



NORTH CURRY NEWSLETTER

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North Curry Parish Council

ALLOTMENTS: We are offering a 'final call' for residents who would like an allotment to get in touch with the Parish Clerk. There are three plots remaining on Greenway Allotments; if they are not taken soon, the Parish Council will consider offering them to other neighbouring villages to ensure they are used and kept tidy. The empty plots were dug over this year so it would be a great shame to see them become overgrown once again from lack of use!

CORONATION MUGS: If you have reserved a Coronation mug for yourself or your children or asked to be put on the waiting list for one, they are still reserved and waiting for you in the Parish Office. Please come along and collect them soon! There are also a very small number of mugs yet to be reserved so it's not too late to get one.

OVERGROWN HEDGES: All the rain and sunshine has certainly led to huge growth of vegetation! Please can you ensure that hedges are kept trimmed so as to not block paths or roads, or obscure road signs or junctions. It is a householder's responsibility to maintain their hedges. Please do so safely, especially if working near a road.

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 AUGUST 2023: see the Parish noticeboard, 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.

North Curry Produce Market

Saturday 5th August

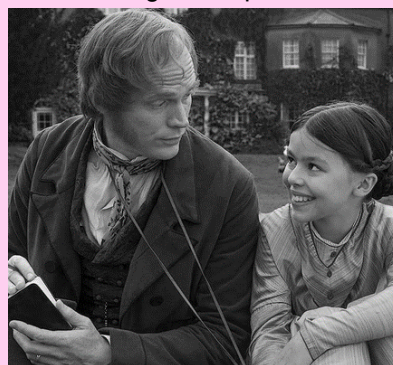
We have Bread, Cakes and a wide variety of vegetables, honey and chocolates.

Thank you all who came last month there was a lovely atmosphere.

I am still looking for help in the kitchen serving tea & coffee. Please contact Anne Williams on 07531382078.



This month we are showing the film **Creation**. Torn between faith and science, and suffering hallucinations, English naturalist Charles Darwin struggles to complete 'On the Origin of Species' and maintain his relationship



with his wife. The film will give you insights into Darwin the person, as much as his ideas. The film is on **Wednesday 23rd August.**

Doors & bar open at 7:00pm, with the film starting at 7:30pm. Also open to non-members (£5 on the

door). This is the last film of this season. Details of the next season will be available at this film and around the village later on.

Please see our website: www.northcurryfilmclub.org.uk or Facebook page for updates.

NORTH CURRY FLOWER SHOW
2023

Saturday, August 12th, 2023

Entries to be in by
9th August

Art entries to be delivered
to the hall, between 5 - 6pm
on Friday, 11th

Open to the Public 2.00 - 4.30

Prize giving at 4pm

Schedules available from North Curry Post Office

The Big Breakfast Two Dates for Your Diary

**Sunday 24th September and
Sunday 10th December
both 8:30am to 1:00pm**

The last BIG BREAKFAST in June was such a great success, that we're going to do it all over again!

It's just an opportunity to get together and meet people.

Sincere thanks to everyone who helped, in any way, last time – it was much appreciated.

MORE DETAILS NEARER THE TIME.



A special invitation to...

'Art in the Country'

Monday 14th August, 10:00 – 12:30
(with an option to stay a little longer)

**at North Curry Methodist Church
& Garden**

A gently-led opportunity to draw, paint, create with Anne Thomas – all levels of ability welcome!

Beginning at 10am with coffee, refreshments during the morning, bring a picnic lunch if you wish.

Come and create some 'key-hole' pictures.

For those interested, there could be the opportunity for an after lunch 'sketching walk' around the village collecting ideas for future creations.

Sounds interesting? Relaxing? Fun?

Book with Anne 01823 350590 or Deborah 01823 334854, or just come along!



Summer is racing by and our lunch specials are proving very popular which change weekly for just £5. A range of homemade bakes are also on offer or maybe a cheese scone and chutney or a cream tea may take your fancy! Local arts, crafts, cards and jewellery stocks are refreshed every 6-8 weeks so keep an eye out for our new displays. Our opening hours are Tuesday-Sunday 10am-5pm.

