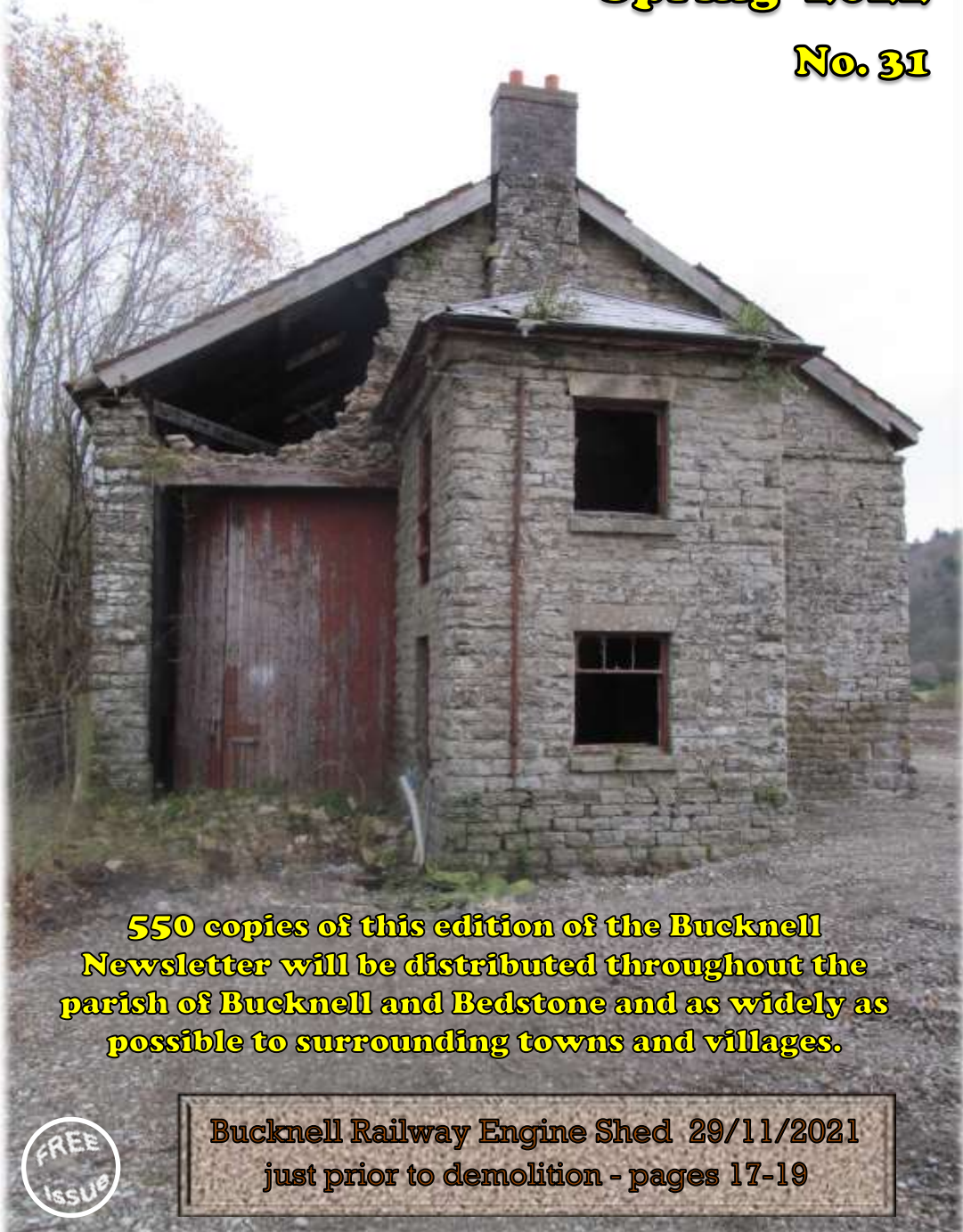


BUCKNELL NEWSLETTER

Spring 2022

No. 31



550 copies of this edition of the Bucknell Newsletter will be distributed throughout the parish of Bucknell and Bedstone and as widely as possible to surrounding towns and villages.

**Bucknell Railway Engine Shed 29/11/2021
just prior to demolition - pages 17-19**





Nicky Tranter Tree Care

**Tree Climbing Specialist
Fully Qualified and Insured**

For a free Quote please call 01547 520 075

Or email nickytrantertreecare@mail.com

BUCKNELL NEWSLETTER

Spring 2022

From the Editor / Treasurer

Welcome to 2022 and I hope everybody's lives and freedoms will be getting back to as near normal as possible.

It is a great shame that there is very little personal commitment in the community these days, with no response from anyone to either take over the editorship of this newsletter from me or to take over the chairmanship of the Bucknell and Bedstone Good Neighbours and Community Cars scheme from Mike Starr, so the latter has now ceased to operate, see page 4.

We also, at time of writing, are in need of two churchwardens for our church in Bucknell (see page 5) plus a parish councillor for Bedstone and another now for Bucknell.

Thanks to all the businesses that are advertising within, not just to promote their business but to support this community newsletter in the process. If you too would like to advertise your business, then details of advertisement sizes and prices can be found on page 34 of this edition. Stay safe everyone!

Beverley - beverley2019@gmail.com or telephone 07484 280 259



Further to the notification from the Mortimer Forest Office based in Ludlow that appeared in the Winter 2021 edition, regarding proposed tree harvesting work in Bucknell Wood. I've received this update. ~ Editor.

Bucknell – Harvesting Work Update.

Due to storm Arwen, the contractors who were due to start in January were deployed elsewhere to clear wind damaged trees. We are therefore now planning to start the harvesting work in Bucknell in the summer.

Nicola Cowell, Works Supervisor. 07795 052 426

Index

4	Advertised Services at a glance	22	What's Happening
4	Good Neighbours scheme	23-24	Memories of The Coronation *
5	Jonathan Kemp *	24	Pop-in Cafe *
5	Churchwardens wanted *	24	Nature – A poem *
6	Bucknell Neighbourhood Watch *	25-27	Business Cards
9	Regular Dates *	28	River Watch 2022
13	The Rev. Dr. Martin Quayle *	30	Bucknell Churchyard Yew tree
15	Bucknell W.I. *	31	Bucknell Allotment Association *
15	2021 Poppy Appeal *	33	Who's Who?
17-19	Engine Shed Demolition *	34	The Bucknell Newsletter page
20	Litter Picking *	* Indicates contributors' articles	

Front cover: Last image of the former railway engine shed prior to demolition on 29/11/2021.

