



# NORTH CURRY NEWSLETTER

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## North Curry Parish Council

**ARMISTICE CENTENARY AND REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY:** The annual Service of Remembrance will be held in Queen Square starting at 10:40am on Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> November. It will fall on the centenary of the armistice so please do come along and remember those who made the ultimate sacrifice and celebrate the coming of peace.

**ROAD CLOSURES - THE SHAMBLES AND WEST SEDGEMOOR ROAD:** Please note that The Shambles will be closed for four weeks from 15<sup>th</sup> October. Please be particularly considerate how you park in Queen Square during this time as large vehicles may struggle to turn west out of it during this period.

Also, West Sedgemoor Road will be closed from 8<sup>th</sup> October for 5 days from the junction with Langport Road northwards for 500 metres.

Details of both closures can be found on the Parish Office notice board.

**WANT TO KNOW IF THERE WILL BE ROADWORKS ON YOUR ROUTE?** The Travel Somerset website details roadworks for your specified dates, planned highways improvements, live incidents, public events and much more. Just go to: <http://www.travelsomerset.co.uk/> to see what is available.

**“NEXTDOOR WEBSITE”:** The Parish Council has been made aware of the Nextdoor website. This is a free, private, social network for you, your neighbours and the community to talk online. It is in use in North Curry and Stoke St Gregory and can be used for anything from: getting word out about a break-in, organising a Neighbourhood Watch Group, tracking down a trustworthy babysitter or other help, asking for help keeping an eye out for a lost dog, finding a new home for an outgrown bike etc. To find out more go to <https://help.nextdoor.com>

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

Wed 10 <sup>th</sup>	Parish Council Meeting	7:30 pm
Wed 31 <sup>st</sup>	Planning Meeting	7:30 pm

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



On **Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> October** we are showing our first 'Winter Warmer', where we have an intermission for a tea & cake break. We are showing the hilarious Aardman animation **Early Man**. The Village Hall opens at 2:30pm and the film starts at 3:00pm. It costs £5 (+ a donation for tea etc).

Then on **Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> October** we are showing the comedy **It's Complicated** starring Meryl Streep, Steve Martin, and Alec Baldwin. When attending their son's college graduation, a couple reignite the spark in their relationship. But the complicated fact is they're divorced, and he's remarried.



The Village Hall doors and bar open at 7:00pm with the film starting at 7:30pm. Free to members and it isn't too late to join (£25 for 11 films) or come as a guest (£5). Anyone can be a guest – just come along! More information on our films on [www.northcurryfilmsociety.org.uk](http://www.northcurryfilmsociety.org.uk)



## North Curry & District Amateur Gardeners

Our next meeting is on **Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> October** when our speaker will be **Neil Ross**: his subject is **“The X factor, tips for a memorable garden!”** Most gardens could probably do with a few of those! **7:45 for 8:00pm start.**

It will also be our **AGM** which starts at the earlier time of **7:15pm**. Please do come if you can. We know it's boring but it's only half an hour and we really need your input to keep the club functioning in the best possible way for the benefit of all our members. So please come and give us your ideas and feedback.

Meeting are held on the first Thursday of the month in the Pavilion of the Greenway Playing Fields at 7:45 for 8:00pm. New members and guests are always welcome so come and join us for the talk and stay for coffee and a chat afterwards.



# NORTH CURRY SOCIETY



North Curry navigators

On 17<sup>th</sup> October, Dr Adrian Webb will be giving a light hearted talk about how Somerset has been portrayed cartographically for 600 years. Somerset is fortunate in having both maps and charts that depict part or all of its historic landscape. Come and see the county depicted as you may never have seen it! If you have any old maps or charts please bring them along for a "show and tell" session at the end... if there is time.

Adrian has a life-long interest in Somerset's rich and diverse history. He co-authored "Somerset Mapped", the first book on Somerset maps to be published for 100 years. Copies will be available on the night.

North Curry Society meets on the third Wednesday of each month in the Village Hall, starting at 8:00pm (refreshments from 7:30pm). Annual membership of £5; visitors pay a small charge (currently £1).



## BARN DANCING CLUB

Our barn dancing club meets in the village hall from 7:30 to 9:30pm on the first Wednesday of the month, our next session being on **Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> October at 7:30pm** in the village hall. This will be the second of our new year and will be an opportunity to sign up for membership. Annual subs of £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

Revised Concert date:

**Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> December**

**7:30pm**

North Curry Village Hall

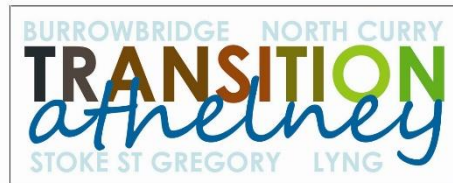
## Apple juicing

As you are probably aware, apple and pear crops are relatively poor this year but don't forget that we can help you to make the most of them by pressing them into juice which can then be pasteurised for you to keep or give away.

We will be doing this from time to time at Knappwoods Farm according to demand, in other words as the crops ripen and people need the service. Please make contact as soon as possible if you think you're likely to want to take part so that we have an idea of demand.

