



FRIENDS OF SHORTHAMPTON NEWSLETTER 2017

'Shorthampton church is a serene and evocative building, a precious relic of England's past.' Lucy Hughes-Hallet. Peculiar Ground

Dear Friends,

You are receiving this because you are either on the original 'Friends' list, have shown interest in our fund-raisers, come to church or all three! If you no longer wish to be on this list -which is free of charge and completely confidential - then please let me know via email. In the future we will be sending all our newsletters electronically.

A roof alarm has been fitted this year to prevent the current lead from being summarily removed but we have been advised that the roof will need replacing within the next five years. As you know, we have had endless trouble with rain running down above the arch and over the Doom painting. The good news is that we may be able to use 'terne coated steel' as a substitute roofing material. This is a considerably cheaper option; however we will still have to raise around £40,000. This letter is the official launch of **THE SHORTHAMPTON ROOF APPEAL**.

Obviously we will have to increase our fund-raising efforts in a variety of ways. With the support of our Vicar, Church Wardens and Charlbury PCC, we will be applying to at least a dozen charities that are sympathetic to causes such as this. This year our annual fund-raiser will be a **QUIZ on SATURDAY 21ST OCTOBER** (details overleaf) Questions will be original and fun, both visual and audio and there will be hot cottage pie provided for each table of six, plus a bottle of wine. With Bill Wood as question- master what could possibly go wrong?! If anyone has any ideas about future fund raising, do please contact me. I am confident that we can do this with a little help from our friends.

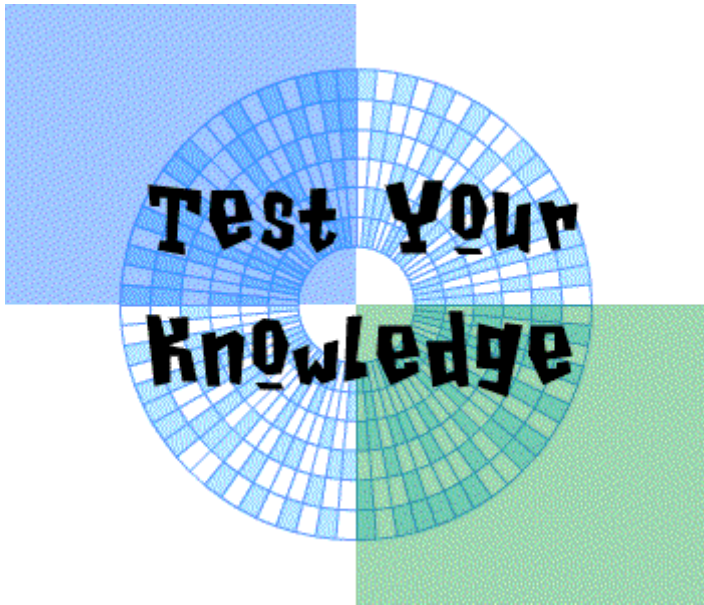
We also need volunteers to help with general pruning, moss removing and weeding etc. Do join us - armed with the tool of your choice and a flask for a big **CHURCHYARD TIDY** at All Saints, Shorthampton 10am-1pm **SATURDAY 16TH SEPTEMBER**.

Please also note that, as an experiment our winter services are going to be **11.15 Matins** instead of 3pm. This is the second Sunday of every month and **6pm** during British Summer Time. Christmas, Easter, All Saints Day and Ash Wednesday are at 9am. Everyone is most welcome.

November 1 st 2017	9am All Saints Day HC	April 1 st Easter Day HC	9am
November 12 th 11.15	Matins (Remembrance)	April 8 th	6pm
December 10 th 11.15	Matins	May 13 th	6pm
December 17 th 3pm	Candlelit Carols	June 10 th	6pm
December 25 th 9am	Christmas Day HC		
January 14 th 2018	11.15 Matins	July 8 th	6pm
February 11 th	11.15 Matins	August 12 th	6pm
February 14 th 9am	Ash Wednesday HC	September 9 th	6pm
March 11 th	11.15	October 14 th	6pm Harvest Festival

Best wishes from Amanda Cooper (Chairman Friends of Shorthampton)

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WHAT? ... A QUIZ

WHERE? Charlbury Memorial Hall

WHEN? Saturday 21st October.7.30

HOW? Bring a team of six (with a name!) or just yourself - let us know and teams can be put together on the night. art@amandacooper.co.uk

TICKETS £15 on receipt of a cheque made out to Charlbury PCC (Shorthampton) or email me for online payment. NO tickets will be issued, just a list on the door. Price includes Cottage Pie and bottle of wine - more wine at the bar!

Name:.....

Email and postal address

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I would like a table for six and enclose £90 made out to **Charlbury PCC (Shorthampton)**.....

I enclosefortickets and would like to make up a team on the night.....

I cannot come to this function but enclose a donation of.....

Please send mepackets of Christmas cards @ £5 per packet of 4 including envelopes.

*NB postage extra depending on weight. Please supply address.

SHORTHAMPTON CHRISTMAS CARD ON SALE NOW!

'Shorthampton in the snow' Watercolour by Amanda Cooper 14x14cms



Christmas Greetings and a Happy New year