



NORTH CURRY NEWSLETTER

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North Curry Parish Council

NEW PARISH COUNCILLOR: The Parish Council is pleased to welcome Mike Dennis who has been co-opted onto the Parish Council to fill the vacancy.

WOULD YOU LIKE A FREE NHS HEALTH CHECK? Free NHS Health Check sessions are available on Saturday 30th September, 9:30 – 3:00 in the Village Hall Meeting Room. If you are aged between 40 and 74, and haven't had an NHS health check in the last 5 years, you could be eligible for a free NHS health check. Each check takes approx. 20 minutes. Book your private appointment at www.somersethealthchecks.co.uk/northcurry or phone 01823 261794. Don't miss this opportunity to help prevent long-term chronic conditions and potentially save lives.

RAGWORT: Don't forget that ragwort is poisonous to animals both when eaten fresh and particularly when included in fodder when it is more palatable. If appropriate, please take action to remove ragwort before it seeds if you have any on your land, DEFRA provides guidance on how best to control and dispose of it.

BROADBAND VOUCHER SCHEME EXTENDED: If you were awarded a broadband voucher but thought you had missed your chance to spend it, you will be pleased to hear that the deadline for spending the vouchers has been extended to 30th September.

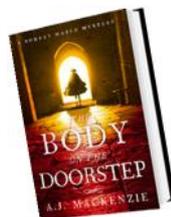
DOG WASTE: Concern continues to be expressed about owners not clearing up after their dogs. This relates to all areas of the village but has been particularly noted along Nine-Acre Lane, where dogs are let off and may be out of sight, and also the grass verge along Church Road. **PLEASE keep your dogs in sight and clean up any dog waste - bins are available, please use them!**

VILLAGE AGENT: Audrey Mansfield will no longer be working as the Parish Village Agent but is still contactable if you need any advice where she can look at forwarding your concern onto another bordering Village Agent to assist with if appropriate.

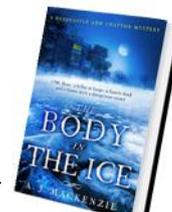
PARISH COUNCIL DIARY FOR SEPTEMBER: Parishioners are welcome to attend any meeting.

Wed 13 th	Parish Council Meeting	7:30 pm
Wed 27 th	Planning Meeting	7:30 pm

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



NORTH CURRY SOCIETY



How do you go about discovering what happened in the past? What sources can be interrogated? How much information is needed to tell a story? And how do you make that information come alive on the page? On **Wednesday 20th September** experienced authors, Marilyn Livingstone and Morgen Witzel, an Anglo-Canadian husband-and-wife writing team, will talk about researching and writing history and share insights into the historian's craft. Their books include *The Road to Crécy*, *The English Invasion of France, 1346 and*, under the pen name A.J. MacKenzie, two historical detective novels set in Romney Marsh during the 1790s. It will be a fascinating evening, and not just for budding authors!

Meetings are held at **8:00pm** in the Village Hall on the third Wednesday of each month; refreshments from **7:30pm**. Annual membership of £5 includes admission to talks, discussions and refreshments. Visitors, who pay a small charge, established and new members, are all welcome.



The new season of films starts with **The Olive Tree** on **27th September**. This is a touching film in Spanish (subtitles). Alma has always been deeply attached to her grandfather but he hasn't spoken for years, ever since her father sold the family's ancient olive tree. Unable to bear his sadness, Alma persuades her uncle and her friend to help her track the tree down, starting a journey that leads to unexpected consequences for everyone... The film is 100 minutes long and certificate 15.



The doors and bar open at 7:00pm with the film starting at 7:30. Free to members; it costs £5 as a guest.

Anyone can be a guest – just come along! We hope though that you come along and join as a member for £25 – that's about £2 per film! Also, if you introduce a new member, we'll give you a voucher for 3 films to use with our Winter Warmers (which start in October) or to bring guests. More information on our films on www.northcurryfilmsociety.org.uk

VOLUNTEER NEEDED - PINK SHEETS

We have an URGENT vacancy for the route from Oxen Lane to St. Giles's Kennels on Greenway, as the present Volunteer has already given up the route, which will have to be covered by the Coordinators until a new Volunteer comes forward.

Please phone 491093 or email tjw123@btinternet.com as soon as possible. Thank you. Trudi Watkins.



North Curry and District Amateur Gardeners

After our summer break the next meeting will be on **Thursday 7th September** when Adrian Hutchinson will be talking to us about **"Weeds and their control"**.

