

WOODNEWTON NEWS

JUNE 2017



Matthew Roberts, photographer

News and Reports

The Parish Council met on 8th May

Public Time

1 resident attended to seek an update on the re-surfacing of St Mary's Hill and to seek more information on timing and impact of the work.

Planning

One application was considered, which was returned without objection.

Playground Project

All final points of the project and the installation work is scheduled to begin towards the end of July.

Allotments

The Council considered a number of comments from allotment holder regarding the increasing amount of damage done by rabbits. Council agreed to look at some control measures which could include cutting back of overgrown areas which are close to the edge of plots.

Playground

The monthly safety inspection of the playground had been completed and had identified the swing seats as area that required remedial action. The Council agreed to investigate the possibility of replacing the seats as part of the larger playground upgrade project.

Annual Meeting:

At the May meeting the Council is required to annually appoint a Chair and Vice Chair, and to delegate responsibilities for the forthcoming year. Individual Councillor responsibilities are as follows:

Andrew Hansford – Chair, Grass & Village Maintenance, Newsletter reports

Liz Holland – Vice-Chair, Cemetery, Financial Oversight

Alex Neville – Planning applications, Police liaison

Russ Jenner – Churchyard, Trees

Roger Flack – Allotments, Footpaths & Bridleways, Neighbourhood watch liaison

Paul Blackmore – Street lights, Highways & Pavements, Playground

There is still one vacancy on the Council. There is normally a monthly Council meeting, in addition to any individual responsibilities. The time commitment is approximately 3-5 hrs per month. An evening's training course is available for new Councillors to help them understand the role and the limitations of what a Parish Council can do. Should be interested in joining, please come to a meeting or speak to any of Councillors listed.

The next Parish Council meeting will be on Monday 5th June at 8.00pm

Andrew Hansford - Parish Council Chairman

St Mary's Church

June Services

4th June	Sung CW Holy Communion	9.30am	
11th June	Baptism & Sung Communion	9.30am	Rev Jane Tailby
	Choral Evensong	6.00pm	Bishop John Flack
			see back cover for details
18th June	Sung Holy Communion	9.30am	Rev Peter Konig
25th June	Said BCP Holy Communion	8.30am	Rev Jane Tailby

Toilet/Kitchen project

St Mary's fundraising group would like to thank everybody who visited the St George's Day Coffee and Fun Morning. The sum of £283.21 was made up of sales of cakes, preserves, books and plants plus generous donations. Paul Aspland was kept busy with the children making and painting swords and shields and also children were able to have their faces painted with an appropriate design by Tessa Humphrey and Angi Aspland. Thank you to Yvette for the donation of all the cakes.

Future dates for your diary:

Thursday 15th June - Oundle Market - Cakes and preserves
Saturday 9th September - Oundle Farmers Market - Tombola
Saturday 16th September - Old Time Music Hall and supper
Sunday 24th September - Church Concert with Junior brass band

Flower Rota

Many thanks to all our members for their flower arrangements throughout the year. They enhance the church beautifully and are much appreciated.
Again, many thanks,
Peggy Bierton

Jo Booth

We are all deeply saddened at St Mary's by the news of Jo's death. She had such a significant place in the life of our Church, and she had served for many years on our Parochial Church Council and as our Benefice Pastoral Assistant. She was simply a good friend who was always there for any in need. She was a lady of great faith who trusted entirely in the Lord she knew and loved so well, and whilst we struggle to come to terms with her loss, we know that she has been received to that greater glory where she sees her Lord at last, face to face. We pray for each other as we grieve her loss, and particularly for her sisters and their families and her closest friends. May she rest in peace and rise in glory.

A service to celebrate Jo's life is being held at Nassington Church on Friday, 2nd June at 1.15pm.

News From Nassington School

The school has said “au revoir” to an old friend as Alan Phipps, our postman for over 40 years, recently retired. As a thank you for his support to the school (which included yummy treats he provided every Christmas), the children made Alan some lovely cards filled with their own messages. We wish Alan a very happy, healthy, and very well deserved retirement.

