

Bits and pieces....

So here we are, at half way point through the year as far as the Chronicle is concerned—yes, already! I hope you all enjoyed the many bank holidays that we had during April, and the lovely weather that accompanied them.

Whilst working on this month's Chronicle, it's struck me just how many events we can look forward to over the coming months; fetes at the Church and at the school, the Open Gardens and the Summer Ball to name a few. Thank you to all of you who are involved in the organisation of these, I trust they will be well-supported.

Security within the village is something which should be an important concern for all of us. Personally, we had an odd event recently with an unknown caller and on the same day, a neighbour had a disturbing incident in their garden. Regular bulletins are sent by the police with local crime information, the challenge being how to disseminate this information. It has been suggested that these bulletins and any other information supplied by

villagers themselves could be circulated by e-mail. If you would like to participate in such a scheme, please send your email address to pipsandel@live.co.uk. I will create a database of addresses and will forward on the police bulletins, plus any other information which could help people to be vigilant.

Are you offered vouchers for schools when you shop at your local supermarkets and do you say no, thinking that you have no use for them? Think again! Farthinghoe School are always collecting these vouchers and would welcome all donations. Just drop them into the school next time you're passing. There is also a box on the bar at the Fox where vouchers can be dropped off when you're having a nifty pint—now there's an excuse to go for a swift one!

Ending on a more sombre note, the sad news has been received that Geoff Chilton, formerly of Farthinghoe, recently passed. Geoff will be remembered by long-standing villagers as the main builder of the village hall. Our thoughts and prayers are with his family and friends.

Pip Sandel, Editor

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Village News and Events



Open Gardens

On Sunday, 12th June, The Old Rectory, The Old Rectory Stable House, Windy Ridge and Folly Cottage will be opening their gardens from 2pm to 6pm for the National Gardens Scheme. Refreshments will be available at The Old Rectory and there will be a plant stall in case you are inspired by the beauty of the gardens. All of the properties are situated towards the end of Old Lane and signs will be up, showing directions. There will be an admission fee of £3.50 per adult with entrance for children being free. Proceeds will be going to charity.

Jenny Phipps, 01295 712128

Church Fete

The Church Fete will be held on Sunday, July 10th at 2.30pm at Farthinghoe Lodge. It will end at 4.30pm with Songs of Praise. If you are willing to help, running a stall or sideshow, helping to erect marquee etc or donating to the stalls, please let me know. New ideas welcome!

Rosemary Jarvis, 01295 711130

150 Club

For those of you who, like your editor, wanted to know more about the 150 Club, it is a fundraising activity for Farthinghoe Village Hall. Individuals buy a number for a year for £12 and in return they are entered into a draw to win £25 or one of two prizes of £10 each per month. All money that isn't paid out in prizes is used to help with the upkeep of the village hall. Contact Diane for more information.

The 150 Club winners for last two months were:

April			May	
£25	No. 77	Mr Wilde	No. 28	Mrs Mellor
£10	No. 17	Mr Styles	No. 14	Mrs Dorwood
£10	No. 70	Mrs Mason	No. 92	Mr Wilde

Diane Jones, 07578 171429

Village News and Events continued

The 2011 Summer Ball

The Fox will be hosting a Summer Ball on Saturday 16th July, with tickets at £30 per head for a gourmet BBQ and dancing. As well as being a fantastic night out, this year funds raised on the night (through both a raffle and an auction of pledges) will be donated to Farthinghoe School's laptop appeal. Please help us raise as much as possible not only by attending but by donating prizes for the raffle and/or making a pledge for auction.

The auction of pledges at last year's Ball raised £1,000 for the chosen cause. We'd like to beat that this time so please help us do so by making your pledge. It really can be anything ... from dog walking to tax accounting, gardening to a portrait sitting, party provision to a pleasure flight ...

Last year's pledges included a day on the farm, gardening, curry for 6 and fresh produce boxes.

Please think what you can offer. Anything and everything pledged will help raise funds to buy laptops which will help the children, and school, thrive.

If you'd like to make a pledge (or make a donation for the raffle), please email summerball@thesteane.co.uk or drop details of your pledge into school or The Fox (don't forget to include your name and contact details). For further details or to buy your tickets, the same contacts will help you out.

Charity Tea Dance (20th March) - a thank you

The following letter was sent to Diane Jones from Don and Sheila of Brackley:

"Just a few lines to say thank you for the afternoon of excellent music in aid of Katherine House Hospice. We really enjoyed the afternoon, it went far too quickly. We are sorry you had so few people attend. The ones that did not come missed a feast of music and a good tea!"

