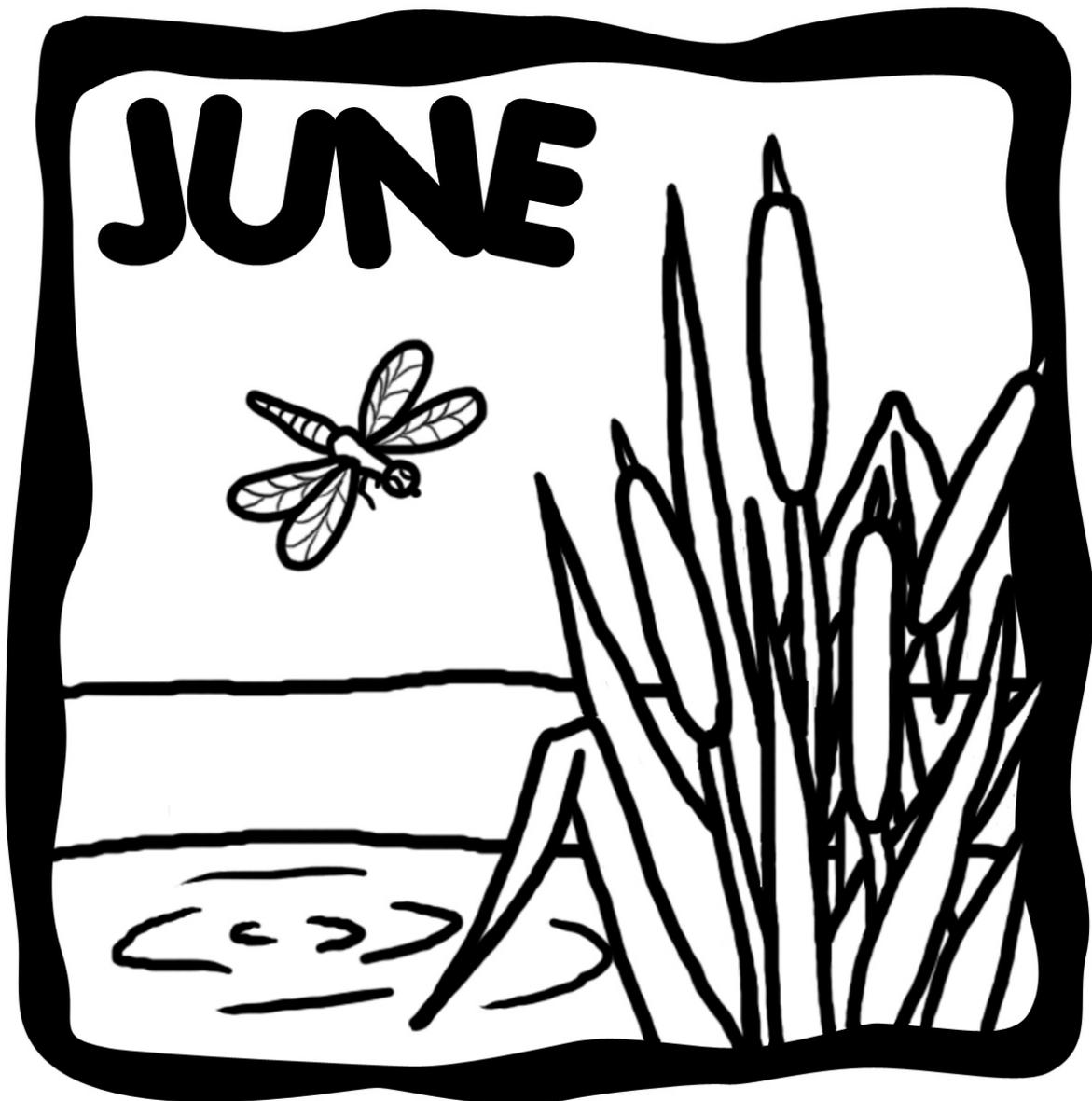


# THE FARTHINGHOE CHRONICLE

*Village news, notices and events....*



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## RECTOR'S LETTER – JUNE 2017

As June arrives you may like me be looking forward to better weather. Our winter and spring have been a bit unpredictable this year. This could be the result of climate change - I prefer that to the phrase global warming - as the weather can be hotter or colder than usual. But it does feel different to the weather I remember as a child. We may well be responsible for this change and should bear that in mind with our use of energy for unnecessary causes.

