



# NORTH CURRY NEWSLETTER

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## North Curry Parish Council

The Parish Council would like to wish all Parishioners a happy, healthy and prosperous New Year.

**WEB DESIGN EXPERTISE NEEDED!!!** 15 years ago the North Curry website was at the forefront of Parish Council websites but, having served us well for so long, the time has now come for it to be updated. If you have any expertise in web design and feel you could help the Parish Council to develop an updated website please contact the Clerk.

**A BIG THANK YOU:** The Parish Council would like to send their appreciation and heartfelt thanks to the many willing volunteers who help make the Parish of North Curry such a great place to live. You are all a great asset and without your input and commitment, life in the Parish would be very dull. Keep up the good work.

**CHRISTMAS TREE:** Our thanks also go to Alison and Noel in the Post Office for supplying and erecting the Queen Square Xmas tree and lights again this year, it is valued and enjoyed by us all.

**VOLUNTEER DRIVERS NEEDED:** SCC is looking for more volunteer drivers to help provide a lifeline for vulnerable adults and children. Mileage expenses are reimbursed. To find out more call Somerset You Can Do on 01278 664180 or [www.somerset.gov.uk/volunteering](http://www.somerset.gov.uk/volunteering).

**WINTER DE-ICING:** 20kg bags of de-icing material are still available for self-help use on the public highway/footways in the event of prolonged periods of snow or ice. If interested please call the Parish Clerk.

**PARISH COUNCIL DIARY FOR JANUARY:** Parishioners are welcome to attend any meeting.

Wed 13 <sup>th</sup>	Council Meeting	7:30 pm
Wed 27 <sup>th</sup>	Planning Meeting	8.00 pm

**CONTACT THE PARISH COUNCIL:** 01823 490136 or [parishcouncil@northcurry.com](mailto:parishcouncil@northcurry.com)

## Burns Night Supper

North Curry Village Hall  
Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> January

A limited number of tickets are still available at £20 from Jenny Satchwell 490463 or Di Keyzar on 490363

## NORTH CURRY VILLAGE SHOW

Our annual marmalade sale will be held on Saturday, 5<sup>th</sup> March 2016, 10:00 till 12 noon at Greenway House.

In addition to the many flavoured marmalades on offer there will, of course, also be chutneys, jams and cakes available, not to mention tea and coffee. We do hope you are able to join us.



## THE ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

This year's Bingo, for some unknown reason, was not very well attended, but those who came had a very enjoyable evening.

People and businesses who donated prizes deserve a big "Thank You" for their generosity. A total of £125 was made, which will go towards the Poppy Appeal and for Dunkirk House.

The next meeting of the Branch will be on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> January 2016 at the Bird in Hand, starting at 7:30pm.



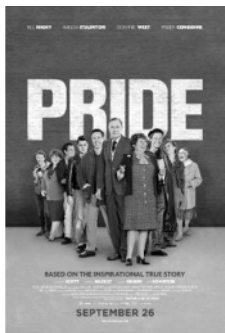
## The Produce Market

Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> January

9:30 - 11:30 in the Village Hall

After the excess (possibly) of Christmas it might be time to top up on some fresh vegetables, meat and bread - all from local producers. We hope you will come and meet friends, recall festivities past and support our loyal producers.

*See you there!*



The January film is based on true events set during the miner's strike in 1984. A group of Gay Pride activists decide to make a collection in aid of the families of striking miners but there is

a problem – the Union is embarrassed to receive the gift! Undeterred they decide to take the money themselves to a mining village in Wales...

The doors and licensed bar open for members at 7:00pm and guests paying £5 are welcome to attend from 7:15pm.

Full details of our programme, with trailers for the films, can be found on our website [www.northcurryfilmsociety.org.uk](http://www.northcurryfilmsociety.org.uk)

## Christmas in the Square

A great evening was enjoyed by the many people who turned up for Christmas in the Square. It was particularly well attended this year .....Santa's Grotto was very busy with lots of children putting in their wish lists, before trying their luck at the games and lucky dip.

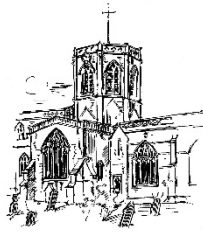
The Carols and Christmassy songs by the children from North Curry School and this year's special selection of North Curry Choir and Jubilee Singers put us all in the festive spirit and the arrival of Santa to switch on the tree lights meant that Christmas 'North Curry style' had started.

The mulled wine and Pork/Turkey rolls were popular as ever and the Raffle was really well supported by our very local businesses as well as some further afield; our grateful thanks to all.

With more than an amazing £1,000 raised this year the Playing Fields and North Curry Youth Football will benefit from us all having a fun evening. There will also be a donation to the Conquest Centre (Riding for the Disabled) as a special thank you to Peter and Rosie for transporting Santa in style.

Thank you again everyone for your amazing support.

## St Peter & St Paul



Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> January Joint Covenant Service with the Methodist Chapel in the Parish Church.

### A Huge Thank You!

In the last couple of months we have sold out of the village calendar, a fund raising venture produced by the church. This would not have been possible without the amazing generosity of Noel and Alison in the Post Office who have sold it for us. We are so lucky to have such a vital resource in our village. Thankyou.



North Curry Village Calendar 2016  
Created by North Curry Church Photos by Julian Corrie



## Barn Dancing Club

Our next session will be on **Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> January at 7:30pm** in the village hall.

