



NORTH CURRY NEWSLETTER

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North Curry Parish Council

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY: The annual Service of Remembrance will be held in Queen Square on Sunday 11th November, gathering at 10:40am, we look forward to seeing you there.

QUEEN SQUARE ROAD CLOSURE: Residents and farmers please note that the area around the War Memorial will be closed from 10:30am to 11:30am (approx.) on Sunday 11th November to facilitate the Service of Remembrance. Access to Moor Lane will be via The Fosse. Apologies for any inconvenience, the road will be re-opened as soon as possible. Residents of Queen Square and Church Road are requested to kindly ensure that vehicles are clear of the War Memorial area from 10:15am until 11:30am on that day. Many thanks.

FLU VACCINE TIME: Don't forget to have your flu vaccine if you are over 65 or in an at risk group. Contact the Health Centre for advice and an appointment.

COMMUNITY LITTER PICK 17TH NOVEMBER! Please come along and help keep your village litter free. Meeting in the Village Hall Car Park at 10:30am, bring gardening gloves, a Hi-Viz jacket and litter pickers if you have them, although litter pickers can be provided. Please come along and join in, even if it's just for a short time. Call Caroline Vaughan on 490677 for details.

SCHOOL ADMISSION APPLICATIONS: If your child is due to start school next September (i.e. will be 4 before 1st Sept. 2019) don't miss the **15th January 2019 deadline** for applying. For further information or to apply on line visit www.somerset.gov.uk/admissions. For a paper application form or further advice phone 0300 123 2224. (The deadline for secondary admissions was 31st Oct.)

HAM ROAD CLOSURE: Please note that Ham Road is due to be closed from 12th November for 5 days. The closure is from the junction with the Thornfalcon road towards Creech St Michael – see PC noticeboard for details.

BREAK-IN ALERT! There have been reports of a number of thefts in and around the Parish recently. Please remember to secure property and outbuildings and report any suspicious behaviour to the Police.

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

Wed 14 th	Parish Council Meeting	7:30 pm
Wed 28 th	Planning Meeting	7:30 pm

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

PARKING FOR SCHOOL DROP OFF: Please could all parents avoid parking near the junction of Portmans and Greenway when dropping off or collecting children. Inconsiderate parking is not only dangerous for road users but also for pedestrians trying to cross the road.

PLEASE USE THE NORTH CURRY BUS: Please remember to use the North Curry bus rather than driving whenever possible. We're lucky to still have it and the more the bus is used the greater the chance of the service being maintained.

AEROSOL RECYCLING: Don't forget that aerosols can be recycled in the black kerbside recycling box. Ideally remove the cap and nozzle before recycling but DON'T pierce or squash the aerosol.

DO YOU OR A RELATIVE RECEIVE SCAM MAIL? Scam mail involves professional fraudsters sending convincing letters that are designed to trick people out of money or other valuables and can include bogus competitions and fake prize draws. If you or someone you know receive any scam mail please contact Royal Mail by either; writing to Royal Mail at FREEPOST SCAM MAIL enclosing any suspect scam mail, calling the Royal Mail Scam Mail Helpline on 0800 0113 466, or by emailing scam.mail@royalmail.com

EVER THOUGHT ABOUT FOSTERING A CHILD? Somerset needs foster carers. To find out more and get an insight into fostering go to the newly launched website: <http://www.fosteringinsomerset.org.uk>

Saturday 24th November

9:30am – 1:00pm

in North Curry Village Hall

*Autumn
Fair*



Barn Dancing Club

Our next session will be on **Wednesday 7th November at 7:30pm** in the village hall. This is the third of our new year so there will still be an opportunity to sign up for membership. Annual subs £25 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.

North Curry Village Choir Christmas Concert

Our Christmas concert will be held
on

**Thursday 20th December
at 7:30pm**

in

North Curry Village Hall

**Fantasia on Christmas Carols
Excerpts from Gloria (Vivaldi)**

Baritone solo

Carols for choir and audience

Light supper

Bar

Tickets (£10) will be available in early
December from members of the choir
and North Curry Post Office



North Curry and District Amateur Gardeners

Our next meeting is on **Thursday 1st November** when Helen Kearney will be speaking on "**Hedgerow medicine**".

Meetings are held in the Pavilion of the Greenway Playing Fields at 7:45 for 8:00pm start. New members and guests are always welcome so come along, enjoy the talk and stay for a coffee and a chat afterwards.

For our current members, don't forget it will be membership renewal time and Graham would really appreciate cheques rather than cash! I hope you'll agree that it's still great value!

Finally, our thanks to everyone who attended and contributed to our AGM last month!

North Curry Wassail

A group of us in the village want to create a wassail in North Curry next January. We held a lovely one at the school this year and are looking to expand this to include the rest of the village. We will be working with the village wild life group, village band and others. Anyone wanting to join in, or who makes cider, has ideas, or an orchard to hold one in please contact Tim at milton3hill@yahoo.co.uk.

THE ROYAL BRITISH
LEGION



The Royal British Legion

This year is the 100th anniversary of the end of WW1. The Royal British Legion was formed in 1921 as a voice for ex-servicemen and the poppy became the symbol. The Legion continues to support serving and ex-serving personnel and their families in time of need. To commemorate our fallen heroes, there will be a church service on Sunday 11th November at 9:30am, followed by Remembrance at the War Memorial.

Our branch is small, but we promote various projects during the year to raise funds. We are always looking for new members to support our branch. Our next meeting is on Wednesday 7th November at 7:30pm in the Bird in Hand.



North Curry W.I.