The kit can also be hired for a modest fee for people who wish to do it themselves.

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



towards a greener community

## Children's Half Term Activities

**Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> October  
10:00 – 12 Noon**

### In North Curry Parish Church

Come and join in the fun! Lots of crafts, practical science, music, storytelling and visits to the Bell Tower.

#### Refreshments included

Suitable for Pre-School and Primary age children; please could children be accompanied by a responsible adult.

For more details, please ring Jenny Satchwell on 490463.



## The Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal 2018

The annual Poppy Appeal is the major single source of revenue for the Royal British Legion's Benevolent Fund, providing lifelong support for the Armed Forces community – serving men, women, veterans and their families.

This year, Remembrance-tide is particularly significant, marking the centenary of the end of the First World War. The example and experience of those who lived through it shaped the world we live in today. In 2018, The Royal British Legion is leading the nation in saying Thank You to all who served, sacrificed and changed our world. Collections in the Parish of North Curry will take place from 27<sup>th</sup> October to 10<sup>th</sup> November; please give generously. Remembrance Sunday is 11<sup>th</sup> November.

Enquiries regarding the 2018 Appeal may be directed to the Honorary Organiser, Alex Drake, on 07941 559956.

'To the memory of the Fallen and the future of the Living.'

## Big Bash 2018

Yet again we had incredible support from the village at our annual fund raiser, which allows us to maintain and run the fabulous White Street Sports Ground, which is home to both North Curry Football and Cricket teams and also boasts a fabulous wildlife area.

Just shy of 350 people turned out to eat, dance and party the night away. The evening started with cocktails and music from the fabulous Andrias Guerin who was followed by village favourites "Soul Solution". The food as usual was brilliant with a delicious Hog and a very tasty vegetarian option.

The success of the night meant we made a profit of nearly £6,000 which means that we have covered the running costs of the facility for the next year and can invest in machinery and infrastructure.

Thanks so much to the army of people who help out with this event and also to the villagers of North Curry and the surrounding areas for continuing to support this fabulous event... see you all next year for our 10 year anniversary!

## Tuesday Lunch Club needs another cook

Now in its seventh year, a vacancy has arisen to help this much appreciated community facility. It involves preparing a two course meal either at home or at the village hall, for around 25 guests plus some helpers. Please don't be frightened if you've not cooked in such volumes before as there is plenty of advice on quantities and recipes from existing helpers. We try to have a rota of four cooks plus their helpers so your duty should only come round every two months (we meet every fortnight). Many of our guests are in or nearing their nineties, but they all have in common a sense of humour, a love of the village and a wish to socialise.

If you'd like to help please contact either Dave Patten on 490782 or Joanne Preston on 491083.

Autumn Lights - A celebration of  
willow, autumn and light

**Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> October**

### Willow and Wetlands Centre

Come along to celebrate autumn in this early evening event in the lovely landscape around the outdoor classroom at the Willow and Wetlands Centre. There will be music, braziers, lanterns and food. The evening will start with a procession down to the classroom followed by music by the North Curry Village band, the Random Frog trio and others. Food and drink by Withies Delicatessen. Bring a lantern, make one on the day. Kits are available from the Centre

**Procession 6:30pm**

**Music 7:00pm**

Willow and Wetlands Centre  
Meare Green Court, Stoke St Gregory,  
TA3 6HY 01823 490249  
[info@coatesenglishwillow.co.uk](mailto:info@coatesenglishwillow.co.uk)

Advance Notice

## BARN DANCE

**WITH PLOUGHMAN SUPPER £10**

**SATURDAY 17<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER**

**NORTH CURRY VILLAGE HALL**

**7:30 - 11:00pm**

Tickets on sale in October from P.O.  
Kate 490933 or Jill 490596



Proceeds to North Curry W.I.

## Voskresenije Choir of St Petersburg

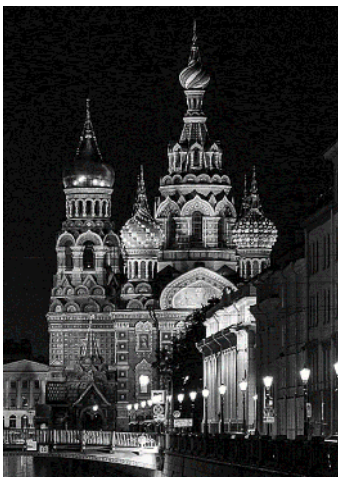
**7:00pm Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> October  
at the Parish Church**

For their third year, the Voskresenije Choir will be giving a stunning concert of Russian sacred music and traditional songs in the parish church, after singing in the afternoon at the school.

The eight singers include the remarkable basso profundo reaching a sonorous contra-octave G (49Hz). The choir will sing for nearly an hour and a half with their spectacular sound, the harmonies of which are unique to Russian music.

North Curry Church and School are delighted to welcome the Choir back for their return visit. Other concerts on their tour of Britain are already sold out, so it would be wise to get your tickets from North Curry Post Office while there are still some left.

