THE FARTHINGHOE CHRONICLE

Village news, notices and events....



June is here and with it summer, or it's supposed to be! As I write this, the great British weather is doing its best to make us think it's still April....

Let's hope the sun is out for the Village Fete, which is taking place on **Sunday 26 June** at Farthinghoe Lodge, by kind permission of Mrs Ruth Dashwood. As usual, there will be lots of fun to be had and many ways to get involved.

It's Farthinghoe Village School's Summer Fayre on **Saturday 9 July** at the Village Hall so do please come along and support.

Plus, don't forget to get your gardens and allotments fertilised, to practice your baking and everything else for the Village Show on **Saturday 10 September** – the entry form detailing all the classes is inside this edition. There's something for everyone, so why not try your luck?

For all the details, and much more, read on...

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RECTOR'S LETTER JUNE 2016

This month I suspect many will be fed up with the EU vote. We have so much conflicting information with which to try and make our choice. Where motor manufacturers think it is normal to mislead about the performance of their cars, where leading industrialists can sell companies with large pension deficits, when politicians debate the validity of each others' statements and predictions. The choice is not simple but it is a choice that reflects the growing individualistic ideals of the popular western culture.

In our country, like many others, it took hundreds of years and many lives to become a joined nation. Yet in so many places we see people seeking independence. Wanting to do what they want and not to be told what they should or shouldn't do. As a Star Trek fan I am reminded of Spock's famous words 'The needs of the many outweight the needs of the few and of the one', as he sacrifices his life to save his friends. The pull between individuals and community has a long history, ever since people started to live in groups.

Our Christian history begins with an individual Abram being singled out by God for a special job. That job was to bring about the knowledge of God to all people. Abram was to leave his country and homeland and set out to form a new community, he even changed his name to Abraham to mark this. This new community was to set itself apart from the other communities around. They were to have their own rules, their own code of dress and conduct. They were to know that they were the chosen of God. that on their own they would flourish and become strong. And over a period of history that is what happened. They had their ups and downs, they entered into slavery and freedom, they became oppressed by occupying forces. Yet they never forgot their national identity and were always looking for freedom to fulfil it.

Yet from a Christian point of view, over history, the purpose for them being called out was misunderstood. They had been called as a people, to get to know God and trust in Him to develop a special relationship with God. But this wasn't intimately just to be for them, sure it started with them and they needed their space to develop their relationship with God. But in the coming of Jesus we discover that God's message is for all people. For now in Jesus' death, resurrection and ascension, it is the time for the chosen people to go to the rest of the world with their message. Not to make one geographical nation, but a spiritual family. The early Christians took this to heart as they held all their possessions in common, a very communist way of life in many ways. Yet it was mixed with a belief in a royal kingship and a future king.

There were many debates in the early church about was the good news for them alone or for all people? A tension if you like between one group or a communion of all people. Described in scripture as between Jew and Gentile, but it was about an us and them situation. We still face that tension in the church today with our history of the parish system, the local vs the diocese, and we certainly face it still with the EU vote.

So as we as nation make up our minds and vote, may we as individuals be not selfish or self centred, but seek to find in all the confusion the common good.

God Bless

Revd Simon Dommet



May's Parish Council meeting was the Annual General Meeting (AGM) with the first item on the agenda being the appointment of the Chairman of the Parish Council for the forthcoming year. Having been proposed and seconded, Ross van Geest continues as Chairman for 2016-2017. Mick Morris was proposed and seconded as Vice Chairman and the Clerk was re-appointed as Responsible Financial Officer.

In addition to the appointments above, the AGM covers various required administrational procedures, which includes consideration of the Annual Governance Statement, confirming that there is a sound system of internal control in place, and approval of the Accounting Statements for the previous year.

With both having been signed by the Council, the internal auditor performed their annual visit and signed off the accounts for presentation to the external auditor. The period for the exercise of public rights for accounts for the year ended 31 March 2016 commences on 3rd June 2016 and ends on 14th July 2016. During this period, if anyone wishes to inspect the accounting records for the last financial year, they can do so by making an appointment with the Clerk between the hours of 6pm and 8pm, Monday to Friday.

