



# NORTH CURRY NEWSLETTER

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## North Curry Parish Council

We welcome the return of Ian Fugett to The Parish Council after a few years break. There is still one vacancy for any inspiring parishioner who would like to join us. Interested why not come along to our next meeting to see what is involved.

### OUT & ABOUT

If you are planning a journey in Somerset you can find all the information you need to avoid unnecessary delays in one place, visit [www.travelsomerset.co.uk](http://www.travelsomerset.co.uk). The new mobile friendly website offers live updates of planned road works and unplanned travel incidents, 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

### TAUNTON DEANE BUSINESS START-UP AND TRAINING GRANTS

If you are a business under 6 months old or are a small business looking for funding towards the cost of a training course a grant may be available. Contact the Economic Team at [ecdev@tauntondeane.gov.uk](mailto:ecdev@tauntondeane.gov.uk) Details of workshops see: [www.taunton.uk.com](http://www.taunton.uk.com)

### PRINTING

The Print Room in Taunton Deane can now offer printing up to size A0 (large posters). Prices range on a scale from sizes A4=25p; A3=50p; A2=£6; A1=£9; and A0=£15 a copy plus VAT. Tel: 01823 356424, Andy or Jules or email [Printsection@tauntondeane.gov.uk](mailto:Printsection@tauntondeane.gov.uk)

### ADVICE

Many Parishioners are putting stones etc. on the grass verges outside their properties. Whilst this is not against the law, they may not be aware they could be held responsible if an accident should occur due to their presence.

### PLANNING NEWS INFORMATION

The planning applications for housing, 20 at Knapp Lane and 3 at Manor Lane were refused permission by TDBC recently.

### PARISH COUNCIL DIARY FOR SEPTEMBER

Parishioners are welcome to attend any meeting.

Wed 14 <sup>th</sup>	Parish Council Meeting	7:30pm
Wed 28 <sup>th</sup>	Planning Meeting	7:30pm

### CONTACT THE PARISH COUNCIL

01823 490136 or [parishcouncil@northcurry.com](mailto:parishcouncil@northcurry.com)

## Village Harvest Supper

Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> September  
7:00pm for 7:30pm in the Village Hall

Come and join us on for this celebration of the gathering in of the Harvest for all the village.

Plans are in hand for an excellent meal and pleasant company. Bring your friends and your family for an enjoyable evening.

All that is needed is for you to buy your tickets from the Post Office £7.00 for Adults, £3.00 for children under 12. Don't leave it too late!



On 28<sup>th</sup> September we will be showing **Eye in the Sky** starring Helen Mirren. She plays Col. Katherine Powell, a military officer in command of an operation to capture terrorists in Kenya. Her mission escalates when a girl enters the kill zone triggering an international dispute over the implications of modern warfare. This is a very relevant contemporary story.

The doors and licensed bar open at 7 pm and guests paying £5 are welcome. The film starts at 7:30 promptly and lasts just under 1 ¾ hours.

Do consider joining. We are keeping the cost the same, £25, so that's **just over £2 a film!** We have comfortable seating, a licensed bar and a convivial atmosphere. To join, just come along to a film and pay by cheque or cash. Non-members can see films for £5 each. There is a real mix of films again this year – for the full list, see [www.northcurryfilmsociety.org.uk](http://www.northcurryfilmsociety.org.uk)

## The Produce Market

Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> 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; 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!*



# NORTH CURRY SOCIETY

### HOW TO BECOME A BISHOP



On Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> September Dr Robert Dunning returns to speak to us, this time about some of the men who have been Bishops of Bath and Wells going back as far as Athelm, a Glastonbury monk in 909AD. Things are rather different today – we already have a woman Bishop of Taunton and it is unlikely that any future incumbent will face execution in the Tower of London as did William Laud in 1644, a former Bishop of Bath and Wells who went on to be Archbishop of Canterbury. Dr Dunning is a well-known Somerset historian, author and lay preacher who has often officiated at services in North Curry and other churches in the Benefice.

Our meetings are held monthly at 7:45pm in North Curry Village Hall. Membership costs £5 a year; visitors are very welcome on payment of a small entrance charge. We look forward to welcoming you.

## North Curry Library Van

**Due to falling numbers using this free service there is a danger that the van will stop calling in the Square.**

So **please** would some new members start borrowing books!

The van calls on a Thursday afternoon, once a month, at 4:10pm.

The next two dates are Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> September and Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> October.

**Use it or lose it!**



## North Curry Short Mat Bowls Club

Great excitement! We have a brand new electric roller for our mats.

No more struggling at the beginning and end of each session. We press a button, and - action! We just need more members, now, to come and join us.

We bowl Tuesdays, 2:30 to 4:30pm, and Sundays, 3:00 to 5:00pm.

No equipment is required. We can provide woods. The first three taster sessions are free.

Our most recent members came as visitors, loved it, and stayed, and are now playing in matches and competitions, although this is in no way compulsory. It is a friendly, social club.

Please, come and have a go!

## North Curry Village Choir

**Rehearsals start again on Thursday  
15<sup>th</sup> September at 8:00 pm in the  
North Curry Village Hall**

**New members always welcome!**



## North Curry W.I.

After our summer break we look forward to meeting in the village hall on Wednesday, September 7<sup>th</sup> at 2pm. We begin our new programme for the next twelve months with speaker Jill Fade demonstrating her edible flowers. Visitors will be most welcome to join us for the afternoon which will include social time for tea including a raffle and trading stall.

