

# THE FARTHINGHOE CHRONICLE

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



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## Pastoral Letter – July 2020

Hello to you all. We have just passed the longest day of the year, and the best thing about this time of year for me is the long, light evenings. The annual rhythms are reassuring, but this has also felt like the longest year in history. So much turmoil in our everyday lives that it has been a struggle to keep up. This is where there is comfort in resting in the knowledge that God never changes. God is the one person we can look to and know that, whatever else is going on in the world, or in our lives, ultimately we are in God's hands.

I wonder how you are all doing individually. As lockdown restrictions lift there is more freedom for many of us, but this is not without some risk as Covid-19 has not disappeared. I am concerned however for the wellbeing of those who are still not able to mix in society due to their vulnerability, which hasn't changed. It has been incredibly isolating these past few months for all of us, but there will be many for whom nothing has changed and they cannot leave their house. Let's all be aware of them, and not leave them behind.

Our Churches are open for private prayer, and each Church has its own arrangements depending on ability to adhere to the regulations. Unfortunately, Farthinghoe Church will not be open at present as it is having a new roof put on, but watch this space for more details soon.

The strange thing during lockdown has been how much we have come to realise that we have taken our Church buildings for granted. I am as guilty as anyone for often having said, "The Church is the people of God, not the building". But in these past few months of restriction, a renewed appreciation has developed for our Church buildings. It is no secret that Churches are places of profound peace, but what is less known to many folk is the feeling that is experienced, when you take time to sit in a Church; the feeling of the weight of the years of prayer and spirituality that has been absorbed into the very fabric and stones of the building; you really do feel Gods presence in a way that is hard to put into words.

In the Church we have Sacraments, and a Sacrament is something that is an ordinary everyday thing that takes on Spiritual significance when it is set apart for God. So ordinary things like, bread, wine, water and oil become symbolic of something sacred. We all have things at home that have tremendous value to us, and which take on a significance far greater than the item itself because they have been given to us by someone we care greatly about. For example, a simple cup given or received as a gift comes to represent times spent over a cup of tea chatting with a treasured friend and so the cup becomes almost sacred; it's not that the cup is anything particularly special, it is what it represents. This is what happens with our Church buildings. They have been standing open in our communities for 100's of years and they represent the prayers and lives of the people all throughout those years, with all the history that has gone with them, and they stand as a Spiritual presence which holds a far greater significance than the Stones and mortar that hold them together. They are Sacred, and one can find great peace and encouragement after time spent in them.

Whether we are in Church or not God hears our prayers always, and that is a huge comfort to know. God bless you all,

God bless you, with love Revd Sue



**Brackley Community Hospital**  
**2020 Trust** Registered Charity No. 1185445

*The Pathway for supporting our Community Hospital*

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Date 9<sup>th</sup> June 2020

Dear *Mr Weston*

I write on behalf of Brackley Community Hospital 2020 Trust to acknowledge the donation by Farthinghoe Parish Council in the sum of £500.00 (Five Hundred Pounds). We sincerely thank you for this generous contribution and for your encouraging support. Please pass our very sincere appreciation to Cllr. Morris and the Farthinghoe Parish councillors for this generous donation. For internal audit purposes and to be compliant to General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR) the donation will be privately recorded in our secure records as having been received in the name of Farthinghoe Parish Council.

As a matter of compliance with the regulations a full explanation of our GDPR policy can be found at [www.brackleycommunityhospital.charity.co.uk](http://www.brackleycommunityhospital.charity.co.uk).

Funds held and collected by Brackley Community Hospital 2020 Trust and the residual funds from Brackley Hospital Trust will be used to purchase equipment for enhanced services such as, but not restricted to, digital x-ray, ultrasound and additional equipment to enable outreach clinics. Locally provided services can benefit our Town and wider communities, maintaining the spirit of the former, and much loved, 'Cottage' hospital to uphold our policy to encourage and promote 'Care in the Community'. The build was progressing well until the substantial impact of the Covid-19 pandemic. The target date, of July 2020 for commissioning of the full medical facility has now been revised to September/October 2020.

Again, thank you for this donation and be assured that it will be put to best use.

Yours sincerely

George Britchfield Trustee of Brackley Community Hospital 2020 Trust  
Chairman Brackley Hospital Trust

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## FARTHINGHOE VILLAGE HALL NEWS

### 200 Club

May: £25 32 - Ian Reid,	£15 97 - Jenny Johnson,	£10 - 52 Jane Chapman
June: £25 5 - Bryan Walker,	£15 - 119 Steve Wilson,	£10 - 124 Emma Johnson

We would like to thank everyone for their contributions and donations to the 200 Club over the past year. All the money goes for the upkeep of the hall and the many improvements to the building.

The volunteers have worked tirelessly this year to make the hall a better place for the whole village. We now have a beautiful new floor and a new heating system together with the roof insulation and an interior repaint also there is much more to come.

I would like to respectfully ask all members of the 200 Club to check that their subscriptions are up to date as it is that time of the year again.

