hall supporters shopping online through Easyfundraising, HBVA has already **raised £62.91** at no cost to the shoppers. It's so easy! If you shop online and would like to support us too, go

to:<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/hampton-bishop-villagers-association/>

To make a booking at the hall, or to know what's going on you can see our live bookings calendar at <https://www.hamptonbishop.info/village-hall>. If that's not your style, there's a weekly schedule of events put on the noticeboard outside the hall.

We held the AGM on Feb 16th. Val Watson was re-elected as Chair and Jo Evans as Treasurer. If you'd like to come along to an HBVA meeting we will be very pleased to see you. Our next meeting is on **Thursday 20th April** starting at 7.30pm.



Hampton Bishop Villagers' Association (HBVA) Charity No701184, manage the Village Hall, car park and the leased land. These are all available for the use of inhabitants of Hampton Bishop, and other users, subject to the permission of the Association committee. All Hampton Bishop residents over 18 years old are "members". Our function is to maintain the hall as a recreational asset for villagers of all ages to use - and the HBVA aim is to strengthen the social ties between villagers

Spring Walks Around Herefordshire

With spring just around the corner why not explore some of the breath-taking and accessible walks put together by Visit Herefordshire?

Dust off those walking boots and head over to [The Best Walking Routes in Herefordshire](https://www.visitherefordshire.co.uk) ([visitherefordshire.co.uk](https://www.visitherefordshire.co.uk)) for all the routes and maps – and, the best bit is that there’s usually a pub along the way! Below is a sample to get those toes twitching!



Walk	Miles	Link to route
Garway Hill	3.7	Garway with the Ponies
Hergest Ridge	6.5	Endless Views from Hergest Ridge
Cats Back	4.9	The Black Hill, Cat's Back
Mortimer Country Park	8.8	Magic in Mortimer Country
Wine Walk	5.0	Wine Walk: Coddington Vineyard
Blossom Walk	5.8	Woolhope Circular
Arthurs Stone	5.5	Arthur's Stone & The Golden Valley
Wigmore Castle	5.1	Castle & Rolls
Marcle Ridge	5.6	Marcle Ridge and Woolhope Dome
Bromyard Downs	7.1	Jewel in the Downs
Breinton Springs	5.7	Walk around the City
Hoarwithy	4.8	Ramble by the Wye



Parish Council Update

Meetings

The next scheduled meeting of the Parish Council will be held on Tuesday 21st March at 19.00 in the Village Hall. Local residents are very welcome to attend and may raise local matters during the 'Open Session' agenda item.

Parish Council elections

All seven parish councillors for Hampton Bishop will be required to stand down at the beginning of May because they will have completed their four-year term of office. They all have the option of standing for election on Thursday 4th May, together with any other local resident aged 18 or over. Nomination papers will be available from Herefordshire Council or from your parish clerk from 7th March and the deadline for you to hand deliver your completed nomination papers to the Town Hall, Hereford, is 4pm on Tuesday 4th April.

Parish Orchard

Justin Peebles has been contracted to undertake work under the recently adopted 5-year Enhancement Plan for the Parish Orchard, which is within the parish Conservation Area. Work specified in the Plan will commence once Justin has obtained planning permission to prune the trees.

Footpaths

At its meeting in November 2022, the parish council appointed Dawn Humphreys and Margaret Waddington to share the role of volunteer Parish Footpaths Officer. If you notice any problems with access to local rights of way, please contact the clerk on 07713 077077 or mention it to Dawn and Margaret. The responsibility for maintaining rights of way rests with Herefordshire Council but the parish council, like many others across the county, supports Herefordshire in its role by being the 'eyes and ears' on the ground, via their Footpaths Officers.

SID (Speed Indicator Device)

Now that the trees have been cut back around the second SID, parish councillors will undertake an inspection to ensure that the SID can be reactivated as soon as possible.

Strengthening of Mordiford Bridge

Herefordshire Council has sought planning permission to undertake engineering works to reinforce Mordiford Bridge at flood arches 2 and 3. The works will involve dismantling the existing parapet; casting a new reinforced concrete core against the existing upstream spandrel wall; extending the new concrete wall into the parapet; and cladding the exposed concrete with masonry to match the existing bridge.

Parish Council email notifications. If you would like to receive direct email notifications on parish council matters, simply email the Clerk: clerk@hamptonbishopparishcouncil.gov.uk.