Year 6 pupils have all now completed their SATS and we had 100% attendance. As a treat for being so hard-working, all year 6 pupils were taken to Smiths at No.4 in Oundle for afternoon tea. Many thanks to the Smiths staff for providing the most scrumptious cakes and making our group's outing special. You can see the fun had on the café's Facebook page.

Willow Class has designed some colourful posters on the theme of road safety, which has been part of our travel and transport topic. Please look out for these posters on display as you travel and shop in Nassington.

Coming up in June is the annual sports afternoon on Tuesday 13th. Do come along to the playing field and cheer our children on. You can also have a giggle when Mrs Daley turns the tables on the parents and it's their turn to tackle the obstacle race (there's never any cheating!).

After months of practising, Nassington pupils will be participating in the Oundle Festival in the Cluster Orchestra. Admission is free and here are the details:

Saturday 8 July 2.00pm – 2.30pm Oundle School Chapel - The Oundle Cluster Primary School Orchestra: 70 eight to eleven year olds play music by the great composers

Governor Vacancy

We are looking for volunteers to join our governing body, especially volunteers from the local communities. Governors play an important role in helping the school provide the very best opportunities for our children and local knowledge is of huge benefit in achieving that. Volunteers do not need to have any previous connection with the school, just a willingness to give a little time to this important community service. If you would like to find out a bit more about what is involved, please contact the school on 01780 782743 and arrange to have a chat with the head teacher or the chair of governors.

For further information, please see www.nassingtonschool.org.uk

Best wishes from all at Nassington School.

Village Hall

The annual bingo night fundraiser has a devoted following, who turned out again on 11th May. Around 45 players sat down to 6 rounds + the big money bonus round at the end. Prize money was spread well amongst the tables, with the final £50 prize eventually split between 2 lucky winners. There was enthusiastic support for the raffle - and the bar! The traditional offering of a generous platter of bread, cheese, pate and pickles went down very well.

The village hall committee did their usual sterling job organising the event, which raised over £400. The committee are currently raising money to replace the fire doors at the hall, so this money will be put to very good use.

Special thanks are due to Dillon, our irreplaceable caller, Eunice for the food and to Merk Hauck at Gable Events for lending his invaluable PA system. Other members of the committee supported the event on the night and sold tickets. Thanks to you all.





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What's On

COMMUNICARE

(Wansford & Kings Cliffe Surgery Patient Group)
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Visit to CROMER, Norfolk

Wednesday 7th June 2017

Max £24 per person (this will reduce if numbers increase)

Travel will be by executive coach with pick-ups from local village

For more information/booking – contact Clare Wagstaffe

Tel: 01780 470437 – email: superfoguk@aol.com



A general meeting open to all patients will be held on

**Wednesday 14th June 2017
at Wansford Surgery – 6.30 pm**

**Guest Speaker: Sarah-Jane Turner
Surgery Emergency Care Practitioner**

Sarah-Jane will be talking about her role within the practice giving advice and guidance to patients by phone and when necessary arranging appointments. She will also be giving details of her independent basic life support training service

Following the partners' decision to remain an independent practice it is hoped that this meeting will give patients an opportunity to learn more about the forward planning for availability of services and any potential future expansion and development

Nassington

Open Gardens Weekend

June 24th & 25th 2017 1-5pm

<p><i>Enjoy one of Northamptonshire's Finest Rural Villages</i></p> <p><i>20 Open Gardens</i></p>	<p><i>Prebendal Manor Medieval Garden</i></p> <p><i>Northamptonshire's Oldest Remaining Dwelling</i></p>	
<p><i>Plant Stall</i></p> <p><i>Allotments</i></p> <p><i>Proceeds to Nassington Church</i></p>		<p><i>Church open for Tea and Home Made Cakes</i></p>
<p>Admission</p> <p>Adults (16+) £5.00 Daily</p> <p>Accompanied children 16yrs and Under Free</p>		

Free Parking

NASSINGTON GARDENS ON SHOW

Hundreds of visitors are expected to descend on Nassington the weekend of 24th and 25th June to wander through this lovely Northamptonshire village and take a look into the 20 plus gardens open to visitors. The event is part of the National Open Gardens initiative and for weeks has had many of the village's 800 residents planting, pruning and planning for the big event. Visitors will be able to draw ideas from a wide spectrum of gardens – from courtyard to new build, from modern through to the Prebendal Manor. The Manor's garden is understood to be Europe's largest recreated medieval garden and has been featured on BBC2, Radio 4 and in top magazines including Country Life.

