



NORTH CURRY NEWSLETTER

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North Curry Parish Council

THE PARISH COUNCIL ANNOUNCES OUR NEWEST MEMBER AND COMPLETES THE COMMITTEE: A warm welcome to Dr Maurice Wilkins who was elected unanimously to join us at the Parish Meeting in February, we look forward to working with him.

FLAGS: Sadly, the Parish lost a friend and volunteer Legion flag bearer last month. Also Mr Brooker had diligently displayed various flags on marked occasions such as Remembrance Sunday and St Georges Day for many years on the flag pole in Queen Square Gardens by the War Memorial. The Parish would love to see the tradition of flying these flags continued and are looking for a willing volunteer to take on responsibility for this task. If this would be something you would be interested in, please contact the Clerk on 01823 490136.

COMMUNITY LITTER PICK SATURDAY 28TH MARCH! 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. Please call the Parish Office for more details 01823 490136.

DOG WASTE: A few dog owners continue to allow their dogs to foul footpaths and other public areas without clearing up after them. The waste bins are provided, to avoid a health hazard; **PLEASE DOG OWNERS USE THEM!**

ROAD CLOSURE NOTIFICATIONS: Please note the following road closures. Lower Knapp Lane and Combe Lane, 12th February for up to 3 days (9:30am-3:30pm). Knapp Lane, junction with Lodwells Orchard, 19th February for up to 7 days (excluding weekends). Full details of these closures are displayed on the Parish notice board, or online at www.travelsomerset.co.uk/roadworks

GARDEN WASTE RENEWALS: Somerset West and Taunton Council have warned us that swift renewal of garden waste subscriptions is essential as past flexibility to collect from late payers is no longer possible from 1st April 2020.

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

Wed 11 th	Council Meeting	7:30pm
Wed 25 th	Planning Meeting	7:30pm

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



May Fair

STOP PRESS

Jacky Fleming has stepped forward to save the May Fair

**This year's event will be on
9th May in Church Road**

Would all Stallholders who would be interested, please contact Jacky on 01823 490456?

Let's continue the celebrations of this special weekend!

North Curry Produce Market

Saturday 7th March

The Village Hall, Greenway

9:30am – 11:30am

The produce market is now a firm favourite and part of village life. It offers a variety of foods on sale by local farmers and producers.

Beef from herds grazing on the Somerset levels. Pork, sausages, bacon and butter from Pitney farm shop. Carole's homemade cakes and free range eggs.

Vegetables sourced from local suppliers and bread supplied by The Upper Crust bakery.

Interest is added by Dave and his antiques. Plus bric-a-brac stalls, raffles and handmade gifts. Betty's books, jam and pickles.

Spring and planting is just around the corner so if you're looking for plants then Mike is just outside.

As usual the kitchen will be open for tea, coffee and bacon butties. Meet old friends and make new ones.

All too good to miss so see you there

Daytime Singers Taster Workshop

Come and learn beautiful songs from around the world in harmony.

**Monday 9th March 11:30am - 2:00pm
at North Curry Village Hall**

Music for Wellbeing harmony singing workshop with Somerset Arts Well CIC. All abilities welcome, no need to read music as songs will be taught by ear. Bring and share lunch. Just £2 each thanks to Somerset Skills and Learning.

For info please email Amy on amyhardwick@live.co.uk



Driving Safer for Longer

18th March

Somerset CC's Road Safety Team aims to reduce casualties on the county's roads through a programme of education, training and publicity. Route 60+ is one of their most popular presentations and is run for older drivers.

The presentation addresses how vehicles have developed, how our own driving skills and habits may have changed, and how those skills can be updated.

After refreshments at 7:30pm, the talk starts promptly at 8:00pm. Martyn Callow our speaker is a retired Paramedic and is actively involved with Somerset Road Safety as a trainer as well as being a special constable with Avon and Somerset.

North Curry Society meets on the third Wednesday each month. Annual membership includes admission to talks, discussions and refreshments; visitors pay a small charge. Whether you are a visitor, new to the Society or an established member, we look forward to welcoming you.



Barn Dancing Club

Our next session will be on **Wednesday 4th March 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



It is our last Winter Warmer (where we have an interval for tea and cake) this month. It is on **Saturday 14th March** and is the delightful **Toy Story 4**.

