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BREWED AWAKENING ~ Tuesday 12th & 26th ~ 9.00am - 12 noon

QUIZ in aid of Air Ambulance - Friday 15th ~ 7.30pm

KARAOKE/DJ ~ Saturday 2nd & 23rd 9.00pm

RHYTHM STREET ~ Saturday 9th ~ 9.00pm

NO FIT STATE ~ Saturday 30th- 9pm - (Local Lad MATT SEDGLEY)

FOLK NIGHT ~ 7.30pm ~ Last Tuesday of month

AUGUST ~

BINGO ~ Thurs 18th @ 2pm ~ Every Saturday 8.00pm Top Room

BREWED AWAKENING ~ Tuesday 9th & 23rd ~ 9.00am - 12noon

QUIZ in aid of Air Ambulance ~ Friday 19th ~ 7.30pm

ROOM 17 ~ Saturday 13th ~ 9.00pm

VILLAGE FESTIVAL ~ Friday 26th ~ Monday 29th

Saturday 27th ~ PUMPED UP POLICE ~ 9.00pm



STOCKTON VILLAGE FESTIVAL

BANK HOLIDAY WEEKEND

26th - 29th AUGUST

We are really looking forward to seeing everybody at this years village festival, we are hoping that this year will be the biggest and best yet.

This year we shall be raising money for MIND – the national charity which provides advice and support to empower anyone experiencing mental health problems.

THIS YEARS FESTIVAL HIGHLIGHTS:

BEER & CIDER FESTIVAL

26th - 29th all venues

PRODUCE SHOW

27th at the school, times to be announced 'hosted by our amazing WI'

SCARECROW TRAIL

Saturday & Sunday 27th - 28th 9 - 5pm around the village

This years theme is **hero's & villain's**.

LIVE MUSIC AND ENTERTAINMENT ACROSS ALL VENUES

Times and acts to be announced

NAME THE BEAR

FAMILY FUN DAY

Sunday 28th at The Football Club 12 - 6pm

BIG 'STAR PRIZE' RAFFLE

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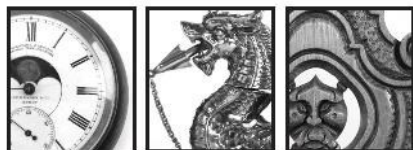


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Refuse & Recycling

July 1st, 15th & 29th - Grey Lid Bin 8th & 22nd - Blue Lid Bin & Green Bin
From August - Food Waste Bin Every Friday

Blue Recycling- 12th & 26th

Black Waste Bin - 12th **Now every 3 weeks******

Green Garden Waste (Chargeable) 12th & 26th

Missed Bins Tel: 01789 260616

Stockton Household Waste Recycling Centre

Booking Only

Mobile Library

July 15th August 5th & 26th Stockton Church 2.20 - 2.40pm

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Saturday ~ 9.am - 5.00pm Sunday ~ Closed



DIARY DATES



July

- 2nd** Coffee Morning ~ 10.00am -12 noon ~Village Hall
13th Friends' Lunch Club ~ 12.30pm ~ The Crown
16th Southam Open Gardens ~ 11.00am - 5.00pm
17th Southam Open Gardens ~ 11.00am - 5.00pm
18th **PARISH COUNCIL MEETING ~ VILLAGE HALL ~ 7.15pm**
30th Stockton Cinema ~ 6-15pm Supper, 7pm Film ~ Village Hall

August

- 5th** Stockton Local History Group Meeting ~ 7pm ~ Village Hall
6th Coffee Morning & Stocktons' News Archives ~ 10.00-12 noon ~ Village Hall
10th Friends' Lunch Club ~ 12.30pm ~ The Crown
PARISH COUNCIL MEETING ~ VILLAGE HALL ~ 7.15pm
27th Stockton Cinema ~ 7pm Film ~ Village Hall

Publish your event in 'Diary Dates' for free.



VILLAGE BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES



Happy Birthday wishes for July go to Rory Cooper, Carys West, Hannah Mingins, Abigail Evetts, Peter West, Maisie White, Harry Clews, Jessica Mingins, Richard Rumsey, Simon Watson, Marion Stringer, Jamie Stringer, Pauline Last, Peter Noon, Ffion Brough, Robert Cox, Lucy Woodall, Sonja Bagley, Abbie Udall, Alice Versey, Dennis Fletcher, Marlene Sedgeley, Laurence Neal, Martyn Warner, Leanne Warner, Gabriella Gulliver, Casey Kirby, Kelly Smith, Pheobe Sanders, Leo Harvey, Zoe Barker, Georgia Husband, Eloise Harvey, Mrs. Freda Spraggett and **special wishes to Robbie Robinson.**

Happy Birthday wishes for August go to Keziah Etheridge, Kyle Lawson, Ted Evetts, Isabella Holloway, Luke Lawson, Clare Howard, Brock Cooper, Elicia Glover, Ashleigh Adkins, Phyliss Rolfe, Brian Skidmore, Ben Kirby, Luca Newman, Blake Smith, Hannah Williams, Anna Billsborough, Percy Smith, Billy Cotter, Alexander Lisiak, Archie Deering, Charlotte Howard and Emily Howard.

