

Merton Monthly

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Please send articles to dave.folland@btinternet.com by the 15th of October for inclusion in the November issue.



Clinton Hall BIG Breakfast Club

**Saturday 14th October
From 9.00 - 1130am**

**Join us for a delicious
breakfast**

**Full breakfast £8
For smaller appetites £6**

**To book contact 01805 603300,
or email info@clintonhallmerton.co.uk
or via Facebook.**

Or just turn up!



Hire Rates for the Clinton Hall

Whole Hall Hire {Not inc Outside Sports Facilities}

Weekend (8am Friday—12pm Sunday or 12pm Friday—8pm Sunday) £500-00

Full Day Hire (8am—12am) £250-00

1/2 Day Hire (6hrs) £135-00

Main Hall

Full Day £120-00

3/4 Day £90.00

1/2 Day £65-00

£11-00 hr

Kitchen

Full Day £50-00

1/2 Day £30-00

1/4 Day £15-00

Meeting Room

Full Day £80-00

1/2 Day £45-00

£8-00 hr

Skittle Alley

Full day £55-00

1/2 Day £35-00

£8-00 hr

Sports Facilities

MUGA £10-00 hr

Tennis Court £6-00 hr

Sports Field

Full Day £50-00

1/2 Day £30-00

Children's Parties (ending before 6pm)

Up to 4 hrs Main Hall & Kitchen (no cooking) £45-00

Up to 4 hrs Main Hall & Kitchen (with cooking) £55-00

For a combination of rooms or specific times/requirements, please contact the Hall for a quote.

E-mail info@clintonhallmerton.co.uk

Telephone 01805 603300 if no answer please leave a message on our answering machine, which will be dealt with as soon as possible.

Advertising Rates for the Merton Monthly

Within parish boundary

1/8 page – Business Card £25-00

¼ page £35-00

½ page £50-00

Full page £100-00

Outside Parish boundary

1/8-page Business card £30-00

¼ page £40-00

½ page £60-00

Full page £110-00

These rates are for 11 issues, from May to April. Local Clubs/Organisations please contact the Editor.

Lost & Found free. Items for sale usually 2 issues free depending on advert size.

One off adverts please contact dave.folland@btinternet.com for pricing.

We're looking for volunteers for our **Community Garden Tidy Up**

Please come and join us at the Clinton Hall for a few hours of light gardening and weed pulling.

Everyone welcome, no experience necessary. This is a fabulous community event where we all pitch in a little to help our village look better.

And if you don't feel physically up for it, come anyway and just give us your moral support.

Free Tea, Coffee and Biscuits

Saturday 7th October at 10am

Bring any equipment that you want to use



Clinton Hall & All Saints Church Merton

HARVEST LUNCH AT THE CLINTON HALL

**October 15th Starts with a Service at 11-30am,
12pm Bar open and Lunch served at 12-30pm**

Tickets

£12.50 per person

Primary aged children Free

**Tickets from Janet 01805 603271 or Vicki at Tarka Treats
info@clintonhallmerton.co.uk**

*Please bring a pudding or an item for the auction.
All proceeds shared between the hall and the church*



All Saints Church

Team Rector: Revd Martin Warren, tel: 01409-281424

Curate: Revd Catherine Duff, tel: 07717-209484

Methodist Minister: Rev Chris Jackson, tel: 01837-52302



Dear Friends,

We move into the Harvest celebration time. Most of the crops have been gathered in – the maize is still to come, and might there be just another cut of silage? The fruit bushes are over now, but there are still vegetables in the garden and apples on the trees. We've had a bumper year for apples. Any Merton Magic this year? It was rough stuff!

As we move into darker nights, with the dark now more than the light, it is a time to celebrate the gifts of the earth for our provision. To give thanks to God for all that grows. All too easily we can take it all for granted. With the changing nature of the world, we are gradually learning that we can't do that. Harvest encourages us to look afresh in trust and thanks to God our creator and provider.

This year we are doing that as a lunch time event. **Sunday 15th October.** There is a service first in the Hall. It'll be relaxed, but still you can sing the favourite harvest hymns. And then a lunch to follow. This is very much for everyone, young and old, new and long-term local, farmer or not. Whether we work on the ground, providing food, or whether we have nothing to do with the soil, we all depend on the growth of our food. If you come on for the lunch after the service, please still come. We come together and give thanks. And celebrate together.

Every blessing to you,

Martin Warren.

