



# NORTH CURRY NEWSLETTER

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## North Curry Parish Council

**REMEMBRANCE SERVICE:** The annual Service of Remembrance will be held in Queen Square on Sunday 13th November 2022, gathering at 10:40am. We look forward to seeing everyone 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 to 11:30am. Many thanks.

**ANNUAL AUTUMN LITTER PICK:** On Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> October the annual autumn litter pick will take place. If you would like to get involved with keeping your village clean and tidy, please meet at the Village Hall at 10:30am. Yellow jackets and litter pickers can be provided, please bring sensible shoes/boots and dress according to the weather. You can stay as long as you please, but it won't be any longer than two hours. No reward except a warm civic glow! We hope to see plenty of you there, thank you.

**NEW ASSET FOR THE VILLAGE/PARISH - ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING POINTS:** Work is underway to install the chargers at the Village Hall, this should be completed by the end of October. They will be for the general public to use, charges for use will be confirmed at a later date.

**YOUTH IN THE PARISH:** It has been brought to our attention that there is little for the youth in the village, aside from sport. We would welcome any suggestions and offers of help, to provide more for the youth to participate in. Please ask your children what they would like to see in North Curry Parish and let us know - we would love to hear their ideas!

### The Parish Council Office opening hours are:

Wednesdays 10:00am – 1:00pm

Thursdays 1:00pm – 4:00pm

Telephone No: 01823 490136 (you can leave a message) or contact us at [parishcouncil@northcurry.com](mailto:parishcouncil@northcurry.com)

**Parish Council Diary for October 2022:** see the Parish notice Board, our Website and Facebook.

**Our Parish Council Meetings** are the second Wednesday of each month plus, just for any extra planning meetings needed, the last Wednesday of the month, both in the Meeting Room of our Village Hall at 7:30pm.

### NOTE FROM THE EDITOR:

I feel it is really important to make mention of the death of our Queen Elizabeth II on 8<sup>th</sup> September.

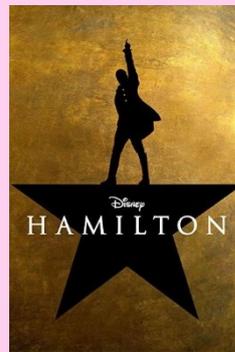
Everyone in the community of North Curry will have their own reflections on her life; some had the privilege of knowing her better than others, but she was our Monarch for all the lives of many of us.

I appreciate that this is a delayed message, but I would like to say a massive "Thank you, Ma'am" for everything.



We have 2 brilliant films for you in October.

Our first **Saturday Special** of the year is stunning – a recording of the live Broadway musical hit show **Hamilton** on **Saturday 15<sup>th</sup>**.



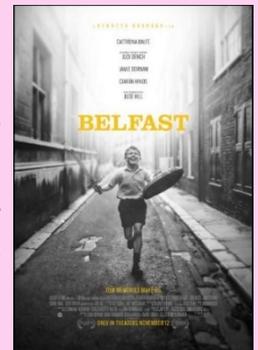
**Hamilton** takes the story of American founding father Alexander Hamilton and creates a revolutionary moment in theatre – a musical that has had a profound impact on culture, politics, and education.

Doors open at 2:30. Film starts at 3:00.

**Belfast**, on **Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup>**, is the OSCAR and BAFTA winning tale of 9-year-old Buddy experiencing The Troubles in 1969.

As increasing turmoil surrounds his once peaceful neighbourhood, Buddy tries to understand. This semi-autobiographical story by Sir Kenneth Branagh brings to life the difficulties faced by Buddy's family, confronted by the reality of sectarian violence, and the choices they have to make to stay safe.

Doors and Bar open at 7:00. Films start at 7:30



**North Curry Village Hall, Greenway**

## Produce Market October

Once again, we had a very successful market in September. We were a few stalls down but will be back up to full capacity in October with our veg, cakes, bread, honey, meat, wine and Chocolate tables. We are also selling St. Margaret's hospice Christmas Cards. This month we are supporting the McMillan Coffee Morning by giving all the money raised from our coffee sales to their cancer appeal. I would also like to thank our team who help the Market be a success by coming month after month. Janet & Pam for the Raffle; Rob & Andy who make those delicious bacon butties and Tom & Rob for setting up and putting away the tables. 🍌🍌



## White Street News (North Curry Sport)

### Pitches

Thanks to all volunteers who do loads of work keeping the pitches in shape, in particular to Mark Joliffe organising the annual work in dressing the cricket wickets.

