



# NORTH CURRY NEWSLETTER

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## North Curry Parish Council

**NEW PARISH CLERK:** The Parish Council would like to welcome Wendy Baldwin as our new Parish Clerk. We look forward to working with her in the years ahead. Very special thanks go to Barbara Wellwood, our former Clerk of eight years, who is moving on to pastures new. She has been a great asset to not only the Parish Council but also to Parishioners and we wish her well.

**YOUR PARISH NEEDS YOU!** A new year, a new challenge! If you would you like to have a chance to do something positive for the Parish why not consider becoming a Parish Councillor? The election of a new Parish Council will take place in May this year so this is your chance to get involved. Nomination forms will be available from the Parish Clerk shortly. If you would like to find out more about being a Parish Councillor, the Parish Clerk or any of your current Parish Councillors would be happy to discuss what's involved; you could look on the North Curry website Parish Council section or come along and join us at meetings to see what goes on.

**DOG WASTE – AGAIN!** It has been brought to the Parish Council's attention that people are letting their dogs out unattended resulting in dog waste being left on pavements and grass areas. This is not acceptable. Please ensure your dogs are under supervision when in public places and clean up any dog waste they produce.

**CONSERVATION AREA:** Do you live in the conservation area? If so, please remember that additional planning requirements may apply to your property, particularly for work on the outside of the building, walls/fences and trees over 7.5cm diameter (at a height of 1.5m) in your garden. Please check with Taunton Deane for details.

**SOMERSET DAY:** Somerset Day this year will take place on 11<sup>th</sup> May.

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

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

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

## Advance Notice: Annual General Meeting North Curry Village Hall Management Committee

will be held on

**Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2019 at 7:30pm  
in the meeting room at the Hall**

## NEEDED URGENTLY

The village hall management committee needs a volunteer to take over as Booking Secretary at the AGM.

If you use the hall then please think seriously about putting your name forward. The current post holder is happy to discuss what is involved and to help with the handover. Please contact Michael Griffiths, hall secretary, on 491298 or Fleur White, booking secretary, on 491424 to find out more.

We also need an independent examiner with sufficient financial experience to review our accounts and make sure that the P&L and balance sheet figures accurately reflect the activity for the year.



### Further childhood reflections by Peter Tinney

Retired farmer Peter Tinney returns to give our February talk, reflecting on his growing up on the family farm in Wedmore. Pete was born and brought up on the farm, and intends to continue the theme of childhood reflections, but concentrating this time on his schooldays. His schoolteacher, he says, was an old lady who did not understand the ways of her pupils!

His talk will be on **13<sup>th</sup> February** (the second Wednesday this month, to avoid half term).

The North Curry Society meets - generally - on the third Wednesday of each month in the Village Hall, starting at **8pm** (hot drinks and socialising from **7:30pm**). Annual membership of £5 includes admission to talks, discussions and refreshments; visitors pay a small charge (currently £1). Whether you are a visitor, new to the Society or an established member, we look forward to welcoming you.

## The Grand North Curry Quiz

Sunday March 2<sup>nd</sup> 7:00 for 7:30pm

In the Village Hall

Tickets now available from Jenny Satchwell on 490463

£10 per person

Teams of 6

BYOB and Glass

Supper is included

This is always a fun evening so do come. Proceeds will go to the village church.

## Children's Half Term Activities

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> February  
10:00 - 12 Noon

Primary and Pre-school children are all welcome to come and try out various crafts, visit the Bell Tower and try out the organ.

Please could younger children be accompanied by an adult.

Anyone interested in helping, please contact Jenny Satchwell on 490463.



## North Curry & District Amateur Gardeners

Our first meeting of 2019 will be on **Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> February**, when our speaker will be **Timothy Walker** with his talk "**On top and almost in control**".

With spring just around the corner and the nettles already sneaking up, it's good to think that this subject might just put us ahead of the game!

Meetings 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.

## CHRISTINGLE

A special service to celebrate the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Children's Society will be held

on

**Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> February**

at

**4:00pm in the Church**

**followed by refreshments**

Children at the School will make the Christingles beforehand, so make sure your family is there to receive one.



