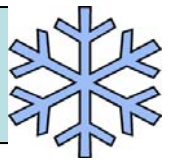


Culworth Newsletter



Happy New Year and welcome to the February edition of the Culworth Newsletter. Winter has continued to bite as the snow falls in abundance, however, we can now look forward to the lengthening days and the first signs of spring in our gardens and across the countryside. Although the ground is still hard there is plenty to do in preparation for the Spring. Anyone with a bright windowsill can start off sprouted seeds, beetroot, broccoli and of course those wonderful salad candidates.

Thank you to all that have contributed to this edition of the newsletter and I look forward to receiving any contributions over the coming months for the Easter edition in April. Please send your articles/information by e:mail to Carol Lawson at Newsletter@Culworth.net or please post any hard copy articles through my door at Herb Cottage, High Street, Culworth (opposite the Red Lion). Closing date for the Easter issue is Friday 26th March.

Please remember to visit the village website www.culworth.net where you can see this newsletter in colour as well as the draft minutes from both the Parish Council and Village Hall meetings (the newsletter contains only extracts). For contributions/comments relating to the website, please contact Karin Cook at karin@culworth.net

I would like to thank everyone who supported the recent fashion show and sale held in the Village Hall in aid of Katharine House Hospice. The wonderful sum of £350 was raised. A big thank you to Ellie and her models for turning out on such a cold night. Thank you all once again for making the evening a very enjoyable event.
Dawn Eaton

Culworth Variety Show

Inclement weather and problems with the Village Hall led to postponement on 8th January. Those who didnt come on **22nd January** at 7pm missed a great opportunity to hear and enjoy local talent. **Michelle, Tom and Lucy Koster** musically entertained us individually before Tom who had written his own music 'Storm' played followed by Jonathan Howse's adaption for piano duet recorder cello.

Culworth Variety Show cont'd

Simon and Sam Martin performed conjuring tricks. It was thought that tigers would appear but sadly Sam only produced a duck.

Conrad Wale played his guitar well.
Annabel Lunt accompanied by her father
Neil played three short pieces on her violin.

Marjorie Wormington gave a recitation on 'Older age'.

Joan Gottowik had us all dancing
Neil Lunt and Martin Rowling sang the The Two Beggars with Jacob Stone brilliantly accompanying them.

Joan Gottowik gave a recitation.

Jacob Noah and Louis Stone played saxophone, piano, bongo drums, trumpet in their amazing manner.

The evening ended with **Jonathan Howse** accompanying the singing of the Culworth Song 'Too close to the wind' on his guitar.

The small select audience was privileged to hear and see such excellent performances. Thank you to all those that took part,
Martin Rowling





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Notes **Village Hall** meeting
held on Tuesday 5th January 2010

Matters Arising: There were no matters arising.

Chairman's Report: Firstly a Happy New Year to everyone. The childrens film scheduled for Jan 3rd had to be postponed but we are hoping for a rerun on 7th or 28th Feb thus avoiding half term. The Eydon Players have been contacted and are willing to do a Murder Mystery Evening for 13th or 20th March

Treasurers Report: The balance in hand is £8987.53 being an increase in funds of £762.17 which includes a grant of £695 from Northants Council for the redecoration costs. Mrs Trott and the Village Market have sold another £157.50 of Eco bags which just leaves a shortfall of £115.56 to break even. The outstanding bill for the last Film Night of £80 has been paid. We have received a donation of £10 from Mrs Ruck Keene via Mr Langdale, thank you very much. Unfortunately we did not qualify for a grant for the new chairs.

Buildings and Renewals: Jo to contact Paul Davies to replace the faulty cold water tap in the kitchen. The annual spring clean of the Hall will take place on Sat 21st Feb. Members of the Committee were all asked to help and Jo will ask for volunteers from the Village by way of the Village Newsletter.

AOB: Is suggested that as a fund raiser we should hold a Flower/ Produce/ Craft Show. This was favourably received and was provisionally booked for 4th Sept. Advance notice to go in the Culworth Newsletter.

JT would like to organise a Bridge Evening and will liaise with other local players. We need to start thinking about a Fete Committee and it was suggested there should be at least one member from the VH and one from the PCC with at least a full Committee of eight.

