

WOODNEWTON NEWS

JUNE 2019



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News and Reports

Woodnewton Parish Council

Parish Council Report – May 2019

The Council met on Monday 13th May

At the beginning of the meeting Andrew Hansford was re-elected as Chair and Alex Neville as Vice- Chair and all other Councillors agreed to maintain their current responsibilities for the forthcoming year. The normal Governance and Accounting procedures were agreed and signed.

County & District Councillor - Annabel de Capell Brooke:

Annabel attended the meeting and gave Councillors an update on the latest news about the re-organisation plan; may be postponed for 12 months, county budget; a balanced budget this year so there is money available and local Police coverage; rural East Northants must get a fair share of resources. Among other things, Council expressed concern about the state of the roads especially in Main Street and stressed the need for a full re-surfacing.

Street Lights

Council agreed the supplier for the new lights and decided to proceed with the first part of the finance plan, with a final decision on the remaining finance options to be made at the June meeting.

Wild Flower Area

Cllr Flack reported that the seeds had germinated well with a reasonable coverage across the whole area and that the net would now be removed.

Allotments

Following the raid on over a dozen allotment sheds, the Woodnewton Players store and the attempted break in at the village hall, Councillors discussed the many suggested solutions put forward for improving allotment security. Some degree of access must be maintained for emergency access especially as the playing field is a designated spot for the Air Ambulance too land. There was also a recognition that stopping a determined thief is impossible and that any actions need to be in the form of a deterrent. Council agreed the temporary security measures would remain and that Allotment holders consulted on locking the gate permanently using a combination lock to allow access for plot holders. Police advice was re-iterated which is not to keep anything of value in sheds.

PARISH CLERK

John, our current Parish Clerk has expressed a desire to retire from the role. We are looking to recruit a new Clerk for this vital role in the village, without which the Council cannot function. From experience it is always better if the Clerk lives in the Village as they have a better understanding of what is happening. The role is a paid position requiring 5hrs per week for preparing agendas, meeting minutes, keeping the accounts and informing Councillors of the relevant news from District and County Councils. Full training is given.

If you have any interest in taking on this key role please contact me; andrew@hansford451.plus.com

The next meeting will be on Monday 3rd June at 8.00pm

Andrew Hansford - Chairman

St Mary's Church

June Church Services at St. Mary's

2nd June 9.30 a.m. Sung Holy Communion (Modern Language)

9th June 9.30 a.m. Said Holy Communion (Modern Language)

16th June 9.30 a.m. Sung Morning Praise – a service for all the family,

23rd June 8.30 a.m. Said Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer)

30th June 10.00 a.m. BENEFICE SERVICE – RURAL CHURCH SUNDAY CELEBRATION – THORNHAUGH



To celebrate our rural life and to pray for our farming communities, we are holding a special Rural Church Sunday Celebration Service at Sharpley's Farm in Thornhaugh on 30th June. We are very grateful to Andrew and Peter and their families for their hospitality. This will be a very special service – all are welcome!

Men's Breakfast

The next Men's Breakfast will be on Saturday 1st June at Queens Head, Nassington at 8.30 to 10.00. Why not come and meet 20+ men from the surrounding villages and enjoy a full breakfast, make new contacts and friends and listen to a wide range of short topical talks? Please register at mensbreakfast@btconnect.com or use this email to find out more. Our last meeting was well attended and on 1st June our in-house speakers will be talking about climbing Kilimanjaro, a new charity in Stamford serving surrounding villages and Policing.

We hope to see you there! Ian Scott

Communicare News

- **Has your village got a defibrillator?**
- **Would you like to know more about it?**
- **Would you like to learn how to use it should the need arise?**

Come along to the COMMUNICARE general meeting. Tuesday 11th June 2019 at Wansford Surgery – 6.30 pm

Our guest speaker, Sarah-Jane Turner, will be giving a talk and demonstration of how to use a defibrillator

Those who wish to stay for the following usual agenda items including finance and practice update will be most welcome



WHAT'S ON



FUN SALSA NIGHT

FRIDAY 28 JUNE 7-30 – 11.00 PM

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CHARITY EVENT ON BEHALF OF GENESIS RESEARCH FOUNDATION FOR MOTHER& BABIES HEALTH

Gary's Walk

My next walk will be a circular walk from Gretton on **Saturday 15th June.**

If you would like to join us please meet at the car park at **Gretton Recreation Ground, Kirby Road Gretton NN17 3DB** for a **10.00am** start.

On **Friday July 5th** there will be an early evening walk from Glapthorn into Oundle with the opportunity to listen to *The Weekenders* at The Talbot Hotel. This performance is part of the Oundle Fringe programme and I am sure will be an ideal warm up for *Ronnie Scotts All Stars* who are performing at The Stahl Theatre later that evening.

The Oundle Fringe offers a chance to listen to a wide variety of music in a number of venues around Oundle. Please visit www.oundlefringe.org for more details of events.

WHAT'S ON

Woodnewton Artists exhibiting at the Yarrow Gallery Oundle



Artists from the John Russell Art group will be exhibiting their work at the Yarrow Gallery in July. Our local artists : Deirdre Blackburn, Yevett Halewood, Loraine Swift, Sue Singlehurst, and Stuart Riley will be displaying their paintings together with work from a number of other accomplished artists.

In addition work will be displayed by members of the United Artists Network: Emily Jinks, Emma Rogalski, Andy King, and Hana Smid. The UAN meet at the Woodnewton Pottery each week to develop their artistic skills.

Rob Biddy, our local master potter, will also have some of his ceramic pieces on display along with Kathleen Deane who runs sculpture classes at the Pottery. Joining them will be Louise McFerran who is a student of Rob and Kathleen.