Congratulations to Charlotte and Josh Tolley and Charlotte and Simon Kermode on their Wedding Anniversaries this month.

VILLAGE MATTERS



To have your news included please
Contact by email - stocktons.news@gmail.com
or by telephone Marion 812887 or Wendy 813730



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Congratulations to proud Grandparents Anthea and Malcolm Knight on the safe arrival of Abigail Rose to their son Richard and wife Gillian. Abigail who weighed in at 8lb 6ozs is a new cousin for Stanley.

The **Church Plant Sale** on Jubilee weekend raised £200 which is going towards the repair of the church wall. Thank you to all who supported this fundraiser.

I would like to say thank you to David Stanley for the wonderful job he does keeping the cemetery looking neat and tidy, and also keeping my garden looking lovely. Also thank you to Mary Lee for delivering this magazine to me.

Amy Spraggett

Thank you to everyone who took on the role of organising the **Post Office Lane Street Party** event and to everyone else for the wonderful food provided. We ended up in the village hall due to the weather but it didn't spoil the fun!

Lloyd & Karen Neal. Photo's page 30

TO THE VERY TALENTED KNITTER/S

We would like to say a huge thank you to the mystery talented knitter/s who makes us smile every time we see the Post Box wearing a 'new hat'. Thank you for cheering up the village and including Stockton in this lovely activity that seems to be sweeping the country. Please keep on knitting.

Wendy & Marion

Photo of Jubilee Crown page 30

A STOCKTON LOCAL HISTORY GROUP ?????

The opportunity, over the Jubilee weekend, to look through the wealth of items in the Stockton's News Archive was a great success, with people saying they needed more time to delve into the records. This has made me think that we could create a local history group in the village and so I have organised an open meeting at **7pm on Friday 5th August** in the village hall for anybody who is interested.

This will allow us to have a discussion about what sort of group we would like to see - would it be about more time to look through the records, or about people bringing their own historical information along, or doing more research on their own towards a group theme, or bringing in speakers - these are all options.

Howard Collerson

Friends' Lunch Club

The Village Hall Team host a well-supported monthly lunch for the residents of Stockton. We meet on the second Wednesday of the month at the Crown when they serve their very popular Carvery with a choice of four meats and a large selection of vegetables. The Club price of £6.95 is for two courses, the Carvery and either a starter or a dessert. The starters are Soup or Garlic Mushrooms, and the desserts are Creamy Rice Pudding, Apple Crumble and Custard, Jam Sponge and Custard or Ice Cream. When you book with us you tell us your choice, as easy as that. We would be very pleased to see you if you would like to join us. For more details or to book please contact Val on 814640.

We are recruiting!!!!

Having lost Mary to a new life in Cornwall we are looking to recruit new people to the Village Hall Committee. We are responsible for the repair and maintenance of the hall of course, but we also have a lot of fun hosting monthly Coffee Mornings, Film Nights and Friends' Lunch as well as other events through the year. Our meetings are social occasions over a meal in the pub and take place about every two months. The hall is a very popular venue and is almost fully booked by local groups at a very reasonable cost.

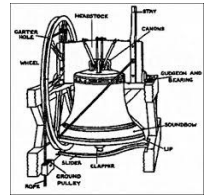
If you think the hall should continue into the future to the benefit of the community and are able to devote some of your free time to help us to ensure this happens we would be very pleased to hear from you and are ready to make you welcome. Please contact Jo on joanneharvey911@me.com, Val on 814640 or Helen on 815376

The bells at St.Michael & All Angels church were rung for the Platinum Jubilee Flower Festival Service on Sunday, June 5th at 10.00am.

The ringers were Ben Heaf, Margaret Ingman & George Wrycroft from Napton.

The above details will be entered collectively, with all Coventry Diocesan ringing for this event, in the ‘Ringing World’ and on “

These Worldwide publications are used to record all ringing events and kept in perpetuity.



STOCKTON'S WEATHER STATION



STOCKTON'S WEATHER STATION - MAY 2022

Headlines - May months of the last decade have been no warmer than they were a century ago, but this May's mean temperature has been one degree higher mainly as a result of milder nights - it has been the first frost free May since 2004.

The average **minimum temperature** was 9.8 deg. C, more than two degrees above the average (7.5 deg.). The lowest temperature was 7.0 deg.C on the 11th May. The average **maximum temperature** was 19.0 deg.C, nearly two and a half degrees above the average (16.6 deg.). The highest temperature was 24.7 deg.C on 17th May. **Rainfall** this month of 42mm was 75% of the May average of 56 mm. and it rained on 14 days. The wettest day was the 11th with 10mm. The **wind** has blown mainly from the south-west, west and north-west (22 days). **Sunshine** levels have only been 90% of the average for May.

Trivia of the month - in recent years May has often been the sunniest month of the year and although this May has been below average the first five months of this year have had nearly 20% more sunshine than the average.

Southam Open Gardens

Saturday 16th and Sunday 17th July 2022
11.00am to 5.00pm

Our 14th century St. James Church in Park Lane is open and will be the starting point for your visit.

Southam Heritage Centre in Tithe Lodge will also be open and will have a window display featuring Southam's 1914 Trophy and Flower Show winners.

