



BISHOP'S CASTLE NEWS



DECEMBER 2015
JANUARY 2016
ISSUE 44



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

DECEMBER	
Tues 1 st	Bishop's Castle Town Council Meeting – BC Town Hall – 7.30pm
Weds 2 nd	Bishop's Castle Tai Ji Quan Dao - Church Barn – 10am – 12 noon Town Hall – 6.30pm – 8pm
Thurs 3 rd	Weekly Thursday Market – BC Town Hall 10am – 2pm
Sat 5 th	Bishop's Castle Christmas Cracker Festival 5pm – 9pm
Weds 9 th	Bishop's Castle Tai Ji Quan Dao - Church Barn – 10am – 12 noon Town Hall – 6.30pm – 8pm
Thurs 10 th	Weekly Thursday Market – BC Town Hall 10am – 2pm
Sat 12 th	Big Christmas Sing - St John's Church – 7pm
Weds 16 th	Bishop's Castle Tai Ji Quan Dao - Church Barn – 10am – 12 noon Town Hall – 6.30pm – 8pm
Thurs 17 th	Weekly Thursday Market – BC Town Hall 10am – 2pm
Sat 19 th	Farmers' Market BC Town Hall
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Tues 5 th	Bishop's Castle Town Council Meeting – BC Town Hall – 7.30pm
Weds 6 th	Bishop's Castle Tai Ji Quan Dao - Church Barn – 10am – 12 noon Town Hall – 6.30pm – 8pm
Thurs 7 th	Weekly Thursday Market – BC Town Hall 10am – 2pm
Weds 13 th	Bishop's Castle Tai Ji Quan Dao - Church Barn – 10am – 12 noon Town Hall – 6.30pm – 8pm
Thurs 14 th	Weekly Thursday Market – BC Town Hall 10am – 2pm
Sat 16 th	Farmers' Market BC Town Hall
Weds 20 th	Bishop's Castle Tai Ji Quan Dao - Church Barn – 10am – 12 noon Town Hall – 6.30pm – 8pm
Thurs 21 st	Weekly Thursday Market – BC Town Hall 10am – 2pm
Sat 23 rd	BC Public Hall Open Day 10-4pm, plus evening fund raising tea
Tues 26 th	Bishop's Castle Town Council Meeting – BC Town Hall – 7.30pm
Weds 27 th	Bishop's Castle Tai Ji Quan Dao - Church Barn – 10am – 12 noon Town Hall – 6.30pm – 8pm

December

- 5th Christmas Lights Flea Market: 9am – 8pm
- 11th Storytelling The Golden Keys 7.30pm
- 13th Christmas Garlands Craft Workshop: 11am - 3pm
- 16th Wildlife Talk Pete Carty
- 18th Art Exhibition Young Person's Open Art
- 19th John Kirkpatrick Carolling and Crumpets show: 8pm

STOP PRESS!

**EVENTS AT
THE
TOWN HALL**

Introduction

Cllr Karen Bavastock ~ Mayor of Bishop's Castle



It has been another very busy couple of months for the Town Council and for me. Our new look magazine continues to be really popular and well received and we are grateful for the positive feedback.

We welcomed Ruth Houghton to the Town Council and I am sure she will be an asset. She is the daughter of Mr and Mrs Love – many of you will know Mr Love as a maths teacher at Bishop's Castle High School and indeed a very keen photographer.

As a community we wait for news of Future Fit and the way in which our healthcare is managed hopefully more locally. There are many issues around the proposals but I would like to thank the Patients Group for the massive amount of work they are putting into working with health officials to ensure that Bishop's Castle gets the best deal it could hope for.

In addition we now have progress being made on the Town Plan and I am grateful to all those involved in ensuring that this very important document is produced – more volunteers giving their time and energy to benefit Bishop's Castle.

We have also had a great response to our call out for a new committee for the Public Hall. They are fully committed to ensuring that we have a vibrant and busy community building which is available to all. My grateful thanks to the new committee who have taken up the challenge and I wish them all well. Their positivity and cheerfulness is a real tonic.

