



NORTH CURRY NEWSLETTER

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North Curry Parish Council

THE CORONATION OF OUR KING MAY 6TH 2023: We would like to put together a celebration event, but we would really like to know what sort of celebration you would like to see. Please get in touch with any ideas, we hope to put together a brilliant Parish celebration!

CORONATION MUGS: Your Parish Council have taken the decision to present celebratory Coronation mugs to all children in the Parish under the age of 12 to commemorate the Coronation of King Charles III in May. A few extras will be available to purchase on a first come first served basis afterwards. More details will follow soon!

DOGS ON FOOTPATHS: Please ensure your dogs are under control if off-lead on the footpaths. We have received some complaints of dogs behaving aggressively towards people and other dogs when off lead. We want everyone (both dogs and humans!) to be able to enjoy the footpaths equally.

WARM ROOM UPDATE: The Warm Room venue is changing from the Church as it is unfortunately not warm enough and may be too far for some to walk. The Warm Room will be moving to either the Village Hall or Playing Fields Pavilion, please keep an eye out for updates in the bus shelter notice board, and our Facebook page, and pass the updates on to others. The Village Agent, Tina Talbot, friendly and in confidence, is there to help you where needed, and will now be available to all in the Parish Office. Details of times will soon be on the Parish Office door and noticeboards.

FLOODING: Flooding has been a great problem throughout the Parish and surrounding areas, hopefully it is receding now. We hope everyone is managing to navigate the flooding, please continue to be careful and take note of signage (your car insurance will be invalid if you ignore them!). Hopefully the situation will improve soon, please reach out to others if you need any help.

THE PARISH COUNCIL OFFICE opening hours are:
Wednesdays 10:00am – 1:00pm
Thursdays 1:00pm – 4:00pm
Telephone No: 01823 490136 or contact us at parishcouncil@northcurry.com

PARISH COUNCIL DIARY FOR FEBRUARY 2023: 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.

ALADDIN 2023

Well, here we are again and it's panto time. After all the hard work, laughter and not too many tears, the panto is coming together well. All we need now is our wonderful audience to boo and hiss Abanazar, our baddie, and then to cheer on Widow Twankey, our fabulous dame. Laughter a plenty with our madcap policemen and no panto complete without the love story of the Princess and her beau. All the ingredients for a good time for all.

Do come and support our great cast and crew, to make all their efforts worthwhile. Tickets are on sale at the North Curry Post Office and dates for the show are Tuesday, 14th February to Saturday 18th, with a matinee Saturday afternoon. Look forward to seeing you there.



From an age before digital communications, comes a romantic tale of a transatlantic relationship.

When a script-reader from New York sees an ad in the 1949 Saturday Review of Literature for a bookstore in London that does mail order, she begins a very special correspondence and friendship with Frank P. Doel (Sir Anthony Hopkins), who works at Marks & Co., **84 Charing Cross Road.**



Anne Bancroft won a BAFTA in 1988 as Best Actress for her portrayal of Helene Hanff.

The unusual relationship lasted for 19 years as correspondence grew from simple transactions to include stories of colleagues and families. But what becomes of them when they meet

after many years? This film explores the issues of friendship and communication.

SATURDAY February 4th

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

North Curry Village Hall, Greenway.

£5pp. Cake with tea or coffee just £2

Biography Drama UK/USA 1987 PG 100m



20 Years of Photography: customs, characters and countryside

Pauline Rook ARPS lives in South Petherton and works across rural Somerset. She has been documenting rural life for over 20 years, recently exploring the world of monochrome photography with an infrared-sensitive digital camera. She walks for hours and miles in the Blackdown Hills, looking for echoes of hard manual work by generations of farmers in this wet and stony land.

NCS meet at the Village Hall, generally on the third Wednesday each month (but this month on **22nd February**, avoiding Pantomime week). Doors open 7:30pm for refreshments and chat, with a chance to engage in further discussion with the guest speaker afterwards. Visitors always welcome - the charge is £5 for the evening, so it's worth becoming a member at £15 for the rest of the year up to our AGM in July.



White Street News (North Curry Sport)

200 Club:

Congratulations to these winners: M Baxter, K Sutton and N Grant.

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

All proceeds support the running of the White Street site. Thank you!

Improvements

Thanks to Phil Stone for his work on the trees.



NORTH CURRY W.I.

It's our Birthday!

There has been a group of ladies meeting in North Curry since 1928, under the auspices of the Women's Institute.

So we're going to have a party to celebrate our 95 glorious years on Wednesday 1st February, starting at 1:30pm in North Curry Village Hall.

The Women's Institute has changed a lot in that time – but the basics of being a place for ladies of all ages to come together for socialising; to learn something new; to have a say about things that concern us; and to enjoy a cup of tea together – they are all the same.

If you would like to find out more – come to the Villager Hall at 1:30pm on Wednesday 1st February – we'd love to see you!

North Curry and District Amateur Gardeners

Our first meeting of 2023 is on Friday 3rd February in North Curry Village Hall. 7:45pm for 8:00pm.

Our speaker is Mikey Little from Avon Bulbs talking on "Roses - my journey to and from work". An intriguing title - you will need to come along to find out more!