If you would like to join our friendly team of volunteers, please leave a message for Alison Stone on 01823 491414 or email coffeeshop@northcurry.com.

ARGYLE PRODUCTIONS @ NORTH CURRY



**Shows: 13th to 17th February 2024
North Curry Village Hall**

**AUDITIONS: Sunday 3rd
September**

**at The Williams Hall
Stoke St Gregory from 2pm**

Director: Greg Phillips
Choreographer: Karen Kral
Musical Director: Natalie Clayton

Book by MICHAEL STEWART
Music and Lyrics by JERRY HERMAN
Based on the play 'The Matchmaker' by Thornton Wilder

'Hello Dolly' is presented on behalf of
Tams Witmark in association with Concord Theatricals

Well, here we are, it's summer and we're getting ready for the start of our next production in February - 'Hello Dolly'.

If you remember, this starred Barbra Streisand, Michael Crawford and Walter Matthau, and was directed by Gene Kelly. A story of matchmaking in New York!

We are holding open auditions at the Williams Hall on Sunday 3rd September, and hope to see faces old and new. There are fabulous roles to be had, for a range of ages and voices.

If you would like further information or to receive the audition piece in advance, please contact the Director, Greg Phillips, by phone 07914 668915 or Email greg.phillips2@btinternet.com

North Curry Environment Group

A few weeks ago we held the inaugural meeting for this new group with an encouraging number of people attending. Many topics were raised as points and suggestions for us to engage with and take forward; these ranged from promoting grow-your-own vegetables, rewilding some local areas, and planting trees to solar panels and even a wind turbine, to name a few.

A committee has been formed to help coordinate and steer the group as we go forward and try to protect and enhance our local environment and combat climate change.

If you missed this and wish to join in please contact us via climateactionatnelney@gmail.com or on 01823 490623.



White Street News (North Curry Sport Ltd.)

200 Club

Congratulations to this month's winners: R Perry, a Youth Football Club member and a Cricket Club member.

Visitors Changing Room

As you may know, we suffered a water leak a while ago. We are dealing with the insurance claim which is taking longer than expected. The room can be used in the meantime and we look forward to having a fully restored room soon.



Barn Dancing Club

Our next session will be on **Wednesday 2nd August at 7:30pm** in the village hall.

This is the last one before the new season starts in September; come along for a free trial before deciding whether to join next month. It's 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.



The Society will be taking its summer break during August. Hope you were regaled and entertained by Colin Trim's saunter round the village last month, and a taste at the AGM of talks to come in the new society year starting 20th September. In the meantime, have a refreshing summer break.

Harvest

North Curry will be celebrating the harvest on the evening of 30th September with a traditional Harvest Supper in the Village Hall. Tickets will be available next month in the Post Office; details in the September Newsletter. Harvest Festival at 10 o'clock the following morning.



NORTH CURRY WI

This month we take a break from our regular meetings in the Village Hall, on the first Wednesday of the month.

However, our President has issued a very relaxed, informal invitation to turn up at Monkton Elm Garden Centre on Tuesday 15th August at 11:00am.

The emphasis is on informal – just turn up if you haven't got anything to do then and hopefully there will be one or two familiar faces to have a mooch around the garden centre with. Look out for familiar faces at the entrance.

We will resume our usual meetings in the Hall on Wednesday 6th September at 1:30pm.

North Curry WI is a group of ladies from all walks of life and of all ages, who meet to get together with friends old and new – so if you would like to come and meet us – you are very welcome.

Until then, happy holidays!

North Curry Music Festival

Many thanks to all of you who supported the Music Festival in June. It was a great weekend with music from local, national and international performers. And wonderful to see all ages from pre-schoolers upwards attending different events.

From the feedback we've had there is a definite appetite to continue with the Festival next year.

We want it to have something for everyone in the community – so we would love to hear your views on the types of events we should put on or the performers you would like to see, or any other thoughts about the festival you might have.

Please email any comments to our festival email at musicfestivalnc@gmail.com.

