THE FARTHINGHOE CHRONICLE

Village news, notices and events....



The season of "mists and mellow frutfulness" is now upon us, even if as this edition of the Chronicle goes to print, we're enjoying some glorious sunshine.

If you're not looking forward to the colder months though, there's plenty to cheer you going on in the village, from the Farthing-Hoe-Down party on Saturday 19 November, to the Songs of Praise Service on Sunday 23 October.

And, although it's a bit late for this coming Halloween, there are some allotments available, so next year you could perhaps be showing-off your very own pumpkin...?

For all the details, read on....

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RECTOR'S RAMBLINGS – OCTOBER 2016

The year has a natural ebb and flow to it, not only the seasons but also our activities. With Spring Cleaning and summer holidays past. Then in the September we start the season on thanksgiving with harvest festivals and harvest suppers. This flows gently into month of October and the season of thanks giving continues but with a different emphasis. We move from giving thanks for the world in which we live to giving thanks for the people we have shared the world with. The two major Christian festivals for this are 'All Saints' and 'All Souls'. At All Saints we give thanks for those whose Christian lives have inspired us and others. Recently mother Theresa was beatified and made a Saint in the Catholic church for her work. She is a shining example of a life lived for others, yet there are many many unsung saints who do not reach earthly recognition, but will be seen by our heavenly Father and by those around them.

The church too recognises that every person is important and loved by God and so remembers the souls of those departed this life, but not forgotten at the service of 'All Souls'. Every is invited to come and remember and give thanks at this service or if you cannot come to have the person or persons remembered by name for you. If you need help or transport please let me know and we will do our best to help. In the service there is an opportunity to light a candle for those we give thanks for and to receive a gift of a small holding cross made from Olive wood to take with you. The service moves around the villages of the benefice and this year will be at All Saints church, Croughton on 30th October at 6pm.

If you would like your loved one remembered by name please give their name to rev Shemil or myself or write it in the lists in church.

In October we are starting a series of informal gatherings called Cupper and Chat, they meet in peoples houses around our five villages of Aynho, Croughton, Evenley Farthinghoe and Hinton-in-the-hedges. The Gathering last about 1 hour depending on how long people want to stay and talk or the tea and coffee lasts. This time we will be exploring the sayings of Jesus known as 'the beatitudes' such as "Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted". The saying are called the Beatitudes because they all start with the work blessed, the Latin for which is 'Beatus'. We see the root of this word used in the Beatification of Mother Theresa before her canonisation (formal recognition of her sainthood) which took place on 4th September. In the bible all Christians are referred to as saints because we are all loved and blessed by God. Sign up sheets for Cuppa and Chat in Church or let rev Shemil or rev Simon know.

If singing is your thing, rather than talking, then come and join the Choir at Aynho or the BFC Benefice Festival Chorus. Both are looking for new members, young or old, good singers or not so. Aynho Choir sings each Sunday at Aynho and is run by Sybil Stevens. The BFC Chorus rehearses for two or three occasions each year and so just comes together for about 10 weeks before the service. This year we will be sing for the start of Advent at the end of November so will gather for two months on Thursday evening 7:30-8:30ish. Come along and join us –for more information please contact Simon Dommett

God Bless you all, Revd Simon Dommett



The Parish Council have state of the verges and pavements, roads and

been discussing recently the general upkeep of lighting within the village.

Cllr Morris was recently joined by Mark Hathaway of Highways to carry out a review of the maintenance issues. During the walk around the village, it became apparent that contracted works are not being carried out to the required standard and Mr Hathaway will be providing the Parish Council with a written report on the issues identified. The Parish Council will be considering the option of taking over responsibility for village maintenance in areas such as grass cutting, which will give us greater control to keep the village looking tidy.

The pot holes at the end of Queen Street where it meets Main Road had been reported. Some work has been carried out to fill in the worst of these, but we were informed by Highways that the remaining ones do not fit the depth criteria to warrant repairs.

If you have any issues with maintenance in the village, please report these to **Street Doctor** online (simply type Street Doctor into a search engine) or by telephoning 0300 126 1000. We believe that the more people who report issues to the service, the quicker the response is likely to be. Please note, however, that issues with street lights should be reported to the Clerk to the Parish Council, and **not** to Street Doctor.