June is also a time of change for the church. At the start of June we celebrate the Coming of the Holy Spirit and the change that brought to the early church. We call this celebration Pentecost but it used to be known as Whitsun, or White Sunday as people would make a special effort to dress up in white. It was also a time for holidays for many of the mills and factories.

Following on from Pentecost, we enter into the season of Trinity, when we celebrate that great mystery of God in three persons, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. And yet we still hold true to the first of the Ten Commandments that there is only one God. St. Patrick is said to have explained the mystery of the Trinity as the three leaves of the shamrock representing God as Father, Son and Holy Spirit, yet all three are one plant.

Others have said it is like a person who is a father to their children, a husband to their wife and son to their parents; father, husband, son, three people but in one person. As Christians we see God as the creator of the world, Jesus as the saviour of the world and the Holy Spirit as God's working in the world today.

To me complete understanding of this mystery is not important if even possible, for I believe it is beyond us. But the words often heard at a wedding from St. Paul's letter to the church in Corinth sum it up very well for me

Now these three remain, faith, hope and love and the greatest of these is love. I invite you to come and join in our worship to the God of Love, shown in Jesus and alive and well in the world today. We will be holding a special Patronal service at 10am on 18<sup>th</sup> June at The Most Holy Trinity church, Hinton-in-the-Hedges which is dedicated to the Trinity, I hope to see you there.

God Bless you all, Revd Simon Dommett



The May meeting of the Parish Council is the Annual General Meeting when we cover many items of administration needed to prepare us for the forthcoming year.

We are pleased to announce that Mick Morris has been appointed Chairman for 2017/2018. Mick has been the Vice Chairman of the Council since May 2015 and has ably stepped into the Chair when required. He is a worthy successor to Ross van Geest, who resigned as Chair but continues as a councillor.

David Dashwood was appointed as Vice Chairman for 2017/2018. David is a long-standing councillor, who has previously held the Chairman's role and is well versed in the ways of the council.

A review of the 2017 Annual Parish Meeting was conducted and it was agreed that the date of the APM in 2018 will be moved to later in April to avoid clashes with school holidays. It is hoped that this will encourage a greater attendance. We are also looking to change the format of the meeting, reducing the number of reports which are read out to create a more interactive session. Subjects on the agenda will reflect current issues in the parish and there will be a panel with members commenting on their views of the issue and what can be done to address it. The aim is to create a meeting which is more pertinent to the parish, rather than a high-level reporting session. Standard reports from District and County Councillors plus the usual bodies will still be available in written format.

The Council receives many pieces of information which may be of interest to the parish but we have limited space on our village noticeboards. Going forward, greater usage will be made of the website, which will include links to information provided. Anyone who does not have access to the internet may request copies of information from the Clerk.

We are aware of issues with parking at the entrance to the playpark. A number of possible options to prevent this happening have been proposed and costings will be discussed at the June meeting. In the meantime, a traffic cone has been placed strategically at the entrance to discourage parking, but if you do see anyone parking there, please explain the dangers of doing so, to both children visiting the park, and to passing traffic encountering reversing vehicles on a blind bend and opposite a junction.

Fundraising is already underway for a defibrillator for the village. We will be inviting a presenter to attend a future Parish Council meeting to discuss the provision of such an item. If anyone has any contacts who might be able to assist, please let the Clerk know and if you are interested in joining this presentation, please keep an eye on the noticeboards for further information on the date

## VILLAGE HALL NEWS

The Farthinghoe Village Hall AGM will be on the 26th July 2017 to align with the annual accounts as agreed at the last AGM. Please come along to make your views known and help select the next Committee.

It has been decided that the Village Show will not happen this year to allow space to design a revamped event for next year. Several ideas have been discussed and ideas will be sought from the Village at the planned Open Day. There will be several Events before the end of the year and of course the Village Fete will still be held in July 2017.

