

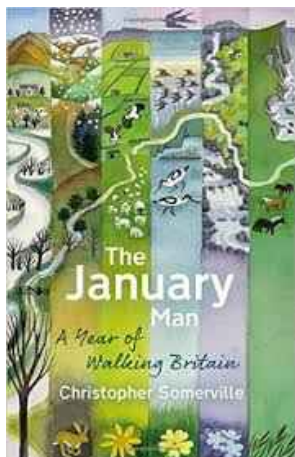
The Leigh & Coombe Hill Newsletter

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This book is drawn to our attention by Ken Poulton. Christopher Somerville moved to Hoefield House in 1952 as a small boy. The first chapter of the book refers to The Leigh - his memories and subsequent revisits.

The January Man is the story of a year of walks that was inspired by a song, Dave Goulder's 'The January Man'. Month by month, season by season and region by region, Christopher Somerville walks the British Isles, following routes that continually bring his father to mind. As he travels the country – from the winter floodlands of the River Severn to the lambing pastures of Nidderdale, the towering seabird cliffs on the Shetland Isle of Foula in June and the ancient oaks of Sherwood Forest in autumn – he describes the history, wildlife, landscapes and people he encounters, down back lanes and old paths, in rain and fair weather.

Christopher will be giving a talk at the Suffolk Anthology (17 Suffolk Parade, Cheltenham) on 2 March @ 7pm. Tickets £3 available from the shop.

St Catherine's Services:

March 5th - Evening Prayer 6pm

March 12th - Worship Together at Staverton 10am

March 19th - Holy Communion 8.30am

March 26th - Evening Prayer 6pm

St Catherine's Church

COFFEE MORNING

Saturday 11 March
10am – Noon

Cakes
Raffle
Books
Bric-a-Brac
Full range of greetings
cards – Easter, Birthdays etc



GARDENERS GET READY!

If you looking for small pots and trays to get started in the garden, Stella at Cyder Press Farm is giving some away - please help yourself from outside the gates on the 4th and 5th of March.

Next Full Parish Council Meeting:

10 May 2017

@ 7:30 pm - 9:00 pm
St Catherine's Church,
The Leigh

Mobile Library

The Swan, Coombe Hill
15:10 – 16:10

31 March 2017
28 April 2017
26 May 2017
23 June 2017

Christmas 2017 – Charity Postal Service

There will be a new service for 2017. Instead of writing Christmas cards and then having them delivered by the Leigh Elves, we will be creating a communal Christmas Card to be attached to the December 2017 Newsletter.

In October, a form will be attached to the Newsletter inviting all parishioners in The Leigh and Coombe Hill to create a short festive message (example shown) for a minimum of £3 for a local charity.

*Martin, Jo and Harriet
would like to wish
everyone a
fabulous
Christmas
and
healthy
2018*



Saturday 18 March 2017
6.45pm for 7pm start
St Catherine's Church, The Leigh

£5

to include
complimentary
drink on arrival,
strip of 6 books/
10 games and
dabber

Please bring
additional drinks
and nibbles
(not permitted to
sell alcohol in
the church)

Cake
Stall and
opportunity
to purchase
additional
bingo books

2
prizes per
game

All proceeds
to: Sue Ryder
Hospice @ Home
and
St Catherine's
Church

Organised by Harriet Robson as part
of her Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Award

Bingo books, dabbers, prizes and drink all sorted – please turn up on the night, but if you are able to let me know in advance (via joanna.robson@btinternet.com) that would be helpful so that I can plan the seating etc. Men, women and children welcome – appropriate prizes!!!

Harriet Robson

Jumble/nearly new sale...

Raising money for
Alzheimer's Society and
friends of Norton School



Any
donations,
please leave
at Daniels
Orchard and I
will deliver to
Norton
School PTA

Jo Robson

Get ready for the Horticultural Show, practice making the Lemon Loaf Cake:

Class 61: (over 21's)
Class 65: (21 years and under)

125g butter
175g caster sugar
2 medium eggs
175g self-raising flour
pinch of salt
4 tbsp milk
2-3 lemons
100g icing sugar



Method

1. Preheat the oven to 180°C, gas mark 4. Grease/line a 1kg loaf tin and base.
2. Cream together, with wooden spoon or electric mixer, butter and sugar for about 4-5 mins until light and fluffy. Then beat in the eggs and zest of 1 lemon.
3. Add the flour and salt, stirring until the mixture is well combined, then add the milk.
4. Spoon into the prepared tin and bake for 45-50 minutes or until risen, golden brown and a skewer inserted comes out clean.
5. Mix together the icing sugar and 4-5 tsps of lemon juice to form a runny icing. Drizzle over the hot cake and leave to cool completely before slicing.

Creative Christmas



- Mother's
Day gifts
will be on
sale at
Coombe
Hill Farm
Shop from
Thursday
16 March



- Additional
request for wool:
double knit, aran
or chunky, please
drop around to
Daniels Orchards
at any time
throughout the
year.



- Apple Juice is now
all sold out – many
thanks to all buyers,
Coombe Hill Farm
Shop sold a
staggering 230
bottles!

Many thanks. Karen, Jess and Jo

Dates for your new Calendars:

Norton, Leigh & District Horticultural Show

- 3 April 2017 Annual General Meeting, 7.30pm, Norton Village Hall
New members welcome – come along and see what is involved: 3 meetings, 1 plant sale & 1 annual show per year and lots of cake eating!
- 5 May 2017 Annual Plant Sale, 7-8pm, Norton Village Hall
- 12 August 2017, Annual Horticultural Show, 2.30pm, Norton Village Hall
Everyone Welcome



Norton and The Leigh Local History Group
Norton Village Hall
Monday 27 March

'An Altogether Exceptional Man'
Maisemore's amazing headmaster
Speaker: Fiona Mead

£2 entrance to include coffee and biscuits
Doors open 7pm, talk starts at 7.30pm
Details: Sue Phelps 01452 731280

Everybody welcome

NORTON WI

Thurs 16 March

7.30pm

Norton Village Hall

"Sue Ryder Foundation"

Speaker: Alysia Cameron-Price

Sue Ryder

For further info contact: Margaret Edwards 01452 731218

Newsletter Articles

I have found it really hard to fill the Newsletter
this month – please send in articles, puzzles etc
etc. *Many thanks, Jo*



Shopping in Coombe Hill

- Service Station and Shop
Monday – Sunday: 6.30am – 9pm

- Farm Shop
Monday: 10am – 5pm
Thursday: 10am – 5.30pm
Friday & Saturday: 9am – 5.30pm
Sunday: 10am - 1pm



Register on our Parish website

The new parish website www.theleighpc.org.uk will be used increasingly to spread news and information about meetings and events in our Parish and surrounding areas. If you go to the bottom of the opening page you can register your email and we will then notify you when anything new is posted on the site. Please register ASAP if you want to know what is going on.

Norton, Leigh & District Horticultural Show

Annual Plant Sale

Friday 5 May 2017

Norton Village Hall * 7.00 – 8.00pm

Annals * Bedding * Herbs
Hardy Perennials * Vegetable Plants

Everyone Welcome, Free Admission

All proceeds to help stage the Horticultural Show
on Saturday 12 August 2017.

Over 90% of plants are less than £2.00