Advertised Services at a glance with page nos.	
Qualified and Insured Tree Care	2
Job vacancies at Bedstone College	6
Electrician / Home care	7
Memorials & monumental specialist / Interior and exterior decorators	8
Funeral services / Domestic heating oil	10
Chimney sweeping, Wood burner services, Kiln dried log supplies.	11
House Clearance / Furniture upcycling and upholstery repairs / Building and renovation work	12
Printing & Photocopying / Event Marquees, Gazebos, Seating, PA systems, Lighting etc.	14
Bookery and Café in Brampton Bryan / Oak Joinery	16
Domestic appliances & Calor bottled gas stockist	20
Building, landscaping & restoration service / Hair & Beauty	21
Cattery / Bespoke Soft Furnishings & Alterations / Podiatrist	25
Dog Grooming / Unisex hairdressing / Beautician	26
Cycles sales, repairs & accessories / Classes for hand-building and firing clay	27
Plumbing & Heating / Electrician	29
General builder / Commercial property letting and storage	32
Graphic design and printing / Self-catering accommodation in Bucknell	35
Bar, restaurant and accommodation	36



Bucknell and Bedstone Good Neighbours and Community Cars

Mike Starr has stepped down as Chairman of Good Neighbours as from the start of 2022. He's been doing the job for 19 years since moving to the village and never anticipated it would become a job for life. He feels that now is the time to step back and focus on family commitments. Nobody has volunteered to replace him despite requests in previous editions of this newsletter and on Facebook, so unless volunteers come forward to resurrect the scheme, it has now ceased to operate. Covid-19 has drastically cut the number of requests for Community Cars, probably because GP and hospital appointments were hard to come by. Also, the pandemic has made drivers and passengers more cautious about mixing in the confines of a car. We'd like to think that the pool of drivers, which has dwindled of late, will be replaced literally by good neighbours, friends and family.

Many thanks to Mike and everyone previously involved for their commitments to the community.

THANK YOU ALL SO MUCH



My family and I would like to express our heartfelt thanks for the amazing number of cards, messages and kindnesses we have received following the sudden death of Jane. They have gone a long way to help us come to terms with our loss.

Jane was an amazing person, whose selfless energy, determination and sheer hard work amply illustrated the bit in the prayer attributed to St Francis that says "To give and not to count the cost"; and also, from Sir Francis Drake, that "It is not the beginning, but the continuing of the same, until it be thoroughly finished, which yieldeth the true glory."

So now, in the best way, it's payback time. A new future awaits me, focussed on my family – especially on Kate of course. I hope it will come as no surprise that I have stepped down from the (rather too many) roles that Jane enabled me to take on. But no one is irreplaceable, so my absence gives room for someone – You? – to come forward and play a part in helping to contribute to this brilliant village's life and its development. The Parish Council, the Show, the Memorial Hall, the Jubilee, this Newsletter – and even the Church – all could do with some energy, determination and enthusiasm. Why not give one a go?

Thank you all again.

Jonathan Kemp

WANTED!! Churchwardens for Bucknell Church



Elections of Churchwardens to serve in the ecclesiastical parish of St Mary's Church, Bucknell take place annually. If you live in the parish of Bucknell and are on the local government register of electors or are on the electoral roll of St Mary's Church you can have a vote at the Annual Meeting of the Parishioners.

This year the meeting will take place in the church on Sunday 13th March starting at 12.15. This will be after the Communion service but you do not have to attend the service in order to vote. There are vacancies for two Churchwardens – one vacancy unfilled in 2021 and the other one has arisen as Jenny White has recently stepped down from her post to concentrate on the final stages of her Readership training.

Churchwardens are chosen from people who have been baptised and a) whose names are on the church electoral roll of the parish b) who are actual communicants c) who are 21 years of age and upwards. Candidates may be disqualified from standing in certain circumstances which relate to the law governing trustees of charities and safeguarding.

If you are interested in becoming a Churchwarden and meet the conditions in the paragraph above then find out more by talking to Jean Pryke on 01547 540376. Application forms are on the table at the back of the church and can be handed to the Rev. Dr. Martin Quayle before the meeting starts or given to him in advance of the meeting.

Carolyn Wilde, PCC Secretary



JOB VACANCIES AT BEDSTONE COLLEGE

Come and work in our friendly local school

We are currently recruiting for

Head Chef/Food Service Assistant

Evening cleaner

Plumber/Heating Engineer

Assistant to the Transport Manager/Minibus Driver

REQUIRED FOR IMMEDIATE START

**COMPETITIVE SALARY, GOOD WORKING CONDITIONS,
PART TIME/TERM TIME ONLY IN SOME CASES**

For further details visit our website

www.bedstone.org/current-vacancies

or call 01547 530303 and speak to Christine

Bedstone College is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. All applicants must be willing to undergo child protection screening appropriate to the post.



Bucknell Neighbourhood Watch Scheme

Contact me, the scheme coordinator, if you would like to join the scheme by telephoning me or sending me an email.

Telephone: Jim Hughes on 01547 530 077 or 07980 883 785
or Email: hughes_jim@msn.com

Shaun Dutton - Electrician

07989 474 257

25shaundutton@gmail.com

All aspects of electrical work undertaken

4 The Tavern, Bucknell
Shropshire SY7 0AU



City & Guilds
Qualified



SunCare

SunCare Home Care provides care in the beautiful countryside of Hereford, Shropshire and Powys.

Registered as NHS 'Dignity Champions' and rated at GOOD by The Care Quality Commission. We offer a personalised service supporting people with the same respect you would want for yourself or a member of your family.

Our highly trained support workers can assist you with:

- Personal care
- Meal preparation
- Shopping
- Prescription collection
- Washing and dressing
- Respite care
- Medication
- Housework and laundry

All staff enhanced criminal records checked



Registered Manager: Carole Barnes RGN

Manager: Karen Darby

SunCare Home Care Limited, 3 Bron Offices,
Brampton Bryan, Shropshire SY7 0DH

Telephone: 01547 530633

Email: enquiries@suncarehomecare.co.uk

Website: www.suncarehomecare.co.uk



STONEMASONS

of CHURCH STRETTON

MEMORIALS

Headstones
Cremation tablets
Traditional and modern
Additional inscriptions

HOME

Kitchen worktops
Fireplaces and hearths
Bathroom and wet room
Signs and general masonry

01694 724 448 www.strettonstonemasons.co.uk

M. B. E D W A R D S
interior/exterior decorators

Mobile: 07956 877 820

Email: mbedwards.decor@gmail.com

Web: www.mbedwards.net



REGULAR DATES – All subject to things getting back to normal!