Several of the gardens will be serving refreshments. Lunches will be available at various establishments in and around Southam, on both days.

All proceeds to Southam in Bloom who provide and maintain hanging baskets and troughs in the town.

Plant sales

Plant sales in two or more of our gardens.

Cost

£5.00 adults, covers both days, school age children free.

How to get event passports

Before the event from Jacqueline the Florist on Market Hill, or at Southam Library located in Tithe Place, High Street, Southam or on the day from St. James Church in Park Lane or from any of the open gardens.



P.T.A. NEWS

Email: stocktonprimaryschoolpta@gmail.com

Facebook: Stockton Primary School PTA

The PTA have been raising funds to help towards the replacement greenhouse after the winds sadly destroyed it. A huge thank you to everyone who kindly made a donation. A special thank you to the Wigley group and also for the extremely kind anonymous donation we received. The new greenhouse looks very smart in the school garden. Exciting plans are now under way to chose the most appropriate book shed, we will keep you up to date in the coming months. It will definitely be worth the wait.

The children had a fantastic time celebrating the Platinum Jubilee. The arrival of the ice cream van was a huge hit, it was brilliant that we were able to help subsidise this. Our jubilee crown crafts and colouring at the Nelson Club also proved very popular. Well done to everyone that took part, your crowns were

amazing. Look out for the return of Frozen Fridays on the playground (keep an eye on our Facebook page).

Lastly a huge thank you to Sarah HB and Rachel S for everything they have done for the PTA as treasurer and secretary. We would like to welcome Lucy and Emma who are taking over these roles.



STOCKTON PARISH COUNCIL

Meetings held every 3rd Monday in Village Hall 7.15pm.

Full copies of approved minutes available from Clerk to Parish Council

Mr. W.J. Robinson Tel: 01926 814094 or

website .www.stockton-warks-pc.gov.uk

NOTES OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING, MAY 2022

Please note that these are an informal record only, for a full record please refer to the approved minutes on our website.

Election of Chair and Vice-Chair: Howard Collerson was elected as chairman for 2022/23 and Chris Millidge was elected as Vice-Chair.

District and County Council Matters - Stockton Hall Farm, planning application for transport yard - the recent planning application has not been validated, possibly due to access issues, and so it cannot proceed in its current form. If a new application is submitted, people who previously objected will need to ensure that their previous comments have been carried over to the new application. The parish council will attempt to keep villagers notified of any new application. **Merger of Stratford Warwick District Councils** - the proposed merger was halted because Stratford had not carried out “due diligence” into a private housing company established by Warwick. **Highway works** - the white line edgings on Napton Road will be repainted and the dangerous ruts either side should be repaired. Two bollards in George Street will be replaced after the first one was removed.

Planning Matters: 80 George Street (22/00604), extensions to both front and rear - application granted. **Lower Tomlow Farm (21/03412),** conversion of roof space over garage into residential use - application refused.

Village Facilities: Street Lighting Maintenance contract with Eon - the current contract with Eon will be terminated now that all sodium lights will be replaced with LED lamps, saving about £1300 p.a. Any necessary repairs will be paid on a call-out basis. **Radar speed signs** - the parish council will try to set up an online meeting with the manufacturer to discuss various styles and energy sources.

Next Meeting: Monday 20 June @7.15 pm in the village hall.

NOTES OF JUNE 2022 MEETING

Village facilities - Cemetery Extension - the rules for the new cemetery will be modified to ensure that the spoil from graves is removed from site.

Parish Council Facebook Page - access to the site by the administrator has been

blocked so a new Facebook page will be opened.

Planning Matters

The Old Post Office, Mount Pleasant (22/01223) - amendment to garage design and removal of earlier conditions - no representation by parish council.

17 Mount Pleasant (22/01587) - rear and front extension and raising roof to create a further storey and dormer window, objection by parish council on the grounds that the design is not compatible with the existing street scene.

Tollgate House, Rugby Road (22/01617) - construction of new double garage, no representation by parish council.

Stockton House (22/01523) - felling of dead tree and replacement - for information only.

Stockton House (22/00568) - variation of conditions to allow internal works - permission granted.

Internal Audit Report - the internal auditor (a clerk from another parish council has given a clean bill of health to the finances of the parish council and made recommendations about minor procedural improvements that could be made.

Where the parish council agrees, these changes will be implemented.

Radar Speed Signs - the parish council is committed in principle to the purchase and installation of two radar speed signs for Napton Road. Discussions will take place with the supplier and the County Council to agree a final design and locations.

Queen's Green Canopy - Orbit Housing have agreed that trees can be planted on the greens at the end of George Street and in Manor Road. The Clerk will write to all nearby homes to inform them of our plans. Before the planting goes ahead the parish council will need volunteers in these areas to come forward to look after the new trees during their first two years, mainly watering. Other sites include the school playing field, the churchyard and the old cemetery.

Local Walking and Cycling Infrastructure Plan (Consultation stage) Warwickshire County Council are holding a consultation (open until 14 August). This can be viewed on the WCC website. The parish council will make representations about the lack of any provision for a route between Stockton and Southam.

