

WOODNEWTON NEWS

June 2015



Local rape fields - photograph taken by John Russell

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NEWS & REPORTS

The Parish Council Annual General Meeting was held on 11th May.

Andrew Hansford was elected as Chairman and Liz Holland as Vice Chairman.

Councillors individual responsibilities are as follows:-

Roger Flack:- Allotments, Neighbourhood Watch liaison, footpaths.

Liz Holland:- Cemetery, Newsletter, financial review.

Russ Jenner:- Footpath officer, trees, planning reviews.

Tom Holmes:- Street lights, highways & pavements, playground.

Andrew Hansford:- Grass cutting & village maintenance, police liaison.

Administration Matters

Council agreed to the continued adoption of NCALC Standing Orders (2014) and the NCALC Financial Regulations. There were no changes required to Council's complaints procedures. However as to Council's insurance the Clerk will investigate alternative companies for price comparison and report back.

Planning

Council agreed to a request from the village Hall Committee for permission to erect 3 marquees, as well as the provision of car parking on the playing field, for an event on the weekend of July 18th & 19th.

Other Matters

- The Aviva Women's Tour of Britain cycle race will be passing through Woodnewton via Orchard Lane between 10.40 & 11.15 on the 19th June. The clerk will arrange for letters to be delivered to all Orchard Lane residents, asking that they do not park on Orchard Lane that morning.
- Chairman Andrew Hansford welcomed new Councillors Liz Holland and Russ Jenner. He went on to ask all Councillors to bring project ideas to the next meeting for discussion and consideration.

The next Parish Council meeting will be held on Monday 1st June at 8pm.

The Annual Village meeting (formerly the Annual Parish Meeting) will be held on Tuesday 2nd June starting at 7.30pm. All welcome.

Liz Holland

St. Mary's Church

Church Services

7th June	Sung Holy Communion	9.30 am
14th June	Morning Prayer (said)	9.30 am
20th June	Wedding	1.30 pm
21st June	Sung Holy Communion	9.30 am (coffee served)
28th June	BCP (said)	8.00 am
	Family Service	4.00 pm

Unfortunately, our musical fundraising event for the toilet/kitchen project at St Mary's has had to be postponed until 2016 due to being unable to find a convenient date this year.

The plans for this project have been drawn up and we are now awaiting confirmation from the DAC that this can go ahead.

Dear All

A summer thought

The good weather is a great joy and it beckons us to tend our gardens. In my garden there are many brambles and weeds that need cutting back....and the fine wet weather is now encouraging them. Sometimes it is hard to spot the weeds from the flowers, and some are so difficult to deal with. Being so thorny and unruly and they are so long, that sometimes I can't see where they have actually taken root. I can tell you that brambles don't make gardening easy and they need dealing with on a regular basis. If they are not completely uprooted, they return with a new vigour to blight the garden for the whole of the year.

What can be likened to brambles in your life?

They are probably the things that have taken root (maybe years ago); and maybe they are being dealt with frequently, but the roots are still there, so there is the opportunity for them to grow and strangle, and overshadow other new life and new opportunities that are flourishing.

Can I encourage you to take a look at your life this early summer, and to think about what needs cutting back; what needs digging up and getting rid of completely, and what needs attention so that it continues to grow and blossom to produce fruit. A Faith or Belief can help in de-weeding the garden for good, or at least keeping 'on top of them'.

I'm going to do that, so that I can have a fuller Summer of great joy, blossom and of sitting back later in the year to really enjoy the garden, and enjoy life more fully. May the garden of your life also blossom more fully this summer?

With all Blessings

Michael Vicar

Woodnewton Neighbourhood Watch

Good News from the police on Drug Enforcement ...

Sixty four people have been arrested in the biggest operation to tackle illegal drugs ever launched by Northamptonshire Police. Of those 64 arrested, 40 have been charged with 134 drug offences. The majority of the people charged with offences have appeared in court and have been remanded into custody to await trial. More arrests are due to take place.