A provisional meeting was arranged for Tue 9th March at 7pm in the hall. This also should go in the Newsletter asking for volunteers.

A letter has been received from Peter Koster resigning from the Committee and we have also lost the valuable services of Shirley Trott. Thanks were given to both for their commitment to the Committee for many years. In view of this it was thought that we need to recruit at least two new members. The Committee will approach anyone they think might be interested.

Next Meeting Tues 2 March 7.00pm





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Culworth Business Fair 2010
Saturday 6th February
10 am - 12.30pm
Culworth Village Hall

The 1st Culworth Business Fair , will be held in conjunction with Culworth Village Market which is now in it's second year

This is a good way to advertise your local business to both local residents and other businesses. Offering a wide variety of opportunities such as networking, support and feedback, sign up to a quarterly local business lunch, discuss web links and support etc

- **Free Admission**
- **Wide variety of Exhibitors**
- **Free Event Programme**
- **Business Information & Advice**
- **Free Business Guide**
- **Networking Opportunities**
- **Special Promotions and Prizes**
- **Refreshment and Meeting Areas**
- **Free Head & Neck Massages**
- **And Many More**

The Fair will be packed full of useful features and activities with something on offer for every type of business - big or small, new or old.

A wide range of companies will be exhibiting at the event, taking advantage of an unrivalled opportunity to showcase their products and services.

Visitors can benefit from all sorts of practical information and advice, opportunities to source local suppliers and make invaluable contacts, join us for coffee and cake.

In short, an event not to be missed!

**To reserve a place and for more details please contact
Jules Golding 01295 768507 jules.golding@hotmail.co.uk**





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Released on behalf of the Casualty Reduction Partnership 05/01/2010

FREE DRIVING COURSES FOR YOUNG PEOPLE IN SOUTH NORTHANTS

Young people in South Northamptonshire are being offered free driving skills sessions at Silverstone as part of the Rightracks rural road safety initiative.

The Casualty Reduction Partnership runs two hugely popular free experience days for young drivers in the county. As part of the Rightracks rural road safety project, two extra sessions are being held in February and March for young people living or working in the Rightracks zone. The Rightracks zone includes 54 villages in South Northamptonshire, as well as the larger towns of Towcester and Brackley on the periphery.

Rightracks Drive16, for 16-year-olds to experience their first taste of driving, will take place on Sunday 21 February at Silverstone Circuit.

Included on the day is:

- Expert driving tuition in a dual-controlled vehicle in a safe environment
- Advice on finding a driving instructor
- Collision investigation presentation
- Insurance workshop



Rightracks CarKraft Experience, for drivers aged 17-24, will take place on Monday 21 March at Silverstone Circuit.

Included on the day is:

- On-road driving assessment
- Driving experience in a skid car
- Experience of ABS brakes
- Important information about the dangers of speed and drink driving



As a Beacon Authority for road safety excellence, Northamptonshire County Council, as part of its work in the Casualty Reduction Partnership, has been awarded £1.5 million from the Department for Transport to fund the Rightracks project, which is investigating the problems facing drivers on rural roads.

For more information, or to receive an application form, email name, address and the name of the course you are applying for to:

roadsafety@northamptonshire.gov.uk or telephone 01604 654436.

Application forms can also be downloaded online at: www.rightracks.co.uk



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JANUARY

4-30 PAINTING EXHIBITION

Acrylic paintings by Sheila Bailey.
Brackley Library, Mon-Sat. 01280 706162



7 JAN-10 FEB

I PACKED THIS MYSELF – exhibition

Suitcases and structures about people who make journeys.
Michael Heseltine Gallery, Chenderit School, Middleton Cheney.
9am-5pm weekdays. Sunday 10th

2-4pm. 01295 711567 www.chenderit.northants.sch.uk/visualarts

8-9 CINDERELLA

Chipping Warden Church Players' annual panto. Chipping Warden Village Hall. Friday 8th @ 7.30pm, Saturday 9th @ 2.30pm & 7.30pm. (T) 01295 251314

