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## EDITORIAL

### THE CHRISTMAS FESTIVE SEASON IS NOW NEARLY WITH US AND HOPEFULLY THE WEATHER WILL IMPROVE AS WELL

I hope you all stirred up your Christmas Puddings last Sunday and now have them tucked away ready for 'the Day'!!! I well remember, when I was little, the preparations that would be going on the week before, currants and raisins to be rubbed in flour to clean them, de-stalking, and de-seeding the large ones, chopping the candied peel and cherries, and so on! Then came Stir Up Sunday, (the last Sunday before Advent) and after Sunday dinner it was all hands on deck to get the puddings made!! A little different from today when most of us search the Supermarket shelf. Not half as much fun tho'.

Anyone wondering about the name Stir Up Sunday may be interested, or amused, to know it is taken from the first line of the Collect for that Sunday, 'Stir up, we beseech thee, O Lord, '.....

This Sunday is also the last in the Church Calendar, next Sunday, the first Sunday in Advent marks the beginning of the Church year, advent, from the Latin, meaning 'coming' or 'looking forward to...' as we spend those days looking forward to the coming of Christmas.

In Melton, everything is revving up for the Victorian Fair, Tree and Crib displays which take place in the town over next weekend. Decorations were being put up yesterday, the Market Square Tree will soon go up ready for the big switch on next Friday and a weekend of fun -- hopefully in dry, calm weather!

November has certainly been notable for its fogs, rain, high winds and floods! However on the few nice days I have spent valuable time sweeping up endless barrow loads of leaves, picking the last of the Bramleys AND, some very late sweet peas which, like the dahlias, have only just succumbed to the recent frosts.

It was on a dull Saturday that we set off for what is, usually, an easy train journey to visit Travelworld's Open Day. It was an interesting journey! We arrived in Birmingham, to discover that there were no direct trains from there to Wolverhampton a problem (which transpired was a fire on a train) just outside Wolverhampton. Get the tram there and then pick up the train and continue your journey we were told. So, a large number of us, including a very excited 'hen party' group en route for Liverpool did just that!! Well, it was different and, in the end we were only about an hour later arriving at Travelworld than we had planned. Luckily the return journey was trouble free!

We have just had the list of Shows for next year, plenty to keep us all occupied by the look of it.

On that note, I hope that anyone celebrating Thanksgiving has a great time, all those of you travelling do so safely, and that the run up to Christmas is enjoyable and stress free!

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