There will not be any personal collections this year for obvious reasons and to the few people who are not paying by Standing Orders or Bank Transfers could you please pay by cheque or cash to our treasurer Lisa Wenmouth at Oak House

The Club is trying to become less labour intensive so it would be most helpful if you would please provide your email address and phone number if possible in order to contact winners

There are at the present time some numbers available for new and existing members at only £1 per month (Payable yearly). I am not receiving personal callers but my email and letterbox are always open Graham Osborne Bylands Old Lane.  
hollytreehouse@hotmail.com

There's not much other news concerning the Village Hall as everything has stopped due to Covid 19, although the maintenance of the grounds and garden continues. It looks like we will be able to open in July after the usual risk assessments etc.

We had planned to support the school by letting them use the Hall for a few weeks until the end of term but this has been put on hold by the Government.

The new hot water system has been purchased and will be installed within the next couple of months, along with replacement of the ballet rails and painting the bottom half of the Main Hall walls.



## The benefits of joining Neighbourhood Watch



We all recognise the familiar logo which appears in our streets, but we may not be fully aware what it represents. There are big benefits from belonging to Neighbourhood Watch and with nothing to lose and plenty to gain it would be a shame to miss out, especially as membership is free.

NHW is a large voluntary organisation of over 800 members in South Northants alone, and with over 2½ million nationally we outnumber the criminals!

But NHW is not just about crime – it offers so much more. The very name Neighbourhood Watch shows we are an organisation dedicated to supporting our friends and neighbours when in need and generally creating a good, helpful community in every town, city and village.

So what are the benefits of membership?

- We can help in preventing and reporting crime through a simple reporting procedure. The more members we have, the more likely anything suspicious will be seen. We don't have to intervene in a crime or even make ourselves known, the advantage is in the network of people contacting by email or phone.
- Attendance at meetings is not obligatory, but they are enjoyable opportunities to meet like-minded people who care about the area where they live. They provide a chance to discuss matters of concern, however small they may seem, and to exchange ideas and information about home security.
- Our links with the Police are well established and we pride ourselves on knowing officers of all ranks on our patch. They welcome the information we provide and in return they have an excellent system of alerts which keep us all abreast of misbehaviour in our area, ranging from rowdyism to the most serious incidents.
- Other organisations have access to the alerts system, and information about fraud (including doorstep and computer) is circulated for our benefit. News travels quickly in a good local network and can be invaluable in warning our friends and neighbours of possible criminal activity in the area.
- There are financial incentives, too. People prefer to buy and rent property in an area with an active Watch scheme, since they feel a heightened sense of security and there is a lower risk of crime. Some companies offer discounts on house and motor insurance, and home security devices can be obtained at a discount.
- In times of crisis (Coronavirus for example), NHW steps up to offer a large potential pool of volunteers willing to help a neighbour in distress. This enhanced network of helpers is the key to good communities and neighbourliness.

Registration is simple, just go to [ourwatch.org.uk](http://ourwatch.org.uk) and follow the links. Participation is as much or as little as you feel comfortable with, the importance of your membership lies in the number of people on the lookout for crime and people who need help, and remember – it's FREE.



Below is a list of meals The Fox at Farthinghoe is offering each day throughout the week, along with a list of groceries we offer.

**Monday - Closed**

**Tuesday - Burger night between 5-8pm**

**Wednesday - Pizza night between 5-8pm**

**Thursday - KFC fakeaway between 5-8pm**

**Friday - Fish and chips between 5-8pm**

**Saturday evening - Curry/Steak night between 5-8pm**

**Sunday - Roast dinners between 12-4pm**

Our shops is also open every evening (excluding Monday's) between the hours of 4.30-8pm. We have bread, milk, flour, butter, orange juice, beer, larger, wine, cider, eggs and bottled water. We can also order in selected supplies.

For any more information please call us on 07870828048 or 01295 713965.

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**Sarah and Scott would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your continued support.**

From Highways England:

## NOTIFICATION OF ESSENTIAL MAINTENANCE WORKS

A43 Northbound RAF Croughton to Barley Mow Roundabout and A43 Southbound at Tusmore

Work is due to start in early **August 2020** and is scheduled for completion by the beginning of **September 2020**.

To keep the programme for these works as short as possible and to minimise disruption to the local community, we will work:

- between 8pm and 6am, Monday to Friday
- from 8pm Friday to 6am Monday (full weekend closures for 3 weekends)

### Can you offer a cat a home?

We are hoping to be moving before too long and I have a very sweet elderly ginger cat called Angus who will be looking for a home.

He is elderly, very affectionate, timid, loves the garden and his food. He would love a quiet home, is ok with my dog, but wary of cats and small children.

If you can help please email [lucindagarnier@gmail.com](mailto:lucindagarnier@gmail.com) or 07702 372811

Lucie Garnier



## Angie Grant

It is with great regret & sadness that we have learned of the passing of Angie Grant on Tuesday 9th June 2020.