Looking ahead, a date for diaries is Saturday, 8<sup>th</sup> October (10am to 3pm) when our Craft and Vintage Fair will be held at West Monkton Village Hall – admission £1 and refreshments served all day.

Our congratulations go to Fleur White for winning the W.I.Cup at the Village Show last month and well done to the efforts of everyone who entered the various classes in what was another successful and sociable village event.



We hope that many of you, together with your friends and families, have enjoyed the facilities at the Playing Fields and MUGA over the summer break. It has been great to see groups enjoying picnics and also meeting in the evenings to chat with friends while the children play, although many grown-ups seem to enjoy the zip wire as well!

To keep these facilities running, we need an enthusiastic Committee and are looking for people who are keen to see the charity move forward with new ideas for equipment and fund raising at our monthly meetings.

If you are interested, please contact John Quinn on 07766 282397.



## North Curry and District Amateur Gardeners

Our next meeting will be on **Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> September** when we will be pleased to welcome **Sally Leaney** who will be speaking on Garden Design.

Sally and her husband run a successful Landscaping and Garden Design business and some of you may have seen her beautiful award winning garden at Taunton Flower Show.

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

New members and guests are always welcome so please do feel you can come along, enjoy an informative talk and stay for a coffee, biscuits and a chat and see if you'd like to join our friendly group.

Our last Outing of the year is to the **Malvern Autumn Show** on **Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> September**. This is a family orientated show which includes Good Life Pavilion, RHS Flower Show and Gardening Galore and the Food and Drink Hall to name but a few! Cost of the trip is £30.50 inclusive. Please contact **Margaret Tomkins, 490506**, for a form and/or further details. Once again non-members are more than welcome to join us for a jolly day out.



## BARN DANCING CLUB

Our next session will be on **Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> 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 £3.50 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.



## FILM and Apples Galore!

It's a busy autumn!

On **Thursday, 22<sup>nd</sup> September at 7:30**, we'll be screening "**Disobedience – the courage to break free**" at the **Williams Hall, Stoke St Gregory**. The film lasts 40 minutes and we hope it will be followed by a lively discussion on what is being achieved, and might still be achieved, by direct action against the destruction being wreaked (directly and indirectly) through the extraction of fossil fuels. Do come and join us if you can.

### Apple Fun Day

**Saturday, 1<sup>st</sup> October from 2 to 6 pm, North Curry Pavilion on Greenway**

We'll be celebrating apples and the many things you can do with them with something for all the family:

- Apple juicing
- Apple dunking and other apple-themed activities and information
- Apple cakes and treats to sample
- Bottles of Fruits of Athelney juice to buy
- Tea and coffee
- Hopefully even some local cider and pizzas... (watch the local notice boards for information)

If you'd like to help, contribute something appley to eat, bring some apples for juicing or just stay informed as plans develop, please email [transitionathelneyemail@gmail.com](mailto:transitionathelneyemail@gmail.com) or call Mike Lynch on 07768 704466.

### Apple juicing

Looking ahead we have two apple (and pear) juicing days on **October 15<sup>th</sup>** and **November 12<sup>th</sup>** in **Stoke St Gregory village hall**, when we make hundreds of bottles of juice for local apple tree owners as well as for commercial sale. If you're likely to have surplus fruit and would like to have them processed please get in touch and we'll let you know more.

**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!

Contact: Brian on 490623 or email [ta@bkjeanes.co.uk](mailto:ta@bkjeanes.co.uk)



## Royal British Legion

The next meeting of the branch will be on **12<sup>th</sup> September** at the Bird in Hand starting at 7:30pm

## The Village Show

There was another very successful Village Show on **13<sup>th</sup> August**, with increased entries in some classes, notably Floral Art. The show attracted a good crowd, which we hope will encourage more people to enter next year. The afternoon finished with tea and excellent home-made cakes.



## Coffee Morning

We are taking part in the 'World's Biggest Coffee Morning' for Macmillan. The money raised will help people affected by cancer.

In addition some of the funds raised will be donated to CAMHS Taunton, who provide Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services in Somerset. Please come along for a friendly chat, cup of coffee and a delicious piece of cake.

**Saturday, 24<sup>th</sup> September 2016**

**10 am – 12 noon**

Barham Barns, Stoke Road, North Curry

Organisers: Victoria Day & Caroline Vaughan



Any donations of cake or biscuits would be gratefully received. Thank you.

# THANK YOU

*On June 29<sup>th</sup> we held a blooming great tea party at Sunnyside in North Curry to raise funds for Marie Curie Cancer Care. With the help of many friends, neighbours and family and despite the attempts by the weather gods to disrupt our event we were able to raise the sum o*

## £608

*Many thanks to all of our wonderful helpers and bakers; to those generous providers of flowers, gazebos and garden furniture; to all who contributed raffle prizes and items for sale and to all those who joined us on the day and who donated so generously as well as those who were unable to attend but also donated. We are very grateful for your support.*

*John and Roslin Greenwood*

## North Curry Village Hall

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To hire the hall contact  
Fleur White 491424

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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



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