



Tormarton Newsletter

February
2019

TORMARTON AND WEST LITTLETON NEWS

Diary

Mon	11 Feb	6.30 pm	Parish Council Meeting in the Hall Committee Room
Mon	18 Feb	8.30 pm	100 Club Draw at The Compass Inn

Advance Notice

Mon	4 Mar	7.30 pm	Faith Matters at Tormarton Court (see below)
Wed	13 Mar	7 pm	CPR & Defibrillator training in the Village Hall (see below)
Fri	22 Mar	7.30 pm	Madrigals Evening in West Littleton (see below)
Sat	27 Apr	TBA	Concert in Tormarton Church

Recyclable and Refuse Collection:

Recycling items and food bins are collected **every** week.

Black and green bins are collected **alternate** weeks.

For details on Recycling items to be put in each box/bag, check information on leaflets that have been left

Tormarton – Mondays

Bins: 11 & 25 Feb

B4465 towards Codrington – Fridays

Bins: 8 & 22 Feb

West Littleton – Mondays or Tuesdays (depending on location in the village)

Bins: 4/5 & 18/19 Feb

TORMARTON CHURCH SERVICES

Sun 3 Feb:	10.30 am	Morning Worship with Holy Communion	Rev. Lynne Godfrey
Sun 17 Feb:	10.30 am	Family Service, followed by refreshments	Rev. Sally Wheeler

WEST LITTLETON CHURCH SERVICES

Sun 10 Feb:	10.30 am	Matins (1662)	Mr. Charles Keen
Sun 24 Feb	9 am	Holy Communion (1662)	Rev. Sally Wheeler

Faith Matters Group, Tormarton

“Faith Matters”: An informal Discussion Group open to all. The next meeting will be on Monday 4th March (no meeting in February) at 7.30 pm, Tormarton Court.

For more information please contact Rev. Sally Wheeler (892180) or Bruce Fynamore.

Madrigals in St. James’ Church, West Littleton – Friday 22nd March

The annual Madrigal Concert by the Bristol University Madrigal Ensemble will be held at St James’s Church, West Littleton on Friday 22nd March at 7.30 pm. Tickets not required – retiring collection after the concert. Supper following the concert at Cadwell Hill Barn (£12.50 at the door). For further information please contact David Adams on 01225 891100.

Christmas Gift Service

A special ‘thank you’ goes to all those who generously contributed to this year’s collection of food, essential clothing and Argos vouchers and to those who donated money for the work of The Sisters of the Church who, with their many volunteers, are providing essential support for many vulnerable families living in Bristol.

REVISION of the TORMARTON CHURCH ELECTORAL ROLL

Once every six years the Church Council has to arrange a complete revision of the Church Electoral Roll. This will take place between 22nd February and 24th March and all those on the new roll will be entitled to attend the Annual General Meeting of the Church Council (APCM) and will be eligible to stand as a prospective member of the Parochial Church Council (PCC). All villagers who are currently on the Church Electoral Roll will receive the relevant paperwork to re-register. Any villagers who would like to join the register will find relevant information and paperwork on the church noticeboard in the west porch. The APCM will be held in April.

A DATE FOR YOUR DIARY – Saturday 27th April – Tormarton Church

Concert by The Marshfield Male Voice Choir with special guest singer, Tormarton's own Gilly Wells.

PARISH COUNCIL NOTES from the Chairman

- 1. Defibrillator installation & training session** - Two defibrillators have been installed in Tormarton (on the wall of The Major's Retreat) and in West Littleton (by the phone box) which, when used correctly, can save the life of an individual with sudden and unexpected cardiac arrest. The Parish Council has arranged a training session on CPR and the use of this equipment in the Parish Hall on **Wednesday 13th March starting at 7 pm**. This training will be carried out by Louise Cooper of the SW Ambulance Service and we hope that as many parishioners as possible will attend this important training session which should last no more than 2 hours.
- 2. The Next Meeting of the Parish Council** will be held in the Hall Committee Room on Monday 11th February starting at 6.30 pm.