There might still be some places left for the Propagation Workshop to be held on Friday 22nd September 10:00am-2:00pm. This will be tutored by John Horsey who has many years' experience in horticulture. Only £8.00 pp to expand your knowledge! Ask Sue Cable or a committee member about it at the next meeting.

Meetings are held in the Pavilion of the Playing fields in Greenway and are at 7:45 for 8:00pm start. New members and guests are always welcome so why not come along, enjoy the talk and stay for coffee and a chat afterwards.

North Curry Village Choir

Rehearsals start for the autumn term
on

**Thursday 14th September
at 8:00pm**

in the

North Curry Village Hall

We are always looking
for new singers

If you would like to join us
please contact either

Keith Gibbs 01823 490191
or Helen Griffiths 01823 491298



The Royal British Legion



We will be having a Pub Quiz at the Bird in Hand on Monday 11th September at 7:30pm. This will be an excellent evening and a chance to see which team are the best quiz masters. Could it be the doctors' surgery, the community cafe, the football or cricket teams, the village shop or an equally spectacular group of individuals? £5 per player with a £60 top prize, and a raffle to boot! Help us to raise money for Dunkirk House, the Royal British Legion care home at Bishops Lydeard. Please call Sue or Richard Back on 413430 to register your teams.

Thanks to your support of our fundraising efforts at Christmas and the May Fair in July, we were able to present a cheque to Dunkirk House for £750! Thank you to all our supporters.

Tuesday Lunch Club

We start our sixth year on 12th September. We have room for a few more guests who enjoy excellent food at a modest price - just £4 - plus an annual joining fee of £3. Another cook and helper also needed by the spring to take over from one of our teams who are taking "early retirement". Please ring Dave Patten on 490782 or Joanne Preston on 491083. There may also be a few seats left for our annual outing - this time on the tram to Seaton and Beer on 8th September. Please ring to check.



BARN DANCING CLUB

Our next session will be on **Wednesday 6th 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.



North Curry W.I.

After our summer activities and August break we meet on Wednesday, 6th September at 2:00pm in the village hall. Our new programme for the next twelve months begins with speaker Phillip Hoyland from the Friendly Society; his talk entitled 'Benefits, Brass and the Girtest Grandest Day!' Reminder to members that our popular competitions will be re-commencing - this month items beginning with I (thinking caps on for originality). As always, visitors are most welcome to join us for the afternoon which will include social time for tea, a raffle and trading stall.

Looking ahead this month, our Creative Writing workshop takes place on 13th September 2:00pm at Tudor Cottage and there are still places available for our visit to Burns the Bread at Glastonbury on the evening of Wednesday, 20th September - there will be a mini bus available and the venue has been much recommended by fellow W.I.'s.

Congratulations to Fleur White who once again was the winner of the W.I. Cup at the Village Show and hats off to everyone who competed.

Knitting Circle

A few people have said they want to meet once a month at 11 Overlands to swap patterns and learn some tips. Next meeting 7th September at 10:00am. Please ring Lynda Patten on 490782.



North Curry Community Coffee Shop

Have you been to the coffee shop recently? Our Autumn Exhibition "Weather" is now well underway and entries are currently being displayed awaiting your votes until 24th September.

Our summer menu continues if you fancy a light lunch, as well as the delicious home-made cakes and cream teas. The profit for the first half of this year amounted to £7,500 which has been donated to 61 different local, national and international charities and good causes, chosen by the many volunteers who work there. If you fancy joining this happy band of workers and giving a few hours of your time either weekly, every other week or monthly, we are always looking for new volunteers. Please call in to register your interest.

If you or someone you know, who is local and a "maker", we currently have an opportunity to supply and sell your wares in the Coffee Shop. If you are interested, please contact Rachel Davis on 491565 for more information.

White Street Plantation A Celebration

As mentioned last month, on 16th September we're planning to celebrate the **plantation at White Street Sports Field**. This area, initiated in 2009, supports a rich variety of plant, insect and animal life together with a number of apple and nut trees and gives pleasure to many as they stroll through it.

The event will be **family friendly** with short talks from the North Curry Wildlife Group together with a **quiz, plant searches and building a bug hotel from recycled materials**. It will all be followed by a **bring-your-own picnic**.

In the meantime, if you like **cobnuts**, there are lots in the plantation and they're there for the taking; help yourselves, but please don't be greedy – there may be a strong local demand for them!

Apple Juicing

This year we are **NOT** pressing apples in Stoke St. Gregory hall as in previous years but instead will be doing it 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 ta@bkjeanes.co.uk



towards a greener community

The Russians are coming back!