Services at All Saints' Church & around

1 st Oct	11.00am	Petrockstowe (local-led)
8 th Oct	11.00am	Petrockstowe (Harvest at the Baxter Hall)
15 th Oct	11.30am	Harvest (Merton: Clinton Hall)
22 nd Oct	9.30am	Communion (Huish)
29 th Oct	11.00am	Service of Remembering (Langtree Church)

Service by Phone

Sundays at 4pm

Ring 0330-606-0403. You will be asked for an access code: (251417)

From the Registers

Funerals: *May God comfort the bereaved.*

6th Sep David Curtis (Memorial Service)

Service of Remembering

Remembering those no longer with us

Sunday 29th October, 11.00am

Langtree Church

Nigel Cameron and Julie Cameron-Hall will be sharing in the service also.

If you can't come to service, but would like people remembered,

please be in touch to let us know. (01409-281424)



MERTON SHORT MAT BOWLING CLUB

We are now having club nights most Thursday nights from 7pm to 9pm. We also start playing our matches in the Merton Charity League, please see fixtures below (all matches to be played at home):

Date	Time	Event
Thu 5 th Oct	7 pm	Club Night
Tue 10 th Oct	2 pm	Hatherleigh A
Thu 12 th Oct	7 pm	Club Night
Wed 18 th Oct	2 pm	Winkleigh D
Thu 19 th Oct	7 pm	Club Night
Tue 24 th Oct	2 pm	High Bickington Tawny Owls
Thu 26 th Oct	7 pm	Club Night

Short Mat Bowls is one of the few sports that can be actively participated in by both men and women of all ages from the very young to those of an advanced age. If you want an inexpensive fun evening out, please come and join us, whether you wish to try out the sport, or just come to watch, we think you will be pleasantly surprised.

Contact Jeanie on **01805 601125** or Julie on **01805 603405** for more details.

We look forward to seeing you!



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Results

Merton	9	—	Bridgerule	1
Georgeham & Croyde	1	—	Merton	2
Merton	8	—	Combe Martin	1

Home Fixtures:

October

Saturday 7 th Oct	Merton	V	Wessex Rovers	H	14-30
Saturday 21 st Oct	Merton	V	AFC Dumnonii	H	14-30
Saturday 28 th Oct	Merton	V	Morwenstow	H	14-30

November

Saturday 4 th Nov	Merton	V	Georgeham & Croyde	H	14-30
Saturday 9 th Nov	Merton	V	Equalizers	H	14-30

The Bar will be open and the Café will be running.

Merton AFC 150 Club Draw

September 2023

£20-00 Luke Avery

£10-00 Sally Winsor

Black Bag & Green Waste Collections for October

Black Bag collection: Thursday 12th Oct & 26th Oct

Green Waste collection: Thursday 5th Oct & 19th Oct

Recycling & Food Caddy: every Friday

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TARKA TREATS



EVERY THURSDAY 11-1PM

The Clinton Hall, Merton, EX20 3EQ

Come and join us every Thursday
11am -1pm (ish)

Join us for a cuppa and some tasty treats. It's £3.00 for unlimited tea or coffee and sweet and savoury treats. There will also be themed Thursdays throughout the year.

Hope to see you there, Vicki, Julie and the team.

Tarka treats is a community run event for the community.

'Tarka Treats is celebrating its 1st birthday

We can't believe that Tarka Treats is a year old! Our little community coffee morning was re invented on 29th September last year and since then it has gone from strength to strength.

We have had a Christmas party, celebrated the King's Coronation and of course most recently 'speak like a pirate day'. We've found many themes across the year to make our Thursday mornings a bit different, these include, the British Grand Prix, Easter, Valentines Day, Wimbledon, the success of the Lionesses and many more.

In fact it's been such a success that it now takes more than us (Vicki and Julie) to run it and we are very grateful for the team of volunteers who help set up, pack away and wash up.

Tarka Treats is a community run coffee morning for the community. If you've never been, please come and join us. We provide a warm space, unlimited hot drinks and treats for a suggested donation of £3.00. It's every Thursday 11 until 1pm (ish) at The Clinton Hall.

On Thursday, 5th October we will be having Tarka Treats 1st birthday party, so please, come and join in the fun!

Vicki and Julie'



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**The Gym @ Merton
The Clinton Hall
Merton EX20 3EQ
info@clintonhallmerton.co.uk
01805 603300**



A Celtic Concert

Julie Cameron-Hall and Nigel Cameron

Saturday 28th October

7.00pm

Clinton Hall, Merton

Admission: free. Donations invited.

A delightful blend of Irish and English folk, with violin and whistles. While sharing personal experience, the duo draw too on the early Celtic saints of these islands, and their amazing pioneering stories. You will love the songs.

"We believe the music has power to bring healing and hope and there are usually one or two extravagant 'joy-bursts' in the programme."

Julie returns to north Devon, having been active at Westward Ho! Baptist Church some years ago. Merton Church is pleased to be able to welcome both Julie and Nigel. For more information, please contact Martin Warren (01409-281424).

Freecycle/ For Sale

Any items for sale, or just looking for a new home, just let me know.

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Or drop a note in my letterbox at :

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