



The Parish of PAULERSPURY NEWSLETTER

No 521 September / October 2022

September		
Tues 6 th	Good Neighbours Club	Pitts Tuckers 2-4pm
Thurs 8 th	Horticultural Soc. Growing food, not gluts – Hazel Roberts	Village Hall at 7.30pm
Sat 10 th	Ride and Stride	Northamptonshire Churches 10am to 6pm
Mon 12 th	Crafty Monday Meeting	Village Hall, New Room (side door) 2-4pm
Thurs 29 th	Parish Council Meeting	Paulerspury Village Hall. 7:30 pm
October		
Sat 1 st	Macmillan Coffee Morning	Village Hall 10:00am-12:00noon
Tues 4 th	Good Neighbours Club	New Room, Village Hall 2-4pm
Mon 10 th	Crafty Monday Meeting	Village Hall, New Room (side door) 2-4pm
Thurs 13 th	Horticultural Soc. The History of gardening in 100 objects – Michael Brown, The Historic Gardener	Village Hall at 7.30pm
Tues 24 th	Deadline for Next Newsletter	By 6pm to rwspub@aol.com
Thurs 27 th	Parish Council Meeting	Paulerspury Village Hall. 7:30 pm
November		
Tues 1 st	Good Neighbours Club	New Room, Village Hall 2-4pm
Fri 18 th	Christmas Market	St James' Church 5pm to 8pm
Thurs 24 th	Parish Council Meeting	Paulerspury Village Hall. 7:30 pm
Sat 26 th	Towcester & District Art Society Christmas Exhibition	
Sun 27 th		

Thank you to everyone who supported the Tea Party for Ukraine. £1108 was raised and sent to the DEC Ukraine Humanitarian Appeal.

Thank you all for your generous support.

David & Kate Wilson

Bonfires

By the amount of smoke that has been engulfing the village in recent days, it is evident that the practice of lighting bonfires has restarted. Not only is this anti-social (especially during a time when it is too warm to have doors and windows closed) but incredibly dangerous.

We are fortunate to live in a village with lots of surrounding countryside, but with the lack of rain (drought has been declared in Northamptonshire), the ground is tinder dry, increasing the risk of fire. We definitely don't want an occurrence in the village of what recently happened in Milton Keynes:



Gov.UK states "You cannot get rid of household waste if it will cause pollution or harm people's health. This includes burning it. You can get rid of household or garden waste by composting or recycling it. You could be fined if you light a fire and allow the smoke to drift across the road and become a danger to traffic."

Therefore the parish council requests that we all act responsibly and avoid having bonfires, especially during this prolonged dry spell.

Village speed limit

The speed limit through the villages is 30mph. The recent success of the speed watch campaign proves that the overwhelming majority of people driving through the village abide by this.

However, there have been several reported "near miss" incidents in certain areas and also reports of "repeat offenders" flaunting the legal speed limits.

The parish council would urge all drivers to observe the limits that are set for everyone's safety. Failure to do so may lead us to seek police involvement.

Services at St James the Great Church.

Sunday 4th September Evening Service at 5.30pm.
Sunday 11th September Holy Eucharist at 10am.
Sunday 18th September Please see whittlewoodparishes.org.uk
Sunday 25th September Messy Church at 10.30am.

Sunday 2nd October Evening Service at 5.30pm.
Sunday 9th October Holy Eucharist at 10am.
Sunday 16th October Please see whittlewoodparishes.org.uk
Sunday 23rd October Messy Church at 10.30pm.
Sunday 30th October Benefice Holy Eucharist at Abthorpe at 10am.

Weekday Eucharist is usually held at St James on Tuesday mornings at 9.30am. Any unavoidable changes will be on the church noticeboard. Please use the Whittlewood Benefice website for further information on Zoom services etc

Church Fête

The Parochial Church Council and the organisers of the Church Fête would like to thank all who contributed to the success of the Fete held on 4th June as part of the Queen's Jubilee Weekend celebrations. As a result of the generosity of all those who supported the event by giving up their time to help with assisting in preparations, attending on the day to run stalls and attractions, buying advertising space in the Fete Programme and not least all of you who came to enjoy all that was on offer, a profit of just over £4,000 was made to help in supporting St James the Great Church in Paulerspury.

