



NORTH CURRY NEWSLETTER

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North Curry Parish Council

YOUR CHANCE TO BECOME A PARISH COUNCILLOR: Would you like to get involved in helping ensure North Curry continues to be the thriving parish it currently is? Now's your chance as a vacancy has arisen for a new Parish Councillor. If you are interested in putting your name forward, or would like to know more about what is involved, please contact the Parish Clerk or speak to any of your Parish Councillors.

The Parish Council would like to thank Stan Case for all his input during his time as a Parish Councillor.

VULNERABLE TO FLOOD? COLLECT A FLOOD RESILIENCE PACK: Flood resilience kits, consisting of 10 hessian and 36 plastic bags containing gel (which expands on contact with water forming sandbags) plus a sofa size waterproof bag, will be distributed to those vulnerable to flood from Burrowbridge Village Hall on Saturday 19th September from 10am till 12 noon. If you are unable to collect one at that time, please contact David Welch from the Rotary Club on 07785 924256 or david303welch@btinternet.com and he will make alternative arrangements with you.

COLD CALLERS: We are aware that there are an increasing number of cold callers operating in the area. If you have any concerns about any of them please contact Trading Standards on 0345 4040 506. "No Cold Callers" stickers are also available from the Parish Clerk.

KHALSA AID FAMILY FUN DAY – SATURDAY 5TH SEPTEMBER: A "Meet the Sikhs" family fun day is to take place from 12:00 – 4:00pm at Coronation Hall, Burrowbridge. The Sikhs were very helpful during the 2014 flood and this should be a great event, see posters.

ST MARGARET'S HOSPICE: If you would like to host a tea party in aid of St Margaret's Hospice please contact fundraising@st-margarets-hospice.org.uk or call 01935 709485 for a fundraising pack.

FIND OUT WHAT'S ON: Want to know what's going on or ideas of what to do? The Visit Taunton website provides a full listing of what's on in and around Taunton.

PARISH COUNCIL DIARY FOR SEPTEMBER: - Parishioners are welcome to attend any meeting.

Wed 9th Parish Council Meeting 7:30 pm

Wed 30th Planning Meeting 7:30 pm

CONTACT THE PARISH COUNCIL: 01823 490136 or parishcouncil@northcurry.com

Treasurer needed for Village Hall

The Village Hall Committee is looking for someone to take over as Treasurer. For details of the work entailed and the commitment needed, please contact the Secretary, Michael Griffiths on 491298 or email mgriff2121@aol.co.uk

Village Hall Car Park Repairs

There will be work done on locating and diverting the spring in the car park during September. As a result there will be restricted access and limited parking space. Villagers are reminded that the car park is for hall users who pay to use the hall and to park their cars.

The Produce Market

**Saturday 5th September
9:30-11:30 in the Village Hall**

The market depends on so many people to run efficiently so here's our public thanks to the helpers in the kitchen and on our stall, those who put out and put away the tables and the people who kindly put out our signboards each month to remind residents of the upcoming market – we really do appreciate all you do.

Local produce means fewer food miles so do come and support us and our loyal stallholders.

See you there!



A New Season Starts!



Programmes for the 2015-16 season of films are now in the Coffee Shop. We begin with *The Imitation Game* starring Benedict Cumberbatch, Matthew Goode and Keira Knightley, a moving film about how Alan Turing and his associates broke the Enigma code which helped to shorten WW2. The annual subscription is remaining at £25 for 12 films – just over £2 a film and we

do need at least 60 members to make sure we can afford the film licences so please re-join. As before the doors and licensed bar open for members at 7pm and guests paying £5 are welcome to attend from 7:15pm.



North Curry Playing Field and Pavilion

Our **AGM** will be held on **10th September** at The Pavilion at 8:45. Everyone is welcome to attend. Please come along if you feel able to join our Committee or to support us at events. For further information contact Helen Nash on 491049 or email pavilion@northcurry.com.

