



The Parish of PAULERSPURY NEWSLETTER

No 529 February / March 2024



February		
Tues 6 th	Good Neighbours	Village Hall, Main Hall 2pm
Thurs 8 th	Horticultural Society - Master Thatcher	Paulerspury Village Hall. 7:30 pm
Mon 12 th	Crafty Monday Meeting	Village Hall, New Room (side door) 2-4pm
Fri 16 th	Coffee Morning	Village Hall, Side Room 10am - 12 noon
21 st - 24 th	Robin Hood - Panto	Village Hall
Thurs 29 th	Parish Council Meeting	Paulerspury Village Hall. 7:30 pm
March		
Sat 2 nd	Church Quiz	
Tues 5 th	Good Neighbours	Village Hall, Main Hall 2pm
Mon 10 th	Crafty Monday Meeting	Village Hall, New Room (side door) 2-4pm
Tues 11 th	Parish Assembly	Village Hall 7.30pm
Thurs 14 th	Horticultural Society - All things roses	Paulerspury Village Hall. 7:30 pm
Fri 15 th	Coffee Morning	Village Hall, Side Room 10am - 12 noon
Thurs 28 th	Parish Council Meeting	Paulerspury Village Hall. 7:30 pm
April		
Tues 2 nd	Good Neighbours	Village Hall, Main Hall 2pm
Mon 8 th	Crafty Monday Meeting	Village Hall, New Room (side door) 2-4pm
Thurs 11 th	Horticultural Society - Soil, more than just dirt	Paulerspury Village Hall. 7:30 pm
Sat 13 th	Musical Bingo	Village Hall, Main Hall
Fri 19 th	Coffee Morning	Village Hall, Side Room 10am - 12 noon
Tues 23 rd	Pre-school Bingo	
	St George's Day Lunch	
Thurs 25 th	Parish Council Meeting	Paulerspury Village Hall. 7:30 pm
May		
Tues 7 th	Good Neighbours	Village Hall, Main Hall 2pm
Thurs 9 th	Horticultural Society	Paulerspury Village Hall. 7:30 pm
Mon 13 th	Crafty Monday Meeting	Village Hall, New Room (side door) 2-4pm
Fri 17 th	Coffee Morning	Village Hall, Side Room 10am - 12 noon
Thurs 30 th	Parish Council Meeting	Paulerspury Village Hall. 7:30 pm

2024 Village Events At A Glance

21-24 February Robin Hood Pantomime
 2 March Church Quiz
 23 March Pre-school Bingo
 13 April Musical Bingo
 April St George's Day Lunch

8 June D-Day 80 Years On
 13 July Church Fete
 10 August Horticultural Society Show
 September Murder Mystery Evening
 5 October Race Night
 November Church Christmas Fair
Village Hall Coffee Mornings every 3rd Friday

Good Neighbours Group

Happy New Year everyone or should it be Peaceful and Healthy New Year! We took a break in January and in February we will be amusing ourselves with a spot of Bingo and also spend some time discussing this group's contribution to the D-Day celebrations in June.

In March Di's husband Tony is coming to talk to us on Television Memories.

April is still at the planning stage awaiting confirmation of speakers so more details at the next meeting.

May is traditionally our Birthday Lunch but at this point we are uncertain of the date.

Further details on all these plans will be available at our meetings so we look forward to seeing you all!

Any queries as usual to Jan on 811771

Services at St James the Great Church.

Please see below the schedule for Sunday Services within the Benefice.

Sunday 4th February Evening Prayer at 5.30pm.

Sunday 11th February Holy Eucharist at 10am.

Sunday 10th March Mothering Sunday Holy Eucharist at 10am. Posies will be distributed.

Ash Wednesday is on 14th February and there will be Holy Eucharist + Imposition of Ashes at Whittlebury at 9.30am and Silverstone at 7.30pm.

Weekday Eucharist is usually held at St James on Tuesday mornings at 9.30am. Any unavoidable changes will be on the church noticeboard. Please see whittlewoodparishes.org.uk for further updates.

Pancakes and Beetle Drive on Shrove Tuesday, 13th February in St Michael's Church Room at 7.30pm. We hope to hold the popular St George's Lunch in April – details to follow.