Tuesday 13th October was a very proud day for me. I was able to present both civic awards and allotment awards at a ceremony to celebrate local people who volunteer and go the extra mile to help our community thrive. A full report can be found in this newsletter. I have wanted to introduce these awards since I became Mayor and whilst it was a lot of hard work they were very well received. My thanks go to Mary, our Clerk who did put so much extra into ensuring the event went off without a hitch. The judges had a very difficult job but did, I think, make some very good choices and the evening was very special. *(continued over page)*

I was invited to a luncheon by the Bishop's Castle Railway Society to mark the 150th anniversary of the railway coming to Bishop's Castle. It sadly closed in 1935, however I was very proud to be a part of remembering this important piece of Bishop's Castle's history. My grandfather was a waggoner at The Newton Farm and he was working the fields close to the site of Lydhams Heath Station and he told me that he saw the last train leave the station in 1935 so it felt very poignant to be a part of the occasion to mark the anniversary.

Many thanks to all those involved – yet one more group of unpaid volunteers. I unveiled a plaque on the side of the Bodfish building in Station Street, close to the site of the railway.

I also organised a quiz at the Inn on the Green and despite only 3 teams playing we raised a massive £110 towards my charities for this year – thanks to all who attended and to Mary and Alan for organising the questions. A really enjoyable night.

Remembrance Sunday is always a very poignant time for me and this year was no different. As a community we need to honour those who made the ultimate sacrifice to ensure we have the life that we have and indeed the freedom. Whatever your views I am sure we can all recognise the sacrifices made by our armed forces and indeed all those families who have people out there on the front line.

One of my favourite times of the year is Christmas so I am looking forward to the coming weeks, spending time with family and friends and enjoying the festivities.

It just leaves me to wish you a peaceful and happy Christmas and a happy and healthy 2016.

BIG CHRISTMAS SING!

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The Pride of Bishop's Castle

The Mayor, Councillor Karen Bavastock warmly welcomed everyone to the first ever awards ceremony to recognise and give thanks to local people for their dedication and service to our town at Bishop's Castle Town Hall on Tuesday 13th October.

Karen introduced the awards by saying that "I know of so many people who give their time freely to help people in the local area – from someone who pops in to check on their neighbours to those who run committees and groups, organise activities – all going that extra mile to ensure that we not only live in a beautiful area but we thrive as a community and it is fair to say that everyone who was nominated is a winner but the biggest winner in all of this has to be Bishop's Castle – a town in the heart of south west Shropshire which has a big heart of its own in all the people who live here and give countless hours of their own precious time in making our town and home a very special place."

Karen went on to say "The Civic Awards is something I have wanted to personally do since I became Mayor because many people put numerous hours into these unpaid roles and face many challenges, sometime it can also be a thankless task, an uphill struggle but they battle on to make

our lives all the better for living here and in some small way I sincerely hope that these awards thank those people in the community who go the extra mile to make our lives all the better because of them"

The judges for the Civic Awards were Mary and Alan Seldon, Rosemary Griffiths and Cllr Josh Dicken. It was such a difficult task to try and choose worthy winners as everyone has done so well and worked so hard in the community,

The Civic Award for Volunteering in the group category was given to **The Grange Road Ladies:** Carol Clarke, Sheila Hawkes, Ellen Edwards and Rose Burgwin, who are the founder members of the group Lunches for



All and whilst there are a number of others who help with the Lunches For All programme the nomination of this award was made to the founders of this invaluable service, but to be shared with all those who contribute to this excellent service. They were nominated by Lucy Blundell.

The Civic Award for Voluntary work in Bishop's Castle for a group or more than one person was given to **Michael and Elizabeth Knight** to recognise all that they do in the community for our youngsters for over 30 years. Heather Holt, who nominated them said that "the children learn the value of life and how to make a difference by their own actions".

The Civic Award for Services to the Community of Bishop's Castle was awarded to **Mary Pullen** who thoroughly deserves it and has devoted many years to our community as a First Responder. She was nominated by Dorothy and Barry Lavender and Hazel Higgs.

The Civic Award for Community Fundraising goes to **Maureen Parry** and it is one which the judges took the liberty of adding. Maureen was nominated by Maureen and David Jones.

The Civic Award for volunteer work in the community was given to **Janet Preshous** and whilst not officially

nominated Karen also mentioned David, her husband, as he also does a massive amount to help and support Janet. She was nominated by Gill and Maurice Philips and is described as dependable and has supported many local causes but it is the work she does with the elderly which brought her the Award.