Hampton Bishop WI

Hampton Bishop WI celebrated the New Year with lunch in the Moon at Mordiford. It was lovely to all get back together after the busy Christmas period. Wendy Rogers joined us and it was a great shock a week later to learn that Wendy had passed away suddenly at home. Wendy had been a big part of our WI for many years and will be missed.



In February we had Kate talk to us about the Polish community and what the Polish people as a nation did for us during WWII, with many settling here in Herefordshire. They were billeted in Stoke Lacy at a camp called Foxley. It was a very interesting talk.

In March Hampton Bishop WI is 75 years old and we will be celebrating with a light supper together with our AGM. We'll look back over the past year, and remind ourselves of some of the events we had.

In April, we are having a talk on Sly Gin by Duncan. This talk was postponed last year due to covid so we are delighted to have it re-arranged.

If you are interested in joining Hampton Bishop WI please contact Barbara Kerr on 07816247239. We meet the second Thursday of the month at 7.30pm in the village hall.

Herefordshire Domesday Manors

The data has been taken from the Herefordshire Domesday of 1086 published by Alecto Historical Editions in 1988 with their written permission.

The Domesday was authorised by William the First who held Court at Gloucester in 1085 for 5 days. It started with members of King William's team being elected as Bishops of London, Norfolk and Cheshire. There was then a detailed study and discussion how a record of each area of land, cattle, activity by anyone and all possessions in England could be recorded and valued with the purpose of providing a calculation of the King's income from his new country won at the Battle of Hastings in 1066. Hence the Domesday Survey was started with the full cooperation of Royal, Baronial and Ecclesiastical Authorities that produced the Domesday records.

In Hereford City for example it was written that there were 103 men living within and without the city wall. All were required to provide service to the King. If a house was sold, a horse was hired, money forged for the King, a man died, a wife brewed, or man that refused to serve in the King's local fighting force then all these topics require payment to the King.

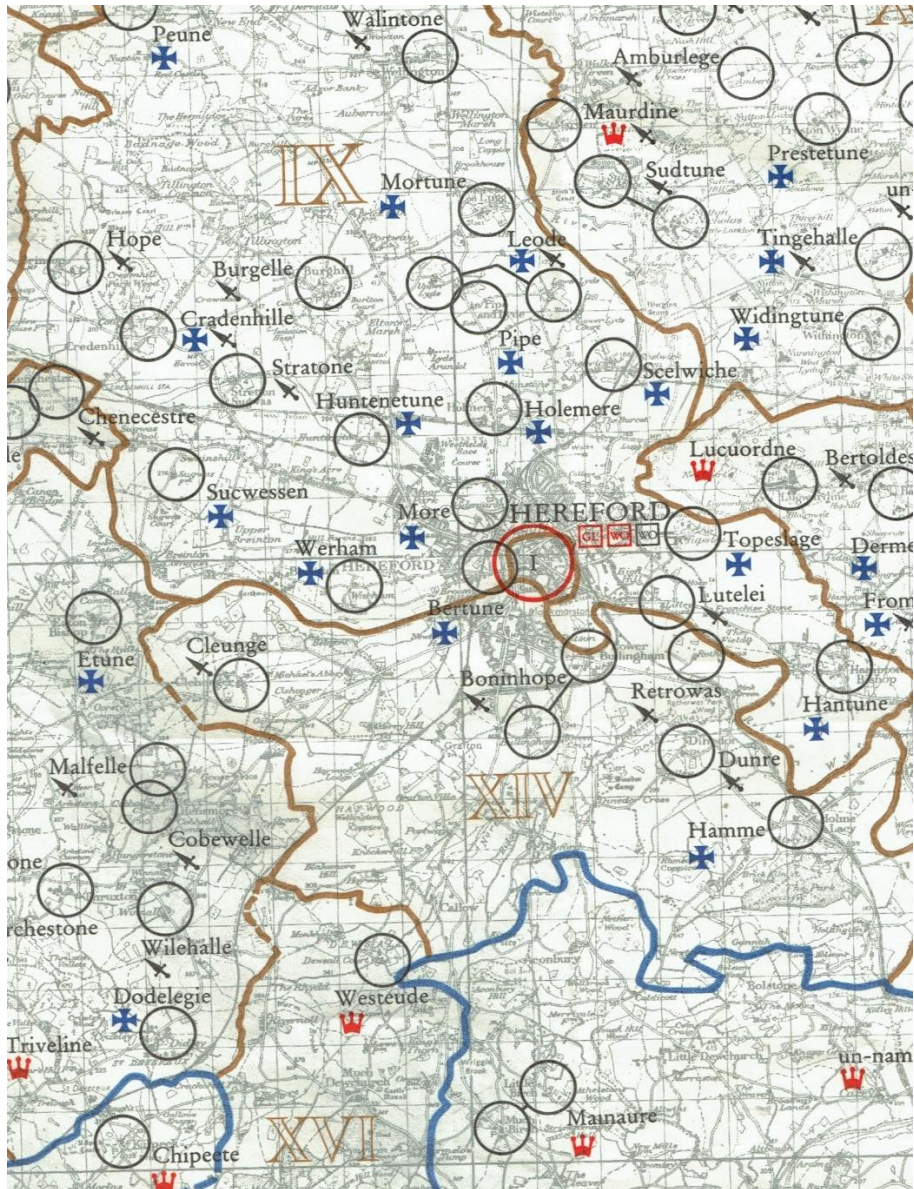
The translation of the Domesday text read as the 11th century version of a taxation system but with the money all paid to the King.