The Annual Quiz in aid of Church funds will take place on Saturday 2nd March in the Village Hall – please see poster for further details.

Advance Notice – Due to the D – Day celebration taking place on the 8th June, it has been decided to move the date of the Church Fete to Saturday 13th July. It will take place on Spinall's Field and further details will appear in a later edition of the Newsletter but please make a note of the revised date in your diary.



The Members of Paulerspury Parochial Church Council would like to express a massive "Thank You" to everyone who supported the Christmas Market held at St. James' Church on 24th November 2023 and made it such an enjoyable and successful event and also to those who sponsored the Christmas Lights in the Churchyard. In total a profit of £1,545 was achieved.

We shall look forward to seeing you all again next year.

QUIZ NIGHT

Village Hall, High Street, Paulerspury

IN AID OF ST. JAMES THE GREAT Saturday 2nd March 2024

Doors open 7.00pm Quiz starts 7.30pm

Tickets £10 each to include a Ploughman's Supper.

Teams of 6 (max) – We can make up teams on the night. Prizes and Raffle.



Bring your own drinks.

Tickets from Nigel Blackwell 07885 733100 sebicuscottage@gmail.com
Jane Sawbridge 07511 611422 jsawbridge@btinternet.com
Jeff Creek 07523034909 jeffreycreek@gmail.com

Paulerspury Players : Annual Pantomime

Don't miss out on the Pantomime of the Year!!

We want you to have as much fun watching Robin Hood as we have had rehearsing it.

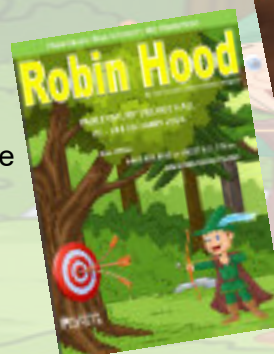
With three weeks to go we are finalising costumes, lighting and sound. We have a few rehearsals left until we'll be performing to our lovely audience.

Robin and his band need your cheers to spur them on to beat the evil Sheriff and King John. We need your boos to keep the baddies under control. We got some great songs, dancing and jokes -there's even a camel!! Come and join in the fun

Tickets are going fast – over half the tickets are sold with four weeks to go. We expect to sell out for most performances so if you are one of our regulars don't leave buying your tickets to the last minute!!

Performances are 21st – 24th February
– the matinee is sold out!!

Tickets at www.paulerspuryplayers.com
or phone Jo on 0845 833 4910 or 01327 811 578





PAULERSPURY PARISH COUNCIL

Paulerspury, Pury End, Heathencote & Pury Hill

ANNUAL PARISH ASSEMBLY MONDAY 11 MARCH 2024 7:30PM



This is not a Parish Council Meeting but rather an informal forum for ideas and discussions and for you to express your views; on any matter affecting the Parish. Anything proposed at the meeting will then be considered by the Parish Council.

Local groups are invited to attend to report on their activities during the past year and for the year going forward.

Wine and soft drinks will be served. We look forward to welcoming you to the meeting.

Maggie Down, Clerk to Paulerspury Parish Council

PAULERSPURY PARISH COUNCIL VACANCY

Due to the resignation of Mr Corbett there is a casual vacancy on Paulerspury Parish Council. This will be filled by Co-option.

If you wish to join the Parish Council and would like further details please contact me -

Maggie Down

Clerk to Paulerspury Parish Council

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Scots Corner, High Street, Paulerspury, Towcester, NN12 7NA

The Parish Council would like to remind dog walkers that they should be aware that misuse, particularly in the form of dog fouling, may result in the closure of permissive paths within the parish. Permissive paths are those that do not legally carry public rights of access. The landowner chooses to grant the public access but has the right to close them at any time.



We are fortunate to have three book libraries in the parish and it is great to see that they are well used. However, it would appear that they are also being used as a bit of a "dumping ground" which not only makes them unsightly and difficult to use, but particularly at this time of year, anything left on the floor just spoils due to damp and mould. If you find that any of the book libraries are full, please consider taking your donations to any of the local charity organisations that will be very grateful to receive them, rather than leaving them as per the picture taken recently. I think that you will agree from the picture that this is not acceptable. Thanks must go to those individuals who try to keep our libraries tidy for us.