The Civic Award for services to our Community was given to Mr **Peter Norton**. His name has been put forward by Mrs Gillian Bass and she described him as a tower of strength in the community. He was instrumental in starting the walking festivals which brings many tourists to the town. He volunteers as a town tour guide, also working in the house on crutches and has been chairman of Abbeyfields. He has also volunteered for many roles in the church and also raises money for charity.

The Civic Award for services to the town and local area was given to **Doris Roberts**. Doris volunteers at Stone House doing the drinks, shopping for residents and chatting with them. She has also done many things for people at Norbury and that area which also benefits people in Bishops Castle. Doris's nomination was made by Dorothy Round.

The Mayor Karen Bavastock concluded the evening by saying "Ladies and Gentleman - I give you

the Pride of Bishop's Castle. It just leaves me to say many thanks for attending tonight for what I hope is the first of many civic award ceremonies in Bishop's Castle".

to right: Janet Preshous, Elizabeth Knight, Carol Clark, Rose Burgwin, Sheila Hawkes, Karen Bavastock, Ellen Edwards, Maureen Parry, Doris Roberts and Mary Seldon

Pictured: Front: Rosemary Griffiths (Mayor's Consort), Jeff Aldridge (Town Crier), on dais front row left

Rear: Nick Isherwood, Michael Knight, Peter Norton and Mary Pullen



Nigel Bishop Photography

ALLOTMENT AWARDS

As part of the Civic Awards ceremony at Bishop's Castle Town Hall on Tuesday 13th October the Mayor Karen Bavastock also recognised the brilliant work which takes place at the towns allotments.

Karen said "The allotment awards came about because I was talking to

a friend one evening about the Civic Awards – she walks by the allotments and commented on how beautiful they are and just how much hard work goes into them – so I decided to go and see for myself as I hadn't visited the allotments for some time.

Gill Lawler and Jane Pugh were the judges of the awards and it was a difficult task for them to come to any

sort of decision due to the fantastic allotments which are on display, but in the end after at least two visits to the allotments they managed to narrow it down to winners with a number of Commendeds for good measure.

Karen paid tribute to Meg Gwilliam, the Town's Assistant Clerk and our Allotments Co-ordinator who does a sterling job.

In joint 3rd place and highly commended are the allotments of **Carol Jones and John Marpole**. In second place for their allotment was **David and Nicky Simpson**.

In first place the award for best allotment went to **Mr and Mrs Isherwood**. Judge Gill Lawler said "Obviously, a lot of hard work had gone into the site, same as many others, but it was the diversity of their vegetables especially in the poly tunnel which we felt deserved recognition, therefore we felt they should have first prize on this occasion. Although in fairness there were many good allotments and it was a very difficult decision."

Karen said that "whilst the judges had a really difficult time in choosing deserving winners and in the judges words all of the allotments were lovely and they all deserve a collective award they asked if they could mention a number of people which they felt should be commended

for their work on their allotments so in no particular order and not to take away the massive amount of work all allotment holders have put in at the site:

Mr & Mrs Woods, Paul Lucas, Basil Lello. Barbara Huffer, Sarah Halliday and Clare Williams.

The Chairman of the Allotments Sarah Halliday was asked for her views on which allotment she felt deserved a mention – this could be a newcomer, someone who puts in a lot of effort and deserves recognition although again a very difficult choice **Rozie Paul** was chosen.

All present then enjoyed a buffet provided from the Mayor's allowance. Karen said "I want to ensure that the Mayor's allowance I get is used to do things within the community and to that end I felt to reward these people with a celebration after the ceremony was a nice way to show our respect and give thanks for the work that they do".

For information about allotments contact our Assistant Clerk Meg Gwilliam on assistantclerk@bishopscastle.co.uk or telephone the Clerk's office 01588 638141.

<p style="text-align: center;">STOP PRESS</p> <p style="text-align: center;">It is hoped that several new allotments will be created by Spring 2016. Get your name put on the list!</p>
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Pictured front – Rosemary Griffiths (Mayor’s Consort), Meg Gwilliam (Assistant Clerk and Allotments Co-ordinator), Gill Lawler (Judge), Karen Bavastock, Mary Seldon (Town Clerk)

Back row left to right

John Marpole, David and Nicky Simpson, Mrs Wood, Mr Isherwood, Mr Wood, Basil Lello, Paul Lucas and Allotment Chairman Sarah Halliday

Following a well attended Remembrance Sunday the Royal British Legion women’s section are looking for volunteers to be standard bearers and escorts at the Remembrance Sunday parade each year. The present standard bearer has ‘retired’ after many years of service to the town.

