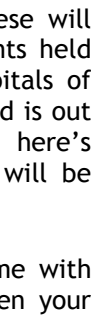


Dear Readers:
 The weather certainly hasn't dampened the spirits of members of the Tedworth Hunt, and since the snow has gone, turnout at the meets has been positive and supportive. The inclement weather meant that many people had to struggle getting their horses exercised, and the relatively few meets during December, meant that Robin Gamble's dictum "Always try to get in as much hunting as you can before Christmas" went by the wayside. However, there has been a few meets on foot, and these wonderful wintry scenes have been captured on camera by Louise Guinness. Meanwhile, Georgie Wickham, with Margot Andrews, has started the idea

A word from the Editor
 of "pop" up suppers to boost funds for the Hunt coffers. No doubt these will be as successful as similar events held in London and other major capitals of the world. The second meet card is out by the time you get this, so here's hoping the rest of the season will be fun and eventful. - ED
 PS And don't forget to email me with ideas, items, suggestions or even your favourite recipe.



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THE TEDWORTH'S ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

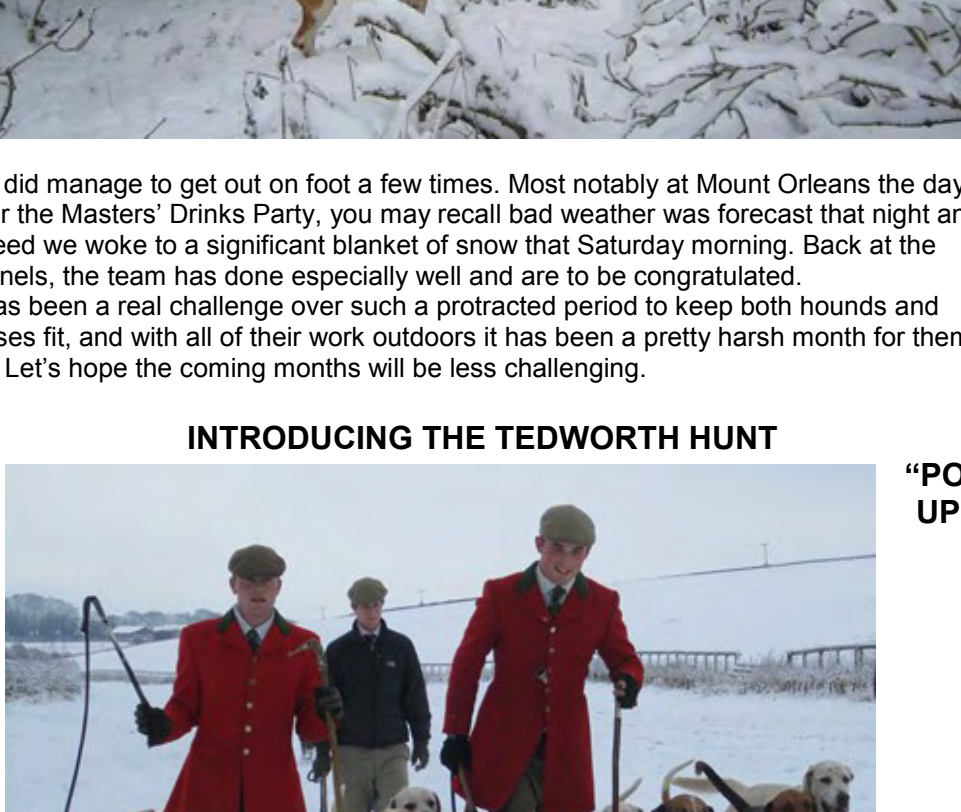
Despite this year's extreme chill, a number of sturdy members of the Hunt attended and the Chairman reported that the new mastership was fully in the saddle in their first season with **Mirabel Helme** as Senior Master, **Erskine Guinness** as Field Master and **Symon Robinson** who is taking on a whole range of responsibilities including management in kennels, clearing country and managing the hunting e-mail advice. Hounds have settled well to their appointed Huntsman, **Oliver Harding** and there have been some excellent days already. Ollie is well supported by **Charlie Daly**, First Whip and **Rachel Ryder** who was awarded her hunt button during the season. At present there are 35 1/2 entered hounds at kennels.

A really successful Hunt Ball that took place in February provided a major portion of the much needed funds both for the operation of the Hunt and for the programme of maintenance to the kennels that took place in the summer. Despite this, the Hunt is forced to undertake extensive fund-raising in order to balance the books. All hunts depend on the annual subscription of subscribers as the main source of income. But, the regular strength of about 30 subscribers has diminished over the last few years. The Hunt Committee is doing all it can to attract new subscribers. All kinds of measures are in hand to attract new subscribers including the building of a whole raft of new fences to make our hunting more exciting, and the introduction of a Hunt Newcomers' Weekend, an exciting new venture set up by **Georgi Wickham**, Hunt Secretary.