Tea, cakes and other refreshments at the village hall will

keep everyone going and the day will also feature a craft fair and promises something for all the family.

Entry is £5 for each day for all over 16 years of age and the proceeds will be for the support of St Mary's Church Nassington – itself expected to attract many visitors over the weekend. The gardens will be open from 1pm to 5pm each day and special car parking provision has been arranged.

Nassington will soon be laying out the chairs, putting up its parasols and throwing open its gardens.

For more information contact Paul Tate : paul.tate53@hotmail.co.uk/07432833519 or Hilary Hardie: hilary.hardie@btinternet.com.



Woodnewton is hosting the inter-village rounders tournament again this year at the **village hall on the 18th June**. Last year we had a really successful day, with over 300 people there and we raised £3,600 for Save the Children.

Details from Matt and Tessa Humphrey - humpyjeff41@hotmail.com



My next walk will be on Saturday 17th June at 10.00am from the Old White Hart 51 Main Street Lyddington LE15 9LR. Please note dogs are only allowed in the garden area.

I look forward to seeing you there.

Gary

**Oundle Gilbert & Sullivan Players
Summer Concert**



**Saturday 24th & Sunday 25th June 2017
7:30pm, Stahl Theatre, Oundle.**

**Tickets on sale from
22nd May 2017**

COLUMNISTS

On The Plot

It is around now that many people decide they would enjoy growing their own tomato plants. Given reasonable care and decent weather, home-grown tomatoes prove extremely good value and crops can be very large. Your own produce will almost always taste better than bought varieties and certainly have a very high nutritional value. Added to this there is the undoubted pleasure of producing your own!

I have written before about types and planting. If you grow plants outdoors it is important to buy types bred specifically for this environment, so do watch out when loading your shopping basket.

Having planted up your grow bag, pots or greenhouse border it is vital that you keep your plants evenly moist throughout the growing season. Try hard not to water then forget for a week or so! Plants grown in such a way are often rather unhealthy and produce fruits which split. Also do ensure that you feed regularly with a high potash feed. This helps to give a good flavour to your crop.

There are two main types of tomato plant. Bush varieties, also known as determinate types, need no special attention apart from watering and feeding. They are good for smaller containers and hanging baskets, but they can certainly be grown in open ground.

Most people seem to grow upright, cordon types, also known as indeterminate varieties. With these it is vital that you provide support for your plants by using canes or something similar and also that you remove all sideshoots. So often this latter job is not undertaken and the grower smiles as very large bushy plants develop. The smile soon turns to a frown as very little in the way of decent fruit is formed. So, although this may seem rather harsh, do pinch out every sideshoot on a regular basis.

As the main stem rises, leaves will develop alternately on either side of it. Where the leaf stem (or petiole) comes out from the main plant stem a small shoot will develop in the 'v' that is formed between the main stem and the leaf petiole. This is the sideshoot and needs pinching out. Use either finger and thumb or a pair of scissors. A tool with fine points helps as space can be rather restricted. It's usually very straightforward, but as the plant develops it is incredibly easy to overlook these growths. Later in the season they have a nasty habit of forming sideshoots again lower down the plant in areas that you felt you had dealt with weeks ago!

Carry out these tasks and you will generally produce fine plants with heavy crops. If it's a good year that will be all you need to worry about. If not, blight may strike and your plants and crop will suffer. That's a whole new story and pages on the RHS website will give help on how to guard against this problem. For now let's look on the bright side and trust that you grow your best tomatoes ever! I really hope that you do.

Dodge the Flak

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Veterinary Surgeries

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Woodnewton Mobile Library 11:45 - 12:10 Orchard Crescent every third Wednesday of the month.

DIARY DATES

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Choral Evensong

Sunday June 11th 2017

at 6pm

Preacher: Bishop John Flack

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to Brewer in D

*& Anthem "Zadok the
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