We need to get the storage area frontage painted before the Mid Summer Ball on the 24th June. To achieve this we need some volunteers for the weekend of 10/11 June - please contact Pip Clayton if you are able to spend a few hours helping out. (Tel: 07717 855727, E-mail: [pipsandel@live.co.uk](mailto:pipsandel@live.co.uk))

Remember that tickets are available for the Ball from Beste Bragg 07806 634556 or Pip Clayton 01295 712208. Tables seating 8 or 10 people are available to reserve and you can bring your own picnic and drink. Previous events have been a real success and a great opportunity to socialise with others in the Village.

### 150 Club Draw

This month sees Bob Osbourne in the winners enclosure yet again!

£25 - R Osbourne, £15 - R McCullough, £10 - K Van Geest



Farthinghoe Events presents...  
Our Summer Ball

*A Midsummer Night's Dream*

*Enter our enchanted woodland, frolic with fairies, dance with nymphs*

**Saturday, 24<sup>th</sup> June 2016**

Doors open at 7pm

**Ticket price £15 per head**

To include:

Midsummer's Love Potion on arrival

Live music

Bring your own picnic and drink

Prize for best dressed table

Tables seating 8 and 10 available

*Dress code – a summer's evening*

For tickets, contact

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*I'll give thee fairies to attend on thee. And they shall  
fetch thee jewels from the deep and sing, while thou on  
pressed flowers dost sleep*



# June at The Fox

## Fixed Price Wednesday Night Menu

2 courses for £15, three courses £17.50 from our special menu plus a free drink! Check the menu on our website and call us to book your table

## Friday Night Fizz

What a way to start the weekend throughout June  
One third off the price of our bottles of chilled prosecco at just £16. Sparkling cocktails at the bar.

Plus if two or more people book a table and have a two course meal we will give you the bubbly for free! (\*)  
First 6 tables booked each week—see website for details

## Free Jug of Pimms

Book a table for two or more adults, Monday to Friday at Lunch or Dinner in June, & if you both take a two course meal, bring this voucher for a free jug of Pimms and Lemonade

Not valid with any other offer or deal

## Father's Day

Sunday 18th June

Treat Dad with a lunch at The Fox—our full Sunday menu from Noon to 4pm—cant make the day... ..

Why not get dad a gift voucher for The Fox  
Available at the bar from just £10

## The Fox Farthinghoe

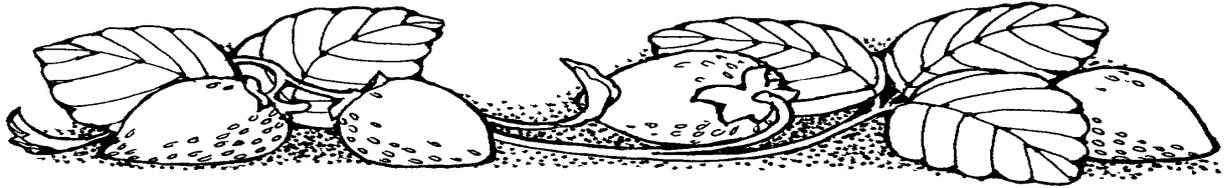
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## COMPOST CORNER – JUNE



Without wishing to put a dampener on proceedings, I hope you are all aware that we are fast approaching the longest day of the year, after which, thoughts will turn doom-laden and gloom-ridden, no doubt. But, not so fast! There is good news which comes with the shortening of day length! Forget those bolting pak choi, rocket and spinach plants and those other supposedly leafy and luscious greens that simply run to seed the moment we have a dry spell in Spring! Wait until after June 21<sup>st</sup> to sow them and the blighters will give up their urge to fit in another generation before the season is out and, instead, relax, take their time, and flesh out with succulent green leaves galore. No longer will my Florence fennel turn to fibrous stalk and flower head but my bulbs will swell into irresistible, plump, juicy globes of a size that fits nicely in the palm of the hand.

This year has been disappointing on the gooseberry front; the allotments have had an attack from the infamous gooseberry saw-fly. Hundreds of the small spotted caterpillars have devoured the leaves, leaving them pathetically denuded, with a few immature, wrinkled fruits hanging limply from the puny branches. There'll be no fumbling in the bushes, groping for fat hairy balls this year, I'm afraid.