	Days	Event	Venue & Time	Contact
WEEKLY	Monday	Bedstone Art Group	Bedstone Village Hall 10:30 - 13:00	Anne Holding 01584 874857
	Tuesday	Bucknell Ukulele Group	Variable venues at 10:30am	Geri Jackson 01547 530137
	Tuesday	PiYo Club	St. Mary's School Hall 19:30 - 20:10	Helen Bithell 07775 520968
	Tuesday	Grumpy Old Men's Club	The Baron at Bucknell 20:00 - 22:00	Just turn up!
	Wednesday	Pop In Café Bucknell	St. Mary's Church 10:30 - 12:00	Sue Fenlon 01547 530105
	Friday	Bingo	Bucknell Memorial Hall 19:45	Dorothy Edwards 01547 530252
	Saturday	Indoor Circuit Training	Bucknell Memorial Hall 08:30	Helen Bithell 07775 520968
FORTNIGHTLY	Monday	Bucknell Walkers	Lych Gate St. Mary's Church 09:00 - sharp!	Mike Starr 01547 530179
	Wednesday	Mobile Library Service	Belmont Garage end of the Causeway 14:05 - 14:25	Shropshire Library Service 01743 255024
	Thursday	Skittles (Sept - May) Boules (June - Aug)	Memorial Hall or The Baron at Bucknell 19:30	Sylvia & Derek Meredith 01547 530422
MONTHLY	First Monday	Bucknell Book Group	Variable venues	Doug White 07734 166634
	First Tuesday	Mother's Union	Variable venues during winter months	Iris Greaves 01547 530152 and Jean Pryke 01547 540376
	First Wednesday	Bedstone and Bucknell Parish Council	Variable venues - see parish notice boards 19:30	Ian Owen Chairman 01547 530 616
	Third Wednesday	Women's Institute	Bucknell Memorial Hall 7:00pm (Winter period)	Marion Cox 07964 710983
YEARLY	<p align="center">Bucknell Show 2022 - Cancelled</p> <p>With great regret the Show committee has decided to cancel the Bucknell Show for this year. If enough volunteers come forward to help, the committee hope to begin planning for a bumper Bucknell Show to be held on Saturday 2nd September 2023.</p>			

GEOFF HALL

FUNERALS



All funerals personally conducted
24 hour service • Enquiries from all areas welcome
Private Chapel of Rest • Pre-paid funeral plans available

Telephone 01547 528554

Email: info@geoffhallfunerals.co.uk

www.geoffhallfunerals.co.uk



Wylcwm Close • Knighton • Powys LD7 1AA



HOME HEATING OIL

WWW.DEAKINSFUELS.CO.UK

Prompt, Reliable and Local

01588 660166

**MICHAEL
OLIVER**

Chimney Sweeping and Wood Burner Servicing

Michael Oliver Ltd

NACS Registered

Fully Insured

Certificates issued

Contact Michael on

07909834223 or 01588 640910

info@clearviewchimneys.co.uk

www.clearviewchimneys.co.uk



The Clun Log Company

Kiln dried, locally sourced
logs giving excellent heat
output and longer, cleaner
burning. We are
Woodsure approved.



Company: The Clun Log
Company
Certificate No: W5177/00001

Contact us on 01588 640910

07909834223 or

logs@theclunlogcompany.co.uk

www.theclunlogcompany.co.uk




Chapel House Clearance



For a fast, friendly and efficient service call:
07901 822 294
or email:
info@restorella.co.uk



- Free, no obligation, quotations.
- Friendly, efficient service.
- Responsible disposal.
- Recycling / upcycling possibilities.
- Domestic and retail properties.
- Any size job considered.






Restorella

Vintage Home Accessories Store and Workshop
Upholster, Upcycle, Uplift


A world of *Fairytale* endings for home and garden furnishings


Where the ugly becomes *Beautiful*
The unloved a *Treasure*

The plain *Extravagant*
and the everyday simply
Out of this World

Tel: 07901 822294


[restorella](#)


[restorella.co.uk](#)

The Old Dairy, West Street, Knighton, Powys, LD7 1EN

A P SALE

Building & Renovation

Carpentry ♦ Stonework

Roofing ♦ Brickwork ♦ Dampproofing

Timber Treatments

17 Blashfield Road, Ludlow, Shropshire SY8 1UE
T: 01584 879677 M: 07816 570132
E: andrewsale@outlook.com
www.andrewsale.co.uk





Credo 2

In the first article about Christian creeds and beliefs, I wrote about the fundamental statements that most Christians recite in church on Sundays. The two most familiar ones are the Nicene Creed which emerged in the early fourth century, and the Apostles' Creed which was finalised in the eighth century. Both were written, debated and agreed upon in order to settle significant differences within the 'confessing' community. A third creed emerged called the Athanasian Creed, which I won't talk about in this article.

The creeds were important to the early church because they represented clarity in saying what they believed and specifically what Christ represented to the world. Judaism, which preceded Christianity, had forbidden any image or representation of God, or the divine. Christianity argued that in the person, life and words of Christ, God was fully presented to the world. Everything that we needed to know and understand about God was and is represented by the Biblical accounts of the life, words, events and death of Christ. In addition, images, statues and stories emerged which taught believers who and what Christ is.

This made Christianity much easier to grasp than Judaism which could be esoteric in some of its teaching. Different opinions about what was really meant within the Old Testament led to irreconcilable differences in belief. For example, they couldn't agree as to whether death was the termination of the soul, or if there is life after death. In this sense, the creeds represent statements of clarity and precision, not previously available to those of faith or of religious inclination.

The difficulty, as most of us concede, is that although what previously seemed clear and precise, is now pushing our understanding and sense of credulity beyond what many are able to accept. We no longer think about the world in an Aristotelian or Scholastic framework. We think of scientific progress as being the paradigm within which we understand the world, ourselves and those around us. Centuries have come and gone.

