



NORTH CURRY NEWSLETTER

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North Curry Parish Council

PLANNING APPLICATIONS IN NORTH CURRY

Planning applications are starting to be submitted to Taunton Deane Borough Council in relation to development in North Curry. The Parish Council is not always aware of these applications before they are sent through for comment and may therefore only have three weeks in which to consult Parishioners. Please could all Parishioners keep an eye out for publicity about new planning applications and associated public meetings. Notices will generally be put up on the village website, the village notice board, the Parish Office door and in the Post Office. They may also be put up elsewhere as appropriate. Please also spread the word if you become aware of a consultation.

JUBILEE MUGS

Don't forget, there are still a few jubilee mugs in the Parish Office awaiting collection plus a few left over to buy. Don't miss this once in a lifetime opportunity!

PARKING ON CORNERS

This is another plea to ask that, where cars must be parked on the road, they are parked considerately and away from road junctions and corners. Failure to do so would break Rule 224 of the Highway Code which states "DO NOT stop or park...opposite or within 10 metres (32 feet) of a junction, except in an authorised parking space".

DOGS IN THE CHURCHYARD

There have been a number of complaints about dogs running free in the churchyard and associated dog waste. Please could you ensure that dogs are kept on a lead or under close control while in the churchyard and that any dog waste deposited is cleared up and placed in the dog waste bin adjacent to the churchyard side gate.

VILLAGE NOTICE BOARD

It's a busy time of year and once again the village notice board is overflowing with details of events and services. To enable as many notices as possible to be displayed, it would be appreciated if notice sizes could be kept to a minimum, preferably no larger than A5.

Parish Council diary for July – All Parishioners are welcome to attend any meeting.

Wed 10 th	Council Meeting	7:30 pm
Wed 31 st	Planning Committee	8:00 pm

Contact the Parish Council: 01823 490136 or parishcouncil@northcurry.com



The Society's annual coffee morning will be hosted by Sue and Don Bethune at The Old Malthouse, 3 Stoke Road, from 10am on Saturday 13th July. Sue would welcome contributions of cakes and plants. And then on Wednesday 17th July Betty Koppa will be leading the North Curry annual summer footpath walk, setting off from the Village Hall car park at 7pm. Members, visitors and dogs welcome. Both these events (rain or shine – come suitably attired!) will be ideal opportunities to chat to other Society members about local history, natural history and the environment of the North Curry area, the work of the Society and your priorities for future activities. While we'll not deliberately put anyone in danger, we must tell you that anyone joining in the walk does so at their own risk.

The Society will not be meeting in August, but we're back in the Village Hall again at 8pm on 18th September when Dr Richard Brunning is giving a talk on recent archaeological discoveries on the southern Somerset lowlands.

North Curry Village Show

The North Curry Village Show will take place on Saturday 10th August in the Village Hall. Schedules are now on sale in the Post Office and from members of the committee. Do get a schedule and see what you can enter; it is great fun to be a part of this village event.

A few tips from the judges are as follows: All cakes must be home made, displayed on a firm plate and covered. For preserves, overall appearance, colour and presentation are important. Cellophane covers should have a waxed disc on top of the contents and metal twist tops should not have waxed discs and must give a good seal. All jars should be clearly labelled as to contents. Good jams are not runny and jellies should be crystal clear.

We hope to see you there.

The Produce Market

Saturday 6th July

9:30 - 11:30 in the Village Hall

Come and have a coffee, meet friends and browse the stalls featuring lots of good things from local producers. On offer is organic local pork and lamb, cheese, bread, cakes, pasties, eggs, vegetables and honey. There will be plenty of jams and chutneys to tempt you and some excellent crafts, cards and flowers. We also have fair-trade products, which help local producers overseas.

See you there!



On Wednesday 24th July **'The Whistle-blower'** will be shown. A tough film, based on actual events in post-war Bosnia when the country was being rebuilt under the less than effective multinational diplomatic government. Rachel Weisz plays an idealistic policewoman who confronts a terrifying world of corruption and attempts to right wrongs.

Next year's film programme has now been finalised and copies will be available so you can sign up for another year's films!

Full details of our programme, with trailers for the films, can be found on our website www.northcurryfilmsociety.org.uk



Barn Dancing Club

Our next session will be on **Wednesday 3rd July at 7:30pm** in the village hall.

If you would like to have a go then your first visit will be free of charge. Non-members will pay £2.50 per session thereafter. Do come along and join in the fun! Singles, couples or groups always welcome.

For further details phone Brian or Kathryn on 490623.

Latest news from North Curry Sports Ltd

This summer White Street Sports Ground is a hive of activity – the cricket season is in full swing, repairs are being made to the football pitch and there is on-going work in the woodland and wildlife area. All are welcome at the matches and to enjoy the developing conservation area.

