



NORTH CURRY NEWSLETTER

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North Curry Parish Council

CALLING ALL BUSINESSES/CLUBS/GROUPS/ORGANISATIONS:

We are currently trying to make sure all contact details are correct on the North Curry website. Please can you check that your details are correct on the website, and contact the Parish Clerk if they are not, or if you would like your organisation added to the website.

RUBBLE ON THE DROVE: Thank you to all who have reported the fly tipping on the drove, please rest assured the Parish Council are in conversations with the relevant bodies trying to get this cleared.

PARKING BY THE VILLAGE SHOP/POST OFFICE: We are currently receiving complaints about people parking inconsiderately when visiting the shop; please ensure you do not park in a way that blocks the entrances to the shop or obscures the junction, making it difficult for people to pull out safely.

FUTURE WORKS IN QUEEN SQUARE GARDEN: Some tidying will be happening in the near future, including removal of a conifer and one holly, and tidying of the other shrubs and holly, to improve the look of the garden. The Prunus Tree will most likely be removed for safety concerns. A planning application will be completed for these works.

FOOTPATH GATES: Please can you ensure you properly close any gates when using the footpaths, as unfortunately there have been a few recent incidents where gates have been left open and livestock have escaped.

VOLUNTEERS FOR CHILDREN SERVICES: Somerset Council are looking for volunteers to help with roles including supporting families and young people, or being part of the Schools Appeals Panel. For more information visit <https://volunteering.somerset.gov.uk>

THE PARISH COUNCIL OFFICE OPENING HOURS ARE:

Wednesdays 10:00am – 1:00pm

Thursdays 1:00pm – 4:00pm

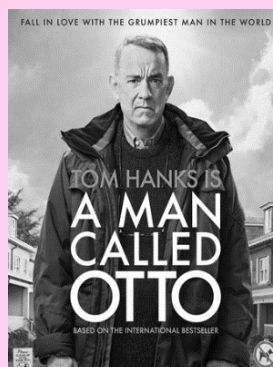
Telephone No: 01823 490136 or contact us at parishcouncil@northcurry.com

PARISH COUNCIL DIARY FOR SEPTEMBER 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.



We open our **new season** of films on **27th September** with **A Man called Otto**.



Otto is a grump who's given up on life following the loss of his wife and wants to end it all. When a young family moves in nearby, he meets his match in quick-witted Marisol, leading to a friendship that will turn his world around.

Our new season will have a wide variety of films - comedy, nostalgia, serious and fantasy. You'll find programmes in many places

including the Coffee Shop & the Stoke shop.

We hope you'll join. We have had to increase prices by £2.50 but we think this is still good value at £27.50 for 12 films. Come along and join!

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 W.I.

We're going to get active at our meeting in September!

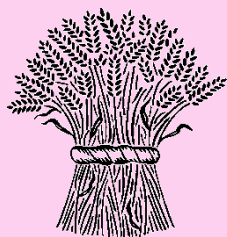
The Ladies of Walton W.I. have kindly agreed to challenge us to a Curling match - no, not hair rollers but curling 'stones' - on wheels - and they will be bringing all the equipment that's needed.

This is on WEDNESDAY 6th SEPTEMBER at 1:30pm, in the Village Hall. It promises to be a whole lot of fun and we'd love to see you, if you'd like to join in.

One of our members, Brenda, has stepped forward to organise some Skittles for us too - thank you, Brenda. More details about that at the meeting.

On Thursday 14th September, a party of our members are going to the Brewhouse to 'Rave On'. A proper 'knees up' to remember with huge thanks, our late President, Di Keyzar. We are a group of ladies who get together to enjoy each other's company, and possibly learn something along the way. DO come and join us!

The Parish Church of St Peter & St Paul
North Curry



Welcomes you, your family and friends to

Harvest Supper 2023

in the Village Hall
Saturday 30th September
7:00pm for 7:30pm

Tickets on sale at the village Post Office **£12**

Limited seating: please buy your ticket by 27th September to ensure that we have enough
Delicious Food for you all.

Ukulele band will play and there will be a Raffle and Quiz!

You are welcome to bring your own drinks;
cider & soft drinks provided



Wednesday 20th September

25 years in HM Diplomatic Service



For the start of the Society's 2023-24 year, ex-High Commissioner Sir Peter Wallis KCVO, CMG will talk about life and diplomacy in Namibia and Malta.