Many of you will have heard that Playing Fields Chairman, Andy Moll, tragically died in May. Andy's drive and commitment for the last 11 years has provided much needed play equipment and a refurbished Pavilion used by age groups from 3 upwards. He has set it up to succeed and the Committee will carry on this work. We hope to receive the continued support of the local community.



Iron Age Life in the Somerset Wetlands

On Wednesday 16th September we start our autumn programme of talks. We are pleased to welcome back as our guest speaker, Dr Richard Brunning, Senior Heritage Officer for the Somerset Levels and Moors for Somerset County Council. He will take us on a journey through the Somerset wetlands during the Iron Age. You might have seen reports of the replica Iron Age canoes tried out on the Levels this year, a project in which he was closely involved. But it was also a time of farming, trade and even head-hunting! It promises to be another fascinating evening and we would be delighted to see you there.

Our meetings are held monthly at 8pm in North Curry Village Hall. Membership costs £5 a year and visitors are very welcome on payment of a small entrance charge.



North Curry W.I.

After our summer break we look forward to our new programme of speakers and events for the next twelve months. Our first meeting is on Wednesday, 2nd September at 2pm in the village hall where we will be welcoming Sandra Bateman who will be giving us an insight into the lives of the Bronte Sisters and, keeping to the theme, the competition is 'A slice of Yorkshire Parkin'. The afternoon will conclude with tea and a special centenary cake – if anyone wishes to join us, to get a taste of our meetings, or just to visit, they will be welcome.

Our centenary celebrations continue this month - do look out for the display of 'North Curry WI past and present' in the post office window and plans are in hand for planting a centenary tree in the churchyard in the autumn - details later.

Advance Notice - on Saturday 10th October there will be a Somerset WI Craft and Vintage Fair taking place at West Monkton Village Hall 10:00am-4:00pm. Amongst the many stalls there will be jewellery and silver, iron work, beadwork, textiles, art deco furniture and driftwood sculpture to name just a few - more information next month.

SAVE THE CHILDREN

ADVANCE NOTICE

Yes, it is too early to think about Christmas but sooner or later you will have to do just that as Christmas always arrives on time!

So please let it be sooner and make a note in your diary of our

GRAND CHRISTMAS CARD SALE SATURDAY 17th OCTOBER

in the

MEETING ROOM North Curry Village Hall

Full details next month.

Coffee Morning

North Curry Church Flowers Fund

We will be holding a coffee morning on

Saturday 19th September
between 10am and 12 noon

Coffee Cakes Raffle
at

Orchard House, 20 Greenway

By kind invitation of Jenny Satchwell
NB. Change of venue

Please come along to give support to enable the ongoing floral decoration of our beautiful church.



The Royal British Legion

The next meeting of the Branch will be on 14th September at the Bird in Hand, starting at 7:30pm.

Make sure you are there!



Coffee Shop Summer Arts

Our summer art exhibition is now on display until 5th October with entries from local artists interpreting "a season". From 6th October there will be an exhibition of lino prints by local artist Kim Varley, which are inspired mainly by the spectacular scenic views around the levels. There will be framed and unframed prints available for sale along with limited edition hand printed cards.

North Curry Creative Writers' Group began in August with a small but enthusiastic gathering in the Bird in Hand. We're a group of creative writers of varying experience who get together to inspire each other, talk writing, share works in progress and complete a short writing activity to get the creative juices flowing. Check us out at www.meetup.com/North-Curry-Creative-Writing-Meetup or search for us on Facebook.

We're a friendly bunch so why not come along and join us? For more information email suzywedley@gmail.com



North Curry and District Amateur Gardeners

"It's been a good year for the roses" and for many other plants as well. They all seem to have flowered very profusely.

We hope you have been able to take time to enjoy your gardens this summer and as they start to slide into their autumn colours you can begin to plan for next year; and what better way to do that than by coming along to our first talk after the summer break, which is on

"Roses, old and new" with Chris and Judy Yates on Thursday 3rd September

Chris and Judy are making a new garden in Bicknoller and after hearing Chris maybe you'll be inspired to find space for just one more rose next year!

Garden Club meetings are held in North Curry Playing Fields Pavilion at 7:45pm for 8:00pm.