It has recently become apparent that the use of drugs is taking place in public areas of the parish, predominantly in the United Reformed Chapel Garden, Spinalls Playing Field and the Village Hall surround. Instruments used during these sessions are being discarded in these areas which poses a potential risk to others, in particular to children.

The police have been informed, who have requested anyone with information regarding these matters to contact Matthew Taylor at this email address - Matthew.Taylor@northants.police.uk

TOWCESTER & DISTRICT LADIES PROBUS CLUB

Have you heard about our ladies club?

We are an organisation for retired ladies.

We meet together on the first Thursday of the month at the Saracens Head Hotel In Towcester.

We enjoy a lunch, which provides fellowship and connectivity followed by a variety of speakers.

If you are interested, why not come along as a guest initially?

I am a resident of Paulerspury myself and my contact details are as follows.

Ann Nuttall (Current President) at ann.nuttall@gmail.com or mobile phone 07563522989

CRAFTY MONDAY

Crafty Monday Dates: February 12th March 11th April 8th

We are a group of 12 ladies, some knitting, some sewing, some crocheting. Members are always willing to help, advise and encourage so come along to the Village Hall. Payment is £1 to cover the cost of the room, we take turns providing tea, or coffee and biscuits.

D-DAY 80 YEARS ON The Village Hall Committee is now well into the planning of a 1940s themed day to be held on Saturday 8 June 2024 in celebration of the 80th anniversary of D-Day. All village interest groups have been invited to contribute to an afternoon exhibition aimed at all the family. A productive preliminary meeting was held with their representatives on 10 January, to be followed up with a further meeting on Wednesday 13 March, at which the groups will be firming up their plans. Make sure you're involved. This is going to be a memorable occasion. All reasonable ideas welcome.



What will you do to make the day a great success for Paulerspury? While not compulsory, period costume will add to the colourful 1940s mood. So perhaps you should give some thought to how you might dress for the day. Will you hire a military uniform or can you fashion something yourself? Will you, sir, dress up like a Spiv, or will you, madam, wear the dungarees and wellies of a Land Girl? Will you, ladies, sport a Mrs Mopp headscarf or get yourself a 'Victory Roll' hairstyle to go with a New Look skirt and seamed nylon stockings? There are plenty of possibilities to consider and prizes will be on offer for the best fancy-dress in various categories.

The Village Hall's décor will take us all back to the atmosphere of the 1940s with projected sounds and images, while Old King Kole's Merry Souls, a saxophone quintet, will be playing live music of the era at our licensed evening supper. You won't want to miss it.

More details to come via subsequent Newsletters, direct-mail shots and the Parish Community Group

Paulerspury Horticultural Society

Our AGM in December was well attended, & we have gained a new Chair who is well supported by the Committee. Homemade mince pies & mulled wine were enjoyed by all.

The New Year saw our annual "non-Horticultural" talk delivered by Tony Pearson - *The BBC during WW2*. This was very well attended.

February 8th sees a Master Thatcher coming to Paulerspury to talk about this ancient skill and to answer any questions about thatching in general.

We have Kerry Austen on 14th March to talk about "All things roses". If you enjoy roses, either growing them, or cutting for display, do come along!

For April 11th, we have a very interesting talk for anyone who is interested in growing things. Russell Atwood will be giving a talk on "Soil - more than just dirt". This will be looking at the structure of soil, how we can improve our soil, & there will be questions & answers at the end.

The society is using social media to engage with a wider audience, so if you are interested in following us on Instagram just put Paulerspuryhorticulturalsoc into the search box & it should pop up! The Society is also discussing the possibility of developing a website, so watch this space for new developments! We are always keen to have new members with new ideas or skills, so do get in touch if you want to find out more.

Meeting are always on the second Thursday of each month at 7.30 in the Village Hall.

For Sale

9 Basic white plastic garden chairs + green seat cushions. £30.

Ikea wall mirror 58x28cm suitable for a dressing table, can be mounted vertically or horizontally. £10.

Please contact 01327 811484

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Please note we are unable to accept commercial advertising.

Deadline for April/May Newsletter is Tuesday 19th March by 6pm. Thank you. Robert.