At the recent AGM the following officers were re-elected:

Chairman Anne Pike (and Director of North Curry Sport Ltd)

Vice Chairman Chris Golding (and Director of North Curry Sport Ltd)

Hon Treasurer Maria Perry (and Director of North Curry Sport Ltd)

Secretary Jeanne Leader (and Director of North Curry Sport Ltd)

Executive Member Richard Perry (and Director of North Curry Sport Ltd)

Facilities Secretary Fred Drakeford

Grounds Secretary Mark Joliffe

Promotions and Fundraising Secretary Michele Olie

It costs just over £5,000 a year to run the facilities which is raised through fund raising activities, sponsorship and contributions from the Football and Cricket Clubs; also, the Parish Council kindly made an annual discretionary grant of £500 towards grass cutting.

All activities on this 12-acre site are run by volunteers – from the three senior and one junior cricket teams and two senior and one junior football teams, to grounds maintenance and serving refreshments at matches.

White Street's major fund-raiser is the fabulous Big Bash, this year held on 25th August. A pig is being reared in the village in readiness for a truly local and scrumptious hog roast and two bands have been booked. Tickets at £15 a head are available from James Midgely on 491278, Richard Perry on 490089, Jeanne Leader on 490474 and from the Post Office.

Also, there will be a wedding on Saturday, 20th July when the sports ground will be closed to the public. All efforts are being made to minimise disruption to local residents eg guests will be asked to use the site car park; neighbours with pets may want to note that there will be a short fireworks display at 10:50pm and celebrations will finish by 1:00am. For queries, please contact Chairman Anne Pike on 490170 or email whitestreet@northcurry.com

“CHASING ICE”

SATURDAY 6TH JULY

7:30pm at North Curry Village Hall

Doors (and bar) open at 7:30pm

film begins at 8:00pm

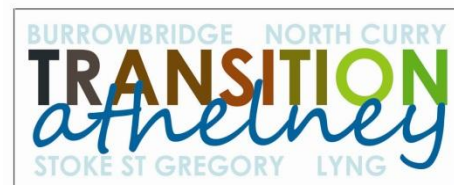
Every week there is news relating to fossil fuels and climate change; just this week we've heard that there are vast reserves of shale oil around the globe yet at the same time we hear that we simply cannot afford to burn even those which had already been discovered without triggering catastrophic changes to our finely balanced eco-systems. Man's greed for more never ceases to amaze!

This film shows one man's view, literally, of one aspect of the effects of our changing climate. In the making of the film James Balog has travelled from Alaska to Greenland to use time-lapse photography enabling us to share his view of melting ice.

Breath taking thought provoking photography – a film for everyone!

Donations at the door; film followed by a time for discussion.

Contact: Brian on 490623 or email ta@bkjeanes.co.uk



towards a greener community

Tuesday Club Summer Outing

The Tuesday (lunch) Club is running a trip to the Great Western Canal at Tiverton on Friday 9th August. Thanks to a bequest from Oonagh Hewings of Barton Way the cost is a modest £12 that will cover the coach, barge trip and lunch back on the Quay. While priority is given to the lunch club members there may be some spare seats so please contact the organiser Dave Patten (490782) or treasurer Joanne Preston (491083).

Our fortnightly feasts attract nearly 30 members - not surprising when our last meal was home-made quiche, meringue and strawberries and cream. We can cater for a few more new members so if you are interested and are a Senior Citizen - please contact either of the above. The joining fee - to cover insurance is just £3 a year - with each meal costing £4: the best food you'll get in the village, some say.



North Curry Amateur Gardeners' Club

The Plant Sale & Coffee morning in June was well attended and very successful. On 8th June some members attended the official opening of the Barrington Avenue at Barrington Court and much enjoyed the event. The Club had given a donation to the project.



North Curry W.I.

A reminder that our summer outing to the Somerset Lavender Farm is on Wednesday 3rd July. The coach will leave North Curry Post Office at 9:30, returning at approximately 4:30. It is possible to buy a light lunch at the farm and we will be stopping at Castle Cary for afternoon tea on the way home.

Our next meeting is Wednesday 4th September, in the village hall, starting at 2:00pm. Mrs J Whitfield will be telling us all about Pat dogs. The dogs, all 28,000 of them, make therapeutic visits to hospitals, care homes, hospices and various other establishments and I am sure the talk will be most informative, so do please come along and join us. New members will be most welcome.

Art in the Coffee Shop

The Coffee Shop Summer Exhibition 30 July - 8 September.

There's still time to produce your artwork to enter with a chance to win one of three prizes of £50, £50, £25. The subject is 'Portrait', which could be a person, a creature, a flower, a house - the possibilities are endless.

Entry forms in The Coffee Shop.

Marie Curie Cancer Care

On Wednesday, 17th July please come to our 'Tea Party' from 2:30 to 5:00pm at 'Sunnyside, The Fosse, North Curry' in aid of Marie Curie Cancer Care. As well as tea and cakes there will be a raffle, cake stall, bric-a-brac, books and puzzles.



