



# NORTH CURRY NEWSLETTER

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## North Curry Parish Council

**PARISH COUNCIL VACANCY:** There is currently a vacancy for a Parish Councillor. If it's of interest and you have some spare time and feel you could be an asset to your parish, please contact the parish Clerk or speak to any of your Parish Councillors.

**LITTER IN THE PARISH:** The Parish Council thank those who take an active part in picking up stray litter in the Parish and those who join the bi-annual litter picks. Please continue to support the Parish in its efforts to keep free of litter by picking up any litter you see and disposing of it accordingly. Many thanks.

**FLOODING:** The recent flooding of Moor Lane/New Road left some vehicles marooned due to gates being opened before the roads were clear and some people attempting to cross even though the signs remained in place. Please be reminded that when the flood signs are displayed, the road affected should not be crossed, your safety is in danger and any damage to your vehicle makes your insurance invalidated where flood warnings are in place. For up to date information on road closures please visit [www.travelsomerset.co.uk](http://www.travelsomerset.co.uk)

**MAY FAIR:** The Parish Council are sorry to hear the May Fair will not be going ahead this year, it is hoped new volunteers are in place to help organise the much-enjoyed event in 2021, it may not be too late for this year if people are willing to come forward now.

**FIBRE BROADBAND:** One of our parishioners informed us that after many attempts to connect to fibre broadband but to no avail, they have now managed to get a working fibre connection. They suggested we urge those in the parish who have perhaps failed to be connected in the past, to try again as they may now be able to get this service.

**PARISH COUNCIL DIARY FOR FEBRUARY 2020:** Parishioners are welcome to attend any meeting.

Wed 12 <sup>th</sup>	Council Meeting	7:30pm
Wed 26 <sup>th</sup>	Planning Meeting	7:30pm

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



## North Curry Sport 200 Club

Congratulations to this month's winners:

- Jan Ashcroft: £25
- Jennifer Scott: £15
- Basil Mann: £10

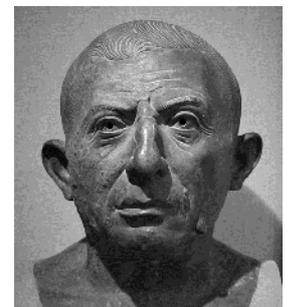
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## Please reply.....!

### The Village Hall urgently needs a new Secretary!

### The job has real local value and is not particularly arduous!

Please ring Liz Gibbs: 490191  
or email: [lizgibbs@btinternet.com](mailto:lizgibbs@btinternet.com)



A bust from the ashes of Pompeii

## Archæology of Pompeii, David Elkington

Recent discoveries of Roman remains in Somerset have sparked increasing interest in that period. David Elkington returns to the village hall on 12<sup>th</sup> February to describe the record left by the volcanic eruption at Pompeii, providing outstanding information about Roman life generally.

He will take a brief look at the Bay of Naples and Mount Vesuvius, and contrast Pompeii with Herculaneum, which was also buried in the eruption, and with unaffected sites on the other side of the mountain.

A Bristolian, David has taught in Somerset since the 1960s. He studied at Durham, digging at Hadrian's Wall, took a Master's in Roman studies, and gained a scholarship to study and photograph in Rome and Pompeii.

NCS meets on the third Wednesday each month. Annual membership £5; visitors £1. We look forward to welcoming you to our 2020 programme.

## Anything Goes 2020

Well, here we are again in full swing getting ready for our next production, 'Anything Goes' by Cole Porter. The tap dancers have been practicing, singers tuning up and the actors learning their lines all over Christmas to give the audience a fantastic evening. The show runs from **Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> to Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> February at 7:30pm, with a matinee at 2:30pm on the Saturday.**

'Anything Goes' was first performed in 1934 and the story concerns madcap antics aboard an ocean liner. Yes, we will have a ship - on North Curry Village hall stage, bound for England. There are lots of great songs we think you will know, such as, *You're The Top*, *Blow Gabriel Blow*, *De Lovely*, *I Get A Kick Out Of You* and, of course, the title song, *Anything Goes*.

After all the hard work the cast have put into this show we all hope you will come along to see it. Tickets are on sale at North Curry Post Office and Stoke St Gregory shop-in-a-box outside the village hall in SSG. If you would like further information please contact Greg on 07914 668915. We look forward to welcoming you aboard the S.S. American and whisking you away for a jolly good time!



### May Fair 2020

Unfortunately, due to lack of interest in forming a new May Fair committee, very sadly the decision has been made that the May Fair will not go ahead this year on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> May. The parish council has been informed. However if anyone would like to take on the organisation please email [northcurrymayfair@gmail.com](mailto:northcurrymayfair@gmail.com)



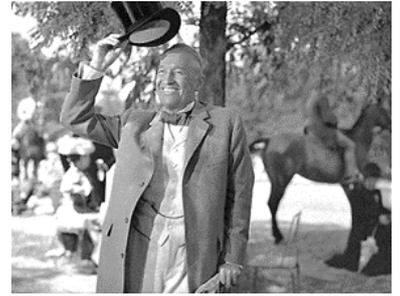
## North Curry and District Amateur Gardeners

Our first meeting of the New Year will be on **Thursday, 6<sup>th</sup> February** when **Susannah Applegate** will be giving a talk on the "**Fresh Produce Industry**". I think this will be an interesting and topical subject particularly in view of possible changes to our access to some fresh foods.