For more information contact Joan Grant on 01588 638210 or email rjgrant11@btinternet.com



Bishop's Castle Town Hall is looking for new volunteers to help in a variety of tasks.

If you have an interest in the town and would enjoy volunteering in our beautifully refurbished Town Hall, then this could be an ideal opportunity to get to know more about what's happening in and around the town.

You will get an insight into the history of the Town Hall and be amazed at all the wonderful stories the town has to tell.

We need Customer Service volunteers to help with answering the phone, greeting people and dealing with enquiries. We also have many events in the Town Hall daytime and evening and your support would be most welcome. Poster distribution is also an important part of making people aware of 'what's on' in the Town Hall. On-going training is provided

which includes information on Town Tours;

The House on Crutches Museum; The Heritage Resource Centre and of course the Town Hall.

You can volunteer for regular hours a week or on a monthly basis; All help is greatly appreciated.

*Sue Salisbury and Julie Magill
Operational Managers
THANK YOU!*

Bishop's Castle Town Hall is an 18th Century Grade II* Listed Building open to the public, providing an information service for local people and visitors to the town; a location for local markets, local crafts and products; a community facility for meetings, and events; a licenced wedding venue and the home of the Town Council.

OPENING TIMES

The Town Hall is open
Monday – Saturday
from 10.00am to 4.00pm
Contact us for more information:
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The Town Hall is a venue for a variety of community activities and events. It's a great location for exhibitions, music, talks and presentations, workshops, markets and specialist sales. With both the Market Hall and the Council Chamber in use throughout the year there is something for everyone going on at the Town Hall.



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BISHOP'S CASTLE TOWN COUNCIL WELCOMES NEW COUNCILLOR

At a recent town council meeting Ruth Houghton was welcomed as a new councillor for Bishop's Castle. She was born and educated in Bishop's Castle, and has lived in Shropshire all her life. Ruth left Bishop's Castle at 18 but has recently moved back. Ruth enjoys travelling, walking and cooking and spending time with friends and family. Ruth says she is interested in health, social care and housing and in promoting Bishop's Castle as a tourist destination so that others can enjoy our countryside and community.



Councillor Karen Bavastock said "We are really pleased to welcome Ruth to the Town Council. She brings a wealth of experience to us and is enthusiastic and committed and having grown up in Bishop's Castle knows many of the issues we face living in a rural community. We now have a full compliment of councillors which is great news".



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BISHOP'S CASTLE CHRISTMAS CRACKER



**This year our festival is Saturday 5th December
5-9 pm**

Due to health and safety regarding Christmas light displays we are unable to spend money on anymore lights.....

so the festival this year has a new name and we are focusing on the parade, stalls, street entertainment, Santa and music

.....for more information follow us on

FACEBOOK: Bishop's Castle Christmas Cracker

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Bishop's Castle News
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The responses to the survey are the driving force behind a new 'Community-led Plan' for Bishop's Castle, which will enable the Town Council to plan for the future. A Steering Group has been established to act on behalf of the community and the Town Council. This group of volunteers has collated all 110 responses to the survey and has grouped them into 6 relevant themes:

Town Centre – e.g. traffic, highways and parking related problems

Community and Services – e.g. improving provision and co-ordination of local services and facilities

Infrastructure – e.g. public transport, digital broadband, street lighting and flood prevention

Economy – e.g. need for job opportunities; attracting employers to the town

Development – e.g. the need for affordable housing

Sustainability – e.g. waste and re-cycling; local renewable energy; food production projects

Details of the survey responses and progress on the development of the Community-led Plan are available at:

<http://www.bishopscastle.co.uk/council/townplan.htm>

The Steering Group is now seeking helpers and local groups to help research the issues raised; collect evidence where relevant and suggest possible solutions. If you are interested in helping with the Plan, or if you would like to learn more, then please return the attached sheet or contact us at townplan@bishopscastle.co.uk

TOWN COUNCIL:

We have been asked to gently remind people not to park in the bus stops please.

At the least this is an inconvenience, at the worst it may cause an accident.

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Applications via Application Form. CVs not accepted.

A new future for the Public Hall, Bishops Castle!

The Public Hall is under new management. A young group of local creatives and professionals have formed a new committee, with the aim of regenerating this community building.