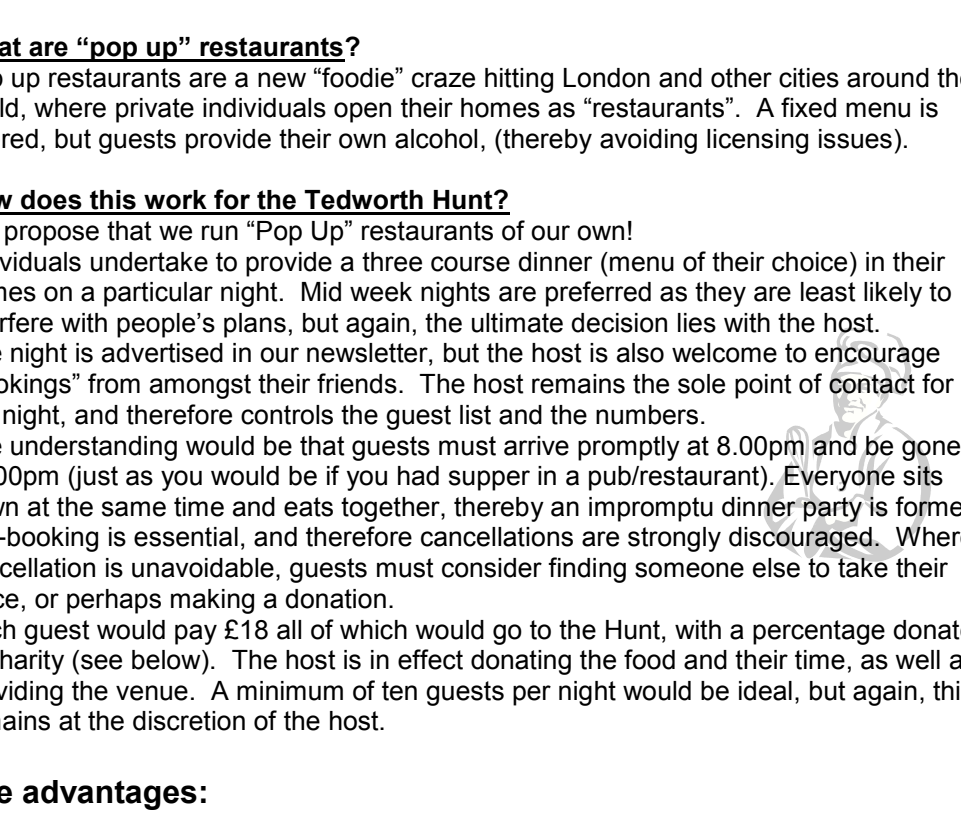
Jane Denny retired as Point to Point Secretary during the year. The Hunt is hugely grateful to both Jane and her husband, **Richard**. They have masterminded the Tedworth point to point scene for no less than 16 years. **Harry Marriott** has kindly agreed to take their place. **Chick Paget** has retired from the Hunt Committee having been a member for 12 years during which time she has contributed to the Hunt in hundreds of ways. At the same time as all that she managed, meet after meet, to produce three immaculate turned out daughters however muddy the winter school holidays chose to be. **Joanna Jensen** has retired from the committee too and we are most grateful for her contribution to the Hunt. We look forward in huge anticipation to the Hunt Auction of Promises which is scheduled to take place in the Jensen's barn at Ithorpe on 7 May. One new member of the Hunt Committee was elected at the AGM---**David Greenwood**.

The Tedworth Hunt played a major role in activating voters during the General Election under the banner of the pro-hunting lobby Vote OK. We were lucky indeed to be stirred - or rather driven! - to life by **Sally Jones**. The members of the Hunt played a very full part and we are very grateful for the efforts of **Judy Grange**, **Barbara McMullen**, **Alex Gay** and **Rosanna Hope**. Their work and that of others was celebrated at a party at Fosbury Manor kindly given by **Louise** and **Erskine Guinness**.
 During the meeting the Chairman expressed the thanks of the Hunt to the Hunt Supporters' Club. As ever the Club under **Paul Bowerman's** ever-enthusiastic Chairmanship, has delivered the goods. During the year, the fund raising events have provided money which includes a new hound lorry and repairs to the hound lodges at kennels. As ever, thank you Hunt Supporters, thank you.