### Cleaner

We need a new cleaner to keep the pavilion neat and tidy. Twice a month and about 4 hours each day. If you're interested, please phone Laurence on 01823 490474 or 07546 239833 or email [whitestreet@northcurry.com](mailto:whitestreet@northcurry.com)

### 200 Club:

Congratulations to these winners: Youth Football, S Billinghamurst, Jean Steer.

There are a few places left in the 200 Club. It costs just £12 to enter for the year. Just send a message to: [whitestreet@northcurry.com](mailto:whitestreet@northcurry.com) All proceeds support the running of the White Street site. Thank you!



## North Curry & District Amateur Gardeners

Our next meeting will be on **Friday 7<sup>th</sup> October** when our speaker will be Claire Hart talking about "How to grow enough vegetables for a family in a very small garden". This sound like an interesting topic particularly as everything gets more expensive.

It will also be our **AGM** which starts at **7:15pm** and we ask you please to attend if you possibly can as this is your club and we need your input and support. This support is especially needed this time as **we need at least two new committee members**. It's a long time since we had to ask, so please come forward if you are the slightest bit interested. The committee is very friendly and informal and none of the jobs are too onerous. Please do help to keep our gardening club going!

Meetings are held on the first Friday of the month in North Curry Village Hall at 7:45 for 8:00pm. Guests and new members are always welcome so do come and join us for the talk and stay for coffee and a chat afterwards. We have very good biscuits too!

## IN AID OF THE APPEAL OF BELLS

### What did you do in Lockdown Grandpa?

Is a question put by Julian Comrie FRPS, and one which he will endeavour to answer with stories and photographs.

Stories of village life, and events before and after lockdown will add to the evening's entertainment

**Friday 21<sup>st</sup> October at 8:00pm**

**Doors open at 7:30pm**

North Curry Village Hall

Tickets £10

including a glass of wine/soft drink

Tickets available from the Post Office  
or online

[www.ticketsource.co.uk/appeal-of-bells](http://www.ticketsource.co.uk/appeal-of-bells)

**Rescheduled from 12<sup>th</sup> November 2021. Tickets from the original talk will still be valid.**

We were very disappointed to have to cancel the Barn Dance on 17<sup>th</sup> September due to poor ticket sales. Refunds are available at the Post Office on presentation of tickets.

The concert by Mary Stewart-Wilson and Friends was cancelled in the light of the death of HM the Queen. Quite apart from whether it would have been appropriate to continue, we were told that churches may not hold performances after the death of a monarch. The intention is to reinstate the concert, but it is too early to confirm a date. If you wish to claim a refund on your ticket, please go to the Post Office or contact us via TicketSource, depending on how you bought it. Alternatively, feel free to hold on to your ticket and it will be valid when the concert eventually takes place.

### CHANGE OF DATE:

Due to unforeseen circumstances, the **Village Quiz and Supper Evening** will now take place on **SATURDAY 19<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER**.

Doors open from 7:00pm.

Martin Baldock is Quizmaster.

Teams of 6 – Tickets £12 per person, available from Jenny Satchwell [490463].

Bring your own glasses and wine.

Proceeds to Church Music Funds.

See you there!

## Music at North Curry parish church



On the evening of Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> November, the folksinger **Nick Hart** promises a rare insight into the nuances of traditional music. He is also an incredibly funny performer: expect belly laughs between captivating songs.

Tickets £15 from the Post Office, heavily subsidised by the Take Art Rural Touring programme, bringing quality entertainment to Somerset villages.

More musical events are planned for November and December, including some special choral services and productions for Advent and Christmas.



## A History of Cider



Continuing our new season of talks, on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> October James Crowden - broadcaster, Apple Day Poet Laureate and author of **Cider Country (how an ancient craft became a way of life)** - examines the story behind Somerset's local brew.



"Fizzing with fruity stories and yeasty historical tales"  
Alice Roberts

"Top research and inspiring opinions"  
Oz Clarke

"A tour de force of luminous writing"  
The Spectator

Our meetings start at 8:00pm (gathering and refreshments from 7:30pm) in North Curry Village Hall, generally on the third Wednesday of each month with a chance to engage in further discussion afterwards. There is a pleasant, sociable atmosphere and visitors are very welcome. Whether you are a visitor, new to the Society or an established member, we look forward to welcoming you.

