

# NORTH CURRY NEWSLETTER

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## North Curry Parish Council

**COMMUNITY LITTER PICK 23<sup>RD</sup> NOVEMBER!** Come along and help keep the 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 and join in the more the merrier, even if it is just for a short time. Call Caroline Vaughan on 490677 for details.

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

**PARKING:** Recently parishioners have observed a number of vehicles parking on pavements, obstructing access for pedestrians and those with pushchairs, wheel chairs and mobility scooters. Please be advised this is not permitted anywhere in the village whether there are yellow lines or not. As a gentle reminder, double yellow lines cannot be parked on except by the emergency services or a disability badge holder.

**DRAINS AND GULLIES:** As the autumn sets in, drains and gullies are being increasingly blocked with leaves and other debris. Please help by clearing the grating if this is something you are able to do. Please inform the Parish Clerk if you notice a gully or drain that needs clearing, giving its location so this can be reported to SWT Council. [Parishcouncil@northcurry.com](mailto:Parishcouncil@northcurry.com). Many thanks.

**RECYCLING INFORMATION:** New winter recycling collection hours and other information, including garden waste bin charges, have now been issued. To view these, please visit [www.somersetwaste.gov.uk](http://www.somersetwaste.gov.uk). If you do not have access to the internet, please call into the Parish Office.

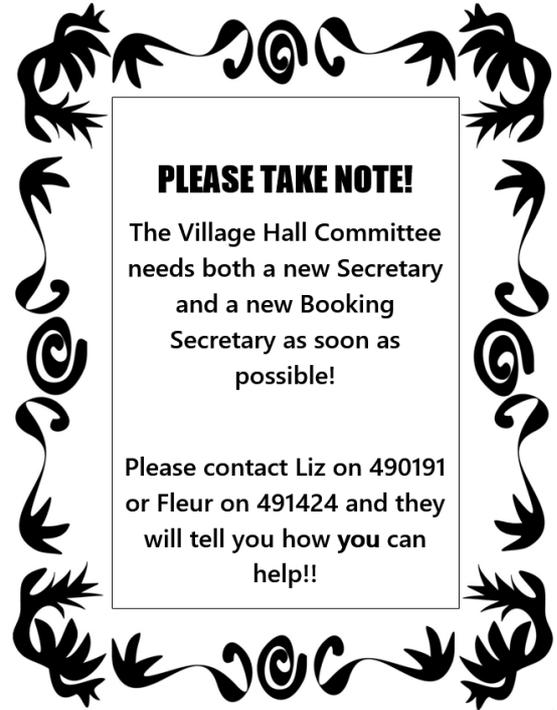
**SPEED WATCH:** During September, we monitored sites in Windmill Hill and Moor Lane. Agricultural traffic was prolific due to harvest, muck spreading, and perversely had a calming effect, due to the size and numbers of vehicles. We continue to see excess speeds coming from both of the arterial roads, which feed the village

Speedwatch are finding it increasingly demanding to arrange sessions in Wrantage. We welcome any assistance from our fellow parishioners, especially in Wrantage. Speedwatch continues to appeal for volunteers with an hour to spare each month. If you can help, please contact Andrew Meehan 01823 491380.

**PARISH COUNCIL DIARY FOR NOVEMBER:** 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)



### PLEASE TAKE NOTE!

The Village Hall Committee needs both a new Secretary and a new Booking Secretary as soon as possible!

Please contact Liz on 490191 or Fleur on 491424 and they will tell you how you can help!!



We are fortunate to have been given an anonymous donation to enable us to replace the MUGA lights. With the evenings getting darker this will be a huge benefit to the Playing Fields. If there are any groups that would like to take advantage of the MUGA and book evening sessions, please book through our website. A big thank you to our benefactor, we are very grateful.