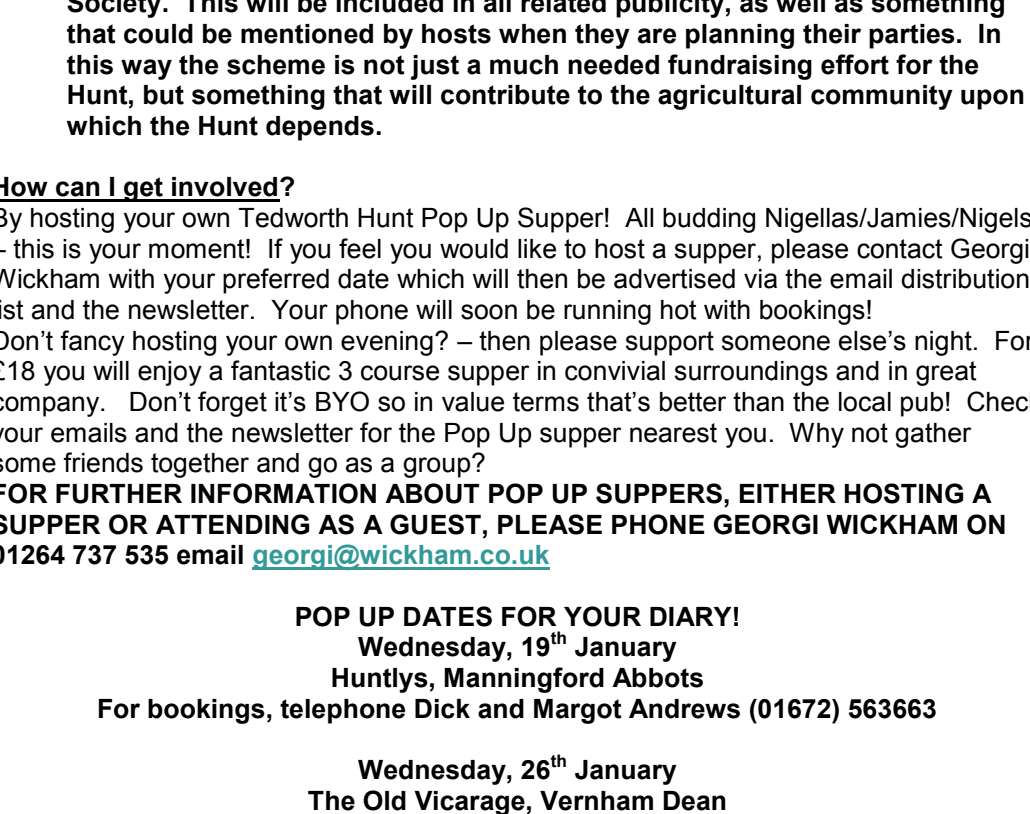
Symon Robinson, one of our three joint-masters, writes about the weather, while **Louise Guinness**, took these excellent photographs during the snowy weather:



Well that adage to get as many hunting days in before Christmas has been something of a challenge to say the least. We cancelled Marden on Saturday 27th November, and with the exception of one day, didn't meet again mounted until Harry and Dinah Marriott hosted the children's meet at Tangle House on 30th December.