Site Allocation Plan (SAP). The Revised Preferred Options proposals are open for consultation until 29 July. They can be viewed on the Stratford Council website. The only reference to Stockton is the self-build/custom build site on the Old Football Field (Scout Field). No other reserve sites have been identified in the paper that might lead to further housing estates during the plan period up until 2013.

Next meeting - 7.15 pm on Monday 18 July 2022 in the village hall

Howard Collerson (Chairman)



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Thinking of asters and late summer colour these really are excellent plants which do very well in our clay soil and are attractive to bees and butterflies. The experts have changed the name to *Symphyotrichon* now there's an easy name to pronounce!!

Reminders.....dead-head roses to encourage more flowers, prune mock orange after flowering by removing some of the older branches at ground level, pinch out side shoots of tomato plants unless they are the 'bush' types, the first early potatoes should be ready to lift, prune espalier apples and pears and prune wisteria.

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helenkittendorf@hotmail.co.uk

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Where is this year going, July already?

Despite the weather being more like March than June, the all-day coffee morning for the platinum Jubilee was amazing. It was so lovely to see so many faces, familiar and new.

There was Cake, more cake, and the delicious aroma of fresh coffee.

The Archive photographs were lovely, such wonderful history this village of ours has. Thank you, Marion, and Wendy, for sharing these with us all.

~If you enjoyed our cakes why not join us for our coffee morning, on the first Saturday of the month, with lots of..... you guessed it.... delicious cakes on offer to cater for everyone including those who require Gluten free. the next one being **2nd July**. Hope to see you then.

We have had some remedial works carried out on our lovely village Hall, big thank you for Steve for arranging this and Hewers for doing the work, it looks lovely.

The Friends Lunch club has been a big success and continues to run once a month. The Carvery offered by the Crown Inn, for our meal is delicious and there is pudding too! The next meet up is **13th July**, there are limited spaces so don't forget to book your seat with Val on 814640. Raffle tickets are available, and the prize is your Lunch club meal paid for.

Stockton Cinema continues to run, its film and supper night with our next film being "The Duke" The heartwarming tale of a good man, determined to change the world & save his marriage

. In 1961, a 60-year-old taxi driver steals Goya's portrait of the Duke of Wellington from the National Gallery in London. He sends ransom notes saying that he will return the painting if the government invests more in care for the elderly.

Tickets are available from Helen on 815376, £9 for film & supper (booked in advance). Don't fancy supper, not to worry film only tickets are also available on the door for £5, or available in advance from Helen at the Limes at a cost of £4. Supper is served at 6.15pm and the film starts at 7pm. Other refreshments are available. The new comfy chairs have made a real difference, it's nice to be comfortable when watching the film.

The village hall is available for hire, please contact Helen to discuss your booking needs on 815376.

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Stockton's Produce Show

**Saturday
27th August
2022**

**Stockton
School
Hall**

Contact:- 01926810220/07979441692

VEGETABLES

V1 - 3 potatoes of one colour. Either white or red

V2 - 3 carrots, tops trimmed to 4 ins.

V3 - 3 courgettes

V4 - 5 tomatoes, small or cherry

V5 - 5 tomatoes medium/large

V6 - 3 peppers of the same type either sweet or chilli

V7 - 1 lettuce

V8 - 1 cucumber

V9 - 6 beans, dwarf or French

V10 - 6 beans, runner

V11 - Longest runner bean

V12 - Display of vegetables on a plate, up to 5 varieties

V13 - 1 wonky vegetable - the most amusingly shaped vegetable

FRUIT

F1 - 3 dessert apples

F2 - 3 pears

F3 - 6 plums

F4 - 10 raspberries

F5 - 10 blackberries

F6 - 1 display of fruit on a plate, minimum 3 varieties.

FLOWERS

FL1 - 3 roses in a vase, mixed varieties

FL2 - 1 vase of mixed flowers, minimum 5 varieties

FL3 - 1 flower arrangement

FL4 - 3 Dahlias

BAKING, JAMS & PRESERVES

B1 - 1 Victoria sponge 7"

B2 - 3 chocolate brownies

B3 - 3 decorated cup cakes - theme Royalty

B4 - 3 homemade biscuits

B5 - 3 Scones - any variety

B6 - 1 pot of homemade soft fruit jam (e.g. strawberry, raspberry)

B7 - 1 pot of homemade stone fruit jam (e.g. plum)

B8 - 1 pot of homemade marmalade

B9 - 1 pot of homemade chutney or pickle

CHILDREN 5 YEARS AND UNDER

C1 - Animal or monster made from a selection of fruit and/or vegetables

C2 - A painting or drawing of a single vegetable

CHILDREN 6 - 12 YEARS

C3 - Animal or monster made from a selection of fruit and/or vegetables

C4 - 1 decorated cup cake, any theme.

A decorative border with a repeating pattern of stylized leaves and flowers, framing the entire text area.

Each Entry 30p per Item
Children's Entries are free

Exhibitors only allowed one entry per class
but can enter as many classes as desired.

Exhibitors must provide own plates/vases and
are responsible for collection at end of show.

Unless Exhibitor states otherwise
all vegetables and fruit will be made up into
boxes to be raffled off at the end of the show.

Exhibitors to enter their items between
9.30am ~ 11.00am.

