

Burghill Takes Off With Concorde

On Saturday 15 September, the Burghill Community Access Point was launched by Chairman of Herefordshire Council, Cllr John Stone. Cllr Sally Robertson, Secretary of The Burghill CAP said 'This is an exciting time for us all after many, many hours of hard work by the Steering Group led by our Chairman, Mr Tony Redman. The facilities we now have provide a marvellous opportunity for our community FREE OF CHARGE to help improve communication and accessibility, using computers and the World Wide Web' On display at the launch were video, music and photography equipment plus games, other software and an 8 ft screen showing a Concorde flight.

Cllr Sally Robertson, Secretary, Burghill CAP

Cllr Sally Robertson (local member and Burghill CAP Secretary), Tony Redman (Burghill CAP Chairman) and Cllr John Stone, Chairman of Herefordshire Council try out the new CAP equipment.



Weobley Update

Since the start of CAP in the village many of our residents are now conversant with Computers that previously were afraid of them. We have our regular visitors and usually a couple of new faces turn up at each session.

The Steering group have put a tremendous amount of work into making the CAP a success in Weobley. Every member of the Steering Group are full time workers and /or are involved in other clubs and Societies so we have been lucky to receive their precious time and dedication.

On behalf of Weobley CAP SG I thank the CAPs Project Team for all their help and assistance since the birth of the CAPs.

Ken Turner, Secretary, Weobley CAP

Hole In One For Bodenham

Bodenham's Community Access Point was formally opened by Bill Wiggin MP on Friday 27 July.

He praised the Steering Group members who had been successful in bringing the facility to Bodenham. He then went on to thank the owners of the Brockington Hall Golf Club for allowing their premises to become the local Computer Centre for the Village. He emphasised the value of having a CAP that was available to all, and encouraged 'silver surfers' – many of whom were present - to take advantage of the equipment on offer.

There was an excellent turnout on the day, and everyone enjoyed the wine and nibbles laid on by the Golf Club's staff. During the event one resident submitted a successful application for a visa to visit Australia. Another couple asked for an update on the Dinedor Ribbon and were shown the latest bulletins and pictures. Through Google Earth it was possible for other visitors to get an aerial view of properties as far away as Bulawayo in Zimbabwe. The vinyl to CD facility was introduced and is now in regular use, as are the digital camera and video. Many computer novices have already been given training on how to use computers and how to access the Internet and have seen for themselves just how simple it really is.

The CAP is now open regularly from 10 am till noon on Tuesdays, 2 pm till 4 pm on Wednesdays, and from 6 pm till 8 pm on Thursdays. Members of the steering group are normally on hand to demonstrate the equipment and to give help to anyone who needs it.

Martin Field, Secretary, Bodenham CAP



Creative CAPs

Some stunning design work is coming out of the CAPs with a great variety of logos and illustrations created by community members. Walford has come up with a groovy cartoon cap. Ewyas Harold's leaflets feature a gorgeous stained-glass inspired image, created by a pupil in the village school. Pudleston has a professional calligrapher as CAP chair whose artwork features in the CAP's logo and launch invitations. Visit the CAPs' web pages on myherefordshire.com to get inspired.



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Farewell From The Project Team

This is the last issue of the CAP Fits before the Project Team disbands. We'd like to say thank you to the Steering Groups and Volunteers of all 21 CAPs for your incredible dedication. It has been a real privilege to work with you to make CAPs happen in your communities. Success to you all!

Want to keep in touch after the CAPs Project closes? For help, advice and much more, join the CAPs online forum. It has 120 members, with representation from all 21 CAPs plus partner organisations. To join, please email herefordshire_caps-owner@yahoo.co.uk

CAPs 'Meet the Partners' Event

Canon Pyon Parish Hall was packed for the networking event on 13 September. Thanks for your great feedback—the project team is delighted that both CAPs and partner organisations found it so worthwhile. We know that you will all continue to work together to ensure that CAPs thrive into the future and to extend a whole range of services into rural Herefordshire. And we're thrilled to hear that CAPs already have plans for more get-togethers after the project closes.

'Just to say that we both enjoyed the event and the interest shown in HVA's services. We look forward to being involved and supporting the CAPS in the future.'

**Angela Legg,
Herefordshire Voluntary
Action**

'Great evening - thank you very much - We have come

away energised and buzzing with ideas again.'

**Carey Godwin, Ewyas
Harold CAP**

'Enjoyed meeting at Canon Pyon last night and was obviously delighted to win the projector for our CAP.'