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

Church Services at North Curry

6th August

8:00am

10:00am

11:00am

Transfiguration of Our Lord

Prayer Book Eucharist

Eucharist

Methodists Service

13th August

10:00am

11:00am

3:00pm

Tenth Sunday after Trinity Proper 14

Eucharist

Methodists Holy Communion

Methodists Summer Praise

20th August

8:00am

11:00am

6:00pm

Eleventh Sunday after Trinity Proper 15

Prayer Book Eucharist

Methodists Service

Evensong

27th August

10:00am

11:00am

St Bartholomew Twelfth Sunday after Trinity Proper 16

Eucharist

Methodists Service

3rd September

8:00am

10:00am

11:00am

St Gregory Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity Proper 17

Prayer Book Eucharist

Eucharist

Methodists Service

Morning Prayer is said each day at 9am on weekdays in each of the parish churches in turn:

Tuesdays at Stoke St Gregory, **Wednesdays** at Burrowbridge, **Thursdays** at Lyng, **Fridays** at North Curry. The prayer time lasts around 20 minutes and is a peaceful and enriching start to the day. All are welcome; you simply need to turn up.

The Revd Dr Simon Bale vicar@athelneybenefice.com

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

Reverend Deborah Kirk Superintendent Minister

Taunton Deane and South Sedgemoor Methodist Circuit 01823 334854

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We are starting a **family drop-in morning** at the parish church from 10am on Thursdays throughout August (and beyond if there is the demand). Catering especially for babies, toddlers and under-fives and their older siblings and parents.

Tree Planting in North Curry

The Parish Council have decided to put a small amount of funding aside to encourage residents to plant trees, working with a charity called Re-imagining the Levels (RtL) who will provide residents who are interested in planting with free advice and, where possible, provide suitable small trees and protection free of charge. A range of locations will be considered, including gardens, open spaces, farms and other landowners with fields.

There will be a wide variety of small trees and shrubs available, but they will be mainly native species and they will be mostly be between 50cm and 80cm high. Advice and help may be available for larger and more exotic species and while advice will be available, residents have to provide these themselves. An arrangement with Greenshutters nursery at Fivehead for a small discount is being explored.

In some cases, help with tree planting may be available but we would hope that most residents would want to do this themselves, especially if it's only a few trees. For any larger scale planting, which would benefit the Parish, volunteer planting may be possible. Larger schemes may involve bids to other funding organisations which RtL would organise.

If you are interested contact Parish Councillor Phil Stone by email at phil.stone7@icloud.com or mobile 07826 489523.

Stoke St Gregory Tennis Club, incorporating North Curry

Junior Tennis Summer Holiday Camps

📅 8th & 22nd August 📅

🕒 9:00am – 3:00pm

💷 £20 per day per person

- ✅ Qualified coaches
- ✅ Suitable for ages 5-16
- ✅ All abilities welcome
- ✅ Meet new friends
- ✅ Have loads of FUN!

To book, please contact:

Luke Andrews - Latennis@hotmail.com
07437 404242

Other enquiries to: SSG Tennis Club -
ssgtenniscub@gmail.com 07956
981679

www.facebook.com/Stokestgregorytennis



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>

Summertime Concert with Gregory and Ellen Steward

Brother (tenor) and sister (soprano) will sing duets from The Sound of Music, Carousel and Oklahoma at the parish church on Saturday 12th August at 7:30pm. You may have heard them as soloists at North Curry Village Choir concerts, and been intrigued by their theremin, controlled by the performer without physical contact, which they will demonstrate again.

Gregory and Ellen were both music scholars at Queen's, Taunton and are honours degree students in Voice at the Royal Welsh College of Music and Drama.

Tickets, to include a complimentary glass of wine or soft drink, are available at the Post Office for £12 (under-18s free).





The Big Bash



is back!

Sunday 27 August 2023

Bar

**Live Music by
SNAPPA &
Andrias
Guerin**

Hog Roast
included with [ticket](#)

Marquee





Dancing

Gates Open 5:30 pm

White Street Sports Ground

Tickets £20

**From North Curry Post Office*, Friends of
North Curry School, & North Curry Cricket Club**



This is our main event of the year for raising funds to manage this wonderful sports ground for children, young [people](#) and adults. We appreciate your support.



North Curry Sport Ltd.

*thanks to Alison & Noel