



The Parish of PAULERSPURY NEWSLETTER

No 530 April / May 2024



March		
Thurs 28 th	Parish Council Meeting	Paulerspury Village Hall. 7:30 pm
Sat 30 th	Towcester Art Society Easter Exhibition	Towcester Town Hall 10am - 4.30pm
Sun 31 st	Towcester Art Society Easter Exhibition	Towcester Town Hall 10am - 4.30pm
April		
Mon 1 st	Towcester Art Society Easter Exhibition	Towcester Town Hall 10am - 4.30pm
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 7pm
Fri 19 th	Coffee Morning	Village Hall, Side Room 10am - 12 noon
Sun 21 st	St George's Day Lunch	Paulerspury Village Hall. 12.30 for 1pm
Thurs 25 th	Parish Council Meeting	Paulerspury Village Hall. 7:30 pm
May		
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
Tues 14 th	Good Neighbours	Village Hall, Main Hall 1.30pm
Fri 17 th	Coffee Morning	Village Hall, Side Room 10am - 12 noon
Thurs 30 th	Parish Council Meeting	Paulerspury Village Hall. 7:30 pm
June		
Tues 4 th	Good Neighbours	Hillcrest, 2pm
Sat 8 th	D-Day 80 Years On	Village Hall
Mon 10 th	Crafty Monday Meeting	Village Hall, New Room (side door) 2-4pm
Thurs 13 th	Horticultural Society	Paulerspury Village Hall. 7:30 pm
Fri 21 st	Coffee Morning	Village Hall, Side Room 10am - 12 noon
Thurs 27 th	Parish Council Meeting	Paulerspury Village Hall. 7:30 pm

Further Village Events At A Glance

13 July	Church Fete	Paulerspury Short Mat Bowls Club meet every Tuesday Evening, 7pm to 10pm
10 August	Horticultural Society Show	
September	Murder Mystery Evening	Village Hall Coffee Mornings every 3rd Friday
5 October	Race Night	
November	Church Christmas Fair	

Good Neighbours Group.

2023 was a really successful year for us and we hope that this will continue into 2024. We already have speakers or other activities lined up until December and we started this year with a most entertaining talk by Tony Pearson on Television Memories. On April 2nd Martin Kincaid, the Biodiversity Officer with the Parks Trust, is returning to talk to us this time on Watching British Butterflies. Martin is involved in the conservation of endangered species. May sees our annual Birthday Lunch and members should note that this is a week later in May and will be on 14th. Please note also that this is for members only.

Subscriptions are due at £10 for the year. The lunch will be at 1.30pm and members are asked to arrive not before 1pm in order to allow the Pre school to leave. There will be the usual Raffle and a Bring and Buy. In June we hope for a fine day as we are again invited to Joanna's house at Hillcrest where we will enjoy afternoon tea with sandwiches and scones. Details of further meetings will be in the next newsletter.

A reminder that we are always looking for new members and anyone wanting to come along will find a warm and friendly welcome. Meetings are held in the Village Hall at 2pm. Any enquiries to Jan on 811771.

St James the Great Church

Services at St James' Church.

Sunday 24th March

Palm Sunday Service at Silverstone starting at The Methodist Church at 10am followed by procession to St Michael's Church for Holy Eucharist.
Holy Eucharist at Silverstone.

Monday 25th March – 9.30am

Holy Eucharist at Paulerspury.

Tuesday 26th March – 9.30am

Holy Eucharist at Whittlebury.

Wednesday 27th March – 7.30pm

Maundy Thursday – 7.30pm

Agape Eucharist followed by The Watch in Church at Silverstone.

Good Friday – 2pm

The Good Friday Liturgy at Slapton.

EASTER DAY 31st March

Family oriented Easter Eucharist & Easter Egg Hunt 10am Paulerspury.

Sunday 7th April

Confirmation Service at Silverstone at 10am.

Evening Prayer at Paulerspury at 5.30pm.

Sunday 14th April

Holy Eucharist at Paulerspury at 10am.

Sunday 5th May

Evening Prayer at 5.30pm.

Sunday 12th May

Holy Eucharist 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 see www.whittlewoodparishes.org.uk for further updates.

Many thanks to everyone who attended the Quiz Night last month. It was a great turnout and approx. £800 was raised for church funds.

On **Sunday, April 21st** we will be holding

The St George's Lunch

12:30pm for 1pm. in the Village Hall

Tickets- £20.00 – Children 5yrs – 11 yrs - £12.50

Traditional roast beef, puddings and cheese and biscuits. Tea and coffee

Please bring your own drinks and glasses.

As always there will be a Raffle.

Tickets available from Doreen Blackwell 811385 or Jane Sawbridge jsawbridge@btinternet.com

We need a minimum of 40 people to make this happen so tickets must be ordered by Tuesday 16th April.

CRAFTY MONDAY Paulerspury Village Hall, New Room (Side Door) 8th April. 13th May. 10th June
2-4pm

Knitters, Sewers, Crocheters - all crafts welcome. £1.00 to cover cost of room, tea & biscuits to restore energy.....

We are knitting 1940 designs, i.e. socks, gloves, balaclavas to demonstrate wartime Make Do and Mend for the D-Day Exhibition in the Village Hall on 8th June.

PAULERSPURY PARISH COUNCIL

Defibrillator Training

There are two defibrillators in the parish- one attached to the Primary School and one in the redundant telephone box, Lower Street, Pury End.

A training session has been arranged for 7.30pm Thursday 16th May.2024. It will take place in the Village Hall. Please come along as it may help you to save someone's life.



