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Friday 14th Nov



Village News and Events



Do you fancy growing your own???

There are a couple of allotments available at the moment, for further details please contact Arthur or Mrs Ruth Dashwood.

Macmillan Coffee Morning.

Many thanks to everyone who donated goods, helped on the day and spent their money! We raised £240.

Mothers' Union

November 30th is Advent Sunday. This is the day when our Travelling Nativity will begin it's journey around the homes in the village. If you would like to look after it for a night please let me know! 711130.

Church cleaning

This will be on Tuesday, November 18th from 9am. Brass cleaning - Mrs Redrup.

Christmas Tasting Event at Limes Farm

Thursday 4th December from 6:00pm - 9:00pm
Come along and sample some of our delicious new Christmas lines and create the perfect Christmas hamper filled with local produce.

Farthinghoe Parish Council News.....

October's meeting saw some changes within Farthinghoe Parish Council. I was very pleased to be appointed as Clerk to the council but I know I have a lot to learn. Sue Shepard will be a very hard act to follow; she has a wealth of experience and has kept the councillors well briefed and organised for many years. On behalf of the Parish Council, I would like to say a huge "thank you" to Sue for all her dedication and hard work.



Sue is continuing as Clerk to Chacombe Parish Council, her local parish, and I know how fortunate I am to have her on hand to offer advice in the coming months. So a special "thank you" from me, too, Sue.

Following Neil Downing's resignation from the council, a very important task in October was to appoint a new Chair, and we would like to announce the appointment of Ross van Geest to the position. Since joining the council in June, Ross has been extremely pro-active on various fronts, but in particular with regard to the solar farm issue. Ross can be contacted by email: chairman@farthinghoeparishcouncil.org.

During public time a number of local residents attended to further discuss the solar farm. The councillors took their points on board, as a result of which, the Chair has submitted an expanded and detailed objection to the application. In addition, he has secured a meeting with Robert Fallon, Development Services Manager and Amanda Haisman, Principal Planning Manager for South Northamptonshire Council, where he will be joined by fellow councillors and members of the action group. They intend to hand deliver a hard copy of the detailed objection and to verbally express the majority views of the parish members. The planning committee sits on 23rd October to decide upon the application.

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be on Wednesday, 12th November 2014 in the meeting room at the Village Hall. Public Time is from 7.00pm-7.15pm.

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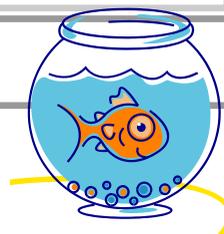
Following the Farthinghoe Parish Council meeting on Wednesday 8th October 2014, Ian Hunt submitted his resignation. Ian has decided to step down as Councillor for Farthinghoe, after 25 years of service on the Parish Council.

Ian was co-opted onto the Parish Council in the late 1980s and became Chairman of Farthinghoe Parish Council in 1991, where he loyally and steadfastly guided the Council, until he stepped down in 2001. Ian has remained as a Parish Councillor and in this time has been responsible for the monitoring, recording and administration of all Planning Applications for the Village.

Farthinghoe Parish Council will greatly miss his knowledge of Planning matters and wish him every happiness and good health for the future.

Councillor John Grant

Compost Corner



Hi, there; Pythagoras here – Mrs. Trellis’ goldfish. She asked me to fill in for her this month as she says she has “writer’s block” or some such nonsense. Too much to drink, if you ask me. Anyway, she said to mention Brussels sprouts and said she’d blown it again or they’d blown again, I really can’t remember. Something about not making sure the ground was firm enough, whatever that means. I really don’t know what all the fuss is about. Give me a nice bit of algae or pond weed any day and I’ll be happy. I’ll not ask for more. She did ask me to tell you about someone’s lovely tubers; I think she said his name was Tom but not that Tom and that you shouldn’t get the wrong idea. Apparently, he is giving up his allotment and it has lots of dahlias in it so if you’re the sort of person that likes flowers, this is your opportunity, Personally, I don’t know what all the fuss is about. Give me a nice bit of algae or pond weed any day and I’ll be happy. I’ll not ask for more.

Oh, yes; the other thing Mrs. T. wanted me to tell you was something about the wonders of Autumn (or some such guff) and how great the allotments look when the mist is still low in the mornings. Personally, I can’t see what all the fuss is about. Give me a nice bit of algae or pond weed any day and I’ll be happy. I’ll not ask for more.

I hope Mrs. Trellis gets over her writer’s block by next month. I expect you do, too.