Doors open at 2:30pm, with the film at 3:00pm. All welcome. It is £5 with a donation for the tea and cake.



On **Wednesday 25th March** we are showing **The Bookshop**. It is England 1959 and in a small East



Anglian town, Florence Green decides, against polite but ruthless local opposition, to open a bookshop. It is a beautiful and poignant film.

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 6-month membership from March (£12.50). A bargain!

Further information on www.northcurryfilmsociety.org.uk

North Curry Embroiderers

North Curry embroiderers meet in the games room 2nd and 4th Monday each month from 10am to 3pm. **Next meeting on 9th March**. Annual subscription is £35 from January each year. Beginners very welcome.

All sorts of stitch craft; share information and enjoy the company of others sewing. Members enter the village show in August

Contact Sally Robinson 01823 491550 and/or Nena Carter 01823 331977 for more information

Library Van

Dates for North Curry mobile Library service 2020.

26th February
25th March
22nd April



North Curry Sport 200 Club

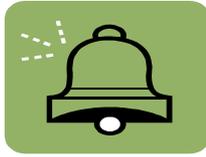
Congratulations to this month's winners:

- Bob Perry: £25
- Youth Football Club: £15
- Adult Football Club: £10

Remember: you can help our volunteers keep the great White Street facilities in good condition by signing up for the **Somerset West Lottery**. Half of your subscription goes to North Curry Sport. See:

<https://www.somersetwestlottery.co.uk/>
When you sign up, be sure to choose North Curry Sport.

SAVE OUR BELLS!



How to save the church bells?

Can't escape the fact – funds need raising. Look out for various events throughout the year.

On the agenda for March – a **jumble sale** (Or is it bric-a-brac?)

When - Saturday morning 28th March
- 10:00am to 1:0 pm

Where - in the church, of course

What - clear out your attics and bring stuff along any time during the preceding week - leave at the back of church.

For full details on the bells project see the display in church, or visit the website: www.northcurrybells.com

Or contact Darren Woodyer, Tower Captain; Muddy Paws Cottage, Curload, TA3 6JD Tel: 01823 690162 or 07718 059071;
email: gograndsiredoubles@gmail.com



North Curry and District Amateur Gardeners

Our next meeting will be on **Thursday 5th March** when our speaker will be **Yvonne Bell** with “**Grandma's Garden**”. Some of you may remember Yvonne from previous visit to us.

The **Social Evening** is on **Saturday 21st March** at **7:00pm for 7:30pm**. Members come free but don't forget to bring your own glasses and whatever you would like to drink. As usual there will be lovely food, delicious puds, and good company!

Meetings are held in the pavilion of the Greenway playing fields at 7:45 for 8:00pm. Visitors and potential members always welcome. Do come and join us for a good talk and a cup of coffee and a chat afterwards.

North Curry Village Hall

To hire the hall go to
www.hallbookings.northcurry.com
no internet? then phone 491424

For issues **other than hiring**
Secretary: Liz Gibbs phone 490191
villagehall@northcurry.com

There will be a
COFFEE MORNING
on Wednesday 29th April
10:30 till 12 noon

Greenway House
25 Greenway, North Curry
In aid of
MEDECINS SANS FRONTIERES

There will be
Marmalades, jams, cakes, plants,
etc. for sale, and a raffle
Donations will be most welcome
Helen and Julian Comrie 01823
490358



We are currently looking for new Committee members to join us to help run the Pavilion and Playing Field. We are a friendly group who meet monthly, hold a couple of fund raisers each year and organise a few maintenance sessions for the Pavilion and Playing Field areas. The current committee all work and have family commitments so there is nothing too onerous involved. If you are interested please contact John Quinn 07766 282397.

Regular visitors to the Play Area will have noticed that the popular and well used fort is showing its age and needs to be replaced. We plan on fund raising and applying for grants to do this. If you are able to make a donation or know somebody or a company that would be able to help us with this project please contact us.

The Pavilion and floodlit Multi Use Games Area are available for hire, please see our calendar for availability. If you would like to make a booking at a time when it is regularly hired by another group, still contact us as we can ask if a regular hirer would mind giving up a session. We are happy to show any potential clients around the facilities offered.