Within our rituals and services, new forms of the creeds have been written and approved which restate the former certainties in ways which make it easier to understand what we say we believe. Those of faith still recite the old creeds for various reasons. We are familiar with them, and we have been taught what they mean, and how they are still relevant to today. Saying them with our fellow worshippers is important, because it gives us a sense of belonging and a sense that although the world changes, God, God's providence and God's presence with us are eternal and unchanging.

In the next article, I will write about the importance of belief.

Priest in Charge: Rev. Dr. Martin Quayle (part-time post)

All enquiries to:

Benefice Administrator: Margie Savery

01547 530 282 or 07929 145 042

Email: office.middlemarches@gmail.com

Enterprise House Resource Centre



Leaflets Invites
Booklets Posters
Greetings Cards



Business Cards
Flyers Menus



Price Lists Invoices
Letterheads Typing
Business Support

Contact us now for a quote

*Printing/photocopying to maximum A3 size. We can scan and print from your own artwork
or we can assist with design for you.....just ask.*

Station Street, Bishop's Castle. SY9 5AQ Tel: 01588 638038

email: info@enterprisehouse.org.uk

www.enterprisehouse.org.uk

Event Equipment Hire Service

Village Outreach
Planning an event post-covid?



**NEED TO HIRE A MARQUEE,
GAZEBOS?
TABLES, CHAIRS, STAGING,
PA SYSTEMS, LIGHTS
we can help**

CALL 01588 630097

villageoutreach@bishopscastle.co.uk

www.enterprisehouse.org.uk/outreach



[villageoutreachBC](https://www.facebook.com/villageoutreachBC)

theWI

INSPIRING WOMEN

After two difficult years our W.I. is just about back on track with our monthly meeting but still mindful that Covid is still with us but to a lesser degree.



As reported in the last Newsletter, we elected a new President at our A.G.M. in November, Marian Cox is now our President, Debbie Pope is Vice President and Carol Garland our Secretary. Jane Pallet agreed to continue as Treasurer. I am also happy to report that we have had several new members wishing to join us, mostly those have recently moved into the

village. After the business part of the meeting was over, Anita Lewis organised a Gonk making session which was great fun and we were quite proud of our efforts by the end of the evening.

December, and the long awaited arrival of Queen Victoria (Sylvia Breakwell) and her lady in waiting. The Queen was most gracious and came in full Royal regalia also bringing a large selection of Victoriana. One of the more interesting items was a hessian sling, not unlike the slings Mothers use today to carry their babies, but working women would take their babies to work and place the slings on a hook in the wall where they could keep a watchful eye on their infants while working. There were also many examples of beautiful handmade items of clothing on display.

Most of the ladies had entered into the spirit of the evening and came in appropriate dress of the period, as were our guests for the evening from Chapel Lawn and Brampton Bryan. Wyn Billingsley drew particular attention, with a voluminous night gown dating back to 1880, the yolk and cuffs all beautifully hand embroidered.

Our January meeting was a little different in the form of a Murder Mystery Evening, which was organized by Fran Turnbull who was M.C. for the evening. Fran was resplendent in the fashion of the 1920's which was the settling for the dastardly deed. She wore a beautiful, green velvet dress, accessorised with pearls, tiara type headdress, evening gloves and the obligatory long cigarette holder. Our President Marion wore a very beautiful gown of the period. Most of the ladies wore suitable headdresses complete with feathers. After many clues the murderer was apprehended but I won't divulge any names, as the murderer still lives in the village. The competition for a murder weapon was won by Debbie Pope with her Voodoo doll.

Our February meeting should be interesting as we have a talk entitled "Thighs the limit". In March we will hear about the wonderful work done by The Blood Bikes. These are very much the unsung heroes who do wonderful work saving lives.

We would welcome any visitors who would care to come to The Memorial Hall on the 3rd Wednesday of the month at 7:00pm, and when the clocks go forward at 7:30pm.

Christine Price - 28th January 2022



The 2021 local Poppy Appeal for the Royal British Legion raised a magnificent £818.71. Many thanks to everyone who donated and helped with collections.



Derek Starkins ~ 24th November 2021



Aardvark Books

www.aardvark-books.com

Upcoming events

Saturday 16th April, 10am - 4pm: Easter Car Boot Event with The Cottage Herbery, live music, antiques and vintage stalls, homemade soup and cake!

Saturday 28th May, 9am - 3pm: our popular Car Boot Event with live music, fabulous antique and vintage stalls and café refreshments – begin your Jubilee holiday with a bang!

Sunday 12th June, 10am - 4pm: Poetry in the Barn event hosted by Anna Dreda, with author Pamela Petro, author of “The Long Field”

The Café is open so why not sit down with your chosen books and relax with a hot drink and a choice of home-made cakes! Telephone and website book sales are available too.

The Bookery, Manor Farm, Brampton Bryan, Bucknell, Shropshire SY7 0DH

Tel: 01547 530 744 Email: aardvaark@btconnect.com

Bookshop and Café open 6 days a week: Tuesday - Sunday 10am-4pm.

For all your joinery needs



Heritage Oak Joinery

Call 01547 530575

heritageoak01@gmail.com

We are a small, family run business specialising in all aspects of traditional joinery ranging from:

- Handmade kitchens
- Windows and doors
- Wooden flooring, LVT's and Karndean
- Timber mouldings
- Staircases and banisters
- Plus much more ...

For a free, no obligation quote please call us on

01547 530 575

Email: heritageoak01@gmail.com or visit us on Facebook and Instagram



BUCKNELL RAILWAY ENGINE SHED DEMOLITION AND COAL YARD SITE CLEARANCE

Hornsey Steels Ltd. completed the demolition at The Coal Yard back in November 2021, which was an extremely tricky task due to the vulnerability / poor state that the buildings were in. With them being on the boundary of the rail line, it was important for the contractors to dismantle with great care to prevent the buildings collapsing or parts falling onto the railway line. The eight feet tall remains of the engine shed boundary wall has been left to preserve some history of the working yard from years gone by. This wall will remain in place for the foreseeable future, so even when the new factory is in operation a small part of history can still be seen.



*Aerial view
before
demolition
and site
clearance in
the coal yard
/ railway
siding, circa
2021.*

*Courtesy of
Google maps.*

The timescale for the complete build of the new works on the site will be approximately 12-18 months from now, for the metal fabrication element of the business to relocate to this new site will take a further 6 months. It will be a great achievement to have this project complete and in production by Christmas 2023.