In all there will be 18 artists displaying original art and craft work which will be available at affordable prices. Oil paintings, watercolours, acrylic paintings, jewellery, textiles, pottery, and sculptures will be on sale and you are all invited to visit the gallery and view our work on the following dates:-

Exhibition Dates: Saturday 20th July until Friday 26th July.

Opening times 10am - 4pm. Free entry.



Nene Valley railway are now using their new ticketing system to roll out both fully allocated seating and a year-round booking service for the popular **Santa Steam** trains.

Bookings for the 2019 'Santas' are now open. This means guests can purchase their tickets at any time before Christmas. Marketing manager Gerry Thurston says "Customers have been asking us for all allocated seating for a while, so we are thrilled to be able to provide it . Our new ticketing software will open-up a service previously only available for our 1st class clients to all of our Santa guests. All will now have a designated seat on the train they choose"

The Nene valley Railway's Santa Express services will run between 24th November and 24th December 2019.

Nene Valley Railway - Wansford Station - Stibbington - Peterborough - PE8 6LR

www.nvr.org.uk

WHAT'S ON

Yarwell Memorabilia Day 2nd June 2019

Yarwell Parish Council are organising a memorabilia day on Sunday 2nd June from 2pm to 5pm in Yarwell Village Hall.

Wansford & Kings Cliffe Surgery



For the second year running the doctors, nurses and staff are entering a boat in the forthcoming Peterborough Dragon Boat Races on Saturday 8th June helping to raise money for Thorpe Hall Hospice.

Like last year when so many patients generously supported their efforts, they would very much appreciate your support again – you can donate either through the link shown below or use one of the boxes which are located in the surgery reception areas.

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/wansfordsurgery>



We are looking for new members to join the group.

We are particularly looking for new cast members to play principal roles, but of course we would very much welcome anyone who wants to get involved.

If you are interested in joining us please email woodnewtonplayers@gmail.com and we can let you have more details.

We are currently working on our next pantomime and will share more information on what it will be and details of the launch meeting as soon as we can.

Kings Cliffe starts Walking for Health!

Kings Cliffe's very first Health Walk took place in April when 18 people ventured out into the spring sunshine for a walk around the village, finishing with refreshments at the Ex-Servicemen's Club. Walk leader Barry Hurcombe commented "I am really pleased that so many people have made it along for the first Health Walk in this part of the county. Walking is not only a great way of improving your general level of fitness, but it is also a brilliant way to meet people and make new friends. And at this time of year, it's just great to be out in the fresh air!"



Run by the Ramblers and supported by East Northamptonshire District Council, the walks take place every Tuesday at 11am, starting and finishing at the Ex-Servicemen's Club, Wood Road. They are open to anyone whatever their ability, and are completely free. For more information, Barry can be contacted on 01780 471070, or visit the Walking for Health website.

Get your photograph on the cover

We are always very happy to receive your photos relating to the village and village life. If you would like the chance to get your photograph in an issue or on the cover send them to the editor at newswoodnewton@gmail.com.

We would also be very happy to receive photos of any of your art work for inclusion in future issues.

Please send high resolution photos and to get on the cover it's best to send portrait rather than landscape layout. Please don't send any copyright material, we can't afford the legal fees!

GAME OF EUROVISION

As I compiled this issue of Woodnewton News we were in between two monumental media events: the 2019 Eurovision Song Contest from Tel Aviv and the very last episode of Game of Thrones. One was the long awaited culmination of political intrigue, internecine battles and controversy with an over hyped and shocking finale and the other was Game of Thrones. In the UK we have traditionally viewed the Eurovision song contest with a feeling of superiority and irony partially fostered by the classic commentary of the late lamented Terry Wogan.

Although the BBC has always attempted to promote the ESC (as it is affectionately known by people who have any affection for it), I don't think that it's celebrated in the way it is in other European countries. The Finns clearly got the joke though, with their entry of the the bizarre heavy metal act Lordi in 2006. The surprise win was celebrated by Finns and other Europeans with a sense of the absurd. I also believe that the creators of Game of Thrones must have seen something in that performance as Lordi look like the prototypes for the Night King's Army.



Personally, I tend to manage my experience of the ESC. Rather than sit through the whole show and torture my ears listening to a load of sub-Sheeran folky noodling, camp Germans in sparkly lederhosen or Adele wannabes, I cut to the chase. I turn on the TV for the voting. This is where the parallels with Game of Thrones really come to the fore. Who will bend the knee to the Russian Bear, who will be King in the North? The voting is wonderfully biased and with the new public vote after all the “jury” votes have been counted there is a real sense of jeopardy and the potential excitement of extra time and penalties. And just like extra time and penalties we lose, with a popular vote that Cersei Lannister would be proud of. Next year we should ask the Welsh for a singing dragon.

The Grumpy Geek

Village Hall Bingo

Thanks to all of you who came along to the Bingo Night at the Village Hall in April. We made approximately £470 from ticket and bar sales which all goes towards maintenance of the hall. We should mention that we got a very good deal at Waitrose for the cheese for the ploughman's supper!

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Woodnewton History Group

The Woodnewton History group have an ever growing treasure trove of fascinating material about the village at their website. <http://woodnewtonhistory.co.uk/>

USEFUL NUMBERS and INFORMATION

Parish Council Clerk	woodnewtonpc@gmail.com
Village Hall Booking	Marilyn Jenner 01780 470758
Neighbourhood Watch	woodnewtonnw@googlemail.com
Police	101 (non emergency report, suspicious behaviour and enquiries)
Doctors Surgeries	Oundle 01832 275375 Wansford 01780 782342
Veterinary Surgeries	Oundle 01832 273521 Yarwell 01780 783910

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