Things are a changing at the playing field and we need your help.

Notice of our AGM

Firstly it is that time of year when we the North Curry Playing Field need to have our AGM. We are looking in addition to extra members this year, but also for someone to come onto the committee and take on the role of Treasurer, this while not a huge task is an important one, Paul Gratton who has done this for the past three years, is looking to hand on to someone new, but the great news for us is that he is still staying on the committee.

So please if you are interested in being Treasurer or just helping us manage some of the exiting challenges we have this next year get in touch pavilion@northcurry.com or volunteer at the AGM

AGM date 11th July 2013

Location/time Pavilion, 7:30pm

1. Chair's report / Accounts
2. Questions
3. Future developments on the playing field
 - 3.1 Presentation of ideas and designs
 - 3.2 Questions
4. Proposed schedule of changes to deed of trusts
 - 4.1 Acceptance vote
5. Resignations
6. Elections
7. Close

We will then follow the AGM with our first meeting as a new committee for

1. Election of Committee members
2. On-going NCPFC business meeting

New developments at the playing field

We are this year looking to deliver the first of a number of projects to enhance the playing field facilities. By the time you read this we will have met with all of the children in the school and hopefully some of their parents to prioritise just what it is that we will be doing first.

The ideas we have so far are:

BMX area	Trim trail fitness & Balancing activities
Big Slide	Balance logs and playschool reading area
Zip Wire	Sky Net
Something big to climb on	

If you want to know what all these ideas look like take a look at our website, www.ncpavilion.co.uk or on our Facebook page

Where we need your help is in making this a reality, how can you help?

Come along to the AGM if you were not at the school and give us your comments.

Join the committee to make this happen.

Join the team to help do some of the installation work, especially if you have commercial skills and or equipment that you would be prepared to help with.

Do you have a pile of subsoil and or topsoil that you need to get rid of, well we would be interested in you dumping it with us (when we are ready).

Do you have to fell and mature trees, specifically Oak or Beech; we would be very interested in trunk and major branches?

Do you have any old tractor tyres that you need to dispose of?

If you can help in any way we would be very keen to hear from you, pavilion@northcurry.com or give Andy a ring 490046 or 07771 748 518





The weather tried its best to put everyone off coming, but folk donned their waterproofs and a successful day was had by many stallholders. Many cream teas were enjoyed in the De Wintons' garden; the horse rides were busy again and Punch and Judy were as popular as ever despite the damp grass not being so good to sit on.

Several stalls have reported increased profits from last year, with approximately £2,500 being raised by the various charity stalls. There was a good variety of stalls, all with connections to the village, and everyone wanted to take home a Blackdown Shepherd Hut!

So, in the interests of adding depth and variety to the committee and the eventual retirement of the current members, anyone interested in joining will be warmly welcomed.



Royal British Legion

The next meeting of the Branch will be on Monday 8th July at the Bird in Hand starting at 7:30pm.

There will be no meeting in August.



North Curry Short Mat Bowls Club

Very little to report this month. Our match against Rockwell Green was postponed as they were unable to produce a team. Trull gave us a very enjoyable match at their home venue, but we were only second best, losing by 12 shots. On 9th June we enjoyed a comfortable win against Staplegrove by 64 shots to 51.

We now look forward to the Bradford on Tone Hospice Tournament which, since its inception, North Curry have been the only victors!



The children had a fabulous trip to Beach School, which took place on Friday 21st June. They visited Dinosaurland Fossil Museum and went fossil hunting on the beach. We are continuing to look at dinosaurs but are linking this to the seaside and fossils. We are also organising a summer party which is taking place on Saturday, 20th July at the Pavilion - there will be a Bouncy Castle and Barbeque so the children will have lots of fun!

If you would like your child to attend in the coming years, please call Judy on 01823 491615 or pop in for a chat. We cater for children from 2 years until school age and work closely with the Primary School, offering wrap around care for the Preschool children from the age of 3.

NORTH CURRY VILLAGE CHOIR

Are you interested in joining a 'new' local choir?

We start rehearsals again on

Thursday 5th September at 8:00 pm

in North Curry Village Hall under our new young conductor



Scott Morrison



an ex choral scholar from Guildford cathedral.

We are now looking for new singers and also some ideas of the music that you would like to sing in the future!

Our Christmas Concert is on 12th December 2013

Please contact Keith Gibbs (01823 490191) for more details.

North Curry Village Hall

Secretary: Joan Gubbin
phone 490201

To hire the hall contact
Jenny Quinn 490718

hallbookings@northcurry.com

Pavilion and Playing Field

Available to hire as a venue for parties (children's and adults), meetings and celebrations. With a large outdoor area ideal for bouncy castles and games, in addition a multi-use games area (MUGA) for children and young people to have fun and let off steam.

To book see calendar and booking form at www.ncpavilion.co.uk or email pavilion@northcurry.com or call 07721 454593



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