Sir Peter, an Old Tauntonian, brings fascinating insights into the work of a senior diplomat representing HM Government overseas.

With tea or coffee at 7:30pm, the talk will start promptly at 8:00.

Membership cards will be available as you enter the hall; please have your annual subscription ready (£15, or £5 if you are just coming as a visitor – it will be credited if you decide to join!)

The North Curry Society meets at the Village Hall, generally on the third Wednesday each month, for talks relating to local or natural history, archaeology & architecture and the people who have lived in and around the village. Visitors always welcome.

A DATE FOR YOUR DIARY....



The BIG Breakfast



is coming
to North Curry Village Hall

Sunday 24th Sept
from 8:30am 'til 1:00pm

Come and meet old friends and maybe make some new. Enjoy a hearty home cooked breakfast, at a great price, which includes a bottomless coffee or tea. As well as good food we will have the Sunday papers for you to enjoy or have a flutter on the Human Fruit machine and guess the sweets. All ages welcome.

Please put this in your diaries.

North Curry Village Choir

Autumn Rehearsals

We resume on

Thursday 14th September, at 8:00pm

in the

North Curry Village Hall

New Members Welcome

Our next concert is on

Thursday 8th December 2023

If you would like to join us, or discuss the possibility, please contact our Choir Secretary by phone or Website Contact Form

Tel: **Barbara Lancey on 01458 252657**

Website: www.northcurryvillagechoir.org



ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

Calling All

We are now an informal social group, meeting up once a month to share news and views over a drink (or two!). It can be a lonely place being a veteran, but whether you are currently serving, in the reserves, or have served in the Armed Forces - you, and your family, will always be part of the Veterans' community. So come along, pull up a bollard, ammo box or chock, and be amongst friends.

Muster point – **The Bird in Hand** on the first Saturday of the month at 19:00. "Standby to standby!"

Want to know more? Contact Mike Fleming - 07855 454333

North Curry Youth Football Club - News

In the blink of an eye one season finishes and another begins! We had a great 2022-23 season and currently have 142 boys and girls enrolled with us!

Massive congratulations to last seasons Under 14 team for winning their league title, the first title that NCYFC has won!

The 2023-24 youth football season 'kicks off' **Saturday 9th September** with league, cup matches and training at the White Street sports ground.

Matches at White Street will be advertised in next month's pink newsletter and club Facebook page, please come and support our young players.

To build on last year's success we have big ambitions with a 5-year plan to establish ourselves as one of the best local grassroots football clubs.

Come and join our aspiring community football club!

To support our ambitions we are seeking volunteers in the form of football coaches, social media and marketing support, fundraising, volunteer co-ordinators and support from anyone willing to visit us on a Saturday or Sunday.

In particular this coming season we are really keen to find someone to help cut grass and line the pitches, we have some of the best facilities and equipment in the area.

If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Vince Jeffery (club welfare officer) via email v47j@icloud.com or phone 01823 490486.

For any other enquiries please contact: Jon Carter (chairman) email jonathan.carter@hotmail.co.uk or phone 07852 007299.

Art classes

Art classes will be resuming at the Pavilion every Thursday, term time, from 7th September. A friendly group, with art tuition and guidance from an experienced teacher. A very varied programme of techniques, styles and topics. All abilities welcome. £10 per week, payable in half termly blocks from when you first start. Please contact Claire Jeanes for more information on 07900 095222 or by email clairejeanes@hotmail.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 2:00pm

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

Our next production, February 2024,
is - 'Hello Dolly'.

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

We are excited to be bringing this show to North Curry and are holding open auditions at the Williams Hall on **Sunday 3rd September**. There are fabulous roles to be had, for a range of ages and voices, so we encourage you to get involved, on stage or behind the scenes. We have lots of fun and laughter and it certainly brightens up the dreary winter months.

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

Produce Market

The Produce Market went well in August.

We need more stalls so if you would like to sell your produce, please contact me.

Di and Marianne were wonderful in the kitchen and I hope they come back. We still need help, working on a rota basis, so that it's not always the same people helping.

Please keep supporting your village and enjoying our Bacon Butties.



White Street News (North Curry Sport Ltd.)