Thank you, Diane, for all the time and effort you put into arranging this dance and we hope that the lack of support on the day won't deter you from future events—it is appreciated by many.

School Fete

A date for your diaries in July... Farthinghoe School's Festival of Food and Fun will be held on Saturday 2nd July from 3pm to 5pm. As the name suggests, there will be a food theme for the fete! Further details will follow in next month's Chronicle.

Quiz Time—the number 6

It's June, the 6th month of the year, so questions are based loosely around the number 6. Answers are towards the back of the Chronicle.

1. From the song, "The 12 Days of Christmas", 6 what?
2. In baseball, what position is number 6?
3. By what name is the British Secret Intelligence Service often referred to?
4. What instrument is used to measure the angle between two visible objects (its primary use is to measure the angle between a celestial object and the horizon)?
5. What is the 6th astrological sign of the zodiac?
6. Why is the number 6 scared of number 7?
7. Which Swedish tennis player, who won 11 grand slam titles between 1974 and 1981 (including 5 consecutive Wimbledon titles) was born on 6 June 1956?
8. Who played 'Number 6' in the 1960's cult TV series, The Prisoner?
9. 6 is the atomic number for which chemical element?
10. Joe McDerry won the 6th series of which popular TV series in 2009?

Clubs and Societies

Mothers' Union

Brackley Deanery Mothers' Union are holding their Wave of Prayer service on Thursday, 16th June at 7pm at St Peter's Church, Brackley. There will be a collection for MU Worldwide Fund. All are welcome.



Clubs and Societies continued

Farthinghoe Friends

We will be meeting on Tuesday, 7th June from 2.30pm to 4pm in the Village Hall. We have a guest speaker, Steve Flinders, who will be talking about "My Nutty Family". Please feel free to come along—new Friends are always welcome!

Guides—from Pippa Parnell

If anyone is interested in joining guides or if there are any adults that would like to help, please let me know: tel. 01295 710346.

Scrabble Club

The Scrabble Club meets on the third Wednesday of the month. New members are always welcome. Please ring 01295 710397 for more information.

Little Angels

Little Angels is a toddler group held every Tuesday during school term time at the village hall, between 9.30am and 11.30am. Some people ask why we are called Little Angels when perhaps other names would be more appropriate! I believe it is because the group was originally set up with funding from church and as our church is St Michael of All Angels, the group took on part of the name. We are a friendly group where parents or carers have the chance to have a cuppa and chat while their little ones play. Each week there is a craft activity, snack, stories and songs for the children to enjoy. Just come along, if you have any questions please contact me, Lena, on 01295 711726.

Julia, who runs the group with me, is expecting a baby and is due in June, therefore if anyone is interested in helping to run the group or would simply be able to give me some help in setting up, tidying up or running a craft activity, please come along for a chat or give me a call. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Julia, on behalf of myself and everyone who comes to Little Angels, for all her hard work with the group over the last few years and wish her all the best for arrival of baby.



New Seafood Nights

Every Thursday & Fridays our chef Paul, will be creating some extra seafood dishes, using fresh seafood delivered daily by our fishmonger. What is featured depends on what is available fresh each day. To help enjoy the seafood on Thursdays we reduce the price of our bubbly with our House Champagne at just £24, and Prosecco at £15.

Two courses for £10

This great deal continues – a main course with starter or dessert for just £10, served Monday to Saturday from Noon to 2.30, and from 6.00 to 6.45pm

Happy Hour

A great way to finish the working week with two hours of discount beers and wines! From 5pm to 7pm every Friday night Carlsberg, Youngs and Strongbow pints are reduced to £2.50, and a large glass of our Chilean Sauvignon Blanc or Merlot is just £3.30. From 6pm to 7pm we also offer our meat or fish boards to share at half price – just £5

Curry Night

Tuesday Night is our Curry night – a freshly prepared meat curry, with a vegetarian curry available too, with rice, pickles & poppadum for £8, and that includes a glass of house wine, pint of Youngs or Carlsberg or a soft drink! We also have a number of side dishes including Pete's delicious home made spicy onion bajjis.

Sunday Lunch

Every week our full menu is served from Noon to 4pm, with specials of freshly roasted meats with Yorkshire pudding, fresh vegetables and gravy.

Four Bed & Breakfast Rooms

With rates from just £50, call us or pop in or you can now check availability and rates on line through our website. All our rooms are double bedded, with en-suite shower, plus include a continental breakfast hamper.