Meetings are held in the Pavilion of the Greenway Playing Fields at 7:45 for 8:00pm. We look forward to seeing members old and new. Guests are always welcome so why not come and join us and stay for coffee and a chat afterwards.



As is typical for the Club, we have two contrasting films for you! Our next Winter Warmer (where we have an interval for tea & cake) is on **Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> February**. It is the 1958 classic musical **Gigi** starring Maurice



Chevalier, Leslie Caron & Louis Jordan. Doors open at 2:30pm, with the film at 3:00pm. All welcome. It is £5 with a donation for the tea and cake. Singing optional!



On **Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> February** we are showing a delightful French 2017 documentary **Faces Places**. It is positively joyful!

Doors and bar open at 7:00pm, with the film starting at 7:30pm. Also open to non-members (£5 on the door). We will be doing a six month

membership from March (£12.50). A bargain!

**Interested in becoming a projectionist** for the film club? Training given and you'd only need to do it a few times a year. Contact Don on 490 859.

Apologies for there being no information about our films last month. I was away and missed the deadline. Information always on [www.northcurryfilmsociety.org.uk](http://www.northcurryfilmsociety.org.uk)

## SAVE OUR BELLS!



You may have noticed – the church gates now adorned with "Save our bells" banners...

You may have noticed – the bellringers down in the church porch rather than up in the tower – ringing handbells...

You may have noticed – the display in the Post Office window...

The church bells are in trouble. Not just the bells, but in particular the bell-frame which supports them. An ancient oak structure over 200 years old, it has been concluded that the days for repairs are past – a new up-to-date frame is needed, along with an overhaul of the bells themselves. It's a big challenge...

So the campaign to restore North Curry's bells is getting under way: a project which needs support from the whole community if it is to be successful. Please help if you can!

For full details see the display in church, or visit the website: [www.northcurrybells.com](http://www.northcurrybells.com) or contact Tower Captain, Darren Woodyer, Muddy Paws Cottage, Curload, TA3 6JD, tel: 01823 690162 or 07718 059071, email: [gograndsiredoubles@gmail.com](mailto:gograndsiredoubles@gmail.com)



## North Curry W.I.

At the first meeting in the village hall since Christmas, we will again be in partying mood as we celebrate our 92<sup>nd</sup> birthday. Members will be treated to a birthday tea and entertainment from our guest speaker, Nigel Ford, who will be adding his own 'touch of magic' to the afternoon.

As always at the beginning of the year, subscriptions are due, and we look forward to new members joining. If you are interested in finding out more about us, you will be welcome as a visitor – meetings are in the village hall on the first Wednesday of each month starting at 2:00pm.

There are still one or two tickets left for our visit to the Octagon Theatre, Yeovil, on the evening of Monday, 17<sup>th</sup> February to see Agatha Christie's 'The Mousetrap'. Seats cost £22.50 with extra options of travelling by mini-bus and supper at the theatre preceding the show. If anyone is interested please telephone 01823 284825.

Next month we will be organising the ever popular Soup and Pud lunch on Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> March from 12 noon – 2:00pm; make a note in your diary!

## Grand Village Quiz and Supper

at the Village Hall  
on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> March  
from 7:00pm

Supper is provided but please bring your own drinks and glasses.  
Water available.

**Martin Baldock returning as Quizmaster**

It's a good evening. Teams of six.

Tickets £10 each from Jenny Satchwell (490463) - they go quickly!

All profits to the Church



## Children's Craft and Fun

North Curry Parish Church

Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> February

10:00am till 12 noon

## Services at North Curry Parish Church

February 2020 (as at 14<sup>th</sup> December 2019)

### 2<sup>nd</sup> February The Presentation of Christ (Candlemas)

8:00am Holy Communion Revd John Tyler  
10:00am Eucharist Revd John Tyler

### 9<sup>th</sup> February The Third Sunday before Lent

10:00am United Benefice Eucharist at Lyng Revd Christopher Rowley  
3:00pm Baptism families service Revd John Tyler

### 13<sup>th</sup> February (Thursday)

10:00am Little Angels Mrs Jenny Satchwell

### 16<sup>th</sup> February The Second Sunday before Lent

8:00am Holy Communion Revd John Tyler  
10:00am Morning Prayer Dr Robert Dunning

### 23<sup>rd</sup> February The Sunday next before Lent

10:00am Eucharist Revd Martin Mudie

### 26<sup>th</sup> February Ash Wednesday

7:00pm Holy Communion with Ashing Revd Martin Mudie

### 1<sup>st</sup> March The First Sunday of Lent

8:00am Holy Communion Revd John Tyler  
10:00am Eucharist Revd John Tyler

## 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)



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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