Playing Fields will again be supporting Alison & Noel Prosser's annual **Christmas in the Square** on **Sunday, 15<sup>th</sup> December 2019, 4-6pm**. This is slightly later in the month than usual so please make a date in your diary for this wonderful event which many people say is the start of their Christmas festivities. Father Christmas is booked to come along to chat with the children, hand out gifts and switch on the tree lights. There will also be entertainment, children's games, a Pyne's hog roast, Licenced Bar, Mulled Wine and other refreshments! Be sure to look out for further information.

Alison and Noel kindly distribute all the proceeds of Christmas in the Square to various charities. Playing Fields were fortunate to receive some of these funds along with St. Margaret's Hospice, Somerset Sight, Somerset Wildlife Trust, Dementia UK and Cancer Research UK. Thank you to Alison and Noel, from all of us, for your generosity.



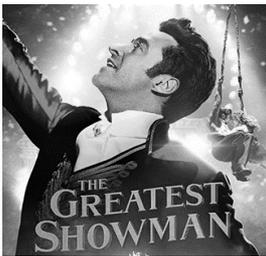
## North Curry Youth Football Club

Another season begins for North Curry Youth Football club! We are in full swing now and Saturday mornings at White Street sports ground are a hive of activity; this includes training and matches for all our age groups, from our development squad 3 – 6 year olds, right up to our under 13's who have now progressed onto the senior pitch and playing 11 aside football for the first time.

A new season brings new challenges on and off the pitch; we have been very lucky to secure two new shirt sponsors. As the club grows so do our players and this means new kit. Amicus law have sponsored our under 10 team and Carpet Warehouse Taunton have sponsored our under 13 team; their contribution enables fantastic new kit for our young players.

Another way we keep the club financially afloat is through our refreshments on Saturday mornings; both hot and cold drinks & snacks are very popular with the home supporters and away supporters, who are always very complimentary on the service and welcome they get at North Curry Youth FC. This doesn't just happen, it takes an amazing set of volunteers. Our seasonal helper Margret Coate now has a team to spread the ever-demanding role, thanks to our Welfare officer Heather Richards who has recruited a team of helpers, to whom all at the Youth Section are very grateful. Here's to another fantastic season at North Curry Youth Football Club.

North Curry Youth Chairman  
Shawn Sutton



We have our next Winter Warmer (where we have an interval for tea & cake) on **Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> November**. It is the brilliant and popular musical **The Greatest Showman**, starring Hugh Jackman. You'll love it! Doors open at 2.30pm, with the film at 3pm. All welcome. It is £5 with a donation for the tea and cake.



On **Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> November** we are showing the dramatic story **The Children Act** with Emma Thompson as Fiona May, a judge. A case is brought before her involving a 17-year-old boy, Adam Henry, who is suffering from leukaemia and needs a blood transfusion. However, Adam and his parents are Jehovah's Witnesses and refuse to give their consent.

You can still come along and join the Film Club – still **only £25 for 10 films**. Doors & bar open at 7:00pm, with the film starting at 7:30pm. Also open to non-members (£5 on the door). More information on our films on [www.northcurryfilmsociety.org.uk](http://www.northcurryfilmsociety.org.uk)

## Life behind the Sideshows

20<sup>th</sup> November



**Kay Townsend's** family have been showmen since 1876. Her great granddad lost his job, driving the mail coach between Radstock and Bath. With nine mouths to feed, he bought a small children's roundabout, packed away into a horse-drawn cart. When open, the horse turned the roundabout, and that little children's ride was the start of the family show business.

Kay will take us back to the 1950s and 60s behind the fairground glitz and noise, with film footage too. She will cover "Freak Shows" (becoming curiosity shows), and what about the Flea Circus and the Wall of Death? You've not known a talk like this. Kay loves questions, so don't be shy.

Meetings are held monthly in North Curry Village Hall at 7:30pm for coffee and chat, the talks begin at 8pm. Annual membership £5; visitors welcome. We look forward to seeing you.