Angie was born on 25th December 1944 in West Hampstead, London as Dorothy Angela, although she has always preferred to be called Angie. Angie was part of a large family having three sisters and two brothers, her mother Wendy is also resident of Farthinghoe having reached the wonderful age of 96.

Angie had a varied career which included the sales of aircraft parts with British Aerospace as well as being the Personal Assistant to the Nursing Director of NHS Hertfordshire.

Angie & John were married on 25th July 1964. Together they have two sons, Trevor and Nicholas, along with five grandchildren Conor, Annabel, Dominic, Emily and Toby.

Having moved to village life in Farthinghoe on 31st March 2005 Angie's first objective was to cultivate an allotment, a long held personal ambition and with the help of her mentor Fred Ewen she successfully achieved this by growing vegetables and soft fruit.

Angie was also kind and generous with her time for village activities, amongst many other things her Christmas mince pies became legendary.

Angie had faced the adversity of cancer for 20 years, in that period showing unbelievable courage and dignity without a trace of self-pity.

Angie, we thank you for sharing the last 15 years of your life with us all as a village.

John, Wendy, Trevor, Nicholas, Conor, Annabel, Dominic, Emily & Toby, we thank you for sharing your inspirational Wife, Daughter, Mother & Grandmother with us.

A truly remarkable human being.

With love,  
Mick Morris

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*My dear Farthinghoe Village,*

*Thank you all for the respect shown to my wife Angie on Thursday, June 25<sup>th</sup> the turn out from the Village was something I have never witnessed before and was most moving and memorable.*

*Thank you for all the support, love and warmth you have shown. All the wonderful cards and words of endearment.*

*Thank you, I cannot express my feelings adequately.*

*Angie loved Farthinghoe and will remain here in perpetuity, with her ashes being scattered in the Seven Sisters Tree site.*

*John*

Angie will be remembered for many things, but one will be that even when she was quite poorly, made lovely mince pies for the Church Christmas coffee morning. God bless you, Angie.

Rosemary Jarvis

Sending our heart-felt condolences to you and your family John  
Angie never failed to brighten up a room with her smile and positivity and will be sadly missed

Much love  
Gary and Jane

A gentle smile that lit up the room and always made me feel so special if I was fortunate enough for it to turn my way, that is my lasting memory of such a brave lady. I loved to see her face transform as she watched the children having fun at village events: we will miss her soft presence. Our prayers are with you, John, rest assured you are surrounded by love in Farthinghoe. Heaven has a true angel in Angie, rest in peace after all you have endured, lovely lady.

Dave and Pip Clayton



### VIRTUAL QUIZ – EVERY TUESDAY

Join with family and friends, at a distance, and take part in our weekly quiz. There are prizes to be won and fun to be had, all whilst supporting those with life-limiting illness in our community. Sign up at [www.khh.org.uk/quiz](http://www.khh.org.uk/quiz)

### CARE FOR A COCKTAIL

Join us for this year's Care For A Cocktail Campaign! It's a great way to share some time with family, friends and colleagues, at a distance. Perfect for those after work's drinks, to celebrate someone's birthday, or to enjoy getting creative and sharing new recipes with friends. Why not get involved and hold your own Virtual Care For a Cocktail event. [www.khh.org.uk/cocktail](http://www.khh.org.uk/cocktail)

### HARRY POTTER THEMED VIRTUAL BALLOON RACE – 3 JULY 2020

Looking for something to do with the kids? Why not join our Virtual Balloon Race, as this time we lift-off, straight from Hogwarts!! A great way to spend time with family and friends, at a distance! Enter your balloon today at >> [www.khh.org.uk/balloon](http://www.khh.org.uk/balloon)

### CORALIE BICKFORD-SMITH SIGNED SCREEN PRINTS – 1 JULY 2020

On the 1 July Katharine House will be auctioning off two signed prints kindly donated by renowned Author and Illustrator Coralie Bickford-Smith. Two signed screen-prints from her third and most recent book The Song Of The Tree, will be up for auction on our eBay site for one week only from the 1 July >>[www.ebay.co.uk/katharinehousehospiceshop](http://www.ebay.co.uk/katharinehousehospiceshop)

Bickford-Smith is one of the most renowned designers in the publishing industry, especially recognised and celebrated for her illustrated covers of Penguin's clothbound classics. Her first book, The Fox and the Star, was named Waterstones Book of the Year and as one of Time Out's 100 Children's Books of All Time. Her design work has been featured in numerous publications, including the New York Times and the Guardian.

### BRACKLEY HOSPICE SHOP RE-OPENS 25 JUNE

We are starting our phased return of shops, starting with our Brackley Store on the 25 June. Please note we won't be able to accept donations until the 28 June. Please check our website and social media to check when your local store will be re-opening [www.khh.org.uk/retail](http://www.khh.org.uk/retail)

### KATHARINE HOUSE PETS FACTOR – JULY

We are hosting a Pets Factor competition this July for all creatures big and small! There will be a two week long competition of which you can enter your pet into numerous categories, show off your pride and joy, and you could even win a prize! Please check our social media channels throughout July to find out more! Instagram @khosp Facebook @KatharineHouse



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