Judging will take place between
12 noon ~ 1.00pm.

Hall open to public between
1.00pm ~ 2.30pm.

Announcement of winners and the raffle draw 2.30pm
All items to be removed by 3.00pm



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YOUR LOCAL COUNTY COUNCILLOR UPDATE –JULY22

These reports are done with the best of intentions – make of them what you will. Undoubtedly some may disagree with my comments in this report but that is their choice.

I've been involved in local politics for over 15 years now and on the whole I enjoy it. However, I do get texts, calls and emails at some strange times of the day, ranging from 5.50am to nearly midnight – almost all could have waited to a more appropriate time. I still prefer to talk to people, especially if the subject is complicated, as texts/emails can be misinterpreted or have context missing (or person can go off on a tangent). Certainly, when I speak to them, their tone is not as aggressive as their texts or emails. Often, there is nothing I can do about them anyway as the issues are more likely to be police or utilities related, although I try to help/signpost whenever I can.

Parking and driving around the village – there have been complaints about poor parking around the village and the effect on safety (also complaints about speeding cyclists – not sure how we can stop them). Unfortunately, in my experience, no matter how many spaces provided there will never be enough. And this is where the problem lays. – one there is land ownership – these days land is no longer owned by 'the council' – it is usually Cemex, Orbit, private landowners – all of whom have their own plans for this land. Not too long ago I spoke to the local SNT Beat Manager (who has now moved onto another area) and when he reviewed George St and Elm Row his comments were ' although the vehicles are parked too close to the junction, which does cause some difficulty, drivers are still ultimately responsible for ensuring they make good observations when leaving a junction and may be liable to prosecution under Section 3 Road traffic Act (careless driving) for pulling out of the junction and having an accident.'

From HS2

Notice of temporary traffic lights and road closures for installation of pedestrian crossing in Ufton, we will be installing temporary traffic lights and a single lane closure along the A425 Southam Road in the village from Thursday 30 May until Monday 3 July (excluding Jubilee bank holiday weekend). This will be followed by a temporary road closure from Monday 4 July until Friday 8 July (9.30-3.30pm).

Access for local residents and businesses will be maintained and diversions will be clearly signposted during closure period

Planned works along sections of A425 Leamington Road, Southam

Two-way temporary traffic lights are planned to be in operation along sections of

A425 Leamington Road from Monday 13 June 2022 until Friday 29 July 2022, 24 hours a day, each day, including weekends.
This is to allow HS2 to carry out utility diversions ahead of the temporary re-alignment of the carriageway and to construct the green tunnel.

We know that sudden unexpected costs can create real challenges for people experiencing financial hardship. If this is you or anyone you know, help is available.

www.warwickshire.gov.uk/localwelfarescheme

For practical and wellbeing support go call the hotline 0800 408 1447 or go to www.warwickshire.gov.uk/coronavirusvulnerable

The Warwickshire Local Welfare Scheme supports the most vulnerable residents at times of unavoidable crisis when they have no other means of help. The scheme provides basic and essential help for food and energy in the form of emergency food parcels or credit for energy. Call 0800 408 1448.

If you're finding it hard to feed your family help and advice is online

at www.warwickshire.gov.uk/foodsupport and

www.warwickshire.gov.uk/foodbanks

For people struggling to afford heating bills, Act on Energy provides free advice on energy efficiency and grants and projects available in your area to help keep you warm this winter.

Find out more at <https://actonenergy.org.uk/>

<https://www.recyclenow.com/how.../how-to-recycle-food-waste>

Five Warwickshire residents awarded Honours

This month, five Warwickshire residents have been announced as award recipients in The Queen's Birthday Honours 2022.

Read more: <https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/news/article/2974/five-warwickshire-residents-awarded-in-the-queen-s-birthday-honours-2022>

The Queen's Award for Voluntary Service 2022

Five organisations across Warwickshire have officially been awarded The Queen's Award for Voluntary Service 2022.

Find out more: <https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/news/article/2971/five-organisations-across-warwickshire-receive-the-queen-s-award-for-voluntary-service-2022>

Safer Streets launch call points in Leamington

Officials from across Warwickshire have launched two new safety call points in Leamington as part of the Safer Streets campaign, which was launched in 2021.

Read more: <https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/news/article/2980/safer-streets-launch-call-points-in-leamington-to-help-reassure-women-and-young-girls-when-out-and-about-in-town>

Travel habits survey

With less than a week until the survey closes, Warwickshire County Council is asking residents: How active is your travel?

If you haven't completed the survey, visit: <https://ask.warwickshire.gov.uk/transport-planning/active-travel-survey/>

Less than 50 days to go until Birmingham 2022

With less than 50 days to go until the start of the Birmingham Commonwealth Games, the buzz continues to grow in Warwickshire.

Find out what you need to know to prepare for the Games: <https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/news/article/2977/the-commonwealth-games-are-coming-50-days-to-go-until-birmingham-2022>

50 Things To Do Before You Are Five App Launch

Stockingford Nursery in the town of Nuneaton recently hosted a launch event for the 50 Things To Do Before You Are Five App.