With the increased space, Hornsey Steels Ltd. will promptly provide more employment, therefore taking the current employee count from 15 to 30 within a 2-year period, exploring local employment first which has always been the directors' preference. Depending on how the company thrives, these numbers could possibly increase. The move will show within a short space of time a decrease in HGV traffic through the heart of the village and quicken turnarounds of vehicles entering and vacating the site, which will be a benefit to the company that it doesn't have at the moment and which will surely benefit the local community too.

Regarding the current site at Riverlea, the directors are still unsure what plans are to come from that site. The directors are still very keen to run a business from the site in the future that will have a reduced impact on the community than there is today. It is likely the site will remain 'mothballed' for a while until its outcome has been decided. Once a plan is in place for Riverlea, this will be announced via the Bucknell Facebook page when the time comes.

Thanks to Sam Hornsey for post-demolition pictures and write-up.

Pre-demolition pictures by the Editor

BEFORE DEMOLITION



Side elevation of the engine shed and the adjoining wooden storage shed.



Inside the engine shed, mostly empty now but showing the dangerously weak roof structure



The wooden storage shed, exterior and interior.

DEMOLITION



Only an eight feet high section of the original boundary wall now remains, which is likely to be topped off with capping stones and a commemorative plaque fixed to it.



LITTER PICKING - 19TH JANUARY 2022

Colin Cummings and myself carried out a litter-pick along the main approach roads to Bucknell.

Starting at the railway station, we cleaned up along the Bedstone Road as far as the 30-limit signs, and then covered the section from the station to the Knighton road junction. We filled six sacks, with mostly drinks containers of cardboard, plastic, aluminium and glass.

After the clean-up, Colin sorted some of the sacks into recyclable and non-recyclable material.

The attached photograph shows how much discarded stuff could have been recycled - roughly between two-thirds and three-quarters. (All that shown in front of the green bin).

We hope to do another clean-up in the Spring.



Martin Garland ~ 21st January 2022

A & B Smith Domestic Appliances

Craven Arms Business Park, Long Lane, Craven Arms SY7 8NU



On live display



- 200+ Appliances on display and ready to go
- Same / Next Day delivery wherever possible
- Stellar cookware stockists

South Shropshire's leading Calor Gas stockist

- All cylinder sizes stocked and regular deliveries throughout the area.

T: 01588 673647

W: www.absmith.co.uk





Ivor Gough

**BUILDING, LANDSCAPING
and RESTORATION**

mobile: 07817 822355

email: ivorgough246@btinternet.com

10 Bedstone, Bucknell, Shropshire SY7 0BE

Richard's
HAIR & BEAUTY



20% Discount for New customers, with a further 10% discount if you re-book

The Square, Clun Open Monday to Saturday 01588 640300
email - richardshairstylists@gmail.com www.richardshairstylists.co.uk



WHAT'S HAPPENING



Saturday 5th March	Bucknell Big Breakfast 9-11am. £6 a head. If you are able to help with setting up and/or on the day please contact Doug White on 01547 530 107. Many thanks. This is a fundraising event in aid of Bucknell Church.
Wednesday 9th March	Memorial Hall AGM at 7:30pm. in the Memorial Hall – all welcome
Sunday 17th April	Easter Egg hunt – details from Nicky Edwards on 07973 563 829
Friday 3rd June	Village Quiz Night at 7:00pm at Bucknell Church. Refreshments available. Ticket details from Roger Bates on 01547 530 062
Saturday 4th June	Big Breakfast 9-11am. at Bucknell Church (details as 5 th March)
Saturday 4th June	Jubilee Dance with live bands / licenced bar in the Memorial Hall. Times / tickets TBA. Contact Roger Bates on 01547 530 062
Sunday 5th June	Picnic in the Playing Field – Bring Your Own picnic and chairs. W.I. tea tent TBC. The Knighton Town Silver Band will be there from 2:00pm. Contact: Carol on 07774 428 373 or Viv on 01547 530 478 for further details.



BEDSTONE & BUCKNELL
PARISH COUNCIL

The Queen's Platinum Jubilee is not far away now - 2nd to 4th June 2022.

As discussed at our Parish Council meeting last week, we hope that this can be celebrated by everyone in the village and we are sure that there are those of you out there with great ideas and organisational skills to make this happen!

This is a 'call to arms' please to anyone who wants to get together and make this happen – Individuals, businesses, organisations like the WI, The Youth Club, The Church, The School

Please call:

Carol: 07774 428373	Viv: 01547 530478	Sylvia: 01547 530422
---------------------	-------------------	----------------------

with name and contact details.

We will compile a list of interested parties and enable you all to make contact/get together/ plan.

Thank you in anticipation.



Memories of The Coronation June 2nd 1953



King George VI died on February 6th 1952 at the relatively young age of 56 and many of us can remember the sad picture of the young Queen Elizabeth II with Prince Philip arriving back at Heathrow after a flight from Kenya where they were on tour, Winston Churchill and other senior members of the government were waiting to greet the new Queen Elizabeth II.



After the State funeral and a decent time had elapsed, plans were made for the Coronation; the date agreed was June 2nd 1953. Every town and small village went into overdrive with plans to celebrate what was to be a spectacular occasion.

The little village of Mainstone was no exception. The celebrations took place at the village school which doubled up as the Village Hall with sports taking place on the adjoining field.

As with all village events food was high on the list of priorities. Trestle tables were set out the length of the room and were groaning with food. There was a fancy dress parade and my Mother went to work with her sewing machine. My twin brothers went as The Queens Heralds. They wore red tunics with gold trim made from crepe paper and carried little trumpets with banners attached. But as many of us may remember June 2nd was not the lovely sunny day we would have liked but wet and not very warm, Crepe paper did not react well in the wet weather. Most children would have been presented with a Coronation mug but for some reason Mainstone children were given a Coronation cup and saucer.

There was another cause for celebration as June 2nd was the day that an expedition led by Sir John Hunt conquered Everest. He and his family owned a cottage at Llanfair Waterdine, so Sir John was a familiar figure in the area. The Village Hall at Llanfair is named The Everest Hall.