In the 9th century the county was divided into hundreds being a given large area of land. Hereford was in the Cutestornes Hundred marked as IX on the map. This included the southern offshoot as shown of Hantune Manor now Hampton Bishop. Hundreds were divided into Hides but the division was not consistent in the records. Herefordshire was divided into 18 Hundreds plus the two Welsh areas of Archenefield-e and Eweis.

The county of Herefordshire has varied in size, having at one stage included areas transferred to Gloucestershire in 1067-71, areas transferred to Radnorshire then Powys and Monmouthshire then Gwent in 1536.

It is of no surprise that the names of various places in the Cutestornes Hundred IX have names like those that are recognised today. For example, Holemere Manor is now Holmer and Burgelle Manor is now Burghill.

Study the map and you will recognise the names that have survived more than 1000 years. At the top of the map is Walintone Manor. Say the word quickly and the name Wellington becomes obvious as it is named today. **Brian & Jo Hardy-Bishop**



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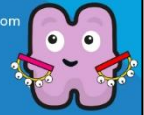
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Roger's Ramblings

2023 will be a memorable year. About 67% of the people living in the UK were either not alive or had not arrived here when our late dearly missed Queen was crowned. I touched a bit on this in my September ramblings but it's getting nearer, and I'd like to tell you more about my memories of that day in June 1953.

At the time I lived with my mother in Middlesex just a short walk away from the last westerly station on the Piccadilly underground/overground. On the night of June 1st/2nd the trains and busses were operating throughout the night with regular services into the centre of London.

Mother and I got to Uxbridge station about 2.00am. We had our sandwiches and thermos flask in my Boy Scout haversack. The station was alive with people all wanting to get a good spot to watch the Coronation procession.

So it was that thousands of people were descending on London to take part in the big day. The crowds were very orderly and the atmosphere was one of happiness and fun. Everybody helped and looked after everyone else. People shared their seats on the trains and helped one another.

We planned to base ourselves near Marble Arch so we walked through the dawn and through Hyde Park with hundreds of similarly minded cheerful people, Although it was really mid-summer the weather was not at all good with a light drizzle falling which didn't dampen the enthusiasm of the crowds. We had only recently got used to singing "God save the Queen" instead of "King" and the throngs of people regularly started singing all sorts of songs, including the National Anthem.



My mother's health was not good, and we made our way more slowly than many others but eventually we found a good viewpoint near the Marble Arch and pretty well at the front of the crowds. We had brought a couple of blankets with us and we settled down on the pavement and waited, and waited, and waited.

Mother was struggling with her health and before the procession came she fainted and was taken by the St John's Ambulance to be cared for and so I was left on my own to wait for the procession. The folk around me were wonderful, I was 12 and so it was quite something to have to cope on my own amongst the crowds. The people around me made sure I had a good viewpoint so that eventually I would be able to tell my mother who sadly missed all the excitement.

Eventually the procession came past and it certainly took some time, I believe that there were over 30,000 military and Service people in the procession and lining the routes. So, we saw it all and then it was over and everybody just seemed to disappear, we got the Tube back to Uxbridge and home and that was that. I'd been to the Coronation. It was much later that I saw the film of the actual Coronation so this time on May 6th I'm going to be sitting in Hampton Bishop with Bridget, in front of our TV set with maybe a glass of something by our side and content myself with the thought that there are not too many people around that can claim to have seen two Coronations, as I shall, all being well as it's still a few months away.

