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Farthinghoe Village Show

Saturday 15th September 2012 dawned dry and bright for Farthinghoe Village Show—what a contrast to last year!

Carefully-groomed dog at my heels, I headed down Cockley Road with a steady stream of villagers, to be greeted with a friendly smile from Bob Osborne on the gate.

Inside the hall grounds, there were charity stalls, car boot sales, a tombola, Aunt Sally and a very tempting cupcake decorating stall—unfortunately, with chocolate Labrador in tow, the latter was very much out of bounds for me, for fear of losing a lot of the cakes!

Across the road, there were several tractors of different shapes and sizes, plus the arena for the dog show, which was where I was headed. Pooches of all shapes and sizes congregated there with not a cross word—sorry, bark—between them.

Later in the afternoon, the marching band strutted their stuff, entertaining all with their music. It was a great sight to see and quite a coup for such a small village as ours to be able to offer such a great variety of entertainment.

Magic Martin kept the children amused—how fantastic to be able to do it in the sunshine and not have to hide indoors.

What a great day for the village—about 250 people in total at the show and all seemed to enjoy it. Many thanks to all the helpers on the day; people like Steve, Dick, David, Christine, Jon, Sid, Jan, who helped with the marquee or ran the Aunt Sally; our judges, who had a much tougher job this year; Bob, who was kind enough to relieve you of your entry money; Anne and



Will Thorley's winning entry

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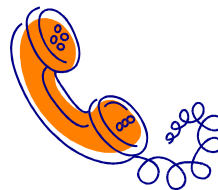
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Farthinghoe Village Show ctd/...

Rosemary, who looked after the dog show so well; Hazel and Jenny, for all their work on the raffle; Tim, who designed the eye catching flyer for us; the ladies who produced the afternoon teas; Aces and Eights and the Mellowchords, who played music all afternoon; every one of you who entered the show and the tractors, which gave a new aspect to enjoy; and of course, the Committee, without whom we would not have had a show.

Thank you also to Mr Lord, who gave us the field for the day.

Well done to all the winners on the day and thank you all for your efforts. Jim Bullock had a very successful day, winning many of the vegetable categories, Diane Jones and Jill Deeley were noticeable in the produce categories. Will Thorley, William Castle and Dominic Wilde were victors in the children's competitions. Jill Stimpson and the handsome Storm won "Best in Show" in the dog show.



Dominic Wilde takes
first prize

I did hear the mother of the winner of the Best Hand Writing competition is a doctor! How long will that last?

Special thanks to KPH, who advertise for us in the paper each year.

If anyone has been missed from the list above, please accept our apologies—we are truly grateful to everyone involved.

There is a special thank you from Duncan Bragg to Vic Tolchard for his kindness in letting Duncan pick the crabapples from his tree to make the jelly that won joint first prize in the jam category.

Here's to making it even better and bigger next year...

Oh, and just in case you wondered, I won Best Bitch! For my Labrador, Revel, before you even think of making comment!



Village News and Events

PARISH COUNCIL

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on Wednesday, 10th October in the meeting room in the Village Hall. Public Time is from 7.00pm-7.15pm.



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A NEW ADDITION TO FARTHINGHOE!

John and Rachael Boyd are proud to announce the safe arrival of Ellie May Boyd, born at home at 6.30pm on 16th September, weighing in at 8.11lb.s. Rachael is well, John feels outnumbered and older sisters, Lauren and Rosie, are very excited. Ellie looks forward to meeting everyone in the village.

Clubs and Societies

Mothers' Union

Brackley MU have invited members to attend a meeting on 18th October, when the speaker will be Bishop John Holbrook.

Deanery MU are holding a Quiet Afternoon (2pm-4pm) on 25th October at St Peter's, Brackley. The afternoon will be led by The Venerable Christine Allsop, Archdeacon of Northampton.

Farthinghoe Friends

Farthinghoe Friends will meet on 9th October (the second Tuesday for a change, this month only), 2.30pm—4pm at the Village Hall. All welcome.

Lin Deeley, 01295 711938

Scrabble Club

The Scrabble Club meets on the third Wednesday of the month. New members are always welcome. Please ring 01295 710397 for more information.

Rector's Letter

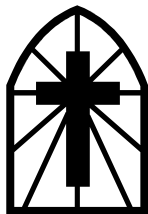
September is always a busy month, with new schools, colleges and university courses for some. For me, it has been a busy month, starting my new role as Rector of the Astwick Vale Benefice, made up of the villages of Aynho, Croughton, Evenley, Farthinghoe and Hinton-in-the-Hedges with Steane. I would like to thank all of those who have welcomed me so far and look forward to meeting many more people in the coming months. But with all this rushing around at home or at work, it is also good to find a time of rest and quiet. Starting in October, I would like to offer you a free quiet half hour each week with Candle Prayers.