The Parish Council would like to appeal to everyone to adhere to the No Dogs sign in the playpark. This is a hygiene matter, imposed for the safety of the children enjoying the park. Even with responsible owners clearing up after their dogs, the likelihood of germs being spread is drastically increased and the best way to keep our children safe is to prohibit dogs from the area altogether.

There have been no further updates on the proposed bypass over the last month, and we still look forward to welcoming Chris Wragg to the December Parish Council meeting to provide a report from November's Cabinet meeting, where the bypass is on the agenda for further consideration.

Dates for your diary:

The next Parish Council meeting will be Wednesday, 12th October 2016 at 7.00pm in the Beasley Room at the Village Hall. Public time will be from 7.00pm to 7.15pm.

VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE NEWS

120 Club Winners

August Mrs Karen Chidwick - £25

Mrs Rosemary Hobbs - £10

Mr Ian Hunt - £10

September C Davis - £25

Sue Hampson - £10 Pip Clayton - £10

The Village Show took place on Saturday 10^{th} September. The weather was not kind to us and we had a very poor turn out. Despite this, initial suggestions are that we made a small profit of around £150.

A lot of hard work goes into planning and organising the show and whilst we acknowledge that the weather was a contributory factor, we need to find out what people would like to see at the show to make it more of a success. One comment which we have taken on board is to make sure that the categories in the produce show reflect what will be at its best at the time of the show. If you have any ideas on how to improve the show, please email pip.sandel@live.co.uk.

The Farthing-Hoe-Down was postponed from the 10^{th} September, due to a lack of availability of our usual event supporters! The re-arranged date is Saturday 19^{th} November and initial responses to the new date indicate that this will be a busy night – if you would like to book your tickets, priced at £15 per person, please contact Wendy Hancock on 01295 711345 or Pip Clayton on 07717 855727.

The Committee would like to thank the local business who kindly donated the paint for the recent redecoration of the village hall. Whilst they have asked to remain anonymous, we are very grateful for their generosity.

This year's Village Hall Committee Annual General Meeting is taking place on **Wednesday, 26th October at 7.30pm** in the village hall. It would be great to see lots of you there – we need the support of the village to make the hall and its events a success.

THE FARTHING-HOE-DOWN

THE GOOD THE BAD AND THE UGLY

Saturday 19TH November The Village Hall

Doors open at 7.30pm, with a free Kicking Cowboy cocktail.

Dancing starts at 8.00pm to a live band and caller

Get ready to jingle those spurs and kick those Cuban heels!

- Cowboy supper of Apache chilli and jackets, veggie option, too
 - Bring your own drinks (and glasses)
 - Ticket Price £15 each
 - Western themed karaoke slot games.

Cowboy Heads and Tails Competition:

- Submit photos of your Cowboy's ass in jeans
- Cowgirls with a moustache and disguised with a cowboy hat pulled down low
- Then send the pictures to Pip by 14 November to go in the Wanted gallery

Spectacular Prizes for Best Dressed - and, Best Dancer!

Are you a Bad Cowboy, a Good Mexican or just ugly?

Tickets available from Pip Clayton 07717 855727 or Wendy Hancock 01295 711345

We are appealing for the following:

Karaoke machine
Empty beer bottles and cans

EVENTS COMMITTEE: Pip Clayton, Lucie Pearson, Lois Ashburner, Wendy Hancock, Jane Mills

Please book early so that we have an idea of numbers



Welcome to The Fox

SAVE 20%

at lunch, Monday to Saturday, on dishes from our main menu—starters, mains and desserts Please bring this voucher with you Not to be used with any other offer / deal

New additions to our wine list

We have got a few new wines to try out, including a new Pinot Grigio from Argentina, new Sauvignon Blanc from New Zealand plus new Chardonnay & Shiraz from Australia

Christmas & New Year

Full details of our plans are now out,
book early to get the best dates for your
works, family or friends party!
Pop in for your copy or go to
our website now

01295713965 www.foxfarthinghoe.co.uk



FASHION SHOW IN AID OF KATHARINE HOUSE – THURSDAY 13TH OCTOBER (7 FOR 7.30PM)

High Street Fashion at discounted prices and clothes for sale on the evening. Tickets £10 with a glass of fizz/soft drink and nibbles on arrival. Middleton Cheney Sports and Social Club. To purchase tickets please contact Carole on 01295 816487 or Lucinda on 01295 816474

ART EXHIBITION AND BOOK LAUNCH – BALSCOTE VILLAGE HALL, 8TH OCTOBER

There will be a display of artwork created by Katharine House Hospice patient Terry Bock, and Katharine House Hospice founder president, Neil Gadsby will be launching his new book 'Voices' – a look at what Katharine House Hospice has meant to staff, patients, and volunteers over the last 25 years. More information to follow.