11 THE READER (15) – Centre Screen film

Evenley Village Hall 8pm (T) 01280 705056

15 YOUNG VICTORIA (PG) – Centre Screen film

Paulerspury Village Hall 8pm (T) 01327 811472

16 SHREK THE THIRD (U) – Centre Screen film

Family matinee, Whittlebury Reading Room 3pm (T) 01327 857203

16 FIORI MUSICALI CHAMBER PLAYERS – concert

New Year concert of baroque chamber music for oboe, recorder, violin, bassoon and harpsichord, director Penelope Rapsom. Sulgrave Manor 7.30pm (T) 01327 360931



27 CHRIS GARRICK & JOHN ETHERIDGE – performance



The legendary guitarist is partnered by jazz violinist extraordinaire Chris Garrick. Croughton Village Hall 7.30pm (T) 01869 810124 / 810393 www.northantstouringarts.co.uk

29 MAMMA MIA! (PG) – Centre Screen film

Pattishall Parish Hall 7.30pm (T) 07500 928111

29 MORRIS: A LIFE WITH BELLS ON (12) – Centre Screen film

Chenderit School, Middleton Cheney (T) 01295 711567

30 Centre Screen film t.b.a.

Culworth Village Hall (T) 01295 760855

30 CONCERT OF MUSIC FOR STRINGS

Northants Music & Performing Arts Service multi-packed concert including County Sinfonia & Junior Strings. St Lawrence Church, Towcester. Evening time t.b.c. (T) 01327 353317 • www.stlawrencechurch.org.uk

FEBRUARY

1-10 I PACKED THIS MYSELF – exhibition

Suitcases and structures about people who make journeys. Michael Heseltine Gallery, Chenderit School, Middleton Cheney. 9am-5pm weekdays. Sunday 7th 2-4pm.

01295 711567 • www.chenderit.northants.sch.uk/visualarts

1-27 PHOTOGRAPHS OF AFRICA – exhibition

Photographs by Graham Teager. Brackley Library, Mon-Sat. 01280 706162

5 THE LIBERTY TREE – family performance

Storytelling and music with Hugh Lupton & Nick Hennessey. Helmdon Reading Room 7.30pm (T) 01295 768922 / 760362 • www.northantstouringarts.co.uk

6 BALLROOM DANCING – participatory show

All Ruzzit Buzzit lead an evening of ballroom and forties dance fun. Eydon Village Hall 7.30pm (T) 01327 261535 / 07816 462524 www.northantstouringarts.co.uk



6 CONCERT

Choir of Sydney Sussex College Cambridge. St Mary's Church, Gayton 7.30pm. (T) 01604 859645

8 COCO BEFORE CHANEL – Centre Screen film

Evenley Village Hall 8pm (T) 01280 705056

16 MAMMA MIA! (PG) – Centre Screen film

Whittlebury Reading Room 3pm (T) 01327 857203

15 PRESIDENT'S DAY AT SULGRAVE – family activities

Heritage events at the Washington family home. Sulgrave Manor near Banbury, 11am - 4pm (T) 01295 760205 • www.sulgravemancor.org.uk

16-19 HALF TERM FAMILY FUN – activities

Children's tours, trails, challenges, brass rubbing & games. Sulgrave Manor 2-4pm (see above).

17-20 GOLDBLOCKS & THE THREE BEARS – panto

Paulerspury Players Panto at Paulerspury Village Hall, 7.30pm Weds to Sat and 2.30pm Sat 20th. (T) 0845 833 4910 or 01327 811578

24 FEB – 25 MARCH PAINTINGS & PHOTOGRAPHS – exhibition

Explorations and Interpretations: Abstract paintings by John Bowden & Flora, Fauna, Festivals and Friends: Photographs by Michael Buttenworth.

Michael Heseltine Gallery, Chenderit School, Middleton Cheney. 9am-5pm weekdays. Sunday 28th 2-4pm. 01295 711567 www.chenderit.northants.sch.uk/visualarts



26 MORRIS: A LIFE WITH BELLS ON (12) – Centre Screen film

Thorpe Mandeville Village Hall 7.30pm (T) 01295 710234

MARCH

1-25 PAINTINGS & PHOTOGRAPHS – exhibition

See Feb. Michael Heseltine Gallery, Chenderit School, Middleton Cheney. 9am-5pm weekdays. Sunday 14th 2-4pm. 01295 711567 www.chenderit.northants.sch.uk/visualarts