Their **mission**: to provide an affordable, hireable space to support the social, creative and enterprising needs of the community.

They look forward to filling the Public Hall with a lively and varied programme of community-led events and functions.

Space

The Public Hall offers a unique resource for the community: a large, flexible space with optional kitchen and bar facilities. It's suitable for a wide range of functions – meetings, workshops, parties, concerts, etc.

Rates

Introducing hire rates from £7 per hour.

For bookings, please call: **07984 852579**

Or visit the new PH website for further details: www.bishopscastlepublichall.co.uk

Support

The PH is a charity, run by volunteers who would welcome any support with fundraising, to maintain and improve the Public Hall.

The committee want to hear your ideas!

What events would YOU like to see at the Public Hall?

Do you have skills/ expertise/ equipment to offer this community building?

Please contact: Email: bcpublichall@gmail.com

Or post to: BCPH c/o Enterprise House, Station St., BC, Shropshire SY9 5AB

Upcoming events: on Saturday 23rd January 2016

- Open Day 10-4pm - art activities for all ages, live music, entertainment and all-day café. Free entry.
- Evening Fundraising event - 8pm -12 - Further details TBC.



Twining Association—Comité de jumelage

BISHOP'S CASTLE



ST MARCEL



On the approach roads to our lovely town you may have noticed the road signs displaying Bishops Castle twinned with Saint Marcel. Ever wondered what this is all about? Read on...

St Marcel is a small town in Normandy, France. The neighbouring town of Vernon is situated on the River Seine about halfway between Rouen and Paris. It is ideally placed for visiting popular attractions such as Monet's house and garden at Giverny whilst forging links with the local community.

We have about 20 regular associate members with other interested people joining us for fundraising and social events. In 2013 our French friends came to Bishops Castle at Michaelmas to celebrate the 10th anniversary of the twinning although the Community College had been conducting their own French Exchange for a good few years before the towns were officially twinned.

In July this year we celebrated Bastille Day with an evening of French food, song and dance. We would welcome new ideas for events and fundraising. Our next planned social get together would be the associates new year bring and share supper where we catch up with everyone's news and have a general chat about future activities.

We are now organising a trip to St Marcel in 2016 from Thursday 12 to Monday 16 May and would welcome anyone who might like to join us for the weekend. Our French friends offer excellent hospitality and are always keen to show us around the area. Several successful visits have been made over the years and we look forward to meeting old and new acquaintances next year. We hope to have a day in Rouen and a visit to Giverny during our time there. Most people will be hosted but some might prefer to stay in a hotel (at their own expense). Everyone would of course be included in any organised activities. You do not have to be able to speak French to take part. We envisage a cost of about £130 for coach and ferry transport.

Contact Maureen 01588 638375 or Linda 01588 620557 (before Christmas please) for an informal chat and/or more information about the trip and the Twining Association.



TAI CHI

Bishops Castle Tai Ji Quan Dao

Come and join us in the practice of Traditional Yang Family Tai Ji Quan. Commonly known as Tai Chi, it is the Chinese art of combining health and relaxation with self defence. Some of the benefits of regular practice -

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Emergency: 999

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Local Police Team 01743 264777
(Not to be used for reporting crime or emergencies)

Crime stoppers: 0800 555 111

Web site: www.westmercia.police.uk

Twitter: @SouthShropCops

Contact Email address: bccar.snt@westmercia.pnn.police.uk

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Festive Friends extends a invitation, whatever your age or circumstance, to join us in the Church Barn, Bishop's Castle for your Christmas Day lunch, friendly conversation and light entertainment.

(If you might have difficulty with transport or a donation of up to £7 to cover costs, please let us know).

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01588 630719



If you would like to volunteer to help make our 4th Festive Friends' lunch another resounding success please also contact the above telephone number. Volunteers are required for Christmas Eve and Christmas Day as well as to help the FFTeam in the lead up to the lunch.

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WISHES EVERYONE A MERRY CHRISTMAS
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**THE TOWN COUNCIL OFFICE CHRISTMAS
AND NEW YEAR OPENING HOURS:**

Monday 21st and Tuesday 22nd December

Open: 9.30am - 12.30pm

Wednesday 23rd December - Friday 1st January

CLOSED

Normal office hours will resume on:

Monday 4th January: 9.30am - 12.30pm

WE WOULD LIKE TO HEAR FROM YOU!

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