## Barn Dancing Club

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

A first visit is free of charge, thereafter non-members pay £3.50 per session – wonderful value for an evening of fun, exercise, both mental and physical, and friendship with refreshments included. Do come along and join in! Singles, couples or groups always welcome.

For further details phone Brian or Kathryn on 490623.



On **Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> February**, we are showing our next 'Winter Warmer', where we have an intermission for a tea and cake break, **Paddington II**. It is even better than the first film! The Village Hall opens

at 2:30pm and the film starts at 3:00pm. It costs £5 (+ a donation for tea etc.)

On **Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> February** we are showing **In Between**, set in present-day Tel Aviv. It is about three very different women who



share a flat. As they get to know each other, it's clear that the three share more than just a flat, as they try to be true to themselves and still co-exist with their traditional families. In Hebrew and Arabic with sub-titles.

The Village Hall doors and bar open at 7:00pm with the film starting at 7:30pm. Free to members and £5 for guests. 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 W.I.

After a 'little light exercise' at our meeting last month - (well done to our girls from Fivehead who won the curling competition) - we may be left wondering if February's meeting could take on a similar vein. Our speaker is an expert on the history of Burlesque and has promised us a fun and interactive afternoon! As we are also celebrating our 91<sup>st</sup> year with a special birthday tea, it should prove an enjoyable and interesting event!

Later that week several of our members join other WI's for a Literary Lunch at Somerset County Cricket Club with two local crime writers as guest speakers, whilst later in the month is our own much enjoyed annual Winter Lunch.

A date for your diaries next month – on **Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> March (12noon-2:00pm)** – we are again running the ever popular 'SOUP AND PUD LUNCH'. There will be a wide variety of appetising and warming soups on offer as well as a delicious selection of puddings – all made by our members – do come along. You must have heard by now of your WI's reputation for homemade fare!

## Water Pollution in Somerset

A Somerset farmer has recently been ordered to pay nearly £4,000 in fines and costs for polluting a stream with contaminated water. The incident near Stoke St Gregory was picked up during a routine Environment Agency visit. Water from a roofing drain had become contaminated by silage discharge. It emptied into a watercourse within a Site of Special Scientific Interest, impacting several kilometres of watercourse.

All farmers, landowners and businesses should have measures in place to prevent pollution. However, ensuring that these measures work and continue to work is vital. Regular monitoring and testing can pick up any changes before the local environment is impacted. It can also avoid costly cleanup processes, and help avoid accusations of negligence.

Incidents over the last few years in Somerset have included costs of £4,000 for a Merriot poultry farm, £9,000 for a Radstock dairy farm, £18,000 for a Yeovil box company and £30,000 for a Cannington anaerobic digestion plant. Fines are unlimited and there is the risk of up to 5 years in prison. If your business creates contaminants, or you have a consent to discharge from the EA, get your equipment and processes checked and tested on a regular basis. Contact Somerset Scientific Services, part of SCC, for advice on 01823 355906 or [SSSmailbox@somerset.gov.uk](mailto:SSSmailbox@somerset.gov.uk)

## Save the Date



On Wednesday, 26<sup>th</sup> June 2019 we will be holding a 'Tea Party' from 2:30 to 5:00pm at 'Sunnyside, The Fosse, North Curry' in aid of Marie Curie Cancer Care.

**As well as tea and cakes there will be a raffle, cake stall, bric-a-brac, books, plants, puzzles and Pimm's.**

## 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)

**Recital by IONEL MANCIU (Violin)  
and LEO POPPLEWELL (Cello) at  
North Curry Parish Church**

**7:00pm Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> March**

(unreserved seats, doors open 6:30pm)

Tickets £10 on sale from 1<sup>st</sup> February at North Curry Post Office or at the door on the night.

**Ionel Manciu** is from Moldova. He is an international performer having performed at the Wigmore Hall, the Barbican, in Porto, Salzburg and Bucharest.

**Leo Popplewell** studied at Clare College Cambridge. He now has a scholarship to study at the Guildhall School of Music and Drama. He was principal cellist in the National Youth Orchestra.