1-31 ALL THINGS BRIGHT AND BEAUTIFUL – exhibition

Paintings by Nicola Peverelli. Brackley Library, Mon-Sat. 01280 706162



12 MORRIS: A LIFE WITH BELLS ON (12) – Centre Screen film

Paulerspury Village Hall 8pm (T) 01327 811472

MARCH continued

15 MORRIS: A LIFE WITH BELLS ON (12) – Centre Screen film

Evenley Village Hall 8pm (T) 01280 705056

15 Centre Screen film t.b.a. Whittlebury Reading Room 3pm (T) 01327 857203

18 CONCERT IN AID OF THE THOMAS'S FUND

Brackley Brass Orchestra & Jazz Orchestra, BIS School Orchestra & Choir, Diannell Mitchell and the Occasional Orchestra, Brackley Junior School, Manor Rd, 7pm. (T) 01280 840770 or email tracy.smith@globalmapping.uk

18 THOSE MAGNIFICENT MEN – performance

New Perspectives Theatre. Blakesley and Woodend Village Hall 7.30pm (T) 01327 860461 www.northantstouringarts.co.uk



20 DANCING THE RAMAYANA – performance

Sampad present ancient stories of South Asia in dance and music. Helmdon Reading Room 7.30pm (T) 01295 768922 / 760362 www.northantstouringarts.co.uk



20 THOSE MAGNIFICENT MEN – performance

New Perspectives Theatre. Paulerspury Village Hall 7.30pm (T) 01327 811789 www.northantstouringarts.co.uk

27 BRACKLEY 'ON LINE' – exhibition & event

Photographs, presentations & books celebrating the local railway heritage. Brackley Library 10am - 1pm. 01280 706162

MARCH continued

28 SPACEHOPPERS – children's theatre

Tell Tale Hearts take children on an interplanetary adventure. Eydon Village Hall 2pm & 3.30pm (T) 01327 261535 / 07816 462524 www.northantstouringarts.co.uk



28 & 30 EASTER CONCERT

Towcester Choral Society sing for Palm Sunday, 28th, St Lawrence Church, Towcester, 6pm. 30th March 7.30pm church venue t.b.a. <http://towcesterchoralsociety.org.uk>

APRIL

1-30 PAINTING & POTTERY EXHIBITION

Paintings and Pottery by Sue Sharps. Brackley Library, Mon-Sat. 01280 706162

19 APR – 7 MAY THE GREEN EMBROIDERER – exhibition

Cherwell Valley Branch of the Embroiderers' Guild. Michael Heseltine Gallery, Chenderit School, Middleton Cheney. 9am-5pm weekdays. Sunday 25th 2-5pm. 01295 711567 www.chenderit.northants.sch.uk/visualarts

(T) – Ticketed event or admission charge

Information about other events and places of interest in and around the district available from Libraries and Explore Northamptonshire: www.explorethenorthamptonshire.co.uk or www.northamptonshire.gov.uk



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EVENTS CALENDAR

January to April 2010

Issued with Arts News no. 34, available from South Northants Council Leisure by email - arts@northants.gov.uk, post (phone 01327 322330) and from www.southnorthants.gov.uk. Large print on request.



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News from the Village Hall:

Following the departure of Shirley Trott for pastures new and the resignation of Peter Koster the Village Hall Committee has been sadly depleted. Please, if anyone is interested we desperately need at least two new volunteers. Here is a full list of the remaining Committee and their contact numbers:

- June Oxley 01295 768184
- Ian Simonsen 01295 760371
- Julie Tinn 01295 760855
- Martin Rowling 01295 760571
- Joan Gottowik 01295 760737
- Margaret Claridge 01295 760661
- Jules Golding 01295 768507

Please let me know of any Events that will be taking place in and around The Village !!

Annual Village Fete

We now need to turn our thoughts to the Annual Village Fete traditionally held in June. It was suggested that we need at least eight people on the Committee including at least one from both the Village Hall Committee and the Parochial Church Council. The Fete meeting was fixed for Tuesday 9th March in the Village Hall at 7pm. Please come along and give your views and suggestions to make this years fete at least as good as last year.

Flower/ Produce / Craft Show on 4th Sept

We would also like to try and have a Flower/ Produce / Craft Show on 4th Sept. I know this is very early but we need to start thinking now of how to grow the biggest marrow or the longest bean! Come on all you gardeners, look out those seed catalogues and get planting!