Read more: <https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/news/article/2975/stockingford-nursery-hosts-the-launch-of-the-50-things-to-do-before-you-are-five-app>

Tips for a healthy lifestyle this summer

This June, Warwickshire County Council is encouraging people to take steps to improve their overall health.

Living a healthy and balanced lifestyle can impact your quality of life in many ways. Find out more: <https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/news/article/2978/tips-for-a-healthy-lifestyle-this-summer>

WFRS Rugby high-rise training

Warwickshire firefighters will be put to the test in a training exercise taking place at an empty block of flats in Rugby.

The team will face a realistic scenario that will test their operational procedures, equipment, and individual roles.

Read more: <https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/news/article/2981/training-exercise-for-warwickshire-firefighters-to-take-place-at-high-rise-flats-in-rugby>

Bike Week 2022

This year, Bike Week ran from 6-12 June and brought a welcome reminder to don our helmets and enjoy the many benefits of travelling on two wheels.

Find out more: <https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/news/article/2982/ride-into-bike-week-2022>

Lots of Meetings attended as usual (4 in one day the other Wednesday !) both at WCC and SDC with my flooding, fire , community/road safety and scrutiny hats on, as well as case work for our area. I try to attend local PC/Town Council meetings too.

This month I've been around with WCC officers looking at issues throughout the ward, lots of street lines have already been renewed. Areas for cutting back hedges, especially those obscuring visibility/signs or making walking/cycling difficult, have been identified as well as potholes and kerbing issues. The road markings between Stockton & Napton are being renewed out of my delegated budget.

Domestic Violence (DV), the main perpetrators are usually male (victim female), although perpetrators can be female too and also in male to male and female to female relationships. If you suspect a family member or friend is suffering DV, please report on 08082000247 Or 0800 408 1552 <http://www.talk2someone.org.uk/>

PAVEMENT PARKING/PARK IT RIGHT (see article above)

Every week, I get reports of some terrible parking – with cars blocking pavements (especially dropped kerbs), making it impossible for people with mobility scooters or with push chairs to get by, without going into the road. In some cases, too, emergency services vehicles (particularly fire appliances) would struggle to pass. Also it makes it difficult to see when exiting from Elm Row, George St etc. PLEASE THINK OF OTHER PEOPLE, NOT JUST YOURSELF.

ASB– PLEASE REPORT ANY ASB , however trivial it may seem. Small incidents can lead to bigger ones, so better to stop them before they escalate. Also, the more calls/incidents the Police have, the sooner they will realise there is a problem in a certain area. PLEASE ALSO ENSURE YOUR PROPERTY AND CAR IS LOCKED AND SECURE.

The last few years have been extremely challenging so please look after yourself, carers (of all ages) in particular need to look after themselves.

Reporting out of hours highways issues can be challenging, the best number for that is 01926 415000.

streetlighting@warwickshire.gov.uk or 01926 412515 (not all are currently owned by WCC – some owned by town or parish council.)

<https://www.fixmystreet.com/reports/Warwickshire>

It is worth noting for future reference that anything immediately dangerous on the highway should be reported direct to the Police on 999, which is the same process for any pressing issue Out of Hours.

During normal office hours - 8:30am to 4:30pm, WCC call centre is best on 01926 412515

Councillor groans –

The Egg Marketing Board had appointed a new chief executive. He was poached from another organisation.

I went to the Faroe Islands and was very disappointed not to see any pyramids I'm going to a LEGO convention this weekend.

The excitement is building.

Kind regards

Andy

STOCKTON CHURCH

METHODIST AND ANGLICANS IN UNITY

The Bridges Group of Parishes

www.thebridgesgroup.org.uk

Rev. Gillian Roberts Tel: 01926815831

email: gillian@thebridgesgroup.org.uk

	3rd July Trinity 3	10th July Trinity 4	17th July Trinity 5	24th July Trinity 6	31st July Trinity 7
Priors Hardwick	9.00am Morning Worship	5.00pm Evensong	9.00am BCP Comm		
Worm-leighton		9.00am BCP Comm		10.30am Morning Worship	
Lower Shuckburgh				27 th July at 10.00am Midweek BCP Comm	
Napton	10.30am CW Comm	10.30am Morning Worship	No service Napton Cycle Ride	5.00pm BCP Evensong	10.30am Outdoor Gathering Holt Farm, Holt Road, Napton
Stockton	10.30am Morning Worship	10.30am Methodist Comm	4.00pm Messy Church	10.30am CW Comm	
Priors Marston	10.30am Morning Worship	10.30am CW Comm	10.30am Morning Worship	10.30am Morning Worship	

	7th August Trinity 8	14th August Trinity 9	21st August Trinity 10	28th August Trinity 11
Priors Hardwick	9.00am Morning Worship	5.00pm Evensong	9.00am BCP Communion	
Wormleigh- ton		9.00am BCP Comm		10.30am Morning Worship
Lower Shuckburgh				24 th August at 10.00am Midweek BCP Communion
Napton	10.30am CW Comm	10.30am Morning Worship	10.30am CW Communion	5.00pm Pet Service on Napton Green
Stockton	10.30am Morning Worship	10.30am Methodist Comm	4.00pm Messy Church at Holt Farm, Holt Road, Napton	10.30am CW Comm
Priors Marston	10.30am Morning Worship	10.30am CW Comm	10.30am Morning Worship	10.30am Morning Worship

Letter from Rev. Gillian Roberts

The power of money

I don't like talking about money but sometimes I must! We have come to the end of this year's round of annual parochial church meetings and generally, across the six parishes, things have not been easy financially.