Like many homes we did not have a television. A neighbour invited several of us to watch a recording of the event on their small black and white TV. Later that year a film was released in glorious colour which we saw at the Cinema in Bishops Castle. Bucknell also had their celebration, but it was an extra special day for birthday boy Derek Meredith as it was his 5th birthday. He also remembers a fancy dress parade he went to as a robber with Malcolm Page as the policeman. John Challoner made his appearance as a cowboy riding his pony. Wendy Evans made her entrance as Queen of Hearts. Bernard Owen and Pearl Morris went as the Queen and Duke and were awarded 1st prize. A comical football match also took place with men vs. the ladies.

They also had a river race. Memories of this event are just a little hazy but Margaret Rutherford and Les Powell were involved. A boxing ring was also set up with the men of the village keen to have a go, but this ended in chaos when Bill Shaw (the local newsagent) had to retire having split his shorts. In the evening a beacon was lit on the Mynd. Derek and family had every intention to walk up there. They got halfway but it was so wet they decided to return home. Anyway, it was quite a long walk for five year old Derek after such a busy day. Sylvia Meredith also has Memories of the Coronation but very different as she lived in the town of Egham in

Surrey where street parties were the order of the day. Bunting festooned the street, trestle tables stretched down the centre of the road and happy children were ready to do justice to the sandwiches and fancy cakes. There was a stage made out of scaffolding where the entertainment took place. A thirteen year old Sylvia was one of the star performers when she sang "The Golden Coach", a song made popular by the Irish singer Ruby Murray. They also had fancy dress; Sylvia was an Asian girl. Her mother's lace tablecloth made a beautiful Sari and a red dot of lipstick on her forehead completed the outfit.

Christine Price ~ 3rd February 2022

Pop-in-Café Re-Opened on Wednesday 12th January

WOW! And what a re-opening we had too.

The café volunteers were kept busy throughout the morning as a steady stream of customers came in. A great choice of cakes and table service made for a very good couple of hours, meeting up with friends and neighbours for a long overdue chat.

Many of our regular friends arrived and it was lovely to see lots of new faces (well - once masks were removed when seated!) and to also see our new volunteers supporting their colleagues.



We made sure that everything was sanitised and thoroughly cleaned and masks were worn when moving about so everyone could feel safe. Tables were also spaced out and the church premises had a good supply and movement of air.

We ask for, if possible, a donation of £2 for coffee or tea and a home-made cake and on our first week we set a record for takings which will put us well on our way to be able to support worthwhile village causes at the end of the year. A big thank you to everyone.

Dave and Sue Fenton ~ 12th January 2022

NATURE - A poem from one of our readers.

I awoke and felt so bleary-eyed, and wondered "What's that noise outside!"

It took a while in my mind to dawn, that an army of frogs had arrived to spawn.

They come each year from goodness knows where, for a few days of frenzy and hugging to share.

Another day comes and they have gone, around the pond is "spawn" to be born!

So Spring has arrived and, in a few weeks, we will see lots of wriggling with tails and fat cheeks.

Move on a few days and a change there will be, a small frog will appear, jump away and be free.

Next year will come round and once more we will find, that I'll say to my spouse "What's that noise outside!"

The wonder of Nature comes full circle each year, so give thanks to God that we can all SEE and HEAR.

Business Cards



**dog kennel lane
cattery**

dog kennel lane, bucknell, shropshire
tel: 01547 530 550 mobile: 07980 487050

cats are housed in insulated
cabins with heated beds and
covered exercise runs.
Individual care and attention is
given to all cats

proprietor: martyn ellis

CURTAIN CALL

**Bespoke Soft Furnishings
and Alterations**

- Cushions
- Bedspreads
- Tracks and poles
- Fabrics available
- Hand sewn curtains
- Pelmet and headboards
- Roman and London blinds



Eileen Wilson - 01588 660752
eil1254@btinternet.com

PODIATRIST

Sally Bright DPodM MRCPod
HCPC Registered – CH07669

26 Station Road
Knighton LD7 1DT

Mondays and Thursdays
Tel: 07896 865 562



HAPPYDOGS

DOG GROOMING

UNIT 1
THE STABLE BLOCK
TUFFINS
CRAVEN ARMS
SY7 9QJ

TINA
07974 839 071



For a Complete dog grooming service

FORGE HAIR

Toll house
Brampton Bryan
Shropshire
SY7 0DH

01547 530622
Open 6 days a week

Forge Hair
WENDY MORRIS
Unisex Hairdressers



EMERALD
FERN
BEAUTY

Kira Hughes

Phone- 07532299282 Email- emeraldfnbeauty@hotmail.com
HD Brow Stylist - Manicure - Pedicure - Massage - Facials - Spray Tans -
Lash Lifts - Brow Lamination - Henna Brows - Waxing



ADVERTISEMENT

PLAY WITH CLAY

Let your imagination and creative inhibitions run wild!

Established ceramic artist / sculptor offering informal fun and friendly classes, in hand-building with clay to realise your creative ideas. Plenty of one to one tuition.

Be creative whilst coming together with like-minded local people for a chat and a brew, use your imagination to create your own designs and ideas in clay!

Make a gift for a special occasion, for your home, your garden, or a present.



Cost £20 per weekly session, (payment for ½ term or term required at time of booking) includes materials and firing, subject to reasonable use. Limited spaces available (Maximum of 12 people).

2022 course dates:

- 1 March – 5 April (6 weeks)
- 26 April – 24 May (5 weeks)
- 7 June – 19 July (7 weeks)

WANT TO FIND OUT MORE OR BOOK YOUR PLACE?

Contact **Halima** or **Martyn** on **07817 053 308** or email: info@halimacassell.com

The Old Station, Broome, Aston on Clun SY7 0NT

RIVER WATCH 2022



As I'm taking over the role of River Watch from Sue Fairclough, I thought I'd make it a regular feature in this newsletter so that the village can be informed of any issues which are brought to my attention, which I may take up with either the Environment Agency or Shropshire Council, whichever is most appropriate.

You may have seen my article in the Winter 2021-22 edition of this newsletter where I reminded local residents whose properties are adjacent to the river, that

they are automatically responsible for the maintenance of the river bank and the removal of any debris or vegetative growth that could restrict the flow of water. This responsibility extends out to the centre of a river but under no circumstances should the river bed be disturbed. Neither should anything be deposited in the river or watercourse, be it garden waste, rubble, or anything else. Dumping waste material of any type will likely be considered a serious offence of fly-tipping and can be reported to the Environment Agency by any concerned resident via the Environment Agency incident hotline telephone no. 0800 80 70 60 (24-hour service)..