New members and visitors are always welcome, so why not come along and join this friendly group and get hints and tips for your garden.

Stay for coffee and a chat.



BARN DANCING CLUB

Our next session will be on **Wednesday 2nd September at 7:30pm** in the village hall. This will be the first one of our new year and will be an opportunity to sign up for membership. Annual subs of £20 will be collected. If you're not sure about membership yet but would like to have a go, then your first visit will be free of charge. Non-members will pay £3 per session thereafter. Do come along and join in the fun! No previous experience is necessary as we have a superb and very patient teacher. Singles, couples or groups always welcome.

For further details phone Brian or Kathryn on 490623.

The Ukulele Orchestra of North Curry

Our Ukulele orchestra are attending **The Ukulele Orchestra of Great Britain's** Matinee concert at the Corn Exchange, Exeter

WE HAVE TWO SPARE TICKETS for 2pm on Saturday 19th September 2015

The Ukulele Orchestra of GB are described as 'Pure Entertainment', 'Magisterial', 'A National Institution' and 'Fun'

The tickets are £27.50

IF ANYONE WOULD LIKE THESE TICKETS or further details please contact: Terry Sidley 490962

North Curry Village Choir

If you enjoy singing do come along and join the North Curry Village Choir.

Rehearsals take place every Thursday 8:00 pm in the Village Hall starting on **Thursday 10th September**

Our Christmas Concert this year takes place in the **Village Hall on 10th December**

We always welcome new singers but would also be pleased to see old friends who have sung with us before.

The Village Choir Coffee morning

Very many thanks to all of those who made our coffee morning on 8th August so successful – the hosts (Helen and Michael), the helpers (too numerous to mention) and all of you who came! We were also given a 'Bake off' cake for a special raffle.

We had superb weather and raised a substantial sum of money, which will be of enormous help in putting on concerts of a high standard in the future.

We hope that the coffee morning will become an annual event. It has even been suggested that we might run a 'taxi' service from the middle of the village!

Macmillan

World's Biggest Coffee Morning

on

Friday 25th September

at

Edgeways, 2 The Pavement, North Curry, TA3 6LU

From 10-12:30

Bring & Buy, Cakes, Produce, Raffle

Free Film, Solar Panels and Nuts

Don't forget our film, **Taking Root**, at the North Curry Village Hall, on **Tuesday 1st September**. Doors open at **7:15pm** for **locally sourced refreshments** with the film **starting at 7:45** as opposed to the previously advertised time of 8:00pm.

Do come along to share in the story of a heart-warming and successful tree-planting project.

The film will be followed by a discussion on how such projects can be replicated in our local area.

Entrance & refreshments free; donations to Transition Athelney welcome.

As you might know a small team has been working away over the last few months trying to facilitate the installation of **pv solar panels** on some village public buildings. We are now pleased to say that they are about to be fitted to the **White Street Pavilion** and the **Village Hall** will be following suit in a while.

Do you like cob nuts? There are lots in the wooded area at the far side of White Street Playing Field and they're there for the taking; help yourselves, but please don't be greedy – there may be a strong local demand for them!

Looking a bit further ahead, we are **pressing apples and pears for juice** in Stoke St Gregory village hall in October and November; if you are likely to have surplus fruit and would like to have them processed please get in touch and we'll let you know more.

Contact: Adrian on 490270, Brian on 490623 or email ta@bkjeanes.co.uk



towards a greener community



We meet on Tuesdays from 5:15 to 6:15pm
at North Curry Primary School

We do lots of fun and exciting activities for girls age 5-7!

Campfires, trails, arts and crafts, cooking, games,
sleepover, badges and more!

To find out more about the Rainbows please contact

Gill on 07968 302148 or gill@fossehouse.co.uk

or k8tywilliamson@btinternet.com

www.girlguiding.org.uk/interested



North Curry Village Hall

Secretary: Michael Griffiths
phone 491298
To hire the hall contact
Jenny Quinn 490718
hallbookings@northcurry.com



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 07551 759 190



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