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Tug of War

For the second year running we held a successful Tug of War event between Culworth and Eydon. It is held by kind permission of John Leadbeater at Blackbird Hill farm. The pull is over the Stream which is the parish boundary between the two villages.

As last year, the weather was kind, and although cold, it was dry with perfect pulling conditions. There was a strong support from both villages but unfortunately Culworth was again on the losing side. The first pull was very one sided as Culworth's team took time to adjust to hanging on a rope (and possibly needed wakening up from the night before!). The second and third pulls were much closer and Culworth very nearly snatched it both times, but inexperience and stamina shone through.

It was a really good morning's exercise after the night before and it was great to see so many come down and watch, and especially to see the young children having a go afterwards. Most of the participants and spectators then retired back to the Royal Oak at Eydon as the Red Lion was doing food.

For those who missed it, but would like to know more, and possibly participate next year, please give me a call on 07860 638557 (Jim), as it will definitely happen again, and we may even try practising beforehand this year.





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Notes Parish Council meeting

Held 12th January 2009
Minutes are currently draft

Matters Arising

- a. NCC/MGWSP Highways:** Rep day at Brafild on the Green Councillor Rowling reported that day was a waste of time. Speakers unable to project their voice. NCC has little or no money for highways.
- b. Highway matters:** Councillor Rowling reported ongoing issues with gully blockages, and railings near sewage works still not repaired after two years.
- c. BT telephone box:** Clerk to reply to SNC stating that PC object to removal of telephony service and do not wish to proceed with adoption of red kiosk. PC believed that, as kiosk is K6 B T cannot remove a listed structure without permission. Mobile signals are poor within houses in central part of village. Concern that Nursing Home staff and the young may not have money for mobile telephones.
- d. Parish Council Surgery:** reports from December. Identified problems with dog excreta bins location and gravel running over the path near Puzzle Cottage and The Cheviots. Councillors for February 6th. Councillors Powell and Whitford.
- e. Football field:** now Recreation Field. Councillor Howse reported that the grant application to Sport England was unsuccessful. He was willing to try Football Foundation whereby 50% of cost could be granted but required evidence of matched funding. New posts of aluminium would have high scrap value that made them vulnerable in isolated location. Councillor Rowling proposed a return to wooden posts and the use of the spare nets. Councillor Howse to check on Health and Safety implications of this proposal and the probable costs of soft wood posts from MLT at Woodford Halse.
- f. Dog bins:** are scheduled for end of January with monthly collections

g. Report from Village Hall committee: Councillor Golding reported on improved financial position. The sale of Village bags mainly by Mrs Trott has nearly covered the cost of production. Future activities in Hall of films and Murder Mystery nights are being held. Village Markets running for over a year are a success. February one is to include a Business Fair from within the Village.

h. Cricket Field: subcommittee to be convened in early March after Cricket Club AGM in February.

j. Village Green: whilst registered as Common Land, Clerk pursuing the possibility of transfer to registered Village green. Councillor Cook provided minute of 1987 which shows the maintenance on the Green to be handed back to Parish Council from Residents Association.

k. The Bus: Councillor Whitford reported on successful visit to this at Chenderit School. Councillor Whitford to ask for leaflets and possibility of flyer to distribute to young wither at bus stop by Councillor Golding or personally to the young.

Equality statement:

Members of the public are welcome to attend meetings and raise matters with the Parish Council. Please notify the clerk if you would like a matter raised before the meeting if possible so that it can be included on the agenda for discussion. If this is not possible any matter can be brought up in the open part of the meeting at the start of the evening but an immediate response may not be possible. Please note our Parish Clerk works part time hours so is not always available. It is best to ring before calling round to see if it is convenient..

Parish Clerk – Mrs J Rowling, Forge Cottage, 760571

Next Meeting – TBC

PLEASE NOTE:

New dog bins are being placed at the end of Red Lion footpath and at the junction of Barley Hill Sulgrave Road and Queens Street. Could all dog users ensure that they put dog excreta into them please. They will be emptied regularly by the contractor. Any problems, please contact the Clerk to Parish Council. Josephine Rowling Clerk to parish Council