The Parish Council is continuing to investigate the possibility of LED street lights within the village, which would provide better lighting and would be more cost efficient. Unfortunately, there is no funding forthcoming from Northampton County Council at present but other options are being pursued.

In the meantime, if you notice any street lights which are out of order, please notify the Clerk, providing the location and also the number of the light, which can be found on the post itself. The Clerk will then make arrangements for repairs.

The Parish Council is aware of the problem of flooding within the playpark and is in discussion with the supplier on possible remedies.

Dates for your diary:

The next Parish Council meeting will be Wednesday, 8th June 2016 at 7.00pm in the Beasley Room at the Village Hall. Public time will be from 7.00pm to 7.15pm.

Farthinghoe Parish Council

VILLAGE NOTICES & NEWS

Notices

Fete meeting and P.C.C: The Fete meeting will begin at 7pm and will be followed by the P.C.C. on Tuesday 7 June, in the Church Vestry.

Coffee, Cake and Chat: On Friday 10 June 10th, from 10-11.15am. in the Church Vestry. If you haven't been to one of these mornings yet, please come this time! It would be lovely to see you!

Mothers' Union: Deanery Coffee morning will be held on Wednesday 22 June from 10am - 12noon in the Village Hall. Bring & Buy and also a raffle. In aid of Away From It All holiday scheme run by the M.U. to enable people in need of a holiday who might otherwise be unable to have one.

Church Fete

Sunday June 26th at Farthinghoe Lodge, starting at 12.30pm. with Barbecue and Pimms etc.

There will be various stalls, teas, raffle and games, plus Aunt Sally.



Farthinghoe Primary School Summer Fayre

Saturday 9th July, 2.30-4.30pm Farthinghoe Village Hall

Please come and enjoy a lovely afternoon of fun games and help raise money for the school. There will be freshly made cakes, games and stalls, plants, a bouncy castle, yummy refreshments and lots more. We look forward to seeing lots of you there.

Farthinghoe Root'n Toot'n Village Show

Saturday 10th September 2016 at Farthinghoe Village Hall Judging at 12pm, Show opens at 2pm.

Entry fee: £1 for ages 12 to 120.

1 Lucky ticket will win prizes (under 12's and over 120's go free) 50p per entry

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	Chilli for the good folk of		Sweet potatoes x 3
F	Farthinghoe to judge		Beetroot x 3
	Meatloaf		Butter beans - small bowl
E	Biscuits x5		Black eyed peas - small bow
	_		Cabbage
	Preserves		Cauliflower
	Strawberry Jam		Corn x 3
	Marmalade		Broccoli head
	_emon curd		Cucumber
	Chilli jam		Pointed Cabbage
	Pie		Tomatillos x 10
	Cherry pie		Pumpkin
	Apple pie		Fruit
	Pumpkin pie		Plums x 5
	Shoo fly pie		Apples x 3 (Dessert/Cooking)
	Cake		Figs
	lummingbird cake		Peaches
	Red velvet cake		Blueberries - small bowl
	Pound cake		Blackberries - small bowl
	strawberry shortcake		Children's
	Drink		Cookies x6
	Root beer		Cupcakes x 6
	_emonade		Pumpkin
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	Picture in any media		Longest runner bean
C	lepicting the Wild West		Most peas in a pod
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NAME:			(Villagers ONLY)

News from The Fox

We now OPEN ALL DAY from noon with the bar, lounge and garden open throughout the afternoon. We serve food at lunch and evening each day, with a changing main menu, lunchtime lighter meals and seasonal specials

Every Wednesday we have our FIX PRICED EVENING MENU, giving you two courses and a drink from our special menu for £15, or for three courses and a drink £17.50

Friday night is our HAPPY HOUR with some of your favourite drinks from 5pm to 7pm

SUNDAY LUNCH

Sundays are big at The Fox! Freshly roasted meats, vegetables and Yorkies, dishes for vegetarians and other family favourites. Served from noon to 4pm

June at The Fox

The big news is our big new menu has been launched with lots of new dishes, including a range of salads ready for the summer, take a look on the website or pop in and see what is new.