Towcester & District Art Society Easter Exhibition 2024
Towcester Town Hall, 86 Watling Street, Towcester NN12 6BS
Saturday 30th March 10am - 4.30pm
Sunday 31st March 10am - 4.30pm
Monday 1st April 10am - 4.30pm

Over 150 original works of art in all media for sale
Come support your local Artists. Free Admission
Visit us at Our Web site:-www.towcesterart.co.uk

Towcester & District Art Society is a small group of amateur artists living & working in & around the Towcester area. We hold exhibitions in Towcester Town Hall every Easter weekend & last weekend in November.



Paulerspury Horticultural Society

Since the last newsletter, the Society has enjoyed two very interesting talks. In February Nick MacKay spoke to us about his lifelong career as a Master Thatcher and in March, Kerry Austen gave us a talk on how to grow and care for roses. Both were very well attended and it was lovely to see some new faces join us for these very informative evenings. We all learnt a great deal.

On Thursday 11th April, Russell Attwood is coming to Paulerspury to speak to the group with a talk entitled 'Soil – more than just dirt'. He will be explaining why soil quality is so important and how we can support and improve the soil we have in our gardens and allotments.

The meeting on Thursday 9th May will be our very popular 'Plant and Pot Swap' evening. If you have excess seedlings, cuttings, plants or pots and other garden equipment you no longer need then bring them along to the village hall. You're sure to find some interesting items to swap and take home. If you have nothing to swap – don't worry – you still are more than welcome. There will be a small charge for any items that take your fancy.

In June, we have Richard Adams visiting to give us advice on how to make best use of our cameras to capture those special images of the plants and wildlife in our gardens.

Advance notice: Please join us for our annual **Make, Bake & Grow Show, on Saturday 10th August 2024**. Help keep this village tradition alive by entering your flowers and vegetables, preserves, cakes, handicrafts and more! There are children's classes too so make it a family event. The show schedule will be out at the end of May. Keep a lookout on our website for growing hints & updates: <https://www.paulerspuryhorticultural.co.uk>

Meetings are always on the second Thursday of each month at 7:30 in the Village Hall



Paulerspury Short Mat Bowls Club

We meet every Tuesday Evening, 7pm to 10pm, and we are always ready to welcome new members or those simply wishing to give our sport a try.

The sport is not as physically demanding as outdoor green bowls, but we like to think it requires as much skill, albeit slightly different skills. You can give us a try free of charge on three occasions before we ask you to join, and we have bowls of varying sizes for you to use.

At present it costs £3 per session once you have joined. We believe this is good value for up to 3 hours of gentle exercise and social interaction.

SO WHY NOT GIVE US A TRY-SIMPLY ROLL UP AT THE VILLAGE HALL ON A TUESDAY EVENING BETWEEN 7 AND 7:30PM. Ian Dale Secretary, 01908 542769



St. James Church will be taking part in the D Day Commemoration Event on the 8th June and is looking to provide a display relating to "Remembrance and Service" which is intending to honour and celebrate the memory of those individuals from the Village whose names appear on the War Memorial from WW2 and also to remember all those who served in any branch of the Services at home or abroad during WW2.

If you have any photos of a family member in uniform from this period and would like to have a copy of the photo together with a brief biography of them, possibly including details of their War service or stories they shared, as part of the display please get in touch with Jeff Creek phone 07523034909 email jeffreycreek@gmail.com before 13th May

D-DAY 80 YEARS ON



With only about ten weeks to go by the time you get this newsletter, plans for the **D-Day 80th Anniversary** celebrations at the Village Hall on Saturday 8 June are well under way. Various village interest groups are working hard on their contributions to the afternoon exhibition. Publicity will be out soon supplying further details of the day. Meanwhile help us make the Hall a suitable shrine to the 1940s by letting us know of any old heirlooms or mementoes you might be willing to lend to add to the period atmosphere. Oh, and start thinking about how you are going to dress up for the occasion. Let's make it the 'fun forties' for all ages.

Contact Tony Pearson: tony@diandtony.com or call 07789072014.

BINGO WITH A DIFFERENCE

Don't miss the Village Hall Committee's first promoted event of 2024

Musical Bingo

Saturday 13 April at 7pm Paulerspury Village Hall

You asked us for a Bingo Night and you're getting one! But it's Bingo with an enjoyable musical twist. Instead of numbers, the caller (or DJ in this case) plays snippets of well-known popular songs themed by decade or topic. Players who recognise a song and see it listed on their card mark it off as if it were a number. Players who go on to complete the card or line call 'Bingo' as usual. A true test of musical knowledge that will keep you on the edge of your seat. You can't afford to miss what promises to be a great social evening with Licensed Bar and Food.

Tickets £10 including Ploughman's Supper from: www.ticketsource.co.uk/paulerspuryvillagehall or call Colin 07840895500 or Sharron 07789995172

Paulerspury United Reformed Chapel

In July 2023 the Parish Council took ownership of the United Reformed Chapel cemetery. Prior to taking ownership much work needed to be done which was all funded by the Synod.

In order to create a new entrance a few old gravestones had to be lifted and placed against the wall which needed repointing. A path was laid down to the newer section of the cemetery.

Half of the stretch of ground being acquired was covered in brambles, weeds and dead trees and hidden amongst the tangle were three sheds. All had to be removed and grass turf laid. Shrubs and trees which were being retained were pruned as appropriate.

From now on the Parish Council will be maintaining the cemetery and facilitating interments and reservations.

Maggie Down Clerk to Paulerspury Parish Council

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

Please note that items need to fit the format, where there I need to adapt them, please supply text and graphics separately and send in good time. We are unable to accept commercial advertising. Deadline for June / July / August Newsletter is 24th May by 6pm. Thank you. Robert.