Candle Prayers simply means your local church will be open from 7.15pm to 8.15pm, 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 7.30pm there will be a short opening prayer for those who want to join in, followed by a time for personal space, then at about 7.50pm 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 for enjoying the beauty of the place.

1st October, Monday	St Georges, Evenley
11th October, Thursday	All Saints, Croughton
17th October, Wednesday	Holy Trinity, Hinton-in-the-Hedges
23rd October, Tuesday	All Saints, Farthinghoe

At the end of the month, there will be our annual All Souls service, where we will remember our loved ones who we see no longer. Names of those to be remembered will be collected in your local church.

Can I also thank you for supporting our Harvest collections for a range of local good causes.



The door to the rectory is always open, please drop in or give me a call if it is easier for me to come to you.

Best wishes,

Revd. Simon Dommett, 01869 810903

Village Road Issues

We have recently had some road issues highlighted within the village and I would just like to provide a brief update. Firstly, there is a plea from David Mellor, regarding Cockley Road and secondly, a response from the police to the problem on Charlton Way.



PARKING ON COCKLEY ROAD

At the September Farthinghoe Parish Council meeting, a large delegation attended Public Time to express their concern over the safety of children attending Farthinghoe School when, during term time, a large number of vehicles park on Cockley Road, causing a hazardous situation for large vehicles (including tractors and trailers) trying to travel between Farthinghoe and Greatworth.

The Parish Council would appeal for owners of vehicles to make use of the Village Hall car park, rather than constantly creating this increasingly dangerous situation.

Professor David P Mellor OBE
Chairman, Farthinghoe Parish Council

CHARLTON WAY TRAFFIC

It was recently reported that some vehicles are driving the wrong way down Charlton Way.

The Police visited the village on 13th September to discuss this issue. They have committed to parking at the bottom of Charlton Way during their set-down period and will attempt to warn any vehicle caught going the wrong way. They have also contacted people who live in Charlton Way to establish how frequently this is happening.

They have stated that they do not have the resources to write to everyone who is witnessed to be driving the wrong way. This is not acceptable to our village and the matter will be raised at the next Parish Council meeting to discuss the next steps in resolving this potentially dangerous situation.

Katharine House Hospice

Katharine House Hospice, based in Adderbury, offers specialist palliative care for those with life threatening illnesses. Several villagers already support KHH and we have been asked to publicise a few events for them.

5ways Barbershop Harmony Club in Concert

Friday, 2nd November, 7.30pm

Marlborough Road Methodist Church, Banbury

Tickets—£8 (concessions £6) from Katharine House Hospice Fundraising (01295 812161)

Craft Ladies' Christmas in November

Saturday 3rd November, 10am—4pm

Middleton Cheney Village Hall (off Main Road)

Entry—£1 (includes refreshments)

Beautiful handmade cushion, peg bags, Christmas tree decorations, raffle, tombola, books, Katharine House Hospice Christmas cards and 2013 calendars

Make a Will Week

You never know when something will change your life—having a baby, changing job, retiring, becoming grandparents, getting married or divorced. It is important to make a will to ensure that your wishes regarding your property and possessions are followed after your death and, if you have young children, to enable you to choose a guardian. It is also a way to reduce the amount of inheritance tax that may have to be paid. About half of people in the UK do not have a will. This can cause endless problems for those left behind.

Make a Will Week is a new initiative to Katharine House and is being held from 15—19 October 2012. Sixteen local solicitors and will writers are generously donating their time and expertise and will write a basic or standard Will free of charge in return for a donation to the hospice. There is no obligation to remember the hospice in your Will, but if you choose to do so, we would be extremely grateful.

Take this opportunity to put your affairs in order and make matters easier for those left behind. For further information about Make a Will Week, please call Sheila Norton on 01295 812161 or email sheila.norton@khh.org.uk.



Calling Any Budding Editors...

I have been editing the Chronicle now for 18 months and have found it a great way of getting to know people within the village and for finding out what’s going on and who’s in charge!

However, as many people are aware, David and I are getting married in June next year and all of my spare time and energy is going to need to be channelled into organising our perfect day.

I would therefore like to appeal for anyone who would be interested in taking over editing the Chronicle to get in touch with me. Please phone me on 01295 712208 or just have a chat if you see me around the village.

If you think you might be interested but want to learn more first, then feel free to ask for more information—no strings attached!