Hang loose in the meantime

Pythagoras

Measuring by Julia Pepler

'Granny, I want to measure how much you love me. Shall I use the tape measure or the scales.'

'Could be tricky' said Granny. 'And do you have any idea how long or heavy love should be?' The little girl frowned.

'I know' said Granny, 'why don't you go and get the love and pop it into my shopping trolley, and we'll see how big it looks.'

The little girl looked around. 'But I can't see the love to pick it up!' She paused. 'I know, I'll go and get all the things you've brought me and put those into the trolley, that will tell me'.

'Mmm...' said granny, 'the only trouble is my pension is tiny, so I can't afford much.'

'Oh' said the girl, 'but that doesn't mean you don't love me as much, does it, so that's not going to work! How on earth am I going to measure it!'

Granny wrapped her arms around the child and squeezed her tight. 'Don't worry, the love is safely inside, that's why it can't be picked up'.

'Inside', the girl replied, nuzzling into Granny's squidgy comfy body. 'So, if you are big do you love people more?'

'Don't be silly' said Granny.

The girl thought for a few seconds. 'So, if it's inside, and it can't be put into a shopping trolley, how do I know it's there and how do I know how big it is?'

Granny smiled. 'Signs. You have to learn to look for the signs, and the harder you look the more love you find. And as for size, well, things that can't be put in a shopping trolley can be as big or small as you like'.

If you would like to read a little bit more of my work (slightly longer short stories), please visit my blog, juliapepler.com. Thank you.

Family Bonfire Night

Friday 7th November from 6pm



**We'll be running
our ever-popular Family
Friendly Bonfire Night with fireworks and
serving winter-warming food and drinks.**

Join us on Fri 7th Nov for fun for all the family including a fabulous fireworks display, yummy Limes Farm treats and a bouncy castle for kids of all ages!

All the fun starts from 6pm with food and drinks on sale, **bonfire is lit at 6pm** and fireworks will go off with a bang from 6.30pm - don't be late!

This is a free to attend event but please contact us to confirm attendance to enable us to cater for numbers.

www.limesfarm.com

Limes Farm, Main Road, Farthinghoe, Brackley, Northamptonshire NN13 5PB

Rector's Letter

As the nights draw in and daylight hours fail, we come to the time of year when there is more time for thinking. On 2nd November we have a Service for All Souls for our villages at 6pm in the church of St. George in Evenley. Here we will remember loved ones from years past and light a candle as part of our remembering.

Remembering War and Building Peace

This year with the centenary of the outbreak of WWI and especially this November on Remembrance Sunday, there will be a lot of remembering and outpouring of emotions.



For those who have been to London to see the sea of poppies around the tower of London, the impact of the number and scale of them is immense. In the physical laying out of the poppies to remember the lives lost, something of the physicality touches us deeply in our inmost being, our heart or soul if you like.

That link between physicality and emotions runs deep for many of our actions. In the wearing of a Poppy, in the shaking of hands with a touch on one's shoulder, in all these and more, the physical conveys a deep meaning. This year more than most we will have mixed feelings as we remember, sadness, sorrow, regret, pride, thankfulness. There are questions raised should be commemorating this centenary or not.

But with all this going on I found in one church a leaflet entitled 'Remembering war and building peace'.

To me that summed up maybe what we should be doing and may help us reflect at this time.

Certainly we should remember and not forget, but not to celebrate war and conflict, but remember the effect not only WWI and WW II had and has, but the larger effect that war has and still has.

But let us remember in the context of building peace and not more war. The people who gave their lives did so not to extend war but to stop war. And surely even today, maybe even more than ever before, we should never lose sight of that focus. That we do not fight for political gain, for religious belief or self interest in resources, but it is for the building of peace that we fight.

'Stir Up Sunday' Sunday 23rd November

Another thing we remember is the stirring up of the Christmas pudding or cake. This would take place on **'Stir Up Sunday' Sunday 23rd November** which gets its name **not** from the stirring of the pudding but from a prayer used in church that Sunday. "Stir up, O Lord, the wills of your faithful people, that they bringing forth the fruit of good works, may by you be richly rewarded: through Jesus Christ Our Lord. Amen"

The Rectory, Croughton Road ,Aynho, OX17 3BD will be hosting its annual open house from 4pm-7pm inviting you to come and 'stir up' our Christmas cake mix and to have a drink and a sausage. Heather and I look forward to seeing you then.