Ride and Stride – Northamptonshire Historic Churches Trust.

SUPPORT NORTHAMPTONSHIRE'S BEAUTIFUL CHURCHES

RIDE + STRIDE

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE HISTORIC CHURCHES TRUST
Saturday 10th September 2022 between 10am and 6pm

a day in the open air ... plan your own route



+ stunning churches and chapels to visit - many of them open and welcoming visitors

All sponsorship money received will be divided equally between the NHCT and the church or chapel chosen by you. Sponsorship forms and a list of open churches and chapels are available from your local organiser:- Edward Crawford

Northamptonshire Historic Churches Trust

Registered Charity No 1021632 For more details see our Website: www.nhct.org.uk

This is an ideal opportunity to raise money for your local church whilst enjoying the countryside. If anyone would like further details, please contact Edward Crawford edward@crawford.co.uk

Book the date

Friday, 18 November 2022 Christmas Market in St James' Church 5 PM to 8 PM

Trade stalls, mulled wine, craft beers, hotdogs, cakes/savouries, hot drinks, raffle.

If you are interested in booking a trade stall please contact Nigel Blackwell Mobile: 07885 73100 Email: sebicuscottage@gmail.com



On Saturday 1st October 10:00am-12:00noon
We are holding a 'Macmillan Coffee Morning' at the Village Hall.
Please do join us for tea, coffee and cakes and help us raise money for this very deserving cause.

Becoming Villagers

My wife and I moved to Paulerspury at the start of September 2020. Though our immediate neighbours were friendly and welcoming, we were not at first able to make much headway settling into our new community due to the severity of the COVID restrictions then in place. Re-locating 155 miles at any age is a challenge, when you're elderly it's certainly beyond stressful, but doing so during a global pandemic makes special demands you'd really rather avoid.

We threw ourselves into exploring our new surroundings. After all, walking was free and relatively unaffected by COVID restrictions. Every time we passed an attractive-looking hostelry, we wished we could just have called in for some refreshment, or a nice lunch. But the doors remained firmly closed to all. Towcester U3A received us cordially, but meetings of the various interest groups were then relegated to Zoom, so it would be quite a while before we discovered how tall our new U3A friends were!

Fast forward to Summer 2021, when the first post-lockdown get-together of the Horticultural Society – hosted in the sunshine at Dorkingham House – gave us the first real chance to widen our village horizons. By now, too, we were able to visit the garden of the Barley Mow, with face masks still very much in evidence. Then in August, the combined Flower Show/Fete was held in the church and churchyard. We volunteered to help with erecting marquees as well as taking a turn on various stalls. This was a great way to get to meet villagers. The accompanying Art Exhibition also allowed us our first glimpse of the interior of the Village Hall. We had been passing it regularly for almost a whole year since our arrival, but, because of COVID, this was our first chance to enter its doors. Of course, we have used it many times since, not least when participating in the activities of 'the Horty'.

Our next chance to integrate came at the end of November with the Christmas Fair in the church, followed by the Carol Service in December. Although not churchgoers, we always enjoy a good carol sing-song, and the obligatory glass of mulled wine.

As life gradually returned to something like normal during 2022, we were obviously able to get more widely involved in village life. By now we had got to know quite a number of people in the village and become a part of various groupings. The Jubilee celebrations in early June and the Horticultural Show in August were further opportunities for us to get involved in the life of this wonderful village. We are living proof that Paulerspury is a very welcoming place to newcomers, especially if they make a point of showing that they are eager to be a part of this lovely community.

By Tony Pearson

GOOD NEIGHBOURS CLUB

SEPT. Tues. 6th 2 til 4pm At The Pitts Tuckers, next to Primary School, High St. Rear entrance. Usual raffle, , Tea/ coffee, cake.

OCT. Tues. 4th 2 til 4pm New room, Village Hall. Usual raffle, Tea/ coffee, cake.