Detective Chief Inspector Nick Lyall led a 10 month investigation which resulted in the arrests. He said: "This is the biggest operation of its kind ever seen in Northamptonshire and one which has so far resulted in 40 people being charged with 134 drug offences. The operation was launched at the end of last summer after we had a number of incidents where those involved in drug dealing were using violence against one another, and the risk of harm to innocent members of the public was rising.

Our work has involved the use of undercover officers to help gather evidence which will now be placed before the court as those people who have been charged stand trial. We are committed to tackling those people involved in the supply and distribution of illegal drugs in Northamptonshire, and this kind of operation is one way we can tackle it."

So far, the arrest phase of the operation has seen;

- 200 police officers involved in each enforcement day
- £40,000 drugs seized, £225,000 cash seized
- Multi-agency support vehicle deployed each day (police, fire and ambulance) – the first time this has supported an enforcement operation, Support from the Metropolitan Police, Bedfordshire Police, Derbyshire Police and UK Border Agency
- Drugs dogs involved in the search operations

Sunny days and Garden Security

Garden security is very important as the garden is an access point into your home. Therefore we should endeavour to make our gardens secure ...

- Secure your garden with lockable gates and walls or substantial fencing.
- Thorny plants around the perimeter and trellis on top of fences make it harder for an intruder to access your garden.
- Keep your ladder and garden tools locked away, as they can be used by burglars to access your home. Keep tools inside if you do not have a garden shed.
- Remember to lock garage and shed windows and doors. Use electronic shed alarms or padlock alarms to deter thieves.
- Make sure any valuable items stored in sheds are well-secured, to a ground/wall anchor where possible.

- Store bins securely to prevent them from being used to access upstairs windows or flat roofs.
- Outside security lighting can act as a deterrent for burglars.
- Walking on gravel is noisy and this can help to deter intruders.

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Please contact Stuart Shaw(470583) or Trevor Danks (470363) if you are interested in becoming a Woodnewton Neighbourhood Watch Contact.

Communicare

(Wansford & Kings Cliffe Surgery Patient Group)

The next meeting will be held on Thursday 4th June at Wansford Surgery at 6.30 pm

Guest Speaker : Maggie Fay - Practice Educator Sue Ryder – Thorpe Hall Hospice
This will be an opportunity to hear about how Thorpe Hall currently operates, future plans and the progress of their major new building project

All patients are invited to attend the meeting and take an active part in the proceedings and discussions.

Regular agenda items include finance, transport, healthcare matters, equipment purchase and AOB

SOCIAL GROUP SUMMER DAY TRIPS

Unfortunately the planned coach day trip this month to Wroxham and the Norfolk Broads has had to be cancelled due to lack of support.

The next trip is scheduled for Wednesday 5th August to the Peak District – Buxton & Ashbourne – we would be delighted to hear from anyone interested in joining us
Please contact Clare on 01780 470437 / email: superfoguk@aol.com for further details

Woodnewton Players AGM

The Woodnewton Players held their AGM on the 16th April. Twenty eight members attended.

During the year the Players have recruited 7 new members.

In terms of events there was no summer production, but a very successful pantomime - Treasure Island - was performed in February. This was a first in many respects, not least that it was Sarah Roberts first taste of directing a pantomime and Andrew Hansford's first foray into producing. Both did extremely well, and several people said that it was the best pantomime to date.

On the fund raising front, a quiz and supper night in October made a profit of over £500 and the Players sent a donation of £250 to the local branch of the Air Ambulance.

The group had another successful year and an improvement on the previous year financially.

The majority of the members felt there should be a pantomime every year as villagers seemed to thoroughly enjoy them.

The subject of the layout of the hall for performances caused much discussion amongst members, and the committee undertook to review the seating arrangements and report back. What did become clear is that unfortunately in order to comply with fire, and health and safety regulations, the maximum number in the audience may have to be reduced.