The annual subscription is now due (£15, our first increase in more than 30 years!); As always, casual visitors welcome; the charge for visitors is now £5 for the evening.



## Barn Dancing Club

If you were disappointed by the cancellation of the Appeal of Bells Barn Dance in September, then you may be interested to know that our barn dancing club meets in the village hall on the first Wednesday of most months. Our next session will be on **Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> October from 7:30 to 9:30pm**. This will be the second of our new season and will 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.

## Village Litter Pick 29<sup>th</sup> October

The Parish Council is organising a Litter Pick on **Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> October**. We're meeting at **the Village Hall at 10:30am**; please come along to help if you possibly can. All you need is a pair of gardening-type gloves – yellow jackets, sacks and litter-pickers provided.

Many hands make light work and it all helps to maintain a clean, tidy and healthy environment for everyone.

Of course, even if you can't get there on the day, litter can be picked whenever you're out and about in the parish.

For further details please ring the Clerk on 490136 or Brian Jeanes on 490623.

## ARE YOU A LADY WHO COLLECTS SOMEONE FROM SCHOOL ON WEDNESDAY AFTERNOONS?

We would like to extend a warm invitation to you, to come to the Village Hall; be entertained or interested by our speaker; enjoy a cup of tea and some sociable chat – and still be in time to make your connection!

North Curry W.I. members voted their agreement to start their meetings at 1:30pm [instead of 2:00pm], so all the business should be over by about 3:00pm.

We would really love to see you. Our speaker on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> October is Denise Spragg from Sangha House in Taunton. She will explain the new technique which bridges the gap between Pedicure and Podiatry. Denise is one of only about six practitioners of the technique in the U.K. so we are looking forward to an interesting afternoon.

Make a date – Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> October at 1:30pm in North Curry Village Hall. See you there!

## Worship in the parish church

### 2<sup>nd</sup> October

8am BCP Eucharist  
10am Harvest Eucharist

### 9<sup>th</sup> October

10am Eucharist

### 16<sup>th</sup> October

8am BCP Eucharist  
6pm Evensong

### 23<sup>rd</sup> October

10am Eucharist

### 30<sup>th</sup> October (All Saints' Sunday)

Summertime ends: clocks go back at 2am

10am United Benefice Eucharist  
4pm Evensong for All Souls' Eve

### 6<sup>th</sup> November

8am BCP Eucharist  
10am Eucharist

**Daily Prayer** at 9:00am on weekdays in the Athelney parish churches:

**Tuesdays** Stoke St Gregory, **Wednesdays** Burrowbridge, **Thursdays** Lyng, **Fridays** North Curry.

On 30<sup>th</sup> October, there is a 10:00am Eucharist at North Curry for the Athelney parishes.

That Sunday at 4:00pm we remember those who have died in the past year and those still on our mind. If you wish a loved one to be remembered by name at that service, please speak to the Vicar or one of the churchwardens for them to be put on the list.

Revd Dr Simon Bale [vicar@athelneybenefice.com](mailto:vicar@athelneybenefice.com)

07970 936325 | 01823 491587 Athelney Vicarage, Stoke Road, TA3 6HN

## The Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal 2022

Formed in the aftermath of the First World War to fight for the rights of those who had given so much and come back to so little, Remembrance-tide is always particularly significant for the Royal British Legion as it continues, for more than a century, to stand alongside this country's military, veterans, and their families.

The annual Poppy Appeal is the major single source of revenue for the Royal British Legion's Benevolent Fund, providing lifelong support for the Armed Forces community. There will be collection points within the Parish of North Curry between 27<sup>th</sup> October and 12<sup>th</sup> November; please give generously. Remembrance Sunday this year is on 13<sup>th</sup> November.

Enquiries regarding the 2022 Poppy Appeal may be directed to Alex Drake, on 07941 559956.

'To the memory of the Fallen and the future of the Living.'



# NORTH CURRY TODDLER GROUP

Hot & cold  
drinks, healthy  
snacks & cake  
included!

COME AND JOIN US FOR SINGING,  
CRAFTS, STORY TIME AND FREE PLAY!

Babies, Toddlers, pre-schoolers and all care givers welcome



North Curry  
Village Hall  
Every Monday  
from 9AM - 11AM  
£2.50 per family



[nctoddlergroup@gmail.com](mailto:nctoddlergroup@gmail.com)



@northcurrytoddlersgroup

## North Curry Village Hall

To hire the hall, go to

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

no internet? then phone 07967 139636

For issues other than hiring  
email [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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