At our November meeting – a reminder that Christmas won't be too far away as the speaker for the afternoon will be demonstrating Christmas flower table decorations. We are delighted to welcome local florist, Edwina, of 'Edwina Flowers' who for over 30 years has been involved in floristry, much of that time in the family business flower growing nursery in North Curry. Visitors will be most welcome to join us for the demonstration and stay for tea afterwards - 2:00pm in the village hall on Wednesday, 7th November.

We hope also to see many of you at our Barn Dance on Saturday 17th November at the same venue - 7:30pm. Cost is £10 which will include a ploughman supper. This is open to all and don't worry if you haven't tried barn dancing before, we have an expert caller and helper who will make sure that everyone has an enjoyable and fun evening. Tickets are available from the post office or from Kate (490933) or Jill (490956).

Don't be square – see you there!

BARN DANCE



**Saturday 17th November
North Curry Village Hall
7:30pm**

Please bring your own drink and glass

£10.00

to include ploughman supper

Tickets from: Kate 490933, Jill 490956
or Post Office

Proceeds to North Curry W.I.



Could you spare a couple of hours every 8 weeks and maybe have an interest in art? We are seeking a new volunteer to take over the role from Kate Mears of receiving and hanging the art work in The Coffee Shop. The role is well established and straightforward to hand over, and the new volunteer will become a member of the friendly Art and Design team. If you are interested please call Kate to discuss further on 490650. Kate is relinquishing the role at the end of 2018.

From Tuesday 13th November we will have an array of new stock adorning the shelves ready for those of you who would like to buy a unique locally handmade Christmas gift or decoration. Wooden puzzles, pottery, bags, bunting, needle felted decorations and pin cushions, glass hangings, dishes and decorations to name but a few. Please pop in and have a browse and maybe enjoy a bowl of our homemade soup which is made fresh daily alongside toasted teacakes and crumpets as a comforting snack, as well as our usual light lunches and tempting selection of cakes. We are always happy to welcome new volunteers to our happy band. It doesn't have to be a big commitment - you can work as much or as little as you like. You can have a regular slot or gap fill, to suit your diary. If you are interested please call in and pick up a form from the coffee shop. We look forward to welcoming you.



Somerset Dragons in legend and history: **21st November**

One of the earliest images of Somerset dragons is a carving of a dragon being slain. Stories about these fabulous creatures go back a thousand years. **Brian Wright** will consider the origin of dragons, how they 'evolved', their symbolism and the characteristics of various types of dragon, retelling some of Somerset's traditional dragon stories, illustrating dragons from various parts of Somerset covering several centuries.

Brian trained in archaeology and now works primarily as an historian running courses on folklore and antiques, giving talks on local historical subjects. His book "Somerset Dragons" looks at the legends of dragons that have been prevalent throughout the history of Somerset.

The Society meets on the third Wednesday each month in the Village Hall at **8pm** (hot drinks and socialising from **7:30pm**). Annual membership £5 including admission to talks, discussions and refreshments (visitors pay £1). All welcome.

White Street 200 club

June 2018

1 st	Maloney Family	£25
2 nd	Jon Mullens	£15
3 rd	Connor Perry	£10

July 2018

1 st	NCCC	£25
2 nd	Kate Mears	£15
3 rd	Abbott Family	£10

Aug 2018

1 st	Anne Pike	£25
2 nd	Gill Quinn	£15
3 rd	Lewis Andrews	£10

Sept 2018

1 st	Liz Samuel	£25
2 nd	Brian Thomas	£15
3 rd	Celia Young	£10

Oct 2018

1 st	Paul Alexander	£25
2 nd	Sheila Billingham	£15
3 rd	Heather Richards	£10

North Curry Village Hall

Secretary: **Michael Griffiths**
phone 491298

villagehall@northcurry.com

To hire the hall contact

Fleur White 491424

hallbookings@northcurry.com

Services: North Curry Parish Church (as at 9 September)

1st November (Thursday) **All Saints' Day**

10:00am Holy Communion

11:00am Holy Communion at **Woodlands**

4th November **All Saints' Sunday**

8:00am Holy Communion

10:00am Eucharist

8th November (Thursday)

10:00 *Little Angels*

11th November **Remembrance Sunday**

9:30am Eucharist

10:40am Remembrance Service **North Curry War Memorial**

11:30am Celebratory refreshments

12th November (Monday)

4:00pm *Understanding the Bible better* **NC Village Hall**

15th November (Thursday)

10:00am Holy Communion

11:00am Holy Communion at **Woodlands**

18th November **The Second Sunday before Advent**

8:00am Holy Communion

10:00am Morning Prayer

19th November (Monday)

4:00pm *Understanding the Bible better* **NC Village Hall**

25th November **Christ the King**

10:00am Eucharist

26th November (Monday)

4:00pm *Understanding the Bible better* **NC Village Hall**

2nd December **The First Sunday of Advent** Year C (Luke) begins

8:00am Holy Communion

10:00am Eucharist

North Curry Produce Market

Please note the revised opening times!

9:15 – 12 noon

The next produce market is on Saturday 3rd November.

All the usual stalls, plus Christmas cards in aid of Save the Children.

Meet up with friends and enjoy bacon butties, tea and coffee from the kitchen.

See you there

NORTH CURRY PAVILION



& 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

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

Christmas in the Square

*Continuing the tradition of the village
getting together just before Christmas*

Sunday 9th December 4:00 – 6:00pm

Festive fun for all ages

***Christmas Tree in the Square
with switching on of the lights***



Guest Singers and musicians

*Children's Games; Hot Dogs, Roast Pork Rolls
Mulled Wine, Mince Pies, Hot Chocolate,
'Rhum au Chocolat' and Raffle*

***Father Christmas,
if we are all very good***



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