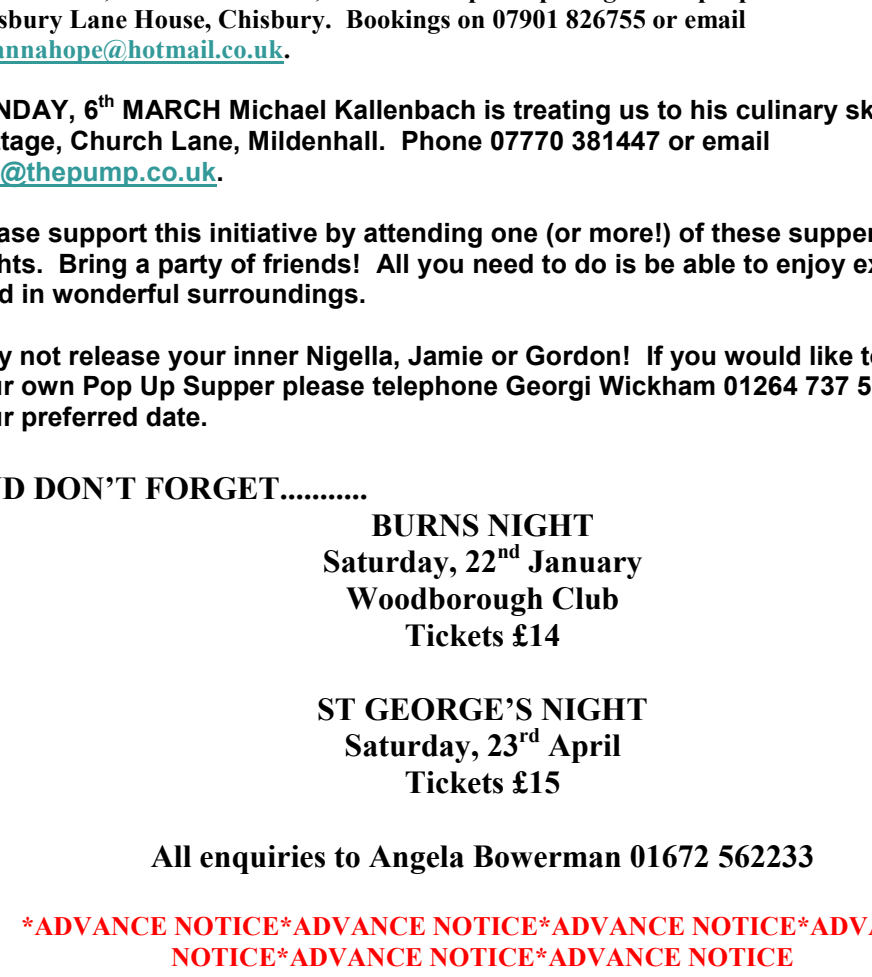


The one day we did manage was Nick and Jenny Staunton's meet at Stanton Farm on Tuesday 14th December--the ground conditions were far from ideal, but in the end, we decided to go for it. And those who attended the meet all reported that they had an excellent day.



We did manage to get out on foot a few times. Most notably at Mount Orleans the day after the Masters' Drinks Party, you may recall bad weather was forecast that night and indeed we woke to a significant blanket of snow that Saturday morning. Back at the kennels, the team has done especially well and are to be congratulated. It has been a real challenge over such a protracted period to keep both hounds and horses fit, and with all of their work outdoors it has been a pretty harsh month for them all. Let's hope the coming months will be less challenging.

INTRODUCING THE TEDWORTH HUNT



"POP UP"

SUPPER EVENINGS

What are "pop up" restaurants?
 Pop up restaurants are a new "foodie" craze hitting London and other cities around the world, where private individuals open their homes as "restaurants". A fixed menu is offered, but guests provide their own alcohol, (thereby avoiding licensing issues).

How does this work for the Tedworth Hunt?
 We propose that we run "Pop Up" restaurants of our own!
 Individuals undertake to provide a three course dinner (menu of their choice) in their homes on a particular night. Mid week nights are preferred as they are least likely to interfere with people's plans, but again, the ultimate decision lies with the host.
 The night is advertised in our newsletter, but the host is also welcome to encourage "bookings" from amongst their friends. The host remains the sole point of contact for his/her night, and therefore controls the guest list and the numbers.
 The understanding would be that guests must arrive promptly at 8.00pm and be gone by 11.00pm (just as you would be if you had supper in a pub/restaurant). Everyone sits down at the same time and eats together, thereby an impromptu dinner party is formed. Pre-booking is essential, and therefore cancellations are strongly discouraged. Where a cancellation is unavoidable, guests must consider finding someone else to take their place, or perhaps making a donation.
 Each guest would pay £18 all of which would go to the Hunt, with a percentage donated to charity (see below). The host is in effect donating the food and their time, as well as providing the venue. A minimum of ten guests per night would be ideal, but again, this remains at the discretion of the host.

The advantages:

- **Desperately needed funds for the Hunt!** If we were able to organise 15 different "restaurants" each averaging £180 each, that would be £2,700 profit, with no capital outlay and minimum of organisation.
- **A disparate group of people can be approached, so we are not asking the same old group to support fundraising activities.** Also, guests just need to like good food - no need to be remotely horsey! They are also getting good value for money.
- **A better feeling of community amongst our Hunt members, as well as introducing new people to the Hunt.**
- **A percentage of takings will be donated to the Royal Agricultural Benefit Society.** This will be included in all related publicity, as well as something that could be mentioned by hosts when they are planning their parties. In this way the scheme is not just a much needed fundraising effort for the Hunt, but something that will contribute to the agricultural community upon which the Hunt depends.

How can I get involved?
 By hosting your own Tedworth Hunt Pop Up Supper! All budding Niggellas/Jamies/Niggels - this is your moment! If you feel you would like to host a supper, please contact Georgi Wickham with your preferred date which will then be advertised via the email distribution list and the newsletter. Your phone will soon be running hot with bookings!
 Don't fancy hosting your own evening? - then please support someone else's night. For £18 you can enjoy a fantastic 3 course supper in convivial surroundings and in great company. Don't forget it's BYO so in value terms that's better than the local pub! Check your friends and the newsletter for the Pop Up supper nearest you. Why not gather some friends together and go as a group?