Thank you from Pam Hutton

I would like to thank, from the bottom of my heart, everyone involved in planning, baking, organising, plotting, scheming and generally colluding to throw my surprise 90th birthday party after the church service on 5th February. I'm sure you could all teach M15 a trick or two!

An extra special mention must go to the Spy Master General in charge of the operation, Thelma Netherway, our very own 'Village Angel'. Also to my appointed chauffeur, Chris Arms, who made me feel like Royalty. And finally to the vicar for allowing the hi-jacking of his church. You've all helped to create such a wonderful memory. Thank you.

Addendum: Of all the gifts I received, the musical candlestick holder is an absolute delight! Having heard it playing eerily throughout the night it was banished to the greenhouse where it is currently still serenading the geraniums. I'll let you know if they flourish or not!

Easter Egg Cakes

200g milk or plain chocolate

85g shredded wheat

2tbs golden syrup

50g butter

Mini eggs

Method

Break up chocolate into a heat proof dish. Add butter and golden syrup. Melt over simmering water. Once melted remove from the heat and mix in the scrunched up shredded wheat. Mix together making sure all the wheat is covered in the chocolate.

Line a baking tray with cake cases and spoon in the mixture. Gently press down in the centre to create a nest effect, place mini eggs in the middle of each nest. Leave to chill in the fridge for a minimum of 1 hour. **This is a good one to get the children involved.**



Garden Wisdom of Days Gone By

“ A garden is not a place, it is a journey” Monty Don

March / April

April is the kindest month, healing all the hurts of winter, and feeding every hope and dream of the long spring and summer to come.

Tasks

1. Hoe between border plants to keep on top of freshly germinated weed seedlings.
2. Harden off young vegetable plants by placing them outside during the day in a sheltered spot.
3. Divide hostas to reinvigorate them and start new clumps from the offsets.

4. Apply fertiliser to pots and borders, if you haven't already.
5. Spray roses to control future attacks of black spot disease.
6. Remove frost damaged shoots from flowering shrubs.
7. Plant new flowering shrubs to provide easy border colour.
8. Bring in pots of Lilly of the valley and hyacinths to enjoy their scent indoors.
9. Keep sowing hardy annuals for colourful displays this summer.
10. Finish planting all new fruit bushes.
11. Remove the flowers from new strawberry plants, so they fruit well next year.
12. Sow beetroot, Brussels sprouts, cabbage, carrots, chard, leeks, lettuce, peas, radishes and spinach outdoors.
13. Feed cacti and other succulents weekly in spring and summer using a balanced liquid fertiliser.
14. Divide clump forming succulents, replanting each bit that has its own growing point.

TOP 10 GARDEN PESTS (As rated by the RHS)



1. Slugs and snails are the top pests in the country
2. Vine Weevile, (This insect is the bane of plants grown in containers)
3. Fuchsia hall mite
4. Glass house thrips
5. Woody aphid
6. Tortrix moth
7. Box tree moth
8. Rosemary beetle larvae
9. Aphids
10. Caterpillars

St Andrews Church

I'm always excited as Spring begins to break in – somehow managing to spot more signs of new life and hope each year. A tough year for many so far, perhaps for you. Yet Easter starts from a dark, cold place, full of hopeful surprises.



And remember – when our **clocks spring forward**, our evening services return to **6pm** for the summer months.

Sunday 5 March	11am	Family Service
Sunday 12	4pm	Holy Communion
Sunday 19	4pm	Evening Worship
Sunday 26	6pm	Holy Communion
Sunday 2 April	11am	Family Service
<i>Palm Sunday</i>		with Egg Hunt!
Wednesday 5	6:30pm	A half-hour
reflection		
Good Friday 7	2-3pm	'Last Hour' with hymns
Sunday 9 <i>Easter</i>	6pm	Easter Communion
Sunday 16	6pm	Evening Worship
Sunday 23	6pm	Holy Communion
Sunday 30	6pm	Holy Communion BCP



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St Andrew's is open during daytime... Drop in for a quiet moment.

And if you cannot get out, or if you'd like to join worship from home or away, a new video is uploaded each Saturday to our channel at

<https://www.youtube.com/@stpaulshereford9251/videos>

See you soon - whether egg-hunting, in St Andrew's, joining on screen or around the village. And when it comes... **A very happy Easter.** Nick Armstrong (vicar)



Chapel Cafe

Tuesday 7th March and 4th April. Join with us in the Lady Chapel from 10am to midday for hot drinks, homemade cakes and meet new friends and old.