Food to Take Away

Home late & don't fancy cooking give us a call and order some food to collect and take home. We serve takeaways from Monday to Thursday from 6pm to 9pm, better still why not come up, place your order & enjoy a drink whilst we prepare your take away.

Party Party Party

There are all sorts of parties we can help you celebrate, Birthdays, Christenings, Engagements and even Wedding receptions. We can suggest menus and layouts for groups at The Fox or if your numbers are larger with our sister company Indievictual we can plan and bring the whole party – food, décor, furniture & bar to your venue. Ask us for details

Fathers Day Lunch

Sunday 19th June 2011. We will be serving our full menu, with additional specials of freshly roasted meats, so come and treat Dad. For every father dining there is a free bottle of chilled premium Spanish ESTRELLA beer.

The Village Ball

Saturday 16th July 2011. This year we will again be hosting the Farthinghoe Village Ball. Similar to last year there will be a great band to dance to, a wide and varied buffet/barbeque meal and a late bar. The event will help raise money for the local school and will feature an auction of items and promises!

In addition to our special menus we serve our full menu Monday to Saturday at lunch and dinner, and from 12 to 4 on Sundays. On Sunday evenings we serve a short menu between 6pm and 8pm
We do advise early booking to ensure we have space available for you when you wish to dine.

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The Charity of Thomas Amphlett (212077) Farthinghoe Almshouses

The trustees of the Thomas Amphlett Charity have a single vacancy available at the Farthinghoe Almshouses. The property is a one bedroom dwelling with garden.

Strict Charity Commission rules apply to the qualifications of almspeople, details of which will be supplied on application.

Trustees invite candidates to apply who are resident in the parish of Farthinghoe or the surrounding area at the time of appointment. Preference will be given to those aged 60 and over, but younger applicants will be considered.

Please apply in writing for an application form to:

The Charity of Thomas Amphlett
c/o Mrs M Wadlow
Manor Cottage
7 Main Road
Middleton Cheney
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And return your application form by 16 June 2011 to:

The Charity of Thomas Amphlett
c/o Mrs J Forbes
Manor House
Steane
Brackley
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Parish Council

The Parish Council has taken responsibility for the bus shelter near to the Church. The roof has been repaired and the shelter will shortly be stained to improve its appearance and to protect it from the worst of the weather. A number of villagers have taken the time to tidy up the area around the bus shelter and we would like to thank Mary Sharman, Pauline and Bud Mason, Pip Sandel and Dave Clayton for their assistance and generosity.

Two of the three vacancies on the Parish Council, created since the recent election, have been filled by Nigel Heywood and Neil Downing.

The next Parish Council meeting (Public Time 7.00pm – 7.15pm) will be held in the meeting room at the Village Hall on **8th June 2011**.

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Trivia Corner—June in History



1st	1979	Rhodesia ends nearly 90 years of white minority rule
2nd	1953	Coronation of Queen Elizabeth II
	1976	Lester Piggott wins the Derby for a record 7th time aboard Emperie
3rd	1865	Birth of King George V
4th	1738	Birth of King George III
	1940	The last Allied soldier is evacuated from Dunkirk
	1989	Tiananmen Square massacre
5th	1963	John Profumo, Secretary of State for War, resigns after admitting lying to Parliament over his relationship with Christine Keeler
6th	1944	D-Day: the Allied invasion of mainland Europe begins
8th	1999	Ex-cabinet minister Jonathan Aitken jailed after admitting he lied during a libel action
9th	1983	Margaret Thatcher leads the Conservatives to a landslide second term election victory...
11th	1727	Death of King George I
	1987	... and she gets a record third term as Prime Minister
12th	1964	Nelson Mandela sentenced to life in prison for sabotage
13th	1991	Boris Yeltsin becomes Russia's first popularly elected president
16th	1963	Russian Valentina Tereshkova becomes the first woman in space
17th	1239	Birth of King Edward I (Longshanks)
18th	1965	The government announces that it will introduce a blood-alcohol limit for drivers
19th	1566	Birth of King James I
	1978	Ian Botham becomes the first player in the history of the game to score a century and take 8 wickets in one innings of a Test Match (vs Pakistan at Lords, 108 and 8-34)
	1982	'God's banker', Roberto Calvi, found hanged under Blackfriars Bridge, London
20th	1837	Death of King William IV
	1984	The government announces that, from 1988, GCSEs will replace O-level and CSE qualifications in a major shake-up of exams
21st	1377	Death of King Edward III
	1982	Prince William born at 21:03 BST at St Mary's Hospital, London, weighing 7lb 1½oz
22nd	1941	Germany invades the Soviet Union, breaking the non-aggression pact signed by the two countries in 1939
23rd	1894	Birth of King Edward VIII
26th	1830	Death of King George IV
	1963	In defiance of the Soviet Union, President JF Kennedy declares American solidarity with the citizens of West Germany in his famous "Ich bin ein Berliner" speech in Berlin
28th	1491	Birth of King Henry VIII
29th	1960	BBC TV Centre in Shepherd's Bush, London, opens