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION ABOUT POP UP SUPPERS, EITHER HOSTING A SUPPER OR ATTENDING AS A GUEST, PLEASE PHONE GEORGI WICKHAM ON 01264 737 535 email georgi@wickham.co.uk

POP UP DATES FOR YOUR DIARY!
Wednesday, 19th January
 Huntlys, Manningford Abbots
 For bookings, telephone Dick and Margot Andrews (01672) 563663

Wednesday, 26th January
 The Old Vicarage, Vernham Dean
 For bookings, telephone Georgi Wickham (01264) 737 535

Sunday, 6th March (starting at 7.30pm)
 The Cottage, Church Lane, Mildenhall
 For bookings, telephone Michael Kallenbach (01672 513975)

IMPORTANT DATES FOR YOUR 2011 DIARY!
POP UP RESTAURANT NIGHTS

The first of the Tedworth Hunt Pop Up Suppers is being hosted by Dick and Margot Andrews at Huntlys, Manningford Abbots, on WEDNESDAY, 19th JANUARY. Phone 01672 563663 or email gimspike@esend.co.uk and book now to enjoy a delicious three-course supper for just £18. Take advantage of Margot's renowned cooking, catch up with friends, and support two worthy causes, your Hunt and RABI (Royal Agricultural Benevolent Institute).

WEDNESDAY, 26th JANUARY (coincidentally Australia Day, but don't worry, Kangaroo Steaks will NOT be on the menu!) Anthony and Georgi Wickham are hosting a supper at The Old Vicarage, Vernham Dean. Phone 01264 737 535 or email georgi@wickham.co.uk to book.

SATURDAY, 19th FEBRUARY, Rosanna Hope is opening her Pop Up Restaurant at Chisbury Lane House, Chisbury. Bookings on 07901 826755 or email rosannahope@hotmail.co.uk.

SUNDAY, 6th MARCH Michael Kallenbach is treating us to his culinary skills at The Cottage, Church Lane, Mildenhall. Phone 07770 381447 or email kall@thepump.co.uk.

Please support this initiative by attending one (or more!) of these supper nights. Bring a party of friends! All you need to do is be able to enjoy excellent food in wonderful surroundings.

Why not release your inner Niggella, Jamie or Gordon! If you would like to host your own Pop Up Supper please telephone Georgi Wickham 01264 737 535 with your preferred date.

AND DON'T FORGET.....

BURNS NIGHT
 Saturday, 22nd January
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ST GEORGE'S NIGHT
 Saturday, 23rd April
 Tickets £15

All enquiries to Angela Bowerman 01672 562233

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For all those keen riders with their eyes on the prize!
 The dates are now set.....

TEDWORTH HUNT HUNTER TRIALS
SATURDAY, 30TH APRIL

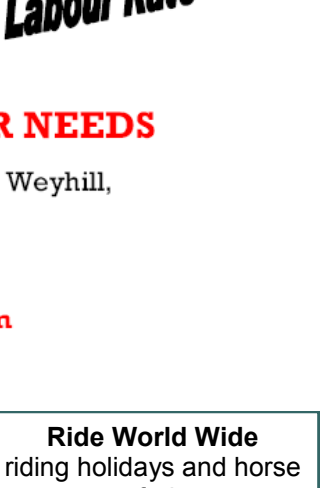
TEDWORTH HUNT SUPPORTERS HUNTER TRIALS
SUNDAY, 25TH SEPTEMBER

We all send our heartiest congratulations to Ted Burton who has just celebrated his 80th birthday. Former huntsman of the Tedworth Hunt, Ted is still an ardent and popular supporter and can be seeing chatting with friends whenever he and Dot come to the meets. He always has an encouraging word for youngsters out hunting. Ted was recently in hospital for an operation, but Dot says he's now home and making good progress. Well done Ted on reaching this wonderful age and we look forward to seeing you out and about soon again.

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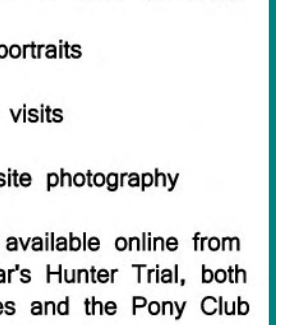


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The Hunt newsletter does not solicit advertising, but requests that readers who have had success through this newsletter, kindly make a small donation to the Tedworth Hunt.