God bless

Simon

Candle Prayers Candle Prayers simply means your local church will be open from 7:15-8:00pm, lit with candles, giving you the opportunity to come and enjoy the peace of these special places. You may want to light a candle for somebody or a situation, or just sit on your own for a few minutes.



At 7:30 there will be a short opening prayer for those who want to join in followed by a time for personal space, then at about 7:50 there will be a short quiet closing prayer for those who want to join in. You are invited to come for as much or as little as you like, I just want to offer you some peace and space for prayer, private reflection or just enjoying the beauty of the place

Unique Advent Calendar opens window of opportunity

THE UK's only Fairtrade charity Advent calendar with a free copy of the Christmas story in the box is now on sale - and is set to raise £25,000 for the Children's Society.

The Real Advent Calendar has a window for each day of December, behind which is a Belgian chocolate star and a line from the Christmas story. 'When you open the final, over-sized window, a chocolate star and a beautifully-illustrated, 24-page copy of the Nativity story is revealed,' explained David Marshall, founder of the Meaningful Chocolate Company which makes the calendar.



Christmas Gift Ideas

*Are your loved ones or friends blind or partially sighted?
Are you wondering what to buy them for Christmas?*

Then why not visit one of **Northamptonshire Association for the Blind's Sight Centres** to see a range of different gift ideas. They display and sell a variety of specialist aids and equipment that can make the perfect birthday or Christmas gifts for someone living with sight loss.

Gifts include: Kitchen Gadgets, Talking Clocks and Watches, Reading and Writing Guides, plus other Household Aids. There are Big Button Telephones and Mobile Phones, Large Print Books, Playing Cards and **NEW Large Print 2015 Diaries and Calendars.**



The gifts vary in price to meet all budgets and they won't be found on the High Street.

Locations:

Kettering Sight Centre located behind QD's on the High Street, at the top of the Wadcroft car park (off Commercial Rd).

Open Tuesdays, Thursday and Fridays 10am-1pm.

New Northampton Sight Centre located on the Harborough Road opposite Waitrose in Kingsthorpe. Open Monday – Friday 9am-3pm.

For added convenience, why not visit our **NEW Mobile Sight Centre** when it visits your area shortly. It will be in Brackley, Piazza parked outside the Town Hall on Wednesday November 5th and December 3rd between 10.00am and 12.30pm

If you are unable to visit any of our locations

but would like to obtain a catalogue or place an order, get in touch with us:

Helpline: 01604 719193

www.nab.org.uk



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Dear Villagers,

My name is Lily Eresen and I am 16 years old, currently studying for my A Levels at the Royal Latin School in Buckingham. I am trying to raise £2350 in order to travel with a school group, organised by Outlook Expeditions, to Southern India next July, where I will join the ARMDS project in building a school in Villupuram for 17 days.

21st century India has a booming economy, however, it is also home to the largest number of people living in poverty of any country on Earth. Natural disasters such as cyclones, floods and tsunamis have ravaged many of the already desperately poor regions, leading to vulnerable situations for millions. For my project I will travel to Villupuram, the second largest district in the southern state of Tamil-Nadu, where I, along with 18 others from my school, will team up with the Animators for Rural Multipurpose Development Society (ARMDS). ARMDS was started to alleviate the suffering of people with disabilities and other minority groups, helping with rehabilitation and assisting in establishing a more caring society. The organisation works in several rural communities in the Villupuram district, providing support to vulnerable groups. The work I will do will involve improving the facilities at the centre, as well as providing assistance with many of the different outreach programmes which the ARMDS offers. I will also have the opportunity to teach basic English to local children. Some of the specific work I do will be determined by the needs of the ARMDS at the time of my expedition (July 2015). This is a truly unique opportunity for me to provide a real and highly valued service to people in need. To cover the cost of the flights to and from India and transport while I'm there, accommodation, food, and specific equipment such as tents and building tools, I need to raise £2350. For this reason, I'm offering services to villagers of babysitting, lawn mowing, dog walking, and animal and/or plant care (for example while on holiday). The money I make from this will go directly towards my expedition. I am also pitching at various local car boot sales, and intend to hold cake sales etc and fetes, local events and school events. I may also be contacting The Fox to organise a fundraising event that can take place there.

I have set up a fundraising account on 'gofundme', where there is the option to donate - the website for my campaign is <http://www.gofundme.com/fth4o0>. If you wish to contact me for any of the aforementioned services or to find out more about my expedition, feel free to call my mobile on 07960378872, home on 01295714142 or email me at lily@eresen.com.