Last year, the Voskresenije Choir of St. Petersburg gave a stunning concert of Russian sacred music and folk songs in North Curry parish church. They will be back on Wednesday 11th October 2017 with a return performance. Other concerts on their tour of Britain are already sold out, so it would be wise to get your tickets from NC Post Office while there are still some available.

Tickets £10, unreserved seats. Concert starts at 7pm. Interval refreshments, unusual Christmas gifts (bring your wallet).

North Curry School gets a lunchtime preview!

Coffee Morning



We would like to invite you to a **British Heart Foundation Coffee Morning**

Including hot and cold refreshments, The Great Kilimanjaro raffle, Sumptuous Cake Stall, The Arts, Books, Films & Music stall and Gifts and Trinkets stall

Social event to raise money and support Dave's Kilimanjaro trip for British Heart Foundation

**Saturday 23rd September
10:30am – 12:00 noon**

Fosse House, The Fosse, North Curry

We look forward to seeing you and thank you for your support



North Curry Short Mat Bowling Club

Well Done! The following Club members; Ian Cogger, Ted Collins, Mike Dennis, Hilary Hayes, Ken Parson and Lyn Willis are to be congratulated on winning this year's Bradford on Tone Children's Hospice Tournament. A great team effort!

We are delighted to welcome new members to the club, and wish them happy bowling, but will be very sorry to say goodbye to some who are moving out of the area. We would like to thank them for their support.

Perhaps Bowling could be your new hobby?

Come and have a go. We bowl on Tuesdays from 2:30 to 4:30pm and on Sundays from 3:00 to 5:00pm.

There are woods for you to borrow.

If you would like further information call Lindsey on 01823 490984 or John on 01823 698607.

We look forward to seeing you soon!

Your Parish Church



The parish church is there when you need it: for weddings christenings and funerals; for occasions of public celebration or distress; for when you feel depressed or joyful; for concerts and recitals; for opening holy scripture and worshipping God. The church is there for all, whether you are a regular or an occasional visitor.

Just a few people see to the upkeep of the church and churchyard, which so many admire and enjoy. A lot of work is carried out in-house to help save money, more will be phased over the next few years. The most pressing items include roof repairs and some stonework.

There was no appeal last year, but we are now asking for help again. We are always hugely grateful for the way people have responded in the past and if you can contribute, whatever the amount, please use the yellow envelope that will be coming through your door.

Tony Brooker and Mary Piers,
Churchwardens

Change of Date Reminder

LITTLE ANGELS will be re-starting after the summer break on Thursday 14th September at 10am in the Parish Church.

All babies, toddlers, Mums, Dads, or Grandparents are welcome.

Do come and join in the fun. Refreshments, chat and play.

North Curry Village Hall

Secretary: Michael Griffiths
phone 491298

villagehall@northcurry.com

To hire the hall contact
Fleur White 491424

hallbookings@northcurry.com

NEW CLASS

North Curry Village Hall

**GENTLE EXERCISE FOR ALL
(MEN AND WOMEN!)**

TAI CHI FOR HEALTH

To Improve:

Flexibility, balance, coordination
mental focus and wellbeing

Free First Taster Session

TUESDAY 12TH SEPTEMBER 2017

9:30 – 10:45am

Come along and try it out

Wear flat shoes and comfy clothes
No lying on the floor involved

Instructor: MARILYN CLARKE

Retired Physiotherapist
Trained with the Tai Chi for Health
Institute. Advanced Instructor with
Tai Chi Union of G.B.

07760757947

Regular classes will run from 19th
September at a proposed cost of £5 if
there is sufficient interest

Methodist Preachers

September

3rd Mrs M Coope
10th Mrs E Dew
17th Mrs J Sleep
24th Harvest Festival 3pm Rev'd A
Huxtable

October

1st Mr D Day
8th Mrs E Dew
15th Mrs M Wood
22nd Rev'd D Kirk Holy Communion
29th Mr D Clitheroe

November

5th Mr M Brown
12th 10:45am Rev'd M Parsons
Remembrance Sunday
19th Rev'd D Kirk
26th Miss V Pearson

Next North Curry Produce Market

is on

**Saturday 2nd September
9:30 - 11:30am**

and then every 1st Saturday
of the month

The market sells a range of local products including meat, bread, fruit and vegetables, jams, pickles and chutneys, pies, eggs and gifts.

Raffle for a food hamper, tea, coffee and bacon butties too.

Profit from the market goes towards the upkeep of the parish church.

See you there



Save the Children

The result of the Garage Sale held on 15th July was an excellent £230. Since that date a further £70.75 has been raised from sales and donations.

Grand total £300.75

A huge thank you is due to all those in making these events successful. Too numerous to mention but you know who you are – a mass of wonderful people. Thank you so much.



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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