Big Bash

Thank you to everyone who attended. We hope you had a good time. Let us know if you have any suggestions for next year:

write to whitestreet@northcurry.com

200 Club

Congratulations to this month's winners: S Bethune, B Thomas and a Youth Football Club member.

Visitors Changing Room

Repairs now finished for teams to enjoy.



Barn Dancing Club

Our barn dancing club meets in the village hall from 7:30 to 9:30pm on the first Wednesday of the month, our next session being on **Wednesday 6th September**. This will be the start of our new year and will be an excellent opportunity to sign up for membership. Annual subs 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 a small fee per session thereafter. No previous experience is necessary as we have a superb and very patient teacher who brings CDs for the music and helps to make it a real fun evening. He sometimes tries to get us to take it seriously but invariably fails! We do a mixture of old and new, English and American. We have total new beginners and folk who have spent their whole life dancing. We enjoy good company, good cheer and good exercise, both mental and physical, with refreshments and a rest at half time. Singles, couples or groups always welcome.

For further details phone Brian or Kathryn on 490623.

Church Services at North Curry September 2023

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| 3rd September | Festival of St Gregory the Great |
| 8:00am | Prayer Book Eucharist |
| 10:00am | Eucharist |
| 11:00am | Methodists Service |
| 10th September | Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity Proper 18 |
| 10:00am | Eucharist |
| 11:00am | Methodists Service |
| 17th September | Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity Proper 19 |
| 8:00am | Prayer Book Eucharist |
| 11:00am | Methodists Service of Holy Communion |
| 6:00pm | Evensong |
| 24th September | Festival of St Michael and All Angels |
| 10:00am | Eucharist |
| 11:00am | Methodists Service |
| 1st October | Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity Proper 21 |
| 8:00am | Prayer Book Eucharist |
| 10:00am | Harvest Eucharist |
| 3:00pm | Methodists Harvest Festival Service |

Morning Prayer (The Daily Office) is said each day at 9:00am on weekdays in the parish churches:

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

Music at the parish church



Cruise in your Pews

Following the Stewart brother/ sister duets in August, cruise sensation **Anthony Stuart Lloyd** continues the new season of North Curry concerts with a nautical theme, featuring songs you know: 3pm on Sunday afternoon 10th September in the parish church. Tickets £15, to include refreshments afterwards, available at the Post Office counter in North Curry Village Stores.



Iris Harp Duo

Then on 23rd September Lucy Melvin returns with her violin, this time as part of a duo with harpist Keziah Thomas. Starting at 7.30pm and hoping to attract a variety of ages: tickets £15 again, but with a reduction for early-bird sales at the Post Office, half price for 13-18 years, FREE for 12 year-olds and younger. There'll be some singing towards the end - audience participation encouraged.

More music will be announced over the coming months, including the Village Choir concert in December.

Autumn, and all things 'Appley', is upon us!

This year marks the 10th anniversary of the start of our apple juicing adventure. Over these years we have helped dozens of local people by enabling them to make thousands of bottles of delicious juice, using apples which would very often have otherwise gone to waste.

We started with hired equipment in Stoke St Gregory Village Hall inviting people to bring their apples along to engage in sometimes messy but always very rewarding days of pressing, bottling and pasteurising. After a couple of years we bought our own kit so we could expand group apple pressing days and also hire it out to those who wished to do their own at home, sometimes working with others.

We continue to do this with group sessions at Knappwoods Farm and to offer the equipment for hire; everything needed from the apple mincer to pasteurisers can be hired for £30 per day. Bottles can also be supplied if needed.

Please get in touch if you'd like to take part or hire, letting me know roughly when you think your fruit will be ripe so that I can do my best to coordinate you with others.

On **14th October** the new **North Curry Environment Group** is having an **Apple Day PLUS** at White Street Sports Field; this will be centred on the pavilion but will include forays into the wildlife area beyond. It should be a fun afternoon with apple pressing, music, games etc, etc.

It's hoped that there will be a solar panel display and advice for those who wish to reduce their carbon footprint. Put the date in your diary!

For further information contact us through www.climateactionathelney.co.uk or Brian on 490623 or by email bandk@bkjeanes.co.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

NORTH CURRY PAVILION & PLAYING FIELD

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](https://www.facebook.com/NorthCurryPavilion)