Many people think that the Church of England is wealthy. In a way, that is true but most of its land is occupied by church buildings, schools and vicarages. And most of its investments are tied up to pay clergy pensions. Regrettably, parishes receive no regular funding from the Diocese or CofE.

Each parish is required to pay for its clergy while the diocese provides their housing. Each congregation is also expected to meet its regular outgoings such as insurance, utilities, routine maintenance and resources for ministry and mission. This works out, very roughly, at around £1,000 per month and that is just about met by our average income from regular giving, special services, fees, gift aid and fundraising.

As you can see, that doesn't leave us much to meet the major repair bills or projects to improve our church buildings that would make them more sustainable. If we were to do a calculation of all the work that we would like to do in our six parishes, it would probably exceed £1m!

We are privileged to be stewards of the beautiful ancient buildings in our villages but we cannot do it without your help! Many people are already extremely generous in supporting their local church. But if you are interested in your local heritage, enjoy the big life events and festivals in church or would like to see the buildings as a community asset, please consider making a regular donation to the church. (To find out how, you can contact me or a church member or see the details in each church.)

Generosity is at the heart of the Christian faith. We believe in a generous God, who gave us life itself, and our generosity is a witness to that. Just like the parable of the sower, where his seed falls on the good ground and he grows a crop a hundred, sixty or thirty times what was sown, we too see that every generous act grows further generosity. Thank you.

***God bless,
Gillian***

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Programme for Children and Youth

Create & Play: Tuesday mornings from 9.30 – 10.45am in Stockton Church – for further details, contact: Deborah Dutton on 01926 819016 or deborahdutton-creative@gmail.com

Babies & Toddlers Group: Monday mornings from 9.30 – 11am in Napton Village Hall – for further details, contact: Helen Eadon on 07811 010440

Messy Church – now on 3rd Sundays of the month at 4pm in Stockton Church

Mid-week programme for Adults - Home Bible Study Groups

The following groups meet for Bible study, prayer and fellowship. If you would like to join, please contact the Vicar or a Group leader:

Every Wednesday at 8pm in Stockton	Gillian	01926 815831
1 st & 3 rd Thursdays at 2.30pm in Stockton	Jan	01926 817991
Every Thursday at 8pm in Napton	Julia	01926 811476
Weekly (day varies) at 7.30pm in Napton	Angie	01926 812225

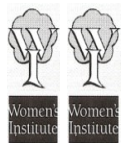
Social get-togethers

Knit & Natter: Mondays at 2pm in Stockton Church	Jan	01926 817991
Knit & Natter: Mondays at 2pm in Napton	Jayne	01926 813227
Coffee & Chat: 1 st Thursdays at 10am in Priors Hall	Anna	07870 685124

Parish enquiries

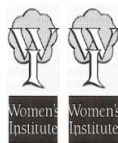
For initial enquiries about baptisms, weddings, funerals and graveyard matters etc, please contact Susan, our Group Administrator, on 01926 812383 or email: admin@thebridgesgroup.org.uk. Please note that Susan works part-time but she will get back to you as quickly as she can.

See elsewhere in the magazine for details of other church activities & events or visit our website: www.thebridgesgroup.org.uk



WOMENS INSTITUTE

Meeting 7.30pm at Nelson Club first Monday of Month
President:- Sue Gill Tel: 01926 460278
Secretary: Joan Ford Tel: 01926 810220



Powertex Sculpture

Sue opened our meeting and we sang Jerusalem before welcoming our speaker Annette Smythe who gave a demonstration on the use of Powertex. Powertex is a fabric hardener and is used by artists and crafters in the moulding of creative sculptures. It is environmentally friendly and non-toxic although it can mark your clothes. Because it is a global product it can be used in all temperatures as long as it is kept above 5 degrees. Annette was using strips of t shirts, dishcloths, mens vests and tea bag material and after dipping in the hardener was slowly building up a sculpture. From a distance it seemed very random but the finished product was surprising with layer



upon layer topped with a butterfly which was then painted to a bronze sheen. She uses wooden beads, buttons without varnish, even dried mushrooms as embellishments. Used on polystyrene it gave the appearance of a rock and indeed is used by the film industry. After her fascinating demonstration Annette held a small quiz which Wendy won.

Sue then thanked everyone who helped with the celebrations of the Queen's Platinum Jubilee.

Joan went through the various outings which included Talk Teddy Bears at Lapworth in August and a trip to the Shackerstone Railway at Market Bosworth also in August. She informed us that the annual group meeting (although the last one was in 2019) was to be hosted by Southam this year and held at Napton Village Hall in July. It will be in the form of a garden party. The Annual Federation Meeting is also in July being held at Dallas Burston Polo Club. Sally told us that the ladies lunch is planned to be held at The Hub, Galanos. After our tea and cakes Sue spoke about the use of plastic in the home and gave us some shocking figures on the weekly and yearly amounts of plastic used by one family.