However, on the strawberry front it is a different story. I'm in for a bumper crop, I think. When harvesting the old varieties of strawberry, as my "Pick Your Own" memories from childhood tell me, the fruit would pull away easily from the plant, often leaving the pale, cone-shaped core still attached, allowing you to surreptitiously pop the fruit straight into your mouth without anyone noticing. With newer plants, I find, you start to pull the fruit away from the plant, quite gently at first, then find you have to pull harder and harder until the green peduncle stretches and finally it snaps with a twang redolent of knicker elastic when Paul Newman has wandered past. The fruit then has to be relieved of its star-shaped calyx, often a very fiddly and messy business, before you can cram it into your mouth. There's nothing surreptitious about that but, who cares? Having sticky sweet red juice dribbling down your chin from a freshly picked strawberry in summer is probably one of life's best moments. Although, in retrospect, Tess of the D'Urbervilles may not agree...

Happy jamming!

Mrs. Trellis



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HOUSE  
HOSPICE**

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We're a registered charity and all of our services are free of charge to patients and their families.

### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

#### **MIDNIGHT WALK 2017 – PLEASE SIGN UP NOW!**

Our Midnight walk will take place on Saturday 24th June. This year's theme is 'Animals', so bring your rabbit ears, slip in to a zebra onesie, or join your friends in a giant caterpillar. Whatever shape, size, or type of animal you choose, you're sure to have a memorable Midnight Walk! Please sign up today and help raise money for people and families facing life-limiting illness in our community. Sign up at [www.khh.org.uk/midnight-walk](http://www.khh.org.uk/midnight-walk)

#### **FESTIVAL OF OPEN GARDENS – MAY - SEPTEMBER 2017**

Our Festival of Open Gardens is back from May to September with over 30 gardens open. This year we also have some fantastic garden talks from renowned local gardeners, as well as a flower festival, not to mention teas and home-made cakes at many of the gardens. More information at [www.khh.org.uk/gardens](http://www.khh.org.uk/gardens), or call us on 01295 816 484.

#### **Festival of Open Gardens Dates:**

27 & 28 May - South Newington

4 June - Adderbury

17 & 18 June - Swerford

18 June - Deddington

2 July - Bledington

6 August - Heyford Park

5, 7 & 9 September - Broughton Grange

17 September - Bloxham



## FARTHINGHOE SCHOOL SUMMER FETE

Farthinghoe School are holding their annual summer fete on **Friday 7 July** at the village hall. This year it will be a family fun afternoon, with lots of games and activities for the children to enjoy, a plant stall, Aunt Sally, and refreshments for children and adults alike.

The event will be held from 3.30-5.30pm – what better way to kick start your weekend with this fun-filled occasion? Hope to see you there!

The School Ties Committee

### VILLAGE NOTICES

- ❖ Fete meeting and P.C.C - On Tuesday 6 June the Fete Meeting will take place between 7PM and 8pm., it will be followed by the P.C.C. meeting at 8pm, at Farthinghoe Lodge.  
Many thanks to everyone who has offered help - **more help welcome!**
- ❖ Coffee, Cake and Chat - On Friday 9 June from 10-11.15am in the Church Vestry. All welcome.
- ❖ Church cleaning - On Tuesday 13 June from 8.30am onwards. Some of our helpers are unwell at present, so if you would like to volunteer this month, it would be much appreciated.
- ❖ Church Fete - July 9th - Put the date on your calendar!

## BENEFICE WORSHIP IN MAY

### 4<sup>th</sup> June - Pentecost

<b>Farthinghoe</b>	<b>9:30am SBCP Communion</b>
Aynho	11am Communion
Hinton	11am Morning Worship
Evenley	6pm Taize Worship

### 11<sup>th</sup> June - Trinity Sunday

Croughton	9:30am Communion
<b>Farthinghoe</b>	<b>10am Family Worship</b>
Aynho	11am Communion
Steane	6pm Evensong

*Guest preacher rev Josh Payne USAF*

### 18th June - Benefice Sunday

10am Communion at Hinton-in-the-Hedges

### 25 June - Trinity 2

Croughton	9:30am Communion
Evenley	9:30am Family Worship
Aynho	11am Communion
Hinton	11am Communion & Baptism
<b>Farthinghoe</b>	<b>6pm BCP Evensong</b>

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