## North Curry W.I.

November is a busy month involving us in floral art, a theatre trip, a driftwood workshop and the Annual General Meeting.

Our monthly meeting is on 6<sup>th</sup> of the month, starting at 2:00pm, when we welcome Fleur White who will be demonstrating her skilful art of floral decorations especially with Christmas in mind. Fleur, well known to all of us, has achieved an enviable reputation in floral arranging, winning many shows locally and further afield as well as becoming an accomplished judge. If you would like to join us for the afternoon and stay for tea and social time then we'd love to see you.

All seats are booked for our theatre trip to Bristol to see the Lion King on 13<sup>th</sup> November, however, if anyone would like to take the opportunity for a few hours shopping there is room available on the coach leaving North Curry at 11:30am and Bristol at 5:15pm – cost £15 - (contact 490956).

Later in the month several members will be meeting at the Willows and Wetlands Centre, where with expert assistance, we will be making our own hanging tree decorations from driftwood and other recycling materials.

Finally, we join all WI's throughout the county for the Annual Meeting at Wellsprings, bringing us up to date on the past year's news and achievements with entertainment from a professional 'Henry VIII', a local choir and Nick Bailey, a presenter on Gardener's World, as the afternoon speaker.

## North Curry Produce Market

Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> November  
9:30am - 11:30am

### North Curry Village Hall, Greenway

Only two market shopping days until Christmas so why not come along and stock up on local produce the market has to offer?

Chutneys, pickles, pickled onions, jam, marmalade and honey. Belted Galloway beef from Helland, North Curry. Pitney pork, bacon and sausages. Eggs, cakes, cup-cakes and biscuits. Bread, rolls and sticky buns and fresh locally grown vegetables, Bric-a-brac, cards and an antique stall as well as Elizabeth with her delightful handmade Christmas decorations and gifts

In November we are being joined by Denise selling vegan and vegetarian products.

Not forgetting from the kitchen tea, coffee, squash, biscuits AND bacon butties so why not join us for breakfast? Meet up with old friends and if you're new to the village make new ones.

**SEE YOU THERE**



### November 200 Club Winners

- Freda Perry £25
- Cricket Club £15
- Sheila Billingham £10



### Barn Dancing Club

Our next session will be on **Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> 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 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 and District Amateur Gardeners

Our next meeting will be on **Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> November** when **Katherine Crouch** will be talking to us about **"Hardy exotic plants"**. Many of you will remember Katherine as a very entertaining speaker and with our summers getting hotter and drier, these might well be things that will take over from our herbaceous borders!

Meeting are held on the first Thursday of the month in the pavilion of the Greenway playing fields at **7:45 for 8:00pm**. Everyone is always welcome so please do feel free come and join us for an interesting talk and stay for a cup of coffee and a chat afterwards.

### Remembrance Tide

Having remembered on the first Sunday of November those we love but see no more, and on the following Sunday those who have fallen in active service, at **4:00pm on 17<sup>th</sup> November** the choral group *In Ecclesia* return to North Curry parish church drawing together the remembrance theme with a sequence of music and readings for the season. Dr Robert Dunning will preside. Light refreshments afterwards (with a collection to help defray choir and church expenses).

## Benefice of Athelney – Service Rota

November – 2019 (as at 12<sup>th</sup> October 2019)

### 3<sup>rd</sup> November All Saints' Sunday (with All Souls)

8:00am Holy Communion  
10:00am Eucharist

Revd John Tyler  
Revd Martin Mudie

### 10<sup>th</sup> November Remembrance Sunday

9:30am Eucharist  
10:40am Remembrance Service at North Curry Memorial

Revd John Tyler  
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### 14<sup>th</sup> November (Thursday)

10:00am Little Angels

Mrs Jenny Satchwell

### 17<sup>th</sup> November The Second Sunday before Advent

8:00am Holy Communion  
4:00pm Readings & Music for the Season of Remembrance with *In Ecclesia*

Revd John Tyler  
Dr Robert Dunning

### 24<sup>th</sup> November Christ the King, The Sunday Next Before Advent

10:00am Eucharist

Revd Martin Mudie

CW Year A begins: Matthew

### 1<sup>st</sup> December Advent Sunday

8:00am Holy Communion  
10:00am United Benefice Eucharist at North Curry

Revd John Tyler

Very Revd Dr John Davies

## LITTLE ANGELS

School is back so Little Angels has started, 10:00am on the second Thursday of the month in the Church. Babies Toddlers and Carers are welcome.