Admission £10 - unreserved seats, doors open at 6:30pm. Interval refreshments. Unusual Christmas gifts (bring your wallet).



## North Curry W.I.

Most of us enjoy settling down with a good book, especially if the story involves a little mystery and intrigue, so it is with great pleasure that we will be welcoming local crime writer, Claire Donoghue, as speaker for our October meeting. After 10 years in London working for a city law firm, Claire moved back to her home town in Somerset to undertake an MA in creative writing at Bath Spa University. Visitors are welcome to join us on Wednesday, 3<sup>rd</sup> October at 2:00pm to listen to Claire telling of her experiences and inspirations which led to her successful career as a popular novelist.

Later in the month, several of our members will join all Somerset WI's for the Annual Meeting at Westlands Entertainment Venue. This is usually an informative and entertaining day and should prove so again this year as the afternoon speaker is broadcaster and journalist, Jennie Bond, who was the BBC's Royal Correspondent during 14 of the most turbulent years of the monarchy and was at the heart of events that made headlines around the world.

We are organising a Barn Dance next month, open to all (see separate notice for details and where to obtain tickets). Hope to see you there!



## Save the Children

We are pleased to be able to let you know that, due to the kindness of the organisers of the Produce Market, the Save the Children Christmas cards will again be available at the November Produce Market (Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> November) in the Village Hall.

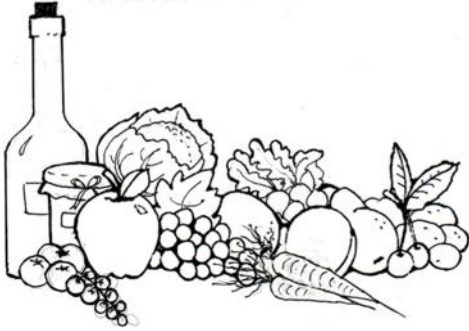
We are always so pleased to bring the cards to North Curry - as you have all been such wonderful supporters in helping us in our endeavours to try and give children who have to live in so many of the world's 'trouble spots', a healthier and more hopeful future. We very much look forward to seeing you there.

Carole Smith, Hon. Co-ordinator,  
Taunton and District Branch of Save  
the Children

# THE VILLAGE SHOW

Thank you all for your help or attendance or entries... or all three! Despite the effect of the weather on the produce it was a good show!

We have a small but effective Committee to run next year's Show but would welcome two or three more members. Apart from the Show week it does not involve lots of meetings, or fund-raising or paperwork... and the Show is worth it! Please give me, Liz Gibbs, a ring on 490191 and I can tell you more!



## North Curry Parish Church



Welcome to a **coffee morning** in aid of the **Flower Fund**

on **Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> October**

10am – 12 noon

At **Fosse House**, The Fosse

By kind invitation of  
Gill & Nick Slocombe

With a stunning display of hand crafted flower arrangements by Jackie Nicholls

### North Curry Village Hall

Secretary: Michael Griffiths  
phone 491298

[villagehall@northcurry.com](mailto:villagehall@northcurry.com)

To hire the hall contact

Fleur White 491424

[hallbookings@northcurry.com](mailto:hallbookings@northcurry.com)

### Services: North Curry Parish Church (at 9<sup>th</sup> September)

4<sup>th</sup> October (Thursday) St Francis of Assisi

10:00am Holy Communion

Vicar

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

Vicar

7<sup>th</sup> October **Trinity 19**

8:00am Holy Communion

The Rev'd John Tyler

10:00am Eucharist

The Rev'd John Tyler

11<sup>th</sup> October (Thursday)

10:00am Little Angels

Mrs Jenny Satchwell

14<sup>th</sup> October **Trinity 20**

10:00am United Benefice Eucharist (**Stoke St Gregory**) The Rev'd Martin Mudie

18<sup>th</sup> October (Thursday)

10:00am Holy Communion

The Rev'd Martin Mudie

11:00am Holy Communion (**Woodlands**)

The Rev'd Martin Mudie

21<sup>st</sup> October **Trinity 21**

8:00am Holy Communion

The Rev'd John Tyler

18:00am Evensong with *In Ecclesia*

Vicar & The Rev'd John Tyler

28<sup>th</sup> October **Bible Sunday** (GMT)

10:00am Eucharist

The Rev'd Martin Mudie

1<sup>st</sup> November (Thursday) **All Saints' Day**

10:00am Holy Communion

Vicar

11:00am Holy Communion (**Woodlands**)

Vicar

4<sup>th</sup> November **All Saints' Sunday**

8:00am Holy Communion

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## Evensong at the Parish Church

On the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of each month we have Evensong (summer) or Morning Prayer (winter), changing when the clocks change. The 21<sup>st</sup> October will be the last Sunday this year before the clocks go back, and we are delighted the travelling Somerset choir In Ecclesia will be singing Evensong with us at 6pm.

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](http://www.ncpavilion.co.uk) or email [pavilion@northcurry.com](mailto:pavilion@northcurry.com)

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