I recently contacted Shropshire Council regarding areas of our River Redlake that are adjacent to Council maintained roads and footways where vegetative growth in the river has become excessive, caused mostly during periods when the river dried up and airborne seeds were able to settle amongst the stones and then germinate. Their response is published below for your information:

Although Shropshire Council have a duty and a right to maintain the surface of the highway / footways etc. under the Highways Act 1980, in most cases, they do not actually own the subsoil and therefore do not have riparian responsibilities. Only where land has been bought for a new or improved highway scheme will Shropshire own the land where the road has been constructed.

Also as part of the Highways Act, Shropshire Council do have a right to discharge surface water from the carriageway to the adjacent watercourse or ditch. Because of this, Shropshire often do maintain roadside ditches to ensure the carriageway is sufficiently drained to safeguard road users.

The River Redlake is classed as Main River and is therefore administered by the Environment Agency who do carry out works to the river due to its strategic nature. Adjacent landowners generally still have riparian responsibilities.

Hope this answers you inquiry.

Regards.

*Flood and Water Management Team
Shirehall, Shrewsbury, SY2 6ND*



Editor ~ 3rd February 2022

J T STEAD
PLUMBING & HEATING



- Plumbing & Heating Engineer
- Specialising in oil fired central heating and hot water systems

For more information please contact Josh on:

07983 023 780

E: info@jtsteadheating.co.uk



Boxall's Electrician

A Complete service

Email: boxallselectrician@outlook.com

Call 07971 823017
01568 770217

Visit us at: www.boxallselectrician.co.uk

City & Guilds
Qualified



Bucknell Churchyard Yew Tree



Storm Arwen brought severe winds across the UK overnight on 26th to 27th November 2021, with the Met Office issuing a red warning for wind. The developing storm, tracking south to the north-east of the UK, brought northerly winds gusting widely at over 69mph. The highest gust speed was 98mph at Brizlee Wood, Northumberland. This was one of the most powerful and damaging winter storms of the latest decade.

Bucknell

Storm Arwen caused damage to a Yew tree in our churchyard resulting in part of it breaking away and falling onto some very old monumental tomb stones, some of which were damaged as a result. Removal of the fallen limbs and the making safe of the remainder of the tree commenced on Tuesday 25th January 2022.



Holy Yews

Yews had a sacred role before the rise of Christianity. Many churches were built on the sites of temples and Christian and pagan imagery and beliefs often mixed together. In the year 601, Pope Gregory suggested that places of pagan worship could simply be converted into Christian churches.

There was another reason for Christians to view yews as holy: the heart of the tree is red, while its sap is white. These colours symbolise the blood and body of Christ. As a hardy evergreen tree able to survive on infertile soil, the yew also suggested rebirth and resurrection

General storm information and Holy Yews information obtained online.

Editor ~ 25th January 2022



Bucknell Allotment Association

by Jim Hughes



If you only have a small garden, want to grow some vegetables as well as grow crops that will not compete, and at the same time reduce specific crop pests and diseases, succession cropping is one option. For example, broad beans can be planted ahead of potatoes and when the potatoes have been harvested the area can then be used for planting leeks

Some Allotmenters practice intercropping using the “three sisters” method. This involves growing sweetcorn, French beans and squashes. The sweetcorn acts as a support for the French beans, which collect the nitrogen that is required by the sweetcorn. Meanwhile, the squashes mulch the ground and keep it moist and control weeds, and this method deters pests. However, as others have found, harvesting with this method can prove difficult.

Taking this further, there is another version of intercropping that is practised in an Indian area of the Himalayas. Known as Baranaja, which literally translates as 12 grain. They sow 12 or more crops on the same plot. These healthy crops include various types of beans, grains, and millets. They harvest them at different times and apparently the mixed cropping doesn't damage soil health.

We always welcome enquiries from potential new members of all levels of ability and experience. We have a couple of plots vacant at present. If you would like to join us, or just have a chat about what we do and what you can do, do please get in touch (for contact details see “Who's Who”).

WEST MERCIA POLICE - Bishops Castle & Rural

Your Safer Neighbourhood Team (SNT) are:

- SGT 2382 Damien Kelly
- PC 331 Stuart Coote
- PCSO 6160 Shaun Culliss

See the Bedstone and Bucknell parish website for the latest monthly police newsletter which gives much more information and lists local crimes.



Emergencies - 999

Non Emergencies - 101

Crime stoppers - 0800 555 111





Tony Oakley

General Builders

All types of building work undertaken
Re-Roofing - Painting & Decorating - Farm Building Repairs

No job too big or too small

Contact me to discuss your requirements

Tony Oakley, Provident Villa, Bucknell SY7 0AL

01547 530585 or 07814 803915

Email: tonyoakley400@gmail.com



HARLEY
ESTATE

HARLEY ESTATE

WORKSHOPS / STUDIOS / OFFICES / STORAGE

to let on the Harley Estate

A wide selection of traditional buildings sympathetically converted for office, studio, workshop, retail and storage use. Well served with modern communications and good road access. Rural surroundings with parking and delivery space. All routine maintenance is carried out by the Estate and leases are flexible with competitive rental prices. The units are let to a diverse selection of businesses ranging from local crafts, such as jewellery, furniture restoration, artists' studios, offices and book shop. The Estate caters for all sizes of business with square footage ranging from 200 to a potential 16,000 square feet. Cottages are also available.

Please contact the Harley Estate Office on **01547 530 280** or email: **estateoffice@harleyestate.co.uk** or contact Mr W. Shuttleworth at Balfours on **01981 570 727** or visit the website **www.harleyestate.co.uk**

Who's Who - See also Regular Dates



Bucknell Memorial Hall

Chair: Nicky Edwards - 07973 563 829
Vice Chair: Roger Bates - 01547 530 062
Treasurer: Dorothy Edwards - 01547 530 252
Bookings: Christine Price - 01547 530 249

Bucknell Women's Institute

President: Marion Cox - 07964 710 983
Email marioncox89@gmail.com
Secretary: Carole Garland - 01547 530 952
Treasurer: Jane Pallet - Email j.s.willis@live.co.uk

Bucknell and Bedstone Good Neighbours and Community Cars

NO LONGER OPERATING
See page 4

The Sitwell Arms

Helen and Steve - 01547 530 213

Coxall Baptist Church

Minister: Revd. Kevin Dare - 01547 529 707
Administrator: Susan Wilson - 07866 833 294

Bedstone & Hopton Castle Village Hall

Bookings: Chris & Margie Savery 01547 530 282
Email: bedstonehoptoncastlelvh@hotmail.co.uk

St. Mary's Church, Bucknell - part of The Middle Marches Benefice for Bedstone, Bucknell, Chapel Lawn, Clungunford, Hopton Castle, Llanfair Waterdine and Stowe.