News from the Parish Hall Committee - Some good news and some not so good news...

The Parish Hall has been awarded grant funding to renovate the entrance hall, small kitchen and ladies toilets in the Hall and it is hoped that work can start towards the end of February. As you may appreciate any works of this nature are costly and without the funding it would be difficult for a contractor to be appointed. The small kitchen will continue to be available for public use, but will be adapted so that it becomes more of a general store and office rather than a secondary kitchen. I am sure you will agree that this work will make the use of the hall more comfortable.

The not such good news is that Patrick Gent has retired from the Parish Hall Committee after approx. 45 years' service. Nobody is absolutely sure when Patrick first became involved but we think it was when the Village Hall was situated in the garden to the side of the Old Smithy. He was therefore very active in the negotiations with Badminton Estate for the release of the land to build the existing hall in 1976 and then when an extension was subsequently added. Although we were unable to offer Patrick a gold watch in recognition of his time and efforts over the years, we were able to recognise his long standing service at the Christmas Dinner and a small presentation was made on behalf of Tormarton village. Patrick's considered view and knowledge of the village will be sorely missed. Our thanks once again to Patrick for his devotion to the village.

This means we have a vacancy on the Parish Hall Committee and since it is not an onerous commitment (6 x meetings per year) we would welcome any volunteers who wish to become involved.

Carol Singing in Tormarton

On Friday 21st December a lively band of singers headed out to visit houses around the centre of the village. Many thanks must go to those who treated us with wine and refreshments and to the many who contributed to the collection of £140. This has been divided between The Children's Society and UNICEF support for the Syrian Refugees.

100 Club: The results of the Christmas Draw are: T. Allen (£50), J. Knowland & H. Barraclough (£25 each). The remaining £10 prizes were won by Tormarton CC, D. Baker, S. Langley, B. Spruels, T. Deane, A. Beardmore, J. Wells and S. Elcock.

The next draw will be held at The Compass Inn on 18th February, at 8.30 pm.

Tormarton Youth Football Club - Tormarton Youth Football is now underway!

The club is coached by Willem Butler, an avid footballer who has played for Chippenham Town Youth since 2008. Willem, who is busy studying for A Levels, has undergone a coaching activator course and is thoroughly enjoying building up his new team, which has a commitment to respect, fair play and fun in the game. The team meets at 10 am Saturday mornings at the football/cricket ground in Tormarton and we are very grateful to the committee for the key to the gate and toilets. The team is open to children from reception class to year 5. Please contact the ‘accidental’ team manager, Nicky Butler, for details if you are interested in joining. Boys and girls welcome.

The team would really benefit from some bibs so we are putting out a plea to anyone who may be interested in sponsoring some bibs; we would be most grateful.

For further details contact: Nicky Butler - nicolabirchley@yahoo.co.uk

Pilates takes place in the Village Hall on Monday evenings, 7-8 pm. This group has been taking place for some time now so we are not able to take beginners, but anyone interested, who has already done some pilates, can contact Sophie, email: sophiehthomson@hotmail.com, phone: 07786 653834.

The cost of each class is now fixed at £6.50, but before each session of 4 classes you will be asked how many you would like to book and pay for. (£25 if booking for all 4).

Report from a Tormarton Resident: Two cars belonging to people who live in the village were keyed while temporarily parked on Marshfield Road. The cars were parked on the left-hand side of the road just alongside the grass leading to the cul de sac. This has happened 3 times and has been taken seriously by the police as it is criminal damage.

Rota Volunteers, Tormarton Church

Church Flowers: 3/10 Feb: Mrs E. Scott-Martin 17/24 Feb: Mrs. J. Marshall

Church Cleaning: Mrs D. Elliott & Mrs J. Smart

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Items for the next issue to be given to Diana Elliott, St. Mary’s House, Tel: 01454 218364, or email: diana.elliott@hotmail.co.uk, not later than 24th February please.