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Christmas Newsletter 2020

Christmas message from Joyce and all the committee of trustees

2020 has been an incredibly challenging year for us all and we hope that 2021 will be a happier one for everyone. Sadly this year has seen some of you losing family members and friends and our sincere condolences go to you. To members suffering from illness we wish you a healthier time ahead. We miss everyone at the Club, but perhaps hope is on the horizon and we can look forward to meeting again. Some good news. There has been a celebration for one member who has recently got engaged and is to be married on 12 December, Julie Ede is to become Mrs Alan Kinnear! Alan has now moved to the village from Kent and has been at the Club to assist Julie with her presentations so is no stranger.

Due to the continuing covid lockdown no activities could take place at the club during the run up to Christmas. The Christmas Tree Festival at Holy Trinity Church could not take place as usual but a virtual tree festival was arranged and the Bishop Beveridge took part using an animated contribution that our secretary Mike put together. This still photo of the final page shows the newly renovated floor behind the decorations. The second picture shows the new LED lighting which has been installed.

As the caption in the main photo says “We wish all our members a Happy Christmas and a Peaceful 2021”.



Throughout 2020 we have continued to provide gifts to members celebrating significant birthdays or wedding anniversaries. We have had a number of 80th and 90th birthdays and have marked Golden (50th) and Diamond (60th) anniversaries together with one Platinum (70th) anniversary. We also deliver a card and small gift to those who are ill, please remember to let a committee member know of any who are unwell or have been in hospital so we can make contact with them. We also provide Christmas welfare gifts for past members who are now housebound or in a care home. Again, please do make the committee aware of any who are now unable to go out. It has been a pleasure to deliver these gifts as it has allowed me to meet some members for the first time, having recently taken on the role of Welfare Officer. Honor Neale

Annual General Meeting 2020

We couldn't hold our AGM in November as originally planned because of the covid lockdown and, after taking advice from the Charity Commission, it was agreed to cancel it for 2020. We were advised that we did not legally need to hold a meeting but that we should publish the annual accounts for members to review so we will do this and send a copy to all members probably with the next Newsletter in the New Year.

Usually at the AGM officers and committee members are elected. All of the current officers and committee members have agreed to stay on until the next AGM and Sue Perkins, who has been a trustee previously, has agreed to join the committee again by co-option.

Sue has kindly offered to care for the garden in front of the Club and now that the Cherry Tree has been removed we will be able to consider some more colourful planting.

The **Club Website** is now operating again, maintained by Dominic Boston
www.bishopbeveridgeclub.co.uk

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