NOV. Tues 1st 2 til 4 pm New room, Village Hall Usual raffle, Tea/ coffee, cake.

Successful Make, Bake & Grow Show

Thanks to everyone who made this year's show at Paulerspury Village Hall on Saturday 13th August a great success.

Despite the heatwave there were lovely vegetables, fruits and flowers on show. Also, fabulous crafts from patchwork quilts and knitwear to photographs and paintings. Bakers produced delicious cakes, quiches, jams and chutneys. Children's classes showed skill and creativity. The judges were very impressed!

We look forward to meeting exhibitors and visitors at next year's show.

Keep up to date at: <https://paulerspuryparish.org.uk/local-groups/horticultural-society/>



Paulerspury Horticultural Society

The 125th Horticultural show was a great success. Despite the recent hot weather there was an array of fruit and vegetables as well as cakes, preserves and crafts on show. It was wonderful to see the children getting involved with wonderful stories in shoeboxes and bug hotels. Thanks to all those who contributed and helped to make it such a success.

Please join us at our monthly meetings.

On September 8th we have a speaker on "Growing food, not gluts". Advice on growing sufficient for your needs, 7.30pm in the village hall.

On October 13th our speaker is Michael Brown, the historic gardener, with the topic being "The history of gardening in 100 objects", 7.30pm in the village hall.

Would you be interested in holding a joint garage sale in Paulerspury or Pury End on Saturday 24th September ? For more information or to register your interest please ring 811799



Can you help an older person to remain safer in their home?

Since 2019 Able Community Care has given out, free, almost 80,000 'DO NOT KNOCK' door stickers to older and disabled people who do not wish to answer the door to strangers.

Able Community Care is a nationwide, live-in care provider which was established in 1980. Originally, we just gave out door stickers to our clients, but the demand has grown and since then we have received requests for the door stickers from around the UK.

If you would like to receive any door stickers to give out to older or disabled people you know, please email to: info@ablecommunitycare.com with how many you would like to receive and an address to send them to. (No addresses will be kept or passed on) www.ablecommunitycare.com

Free Spare Parts for Whirlpool JT358 Microwave Oven

Turntable Diameter 14 $\frac{1}{8}$ " / 36 cm

Crisper plate Diameter 12 $\frac{1}{8}$ " / 31 cm

Stand

Contact 01327-811673

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We are looking for a volunteer(s) willing to act as organiser/liason/host for Film evenings. If you would be interested please get in touch with Simon Hopkins shops100@btinternet.com



CRAFTY MONDAY.

Crafty Monday dates: Monday 12th September Monday 10th October.

Paulerspury Village Hall Invites you to:

Thai Buffet & Dance

*Come and enjoy an evening of fabulous Thai food and dancing
Hosted by Toi Coates in aid of the Paulerspury Village Hall*

Tickets £20 pp which include Thai Buffet and Glass of Wine

Saturday 22nd October 2022 @ 7pm

Tickets available by contacting:

Paula Pearce on 01327 811463 or Sharron Taylor on 07789 995172

Wanted: Does anyone have any old garden terracotta pots they no longer need and would like to donate them to the Village Hall for planting Spring Bulbs?

Contact Sharron Taylor on 07789 995172

Field required for hire!

Athletics field events practice. Personal use (non-commercial). Professional Stony Stratford resident. Competitive rates paid. No Liability for landowner. Flexible times to suit landowner. Please contact Baydon on 07787193967 or baydon@homecountiesbodsled.co.uk. Thanks!

Depending on content received we are almost back to our usual Newsletter cycle

So if you have anything for the next issue please submit early. Dec/Jan will be joined - it's up to the content level if November stands alone or joins Dec/Jan as another triple issue!

ITEMS FOR Next Newsletter can be emailed to me on rwspub@aol.com or written and put through the door at 18 High Street, Paulerspury. Mobile : 07973 619397

Please note we are unable to accept commercial advertising.

Deadline for the Next Newsletter is Tuesday 24th October @ 6pm at the very latest.

Thank you. Robert