Pip Sandel

Halloween Sudoku

Can you solve the Halloween Sudoku? Use the letters of the word CAULDRONS to complete the grid. Answer on page 11.

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October Fascinating Facts

1 Oct English Pudding Season

Traditionally the date on which the English pudding season started. These were filled with steak, leaks, mushrooms, spices and some were cooked for as long as sixteen hours.

4 Oct St Francis Day

On St Francis Day, swallows are supposed to fly to the bottom of ponds and hibernate through the winter. This was in the days before the idea of migration was understood.



21 Oct Apple Day

Only started in 1989, Apple Day is now celebrated by thousands at hundreds of event run by local people.

October Punky Night

Falls on the last Thursday in October and is a Somerset tradition.

Some time in the Middle Ages, all the men of Hinton St George went off to a fair. When they failed to return that evening, the women went looking for them by the light of *punkies*. Punky is another name for a pumpkin which has been hollowed out and has a candle standing inside it.

Nowadays, on Punky Night in Hinton St George, local children join a procession through the village streets, swinging their homemade pumpkin lanterns and going from house-to-house, singing traditional 'punky' songs.

31 Oct Halloween—Eve of All Hallows

Thought to be the one night of the year when ghosts, witches and fairies are especially active.



Benefice Worship for October

	Sun 7 Oct 18th after Trinity	Sun 14 Oct 19th after Trinity	Sun 21 Oct 20th after Trinity	Sun 28 Oct 21st after Trinity	Sun 4th Nov All Saints
Aynho	11am— Family Har- vest Service	9.30am—Holy Communion	11am— Choral Matins	10am— Benefice Holy Com- munion	11am—Holy Communion
Croughton	9.30am— Matins		9.30am— Holy Com- munion		9.30am— Matins
Evenley		11am—Holy Communion	11am— Family Ser- vice		
Farthinghoe	9.30am— Holy Com- munion	6pm— Evensong	10am— Family Ser- vice		9.30am— Holy Com- munion
Hinton-in-the -Hedges	11am— Family Ser- vice		11am—Holy Communion	6pm—All Souls	11am— Family Ser- vice

Rotas for October

Week beginning	Church Cleaning	Brass Cleaning
1st October	Mr & Mrs Jarvis	Mrs Redrup
8th October	Mrs Thompson & Ms Walker	Mrs Redrup
15th October	Mrs Phipps	Mrs Redrup
22nd October	Mrs Dashwood	Mrs Redrup
29th October	Mrs Mason	Mrs Redrup

Sudoku Answer

S	C	D	R	A	O	U	L	N
A	N	R	S	U	L	D	C	O
L	O	U	N	D	C	A	R	S
C	D	A	L	N	S	O	U	R
R	U	O	A	C	D	S	N	L
N	S	L	U	O	R	C	D	A
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U	R	S	C	L	A	N	O	D

Dates for your Diary

Tues 9 Oct	Farthinghoe Friends	2.30pm	Village Hall
Wed 10 Oct	Parish Council meeting	7pm	Village Hall
Wed 17 Oct	Scrabble Club	7pm	
Thurs 18 Oct	Brackley Mothers Union		
Tues 23 Oct	Candle Prayers	7.15pm	Church
Thurs 25 Oct	MU Quiet Afternoon	2pm	St Peters, Brackley

Coming soon to The Fox

First Friday of Every Month

The Fox Coffee Morning

Coffee and a slice of cake for £3

Come & browse the papers

Open from 10.30am

Christmas and New Year

So sorry to be amongst the first to mention Christmas but we have had so many enquiries. Our programme of meals, events and deals will be ready for the beginning of October so do pick up a copy and plan some celebrations now.

It's not just meals at the pub we can help with, we can also arrange parties, food, bars and entertainment at the venue of your choice.

Visit www.indievirtualcatering.co.uk or call 07766 713965 for details.

Stuck for Christmas gifts—Fox Gift vouchers are always available or what about a beautiful seasonal floral arrangement to collect from The Fox or have delivered locally; www.hibiscusfloraldesign.co.uk or call 07872 321505 for details

Food to Take Away

Call to order or come along and enjoy a drink whilst you wait for your food to be cooked.

Haddock & Chips Fox Burger & Chips Ham & Mushroom Pasta

Plus all our regular deals

Curry on Tuesday Ladies Night on Wednesday

Seafood on Thursday & Friday Happy Hour on Friday

Great Fresh Roasted Meats for Sunday Lunch

Take Away Food Outside Events & Bars

Check out the website for details

01295 713965

www.foxatfarthinghoe.co.uk