Do come along and get rid of some of those extra Christmas pounds. If you don't lose them dancing then you will laughing! Singles, couples or groups always welcome. Absolutely no experience needed. Your first visit will be free of charge; thereafter non-members pay £3 per session, reductions for members.

For further details phone Brian or Kathryn on 490623.



## North Curry W.I.

Our first meeting of the New Year is on Wednesday, 6<sup>th</sup> January at 2pm when our speakers are Teresa and George Jones. We look forward to an entertaining afternoon, as their presentation entitled 'Behind the Scenes in Westminster' will be one to anticipate. Visitors are very welcome to come along and listen to them, as well as joining us for tea and social time afterwards at a small cost.

The following week, after our successful craft workshop in December, Maureen Leach will be helping some of us who need to brush up on our computer skills by running a workshop and giving us advice on the full use of our iPads.

Looking back to last month, listening to the wonderful sounds of the Avalonian Free State Choir was the highlight of our Christmas party. Again, singing was well to the fore as we took part in several carol services in North Curry, Curry Rivel and most memorably at Wells Cathedral for an uplifting service shared with all Somerset W.I.'s at our Annual SCFWI Carol Festival.



### North Curry Parish Registers The stories they tell

Come and hear local historian Angela Dix giving the North Curry Society a fascinating insight into our village's parish registers. On Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> January she will launch another year of topical and stimulating talks by taking us on a 400 year journey from the introduction of parish registers in England in 1539 to the beginning of the 20<sup>th</sup> century, explaining how and why they evolved and illustrating the rich source of information they can provide. In 2006 Angela published her book, North Curry, A Place in History, the definitive source of information on the development of the parish.

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. We look forward to welcoming you.

## White Street 200 Club

The White Street 200 Club winners for November are as follows:

- 1<sup>st</sup> Emma Quinn
- 2<sup>nd</sup> James Midgley
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Brian Thomas

The December winners are:

- 1<sup>st</sup> Richard Perry
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Andy Harris
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Margaret Coate

Many thanks to all for a successful 2015 and may 2016 be another great year. Looking forward to seeing you all on Boxing Day for the annual football played for the Dan Boddy Cup. Michele Olie will be around with application forms if you would like to join the 200 Club, but not yet managed it.

## Well Done North Curry

In September, fourteen people, the Post Office and the Bird in Hand kindly asked their friends and neighbours to donate to The Cancer Research Fund. The result was that they collected £456.66p! Well done everyone, especially as we had had several Macmillan coffee mornings already during the year – one just a week or so before.


### North Curry Village Hall

Secretary: Michael Griffiths  
phone 491298

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To hire the hall contact  
Jenny Quinn 490718

[hallbookings@northcurry.com](mailto: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](http://www.ncpavilion.co.uk)  
or email [pavilion@northcurry.com](mailto:pavilion@northcurry.com)  
or call 07551 759 190

 <http://en-gb.facebook.com/NorthCurryPavilion>

## Clubs, Societies and Groups using the Village Hall

<u>Day</u>	<u>Organisation Name</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Additional Information</u>
MONDAY	Parents & Toddlers	09:00 – 11:30	Main Hall	Term time only
	Embroidery	10:00 – 15:00	Games Room	2 <sup>nd</sup> week of month
		10:00 – 13:00	Games Room	4 <sup>th</sup> week of month
	Pilates	13:00 – 14:00	Meeting Room	
	North Curry Brownies	17:15 – 19:00	Main Hall	Term time only
Zumba	19:15 – 20:15	Main Hall		
Fish & Chips in car park				
TUESDAY	Tuesday Lunch Club	11:00 – 13:45	Main Hall	Alternate weeks
	North Curry Bowls Club	14:30 – 16:30	Main Hall	
	Dragonflies Dance	16:30 – 21:30	Main Hall	Term time only
WEDNESDAY	Stretch Classes	09:30 – 10:30	Main Hall	
	Women's Institute	13:30 – 16:45	Main Hall	1st week of month
	Barn Dance Club	19:30 – 21:30	Main Hall	1st week of month
	Dragonflies Dance	13:15 – 14:45	Main Hall	excluding 1st week of month
	North Curry Society	19:30 – 22:00	Main Hall	3rd week of month
	North Curry Film Society	19:30 – 22:30	Main Hall	Last Wednesday of month
	Pilates	19.10 – 20.10	Games Room	
Parish Council	19.15 – 22.00	Meeting Room	2nd week of month	
	19.15 – 20.30	Meeting Room	4th week of month	
THURSDAY	Tone Dance	10:15 – 12:15	Main Hall	Term time only
	Ladies Badminton	14:15 – 15:15	Main Hall	Excluding August
	North Curry Guides	18:00 – 20:00	Meeting Room	2nd & 4th weeks of month, term time only
	Dragonflies Dance	16:00 – 19:45	Main Hall	Term time only
	North Curry Choir	20:00 – 21:30	Main Hall	
FRIDAY	North Curry Orchestra	10:00 – 11:30	Main Hall	
	North Curry Bridge Club	10:00 – 12:00	Games Room	
	Ukulele	14:00 – 15:00	Meeting Room	
	Dragonflies Dance	15:00 – 21:00	Main Hall	Term time only
SATURDAY	Produce Market	09:30 – 11:30	Main Hall	1st week of month
SUNDAY	North Curry Bowls Club	15:00 – 17:00	Main Hall	
	Fiddlin' Folk	17:15 – 19:15	Main Hall	Once a month

For further information contact the Booking Secretary.  
 Email address: [hallbookings@northcurry.com](mailto:hallbookings@northcurry.com)