CAMEO

Cameo is a friendship group meeting on the last Thursday of the month. So 'Come And Meet Each Other' on 30th March and 27th April, 2.30-4.30pm. Please phone Thelma, 870968 to confirm venue.

Bees in Spring

March is officially the first month of spring for us in the UK. Already the first of the spring flowers are putting on a colourful show of yellows, purples and shades of white. Snow drops are starting to go past their best having flowered in numbers since January. Crocus varieties are just starting to join the display too. These and other spring bulbous plants including Winter Aconite, Anemone blanda, Squill and Muscari are valuable early sources of pollen for bees.

Garden plants important to bees this month include the Hellebores, Pulmonaria and Wall Flowers. Both the biennial bedding Wallflowers and short lived perennial varieties are attractive to bees but it's the Everlasting Wall Flower Bowles Mauve that is flowering the best at present, the other will put on a fantastic show towards the end of March and into April.

Several Spring flowering trees are important to bees, and these include White Poplar, Willows, and Hazel. The willow and white beam Catkins are just starting to open. One of the best small willows for gardens is Salix Caprea Kilarnock which is a pussy willow type with large fluffy catkins which become covered in bright lemon yellow pollen and all manner of bees adore it.



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Shrubs flowering this month attractive to bees include Flowering Currant, Sarcococca, Blackthorne, Flowering Quince and Camelia. Wild flowers making an appearance include Lesser celandine, Sweet Violet, Cowslip, Primrose, White Deadnettle, Bugle, Ground Ivy and the first of the Spanish blue bells who's blue-green pollen honey bees will collect. White Deadnettle in particular is a valuable wild plant for bumble bees and some of the longer tongued solitary bees. Its pollen is rich in protein and fats and the enclosed flower prevents heavy rain washing away the nectar - an invaluable forage source in early spring. **Val Watson**

Tribute to Wendy Rogers

Our mother, Wendy Rogers, sadly passed away in January and her Thanksgiving Service was on Monday 13 February at St Andrews Church, Hampton Bishop. We would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone in Hampton Bishop so much for their support of our mother during her life in Hampton Bishop, and especially for the support shown by all those able to attend her Thanksgiving Service last Monday. We were overwhelmed by the number of those who attended the service, which meant so much to us and for which we were truly grateful. Mum lived in Hampton Bishop for almost 60 years – since 1964 when she married Dad - and during her time was very involved in village life, from the WI, to church, to Chapel Café and the annual fete – second hand clothes, books and finally toys.



The photo shown is of Mum at the Village Market in November. She actually attended the market again in January, only 2 days before she died, chatting away to all those she saw.

She will be greatly missed by us all but we know she lived a happy and fulfilled life in the village for all those many years. Thank you to all those who enabled her to do so.

From Phillip, Jamie, Helen, Richard and Kier Rogers

What's On At Hampton Bishop Village Hall

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Hartbeeps	Thursday 12.45 to 2pm	Ellie 07727 602531 ellie.manning@hartbeeps.com
Dance Fusion	Monday 5.15pm	Heather 07834 208639
WI	Thursday 7.30pm (monthly)	Barbara 07816 247239
Community Choir	Thursday 7.30pm	Tom 07787 919135 tomhughesmusic@outlook.com
Folk Ensemble	Alternate Fridays	Tom 07787 919135 tomhughesmusic@outlook.com
Dog training	Sunday 2.30pm (field)	Matt 07976 989693 mathewfaulds@gmail.com
Quilters	Thursday 10am	Rosemary 07747 378502 Quilters rplant405@gmail.com
Parish Council Meetings	3 rd Tuesday, every two months, 7pm	Lynda 07713 077077 clerk@hamptonbishopparrishcouncil.gov.uk
Iyenga Yoga	Thursday 9.30am 6.15pm	Fiona 07717 768958 fionahawkins@btopenworld.com
Fish and Chip Van	Alternate Thursdays 7 to 7.45pm	Madley Takeaway 01981 458008 madleytakeaway@gmail.com
Saturday Market	3 rd Saturday, every two months, 10am to 1pm	Tom 07787 919135 tomhughesmusic@outlook.com
Hampton Bishop Villagers Association Meetings	3 rd Thursday, every two months, 7.30pm	Val 07762 103110 hamptonbishophall@gmail.com
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