Chris Smith, Yarpole CAP

'Many thanks for the warm welcome last week - I am sure CAPS are here to stay!'

**Sue Cobourne,
Herefordshire Council**

'Thank you very much for last night, a very productive evening and a great way to finish off, or more importantly, set us on our way.'

**Henry James, Pembridge
CAP**

'A big 'thank you' to our hosts from Walford - we had a very good evening.'

**Cheryl Carpenter, Walford
CAP**

'I just wanted to congratulate you on the well organised event last night. Hope it goes from strength to strength!'

**Elaine Flint, Herefordshire
College of Technology**

West Midlands ICT Champion

Jackie Carey of Community First has been commissioned to work across the West Midlands as Regional ICT Champion as part of an ICT Hub initiative to help community groups and voluntary sector organisations to understand and use technology to better achieve their goal of delivering high quality services. We're delighted to welcome Jackie to the CAPs online forum.

The ICT Hub is a national resource especially for the Voluntary and Community Sector that provides free advice, support, tips and signposting. There is a free

telephone helpline, a directory of suppliers of goods and services who've been recommended by people in the sector and an excellent Knowledgebase that you can search for up-to-date advice on all your ICT issues. Check it out at www.ictHub.org.uk

To contact the ICT Hub free helpline call 0800 652 4737 or email helpdesk@ictHub.org.uk.

You can find out more about how Jackie can help you in her role as West Midlands ICT Champion and training events for community groups on her blog at : www.ictandcakes.org.uk

Welcome Partners! New members of the CAPs online forum in recent weeks include representatives of the following partner organisations: HASP (Herefordshire Access to Services Partnership); Herefordshire Council's Lifelong Learning team; Partners for Social Enterprise; Herefordshire Youth Service; Herefordshire Partnership; The ICT Hub; Marches Access Point.

News Roundup

All tomorrow's parties....

CAP grand openings:

Pembridge: 7pm Fri 21

Sept, at the Primary School

Welsh Newton &

Llanrothal: 2pm Sat 22

Sept, at Welsh Newton

Village Hall

Pudleston: 7.30pm Fri 28

Sept, at the Village Hall.

Walford Online

Walford Village Hall saw the opening of the Walford CAP on Saturday 8th September.

The Event was opened by Mrs Eunice Saunders at 2pm.

All of the equipment which the CAP had was on display and being used. We had a youth team looking at music and computer games, our silver surfers looking at the internet and its uses, we had web cam wallies

demonstrating the use of web cams and our Special needs kit was on display to show there was no limit with who could use the facility. The projector was in use showing a power point presentation which had been made by a group member, and during the course of the afternoon some children made a further presentation which they proudly displayed to all the visitors. Also the photography was discussed at length with a member of the steering group. The Opening was attended by LearnDirect who report a lot of interest. A hearty buffet was provided together with teas and coffees and Pimms was on offer to celebrate the opening of the event. The children also enjoyed a bouncy castle.


**Cheryl Robertson, Chair,
Walford CAP**


**Remember to send
in your monthly
CAP returns by the
7th to the new
email address:**


capsreturns@herefordshire.gov.uk


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Current CAPs STATUS

Michaelchurch CAP
The Bridge Inn, Michaelchurch 


Weobley CAP, The Rookery,
Weobley Primary School 


Mansel Lacy CAP, The Community
Centre, Mansel Lacy 


Lingen CAP
The Village Hall, Lingen 


South Wye Learning Centre CAP
SWLC, Redhill, Hereford 

Almeley-Woonton CAP
The Lion Inn, Woonton 

Cradley CAP
British Legion Club, Cradley 


Cowpats CAP
Village Hall, Preston on Wye 


The Pyons CAP
The Parish Hall, Canon Pyon 


The Fromes CAP
The Village Centre, Bishops 


Eardisley CAP
Village Hall, Eardisley 

Yarpole CAP
Village Hall, Yarpole 

Leintwardine CAP, Community
Centre, Leintwardine 

Pembridge CAP
Village Hall, Pembridge 

Bodenham CAP, Brockington Golf
Club, Bodenham 


Welsh Newton & Llanrothal CAP
Village Hall Welsh Newton 

Walford
Memorial Hall Walford 

Burghill
Simpson Hall Burghill 

Pudleston
Village Hall Pudleston 

Ewyas Harold
Memorial Hall Ewyas Harold 

Wellington Heath
Village Hall Wellington Heath 

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