The programme will include music by Bach, Ysaye and Kodaly, with an attractive opener for the duo by Boccherini, and to finish the Passacaglia by Handel, arranged Halvorsen.

Proceeds from this recital will be split between the Parish Church, the Royal National Lifeboat Institution and the Mission to Seafarers.

## !!Mobile Library!!

The mobile library still calls even if it's only once a month. It visits on a Wednesday every 4 weeks and stops in **Queens Square at 1:45 – 2:30pm.**

There's a good selection of books of all kinds and it's a really important resource for those of us who can't get to the libraries in Taunton and Langport as often as we'd like.

The next visit is on **27<sup>th</sup> February.** Please do support it if you can; it's another "use it or lose it" situation.

## North Curry Embroiderers

meet 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Monday each month except August in the village hall from 10:00am until 3:00pm; annual subscription is £35

We welcome anyone who stitches to join our group where we occasionally have a tutor and/or member to demonstrate a particular skill.

First meeting in 2019 on 14<sup>th</sup> January

You can contact Sally Robinson on 01823 491550 or [sal.robbo@btinternet.com](mailto:sal.robbo@btinternet.com) or Nena Carter on 01823 331977 or [cheddon@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:cheddon@tiscali.co.uk) to discuss your interests



## SOUP AND PUD

This annual popular event is on

**SATURDAY 23<sup>rd</sup> MARCH  
12 NOON – 2:00pm**

**VILLAGE HALL NORTH CURRY**

**DELICIOUS HOMEMADE  
SOUP AND PUDDING**

**£6.00**

**All proceeds to North Curry W.I.**



## The Royal British Legion

The Royal British Legion members' annual meal will be on Wed 6<sup>th</sup> February at 7:30pm at The Bird in Hand. If you will be attending, contact Ken Tate on 01823 490755 to confirm.

Our next meeting will be the Annual General Meeting on Wed 6<sup>th</sup> March at 7:30pm. New members welcome.

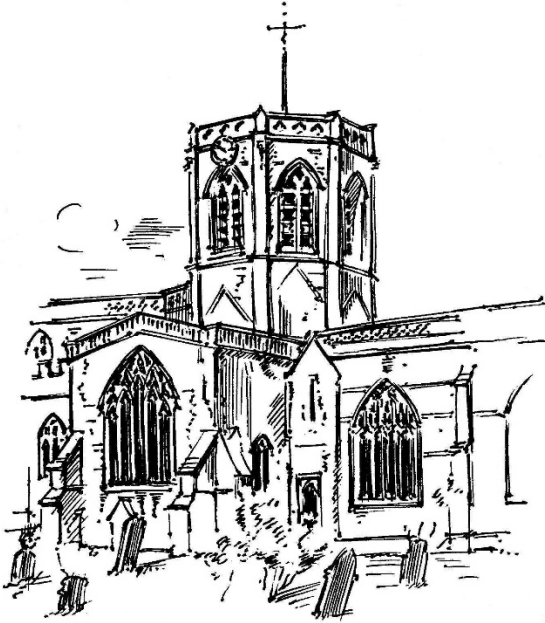


Available to hire as a venue for parties (children's and adults), meetings and celebrations. With a large outdoor area ideal for bouncy castles and games, in addition a multi-use games area (MUGA) for children and young people to have fun and let off steam.

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>



**Services at North Curry parish church - February 2019**

**3<sup>rd</sup> February      The Presentation of Christ (Candlemas)**

08:00am Holy Communion

10:00am Eucharist

4:00pm Christingle Service

**10<sup>th</sup> February      The Fourth Sunday before Lent**

10:00am Morning Prayer

*14<sup>th</sup> February      (Thursday)*

10:00am Little Angels

**17<sup>th</sup> February      The Third Sunday before Lent**

8:00am Holy Communion

10:00am UBS Eucharist      at Stoke St Gregory

**24<sup>th</sup> February      The Second Sunday before Lent**

10:00am Eucharist

**3<sup>rd</sup> March      The Sunday next before Lent**

8:00am Holy Communion

10:00am Eucharist