MAKE A WILL WEEK – 17-21 OCTOBER

Having a baby? New job? Retiring? Becoming grandparents? Just married or divorced? You never know when something will change your life. Writing a Will brings security and peace of mind, not just to you but to those you love. A local solicitor or will writer will prepare a basic or standard Will or update your existing Will in return for a donation to Katharine House Hospice. For a list of participating solicitors, please visit www.khh.org.uk

BINGO EVENING – SATURDAY 12 NOVEMBER

Longtime Katharine House Supporter Jenny Hanks is holding her annual Bingo Evening at The Pepperpot in Banbury on Saturday, November 12 from 7.30pm. Free entry, £1 per book.

WIN £1,000 EVERY WEEK WITH THE KATHARINE HOUSE LOTTERY

Want to be in with a chance of winning a top prize of £1,000 every week? Want to help out a local charity too? Join the Katharine House Hospice Lottery for just £1 per week and next week it could be you! There are 20 prizes each week, so even if you don't win the big one, you could still find yourself in line for a £100, £50, £20, or £10 cheque. Sign up today – email us at lottery@khh.org.uk or phone Wendy on 01295 816 484.

VILLAGE NOTICES

- Church Cleaning: This will take place on Tuesday 11
 October 11th from 8.30am onwards. More helpers would be welcome!
- Coffee, Cake and chat: On Friday 14 October from 10-11.15am in the Church Vestry. All welcome!
- Harvest Festival: Many thanks to everyone who gave flowers to decorate the Church, also gifts of fruit and vegetables, and the soup afterwards!
- Mothers' Union: To be arranged

ALLOTMENTS AVAILABLE....

If you are interested in an allotment, there are a couple available. For more information, please contact Mrs Ruth Dashwood on 01295 710377



SONGS OF PRAISE

Sunday 23rd October

4pm

St. Michael and All Angels Farthinghoe

Come and sing your favourite hymns and listen to your favourite readings....

Please give suggestions of hymns and readings to the Rector, the Revd Simon Dommett by Sunday 16th October either by telephone on 01869 810903 or by email:

the.revd.simon@gmail.com

Songs of Praise will be followed by tea, coffee and biscuits.



BENEFICE WORSHIP IN OCTOBER

October 2nd Trinity 19 HARVEST

Aynho 11am Communion

Croughton 6pm Taize

Evenley 11am Communion & Baptism Farthinghoe 9:30am BCP Communion

Hinton 11am Family Worship HARVEST

October 9th Trinity 20

Aynho 11am Communion Croughton 9:30am Communion Evenley 11am Communion Farthinghoe 10am Family Service

Hinton 6pm Evensong

October 16th Benefice Sunday

10am Communion at Farthinghoe 4pm Pizza Praise at Farthinghoe

October 23rd Bible Sunday

Aynho 11am Family Communion

Croughton 9:30am Communion
Evenley 9:30am Family Worship
Farthinghoe 4pm Songs of Praise
Hinton 11am Communion CW

October 30th All Saints

Evenley 10am Benefice Communion

Croughton 6pm All Souls Service



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EVENT CATERING SERVICE

WHY NOT LET
LIMES FARM TAKE
THE STRESS OUT
OF CATERING FOR
YOUR NEXT EVENT?

"EVERYONE COMMENTED
ON THE DELICIOUS BREAD
AND TASTY FILLINGS FOR
THE SANDWICHES AND
HOW FRESH THEY WERE IT WAS SO NICE TO HAVE
HOMEMADE. THE LOVELY
SPREAD REALLY MADE OUR
CELEBRATION SPECIAL!"
Debbie & Family

We provide event catering for local businesses and for your special occasion. So whether it's a birthday party, christening, office party or even a wedding, we can help.

We have a wealth of experience in catering for many different events and the Limes Farm Catering Team can tailor our menus to your exacting requirements. We also provide help, advice and creative ideas to make your event just that little bit extra special.

We only use the finest ingredients, sourced locally wherever possible, including from our own farm. All the food is freshly prepared and bought to your venue on the day to set everything up ready for you. And we can even stay on to serve your guests if you would like this additional service.