There will be storytelling, activities and craft, ending with refreshments and free play. Look forward to seeing you.

Advance Notice:

A Christingle Service, organised by the Church and the School, will take place at 4:00pm on Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> December.

More details next month.

## Dragonflies Dance

Our Somerset based Dance School has reached the final of the Dance School of the Year 2019 – a prestigious competition which can be entered by Dance Schools around the world. This is the third time that we have made the Final.

Dragonflies Dance are based on the outskirts of Taunton in villages, bringing high quality training to village children and adults! We have a huge variety of styles and are proud of our little school for getting this far.

Wish us luck and give a shout out to all the wonderful students at the school who work so hard.

Libby Manley Principal.

# Argyle Productions

Present

## "Anything Goes"

18<sup>th</sup> to 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2020



Well the autumn is drawing in, and so too the shorter evenings. For most, that would suggest cosy nights in with a good book or a TV programme. But not for the team at Argyle Productions. They are underway with rehearsals for their next show.

**Anything Goes** is a 1934 musical with music and lyrics by Cole Porter and the original book, a collaborative effort by Guy Bolton and P. G. Wodehouse. The story concerns madcap antics aboard an ocean liner bound from New York to London. Billy Crocker is a stowaway in love with heiress Hope Harcourt, who is engaged to Lord Evelyn Oakleigh. Nightclub singer Reno Sweeney and Public Enemy Number 13, "Moonface" Martin, aid Billy in his quest to win Hope. The musical introduced such songs as "Anything Goes", "You're the Top", and "I Get a Kick out of You". The casting is done, musical numbers are being rehearsed and you might even catch a bit of tap dancing as well. All makes for a good fun evening at North Curry Village Hall. Do look out for advertising and tickets in the New Year, and we look forward to setting sail with you all on board.

If you would like further info about the group, contact Greg, on [greg.phillips2@btinternet.com](mailto:greg.phillips2@btinternet.com) or by phone 07914 668915

## North Curry Village Hall

To hire the hall go to

[www.hallbookings.northcurry.com](http://www.hallbookings.northcurry.com)

no internet? then phone 491424

For issues other than hiring  
Secretary: Liz Gibbs phone 490191  
[villagehall@northcurry.com](mailto:villagehall@northcurry.com)

# Christmas in the Square

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

**Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> December 4:00 – 6:00pm**

*Festive fun for all ages*

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



## Hog Roast from Pyne's of Somerset Licensed Bar

**Guest singers and musicians  
Children's Games; Hot Dogs,  
Mulled Wine, Mince Pies, Hot Chocolate,  
'Rhum au Chocolat' and Raffle**

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



*Sponsored by North Curry Post Office & Stores and Pyne's of Somerset  
and Supported by North Curry Pavilion and Playing Fields  
All proceeds to the Playing Fields and Local Charities*



### North Curry Community Coffee Shop

From Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> November the coffee shop will be stocked with an array of local handmade Christmas gifts. This year we have some new makers including chunky knitwear from £5, fabric advent calendars for the kids/grandchildren, needle felted Christmas tree decorations and pin cushions from £3, jewellery for a special party or teachers gift and some gorgeous pottery from our North Curry Potter, Nancy Wells. We look forward to welcoming you and remember we are now serving freshly made soups which change daily.

NORTH CURRY PAVILION



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)



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