We are so fortunate to have the Pavilion and Playing Field with its MUGA, children's play area and BBQ in our village and we would like to ensure we are able to keep it well looked after and running as efficiently as possible.

Follow us on Facebook.



North Curry W.I.

Wednesday, 4th March
'HANNA SOMATICS' – Sarah Guest

At our March meeting we will be welcoming Sarah Guest introducing to us the technique of Hanna Somatics! **What is it?** - a type of mind-body training that encourages physical and mental control over muscles to reduce pain and teaches the brain to re-learn certain muscle movements and relieve tension. Sarah, herself used to suffer chronic pain, and tried many different therapies until she discovered Clinical Somatics and could finally say she was pain free. She trained as a Somatic exercise coach and now offers regular classes and workshops in and around the Taunton area.

Visitors are welcome to join us for the afternoon (starting at 2.00pm) when Sarah will be introducing some of the simpler techniques for us to try and as usual our meeting will follow with short business matters and time to meet socially for tea.

This month we are also organising the ever popular

SOUP AND PUD LUNCH

Saturday 28th March
12noon - 2:00pm

Once again we will be providing a wide variety of appetising soups and a delicious selection of puddings
ALL HOME MADE

Cost £6

There is no need to book – just turn up on the day



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



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

2040, an Inspirational Film

On Thursday, 26th March we will be showing a new film, "2040" in **The Williams Hall, Stoke St Gregory at 7:30**. It's made by a young Australian in the form of a visual letter to his four-year-old daughter as an optimistic guide to how he believes the world could be in twenty years. He says that we simply need to embrace the best solutions, which are already available to us now, to combat climate change and promote a sustainable environment. We already have the means to avert a disaster but it needs an enormous effort from everyone to achieve it. In other words, there's no need to wait for all those technologies which might never materialise such as Carbon Capture & Storage or Nuclear Fusion; it can and should be done now. Do come along, watch the film and join the discussion afterwards; **FREE ENTRY**.

Calling all gardeners! We are running a **seed and plant** swap in the **King Alfred, Burrowbridge** on **12th March** from **7:00pm**.

Do any of you have an idea for addressing Climate Change, Sustainability or the Environment and need a modest injection of money? If so, then please apply for a grant from our **Community Project Fund**.

Find out more on these topics and lots more besides on our new website www.climateactionathelney.co.uk or look for us on Facebook

Contact: Brian on 490623 or email climateactionathelney@gmail.com



Services at North Curry parish church

1st March	The First Sunday of Lent	
8:00am	Holy Communion	Rev'd John Tyler
10:00am	Eucharist	Rev'd John Tyler
<i>6th March</i>	<i>(Friday)</i>	
3:00pm	World Day of Prayer (Benefice-wide and Ecumenical)	
8th March	The Second Sunday of Lent	
10:00am	Benefice Eucharist	Rev'd John Tyler
<i>12th March</i>	<i>(Thursday)</i>	
10:00am	Little Angels	Mrs Jenny Satchwell
15th March	The Third Sunday of Lent	
8:00 am	Holy Communion	Rev'd John Tyler
10:00am	Morning Prayer	Dr Robert Dunning
22nd March	Mothering Sunday	
10:00am	Eucharist	Rev'd John Tyler
29th March	The Fifth Sunday of Lent	
10:00am	Benefice Eucharist at Burrowbridge	Rev'd Martin Mudie
5th April	Palm Sunday	
9:30am	Procession of Palms from outside Queen Square Garden	
10:00am	Eucharist	Rev'd John Tyler

Methodist Preachers

1 st March		Mr David Day
8 th March		Rev'd Tony Huxtable (HC)
15 th March	No am service at NC/C	
22 nd March		M/s Virginia Pearson
29 th March		Rev'd Christopher Brown
5 th April	Palm Sunday	Mrs Elaine Cox
12 th April	Easter Day	Rev'd Tony Huxtable (HC)
19 th April		Mrs Jennie Sleep
26 th April		Mrs Margaret Wood
3 rd May		Mrs Gillian Flick
10 th May		Rev'd Lynne Mayers
17 th May		Rev'd Deborah Kirk (HC)
24 th May		Mrs Glynis Allinson
31 st May		Rev'd Peter Thomas