Dates for your Diary

Tues 7 June	Farthinghoe Friends	2.30pm	Village Hall
Weds 8 June	Parish Council meeting	7.00pm	Village Hall (public)
Sun 12 June	Open Gardens	2.00pm	Old Lane
Weds 15 June	Scrabble Club	7.00pm	
Thurs 16 June	Mothers' Union	7pm	St Peter's Church, Brackley
	Wave of Prayer service		
Friday 17 June	Deadline for Chronicle		
Fri 24 June	Digital TV advice	2.00pm	Village Hall
Sat 2 July	Festival of Food and Fun	3pm	Farthinghoe School
Sun 10 July	Church Fete	2.30pm	Farthinghoe Lodge
Sat 16 July	Summer Ball	7.30pm	The Fox

St Michael & All Angels Church, Farthinghoe

We seem to spend so much time rushing from one thing to another and jamming more and more into our already overfull diaries that it was a real joy for me to lead our Benefice Quiet Day at Stanton House this week. It was a wake-up call to remind each one of us that we need to make more time to stop and listen to bird song, to examine the intricate beauty of God's creation and to just "be". We are so blessed to live in this beautiful part of England.

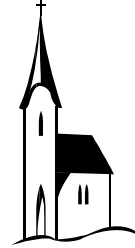
Our Parochial Church Council (PCC), at their May meeting, took time away from agenda items to discuss how we saw Farthinghoe Church, and how we thought others and God saw us. We came up with a Vision Statement, which will form the basis of our future planning; we hope you agree it describes our church in our village...

"Farthinghoe Church is an historic building, open and welcoming to all. A place of learning, tradition, peace and tranquillity that is much loved."

Quiz answers:

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|-------------------|------------------------------|
| 1. Geese-a-laying | 6. Because seven eight nine! |
| 2. Shortstop | 7. Bjorn Borg |
| 3. 6 or MI6 | 8. Patrick McGoohan |
| 4. A sextant | 9. Carbon |
| 5. Virgo | 10. The X Factor |

In coming months, there are some special events for which we hope you will join us; our Church fete is on the afternoon of Sunday, 10th July, ending with open-air Songs of Praise at 4.30pm at Farthinghoe Lodge, and Harvest Festival will be our 10am Family Worship on Sunday, 18th September, followed by the fun of our traditional scarecrow festival. Do put the dates in your diary and come and enjoy some special time away from the busyness of life.



With every blessing for a peaceful month and time to enjoy God's abundant gifts.

Revd Gill Barker, Rector

Benefice Worship for June

	Thurs 2 Jun Ascension Day	Sun 5 Jun 7th of Easter	Sun 12 Jun Pentecost	Sun 19 Jun Trinity Sunday	Sun 26 Jun 1st after Trinity
Aynho		11am Holy Com- munion	9.30am Holy Com- munion	11am Morning Prayer	6pm Flower Festi- val Songs of Praise
Croughton		9.30am Morning Prayer		9.30am Holy Com- munion	10am Holy Com- munion
Evenley	11am Holy Com- munion		11am Holy Com- munion	11am Family Wor- ship	
Farthinghoe		9.30am Holy Com- munion	6pm Evening Prayer	10am Family Wor- ship	
Hinton		2.30pm Baptism		11am Holy Com- munion	
Steane		11am Family Wor- ship			



We've got some exciting events taking place during the month of June:

Tuesday 21st June - Summer Solstice BBQ Evening (from 7.30pm)

There will be all the usual BBQ favourites using locally produced meat and other delicious seasonal Summer products to get your mouth-watering plus a few extra treats to make it a little bit special. All this for only £7.50 per adult and £4 per child. Please book your tickets in advance for this evening event.

Friday 24th June - Wine Tasting with Brackley Wines (from 7.30pm)

Come along and enjoy an evening of wines from around the world including some wonderful award-winning English wines. Any wine purchased on the evening will include a 10% discount off the usual price. Limes Farm homemade hot and cold canapés and all the wine tasting is included within the £15 per person ticket fee. Please book your tickets in advance for this evening event.

Thank you to everyone in Farthinghoe for your continued support. We look forward to seeing you down on the farm very soon!

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