Early favourites include Crab Arancini, duck liver parfait, chilli con carne, home baked ham, egg & chips, poached salmon salad, and the desserts Love those puds!Raspberry Cheesecake, Ice passion fruit parfait and Chocolate & cherry roulade!

Bring this ad with you and we will reward you with a glass of house wine, a soft drink or a coffee with your lunch from our new menu Monday to Thursday in June

(main courses from main menu only, excludes sandwiches/kids menu or other offers)

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COMPOST CORNER

The weather has finally ended its sport with our expectations and started to conform to the standards of the season. Seeds sown weeks ago (at least, those that have not already succumbed to the cold and wet and slugs and mice) have finally germinated and allowed our thoughts to extend to possible entries in the village show.

Strawberry plants are now flowering and even showing signs of developing fruits; perfect timing for Wimbledon. Our illustrious new landlord at The Fox, however, would declare that early English strawberries, however fragrant and delicious, are no match for a vintage pear later in the season. Who'd have thought?

Gardeners are the last people one could accuse of not thinking ahead. Even during these increasingly warm and sunny days, I challenge you to name one who is not now cultivating for winter comfort by nurturing those long rooted vegetables which bring so much simple pleasure to so many during the long cold December nights.

Deuce!

Mrs. Trellis



VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE NEWS

	120 Winners
April	No. 25 – Mr G Atkins - f_{25}
·	No. 24 – Mrs P Beasley - f_{10}
	No. 84 – Mrs S Hampson- £10
May	No. 22 – Mr C Jarvis - £25 No. 28 – Mr D Mellor - £10 No. 2 – Mrs N Sneath - £10

Both of the events held over the last few months in the village hall have had a great attendance and it's fantastic to see all of the hard work by the events team proving so successful.

The Farthinghoe Grand National race night, held on the 9th April, raised £403 in total. £203 has been donated to the playpark fund and £200 to the village hall.

The May Day celebrations – oh so colourful and great fun, despite it being somewhat chilly – raised £377.71. £185 has been donated to the playpark fund and the remaining £192.71 will be held by the events committee to go towards the next event, which will be a barn dance following on from the village show on 10^{th} September.

Inside this month's Chronicle, you will find the entry form for the village show. In line with the theme for the show, the classes have a definite Wild West slant to them! Villagers will be invited to judge the winner of the chilli class for themselves, by sampling the entries on the day. Anyone submitting chilli for judging, please do so in a crock pot or slow cooker to ensure your creation can be enjoyed at its best. Entry forms should be submitted to Diane Jones by **Saturday**, **3**rd **September**.

The Village Hall committee are continuing to monitor the maintenance of the hall. Although not a legal requirement for the hall, we have recently had a PAT test carried out, as the committee believe this is good practice from a safety point of view.

Quotes are currently being considered for new front doors for the hall, although this will be a major expense and serious thought will need to be given on how best to fund the project.

Plans and costings are being put together to remove the bar area in the hall and replace it with additional storage, which is always at a premium.

Good luck with all of your produce-growing and cookie-baking – we look forward to seeing lots of entries on Show Day!

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BENEFICE WORSHIP IN JUNE

June 5th - Trinity 2

Aynho	11am Communion
Evenley	6pm Taize Worship
Farthinghoe	9:30am SBCP Communion

Saturday 11th JuneAynho5pm Family Communion

June 12th - Trinity 3

Croughton	9:30 Communion	
Evenley	11am Communion	
Farthinghoe	10am Family Worship	
Steane	6pm Songs of Praise	<u>Celebrating HM the Queen's</u>
<u>Birthday</u>		

June 19th - Benefice Sunday

Farthinghoe	10am Communion
Farthinghoe	4pm Pizza Praise

June 26th - Trinity 5

Aynho	11am Family Communion
Croughton	9:30am Communion
Evenley	11am Family Worship
Farthinghoe	6pm BCP Evensong
Hinton	11am Communion CW



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