Following Peter Clark's announcement that he would be stepping down from the committee, the Chairman gave a huge vote of thanks on behalf of the members for all that Peter has done as founder, Chairman and latterly as a committee member.

The committee elected for the year ahead is as follows:-

Chairman – David Webb Secretary – Sarah Roberts Treasurer – Alex Neville
Committee members – Irene Kerr, Jill Roche, Gary Bradbury, Hannah Neighbour,
Bridget Wilson

As to the year ahead there will be a summer production this year – Wolf Tale – a re-make of Red Riding Hood but with a difference on Friday 12th & Saturday 13th June. The committee will also be looking at potential scripts that may be submitted for the next pantomime to be performed in February 2016.

David Webb - Chairman

WHAT'S ON?



The Harrison and Harrison organ in St. Mary's Church was installed in 1915
This year we are celebrating its centenary with a special afternoon on Sunday July 12th.

4.30pm Recital by Eric Tyson From Bristol
(who accompanies many great choirs in our cathedrals.)

5.30pm Afternoon tea served in the church

6.30pm Full Choral Evensong
With a special choir of visitors and local people.

Admission to recital and tea - £5 at the door.

To help with arrangements for catering, please email John Miley (jmiley@iee.org) with
your intention to attend.

Annual Village Meeting

This meeting formerly known as the Annual Parish Meeting will be held on Tuesday 2nd June starting at 7.30pm in the Village Hall

This is your chance to find out what the Parish Council has been doing for the village in the last year.

In addition Heather Smith our County Councillor will be there to answer any questions you might have.

Refreshments will be provided

So make a date in your diary and please come along

SAVE the DATE: JULY 18TH

**Woodnewton Fun Dog Show
& Children's Pet Show**

PLUS

**Afternoon Tea
with**



Look out for further details

COLUMNISTS

Woodnewton's Last Miller

During the latter part of the 19th century, a miller came to Woodnewton, and took up residence at Conegar Mill. His name was Sydney Spademan (b.1856 – d.1937), the grand grandfather of my late wife

Sydney had been milling at Easton on the Hill, but unfortunately ran into trouble and the mill ceased to function.



Flour was produced at Conegar for a number of years, but sadly, due to high maintenance costs and mill wright charges, things began to deteriorate. A few years into the 20th century the mill stone ceased to turn and what had been a good little 'undershot water mill' was lost forever.

In a 10 mile radius of Woodnewton, windmills and watermills were becoming silent; Morcott, Luffenham, Ketton, Oundle, Cottestock, Perio and Barnack to name but a few. The mill at Woodnewton slumbered on whilst the war clouds gathered over Europe; wheat and flour prices doubled over night. Bakers and contractors looked further afield for flour; Browns of Godmanchester and Ranks of Hull (later Rank Hovis McDougall) War flour was produced, darker in colour and not as fine, almost like the flour produced at Conegar and little mills up and down the country thirty to forty years earlier, before the roller process was introduced.

The mill stopped producing flour in 1906 or thereabouts, and opportunity missed, the feed the local inhabitants of Woodnewton and surrounding area.

Sydney carried on residing at Conegar, no longer milling, but as a market gardener; one of the many 27 gardeners recorded in Woodnewton.

Woodnewton History Group

Woodnewton Village Hall News

Eyes down, read on..

The 3rd Woodnewton Bingo night went well, with approx 55 people getting their doblers out and casting their eyes over the numbers. As always, fantastic food, the ploughman's is now getting a reputation, a few beers and bevies, and a good time, hopefully, had by all.

More than one person got well and truly ducked with the now infamous duck bonus when 22 is called, (I'm already on the hunt for more duck trivia and questions) and the picture quiz sponsored by the White Swan, means the two lucky winners (Mr and Mrs Wrehtless) are now treated to fish and Chips down the pub, thank you to Ian for that. As ever the evening wouldn't be a success without the people to attend or help out, so thank you to all of those who supported the evening, and of course a major thank you to all of the helpers during the day and evening, I also heard the caller was excellent and quite entertaining too! (thanks Dad)

So for aficionados or first time players, keep your eyes (down) for the next Bingo night and come along and play the game with balls!.