Our next meeting will be **Monday 4th July at 7.30 pm**, upstairs at the Nelson Club when our speaker is Margot McCleary - Velvet Glove Part 2. The competition is an Interesting Glove!



The Stockton Pétanque Club Singles League is well under way, and after 16 weeks Dave Hancox is leading with 12 wins, closely followed by Iain Cunningham on 9 wins.

The club's Summer League started on Saturday 2nd April and Dave Hancox has an early lead in this also with 37 points, followed by Anthea Sansom on 33 points.

There was a great turnout of sixteen players for the Jubilee melee on June 4th. After three rounds there were two unbeaten players – Bill Bentley and Anthea Sansom, with Bill taking the honours with +21, ahead of Anthea on +13. There were five players with two wins, the best being Dave Hancox with +16. The players then enjoyed a Jubilee party on the piste with a BBQ kindly organised by Dave Hancox.

The next open melee will be **Saturday 2nd July**. Everyone is welcome – we will provide the boules and tuition in the rules.

Magazine Policy

Deadline for articles **15th** of the month and can only be accepted if in the form of a typed/written copy to Stockton's News Editorial Team or email stocktons.news@gmail.com. The Editorial Team 1.) Reserve the right to withhold or shorten items as views expressed are not necessarily those of the Editorial Team. 2.) Contributors can request that their names be withheld but the team cannot accept anonymous items for publication. 3.) Reserve the right to edit each edition of the magazine to be put on the Web. 4.) No Liability will be accepted for loss or damage caused by error or omission from advertisements or content. 5.) Income is aimed at covering all costs generated by the production/circulation of Stockton's News. 6.) Any surplus funds will be distributed within the Parish of Stockton. Village groups are invited to apply for funds to the betterment of our community.

Copy of Magazine Guide Lines reinstated from the 1980's Parish Mag

8.) We will try to print anything that wont land us up in court 9.) We do not endorse ALL the views expressed. 10.) We don't judge between those in dispute. 11.) We want to provide news, views, opinions and reports. We do not want to be unfair, biased, censorious or condemnatory.

Airing a view is an opinion but a continual airing of that view and/or it's opposite becomes an argument.

Stockton's Archives

1907 August

The Annual Stockton Horticultural and Flower Show was held as it had been for many years before in the grounds of the Manor House, which at this time was occupied by Mr. G.A. Cleaver. Mr. A Rawbone had held the position of Hon. Secretary since the inauguration of the show in 1885.

It seems it was a well attended annual event with folk travelling from local villages as well as from Rugby, Daventry, Marton and Leamington to take part in the Horticultural and Flower competitions as well as the sports.

Music for the afternoon and evening was provided by the Daventry Town Band, and with various amusements of roundabouts and swings it sounded as though these were very entertaining annual events.

Categories for the Flower section included, baskets of garden cut flowers as well as wild flowers. With awards given for best of show in Roses, Carnations, Stocks, Asters, Snapdragons, Pansies, Sweet Peas and Marigolds

Awards for the Vegetable section were given to best in show for Beans ~ Broad, Long Pod, Kidney and Dwarf Kidney. Carrots ~ Long & Short Horn, Cabbage and Pickling Cabbage, Winter Onions, Round Potatoes~ Red and White, Radishes, Tomatoes, Turnips, Marrows ~ White and Green and Rhubarb.

Awards in the best in show in the Fruit section were given for best Cooking and Dessert Apples, Cherries, Red, Black and White Currants, Red, White and Yellow Gooseberries, and Plums.

Sporting events consisted of 100yrd, 290yrd Flat Handicap Races for Men, Boys and Girls separately. A One Mile Walking Race, a One Mile Flat Handicap Race and a One Mile Bicycle Race with competitors not only from Stockton and surrounding villages but also from Leamington, Rugby, Fenny Compton, Bishops Itchington as well as Marton.

The evening finished off with a dance accompanied by the Daventry Town Band.

1932 August 5th

Ex-Service Men of Stockton 10th Annual Carnival and Sports Day for the

village children started off just after noon on the Village Green with the crowning of the Carnival Queen by the Rev. Pryde.

His daughter was one of the three judges who were to decide the winners of the 100 competitors of the Fancy Dress Competition.

When these tasks were complete the Queen led those in fancy dress along with several decorated vehicles around the village to end up in the Jubilee Field where the sports were to take place.

Races during the afternoon comprised of flat, sack, three legged, cycle-obstacle, egg and spoon, apple in basket, and bun worrying (*do you think that competitors sat opposite a solitary bun and threatened to eat it?*).

Musical chairs for the ladies, and Tug-of-War competition's for both men and women, bowling for a pig, guessing the weight of the pig, table skittles, hidden treasure, air gun shooting and a long distance balloon race all provided entertainment for the adults.

The children were provided with tea and by all accounts a lovely day was had by all.

Do you have any old photographs of Stockton that we could photocopy and place in our Village Archives?

We particularly would like some of the Victory Hut that was situated behind the Crown Inn, and of the original Co-Operative Store in the square.

Do you have memories of events held in the village that you would like to share with us?

If so PLEASE get in touch.

Wendy and Marion

WHO'S WHO

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