We are enthusiastic gardeners from North Curry and the surrounding areas.

From September to May, on the first Friday evening of the month we meet at 7:45pm in North Curry Village Hall, when speakers entertain us on a variety of gardening and related topics. Many bring plants to sell.

Coffee, tea, biscuits and a chat round off the evening.

In the summer months we visit gardens near and far, either by coach to the furthest or by car to those nearer.

Sociable, fun, knowledgeable – something for everyone with an interest in gardening and plants.

Why not join us? New members and visitors always welcome.

Membership £12.00 p.a.

Visitors £3.00 per visit.

Need more info?

Phone Sue on 01823 491658 or email northcurrygardeningclub@gmail.com

Warm Room

There will be a Village Warm hub starting on Tuesday 17th January from 12 noon to 3 o'clock continuing for five weeks.

Tea, coffee and cold drinks will be free.

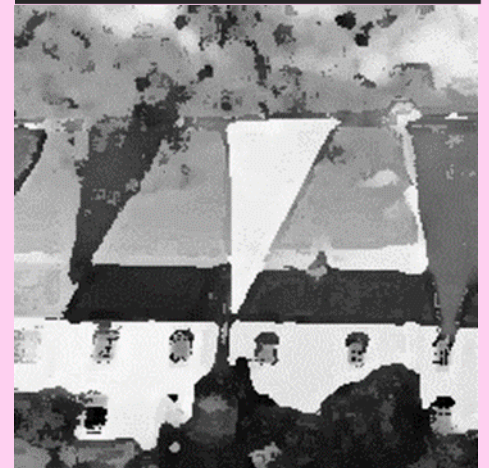
Soup and a roll will be £1.50.

If anyone would like to make soup or cake 🍰 please get in touch with Anne Williams on 01823 490319 or 07531 382078

Christmas in the Square

The Committee of the North Curry Pavilion and Playing Field would like to extend their heartfelt thanks to all those who made Christmas in the Square 2022 possible. After two years away, it was great to be back and we hope you all enjoyed it. We would like to say a huge thank you to everyone who came along to support us and to all the wonderful people who made it all happen, particularly Alison and Noel from the Post Office, and the residents of Queen Square. There are too many people to name, but you know who you are - and thank you!

NORTH CURRY MAY FAIR



* NEW COMMITTEE SUPPORT URGENTLY NEEDED *

Since 2020, this much-loved annual event has been unable to run due to Covid and a struggling committee. Plans to re-establish the fair are being considered but, like many other groups, it is dependent on individual support coming forward to make it happen. Getting involved is not difficult and there are many varied roles to fill. Find out how you can help put this village event firmly back on the calendar! Further details available from Jacky on 490456 or by email at northcurrymayfair@gmail.com

Produce Market

January's market didn't go well but thank you to those villagers who did come. I will make sure the notice boards are out next month.

4th February is the next market and my last for a couple of months. I hope to be passing it on to a nice couple more info next month.

The market won't be closing I am just taking a vacation but will be back in May.

I am sorry to say our regular meat stall is closing so if there is anyone who would like to do a meat stall, please get in touch with Anne Williams on 01823 490319 or 07531 382078.



Worship at North Curry parish church February 2023 (amended 7th January)

5th February Third Sunday before Lent

8am BCP Eucharist
10am Eucharist

12th February Second Sunday before Lent

10am Eucharist

19th February Sunday next before Lent

8am BCP Eucharist
4pm Evensong

22nd February Ash Wednesday

7pm Benefice Eucharist

26th February First Sunday of Lent

10am Eucharist

5th March Second Sunday of Lent

8am BCP Eucharist
10am Eucharist

Daily Prayer at 9am on weekdays in the parish churches:
Tuesdays at Stoke St Gregory, **Wednesdays** at Burrowbridge, **Thursdays** at Lyng, **Fridays** at North Curry.

For **Weddings, Baptisms** and **Funerals**, see the Vicar:
The Revd Dr Simon Bale vicar@athelneybenefice.com
07970 936325 | 01823 491587 Athelney Vicarage, Stoke Road, TA3 6HN.

Thinking of holding an event and need a venue?

Maybe you are looking to hold a special anniversary celebration, a family get together, a work event, wedding reception or something similar – if so, take a look at our website for various room availability, pricing and terms & conditions.

The Village Hall is located in Greenway, North Curry and has over forty parking spaces, including 3 accessible parking bays and 2 electric car charging bays.

Facilities include:-

- Wi-fi throughout building
- Stage with professional level lighting and microphones
- Overhead projectors, screens and hearing loops in main hall and meeting room
- Fully equipped kitchen
- Cutlery and crockery
- Tables and chairs
- Serving hatch from kitchen to main hall
- Seating for up to 160 visitors (layout restrictions apply)
- Heating throughout building
- Rooms bookable individually

If you would like to visit the Hall to see what is available, please contact our bookings officer on 07967 139636 or visit the website at www.northcurryvillagehall.org.uk

North Curry Village Hall

To hire the hall, go to

www.hallbookings.northcurry.com

no internet? then phone 07967 139636

For issues **other than hiring**
email 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

or email pavilion@northcurry.com



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