Bucknell Churchwardens: TBA ~ currently 2 vacancies

Church enquiries to Margie Savery please

Priest-in-Charge: **Rev. Dr. Martin Quayle** (part-time).

Contact: **Margie Savery** on 01547 530 282

or 07929 145 042 or

Email: office.middlemarches@gmail.com

Bedstone and Bucknell Parish Council

Chair: Ian Owen and **Vice Chair:** Carol Davies

Clerk : Nancy Adams - 01686 671 126

BUCKNELL:

Councillors: Nicola Edwards, Vivienne Dodd, Sam Walmsley, Will Davies, plus 1 vacancy.

BEDSTONE:

Councillor(s): Chris Savery, plus 1 vacancy.

Bedstone Art Group

Anne Holding - call or text 07528 536 760
Email: anneholding89@gmail.com

Bucknell Nurseries

Andrew & Nick Coull - 01547 530 606

Lance Phillips Quality Butchers

01547 530 233

Bucknell Post Office

Klaus Steffes - 01547 530 201

River Watch

Beverley Stone 07484 280 259

Bucknell Youth Club

Juliet Earp - 07377 405 632

Bucknell Allotment Association

Chair: Nigel Perrigo - 07860 682 368
Secretary: Jim Hughes - 01547 530 077
Treasurer: Kate Fraser - 01547 529 304

Belmont Garage (Greens)

Dorothy Edwards and Shirley Moorhouse
01547 530 252

Community First Responders

Nicky Edwards - 07973 563 829
Samuel Winter - 07779 335 996

Clun Valley AED Scheme (Defibrillator)

Ian Owen - 01547 530 616

The Baron At Bucknell

Debra and Phil Wright - 01547 530 549
info@baronatbucknell.co.uk

St. Mary's Primary School, Bucknell

Head Teacher: Anna Cook - 01547 530 264
Website: www.bucknellprimaryschool.org

Mother's Union

Jean Pryke - 01547 540 376

Bucknell Stores

Sam Smith - 07528 633 450 (Hair salon)
Katie Moore - 07580 547 931 (Beautician)

RGH Car Repairs

Ralph and Neil Harris - 01547 530 676

Member of Parliament for Ludlow

Phillip Dunne MP - 01584 872 187
Email: philip.dunne.mp@parliament.uk

Shropshire Council - Clun Division

Councillor: Nigel Hartin - 07583 962 292

The Bucknell Newsletter

A small team of volunteers look after the interests of the Bucknell Newsletter.

- | | |
|----------------------------------|--|
| • Chair | Peter Barron - 01547 530 206 |
| • Treasurer and Editor | Beverley Stone - 07484 280 259 (Voicemail available) |
| • Business advertising | Debbie Pope - 07929 823 568 / dp@haroldsharp.co.uk |
| • Articles and charity promos | Carolyn Wilde - 01547 530 085 / cmwilde@btinternet.com |
| • Proof-reading and distribution | A band of loyal volunteer helpers - thank you. |

The deadline for inclusion can vary so please contact me ASAP for details.

To contribute, please send news, articles, events, relevant photographs, stories, other items of interest or advertisement enquiries to: **beverley2019@gmail.com**

A COMMUNITY PROJECT RUN SOLELY BY VOLUNTEERS FOR THE BENEFIT OF OTHERS

ADVERTISING

Many thanks go to the local businesses that support us by advertising within this newsletter, for without their support publication could not continue. If you would like to advertise, please contact Beverley at the above email address or by telephone on 07484 280 259.

Current advertisement prices per quarterly edition: *

Rear cover page £40.00 colour on 150 gsm paper.

Full page b/w = £25.00 or £35.00 colour.

Half page b/w = £15.00 or £25.00 colour.

Quarter page b/w = £8.00 or £10.00 colour.

Small 1/8th page b/w = £5.00 or £7.00 colour.

NB: All advertisement sizes are approximate. Advertisers may request a specific page for their **colour** advertisement at no additional cost, e.g. page 2, centrefold, penultimate page, back page, subject to availability and adequate notification.

* Payment by cash, cheque, or BACS is required prior to printing - details are available on request. Invoices will be sent out approximately 6-8 weeks before publication.

DISCLAIMER

Whilst every effort is made to include all advertisements, articles and comments sent in from advertisers and contributors for publication, we as a community group cannot accept any liability for the accuracy or legality of the material being donated, so that responsibility remains solely with the contributor and if the material is published, it is done so entirely at the contributors own risk.

We reserve the right however to edit for grammatical and spelling purposes, to not include donated material that we know to be unsuitable or inappropriate, where we have insufficient editorial space, or for any other reason and our decision will be final.



craven design and print

Quality Graphic Design
Quality Digital & Litho Printing
Quality Greeting Card Printing

for the best **quality** around call . . .

Unit 1, Craven Arms Business Park, SY7 8NR

Tel: 01588 673972 Fax: 01588 673844 email: info@cravendesignandprint.co.uk

website: www.cravendesignandprint.co.uk



Proud to be printing and supporting the Bucknell Newsletter



*Looking for self-catering accommodation in
Bucknell for friends and family at great rates?*

Please call Paul on 07971 206 239 or email paulmathews@outlook.com for further information

The Baron at Bucknell

Bar - Restaurant - Rooms



COLLECT & SPEND
LOYALTY POINTS ON
BOOKINGS!

ROOMS AT THE INN!

PLANNING A FAMILY CELEBRATION
AND STRUGGLING FOR BED SPACE
IN YOUR HOME?

LET US TAKE THE STRAIN. OUR
LUXURY B&B ROOMS OFFER THE
PERFECT SOLUTION.



WINE NOT?

WE SERVE A TRULY DELICIOUS ARRAY OF WINES, LOCAL REAL
ALES AND OTHER BEVERAGES...
PERFECT FOR RELAXING AND UNWINDING AFTER A LONG DAY



www.baronatbucknell.co.uk | 01547 530549