Dillon



DOGS of WOODNEWTON !!

Submit your photo now to be pictured in the July edition of The Woodnewton News - a special edition celebrating dogs!

Entries by 13th June to newswoodnewton@googlemail.com

DOG OWNERS of WOODNEWTON

Photos should be of your dog only (no humans) and be accompanied by the dog's name and age. We will prepare a gallery of entries to help promote the

Woodnewton Fun Dog Show

to be held at, & raising funds for, the Village Hall on July 18th. Look out for further details.



Woodnewton Players welcome you to their summer production

Wolf Tale

a re-telling of Red Riding Hood with a difference

Friday 12th June & Saturday 13th June at 7.30pm

doors open at 6.45pm

At Woodnewton Village Hall

Tickets :- £10 per head which includes a two course supper

Bring your own drink & glasses

Tickets available from Anne Galloway Tel :- 01780 479235

WOODNEWTON'S BEGINNERS RUN FOR FUN GROUP

Have you been afraid to start running because:

you're too unfit?

it's not for people like you?

don't know how to start?

need a partner to get you going?

We're the same!!

Why not come and meet like minded people who want to
start a non-competitive easy running schedule?

JUNE 9th 7pm at the village hall

We'll talk about the Couch-to-5K programme & you can
speak to someone who has successfully followed it in the
past.

NO COMMITMENT!!

Just come along to see if a group approach could be the way
to help you to cheap and simple fitness.

For more details check out: [http://www.nhs.uk/Livewell/c25k/
Pages/couch-to-5k-plan.aspx](http://www.nhs.uk/Livewell/c25k/Pages/couch-to-5k-plan.aspx)

or call

Liz 470676 or Eunice 470708

Gary says

Our next village walk is the summer fish and chips evening stroll on Wednesday 24th June from Woodnewton to the Shuckbrough Arms at Southwick and back. Meet at St. Mary's church Woodnewton at 6pm.

Please let me know in advance if you wish to join us as we need to let the pub know numbers in advance.

Tel:- 470593 or at gary.bradbury@btopenworld.com



Aviva Women's cycling Tour of Britain is coming to Woodnewton on 19th June. They will be passing along Orchard Lane between 10.40 and 11.15.

Please come out and cheer them on.

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Woodnewton Neighbourhood Watch woodnewtonnw@googlemail.com

Police 101 (non emergency report, suspicious behaviour and enquiries)

Doctors Surgeries

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Veterinary Surgeries

Oundle	01832 273521	Yarwell	01780 783910
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Woodnewton Mobile Library 16:00 - 16:45 Orchard Crescent every fourth Wednesday of the month.

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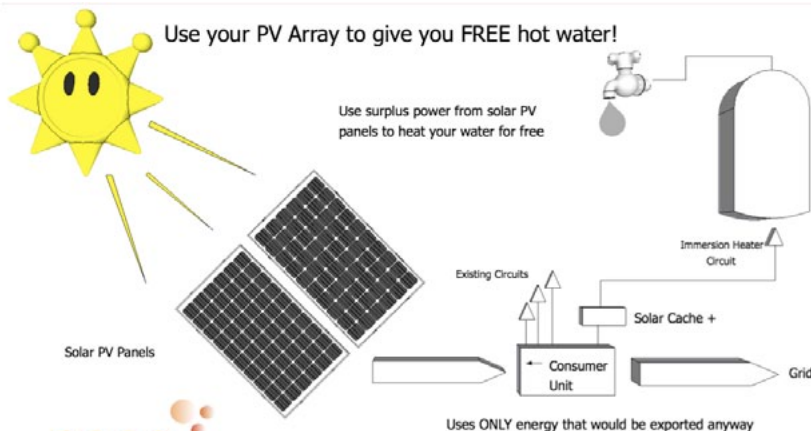
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