

# STONELEIGH & ASHOW NEWS



**JULY / AUGUST 2011**

# PARISH COUNCIL NOTES

## Meetings

The July Ordinary Council Meeting will be held at Ashow Village Club on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> July 2011 at 7.30 pm. The September Ordinary Council Meeting will be held at Stoneleigh Village Hall on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> September at 7.30 pm.

Denis Chamberlain, Chief Executive of RASE, was due to attend the July meeting at Ashow. Unfortunately for the Parish Council, he has been called to another meeting on that day by the Prince of Wales. He has now agreed to attend the September meeting at Stoneleigh.

## Parish Council Vice-Chairman

I wish to advise you that Councillor Gordon Gatward has been elected as Vice-Chairman for the ensuing year.

*Pat Maddison*

Parish Clerk

## NELLIE HUCKVALE

The greatest comfort during our time of sorrow were the expressions of sympathy conveyed to myself and the family in so many ways. Roy, Gillian and the family appreciate your thoughtfulness and kindness and thank you most sincerely. Special thanks go to the Reverend Jim Perryman for a very nice service for our sister and mother, Nellie. Also to Peter Bernasconi for playing the organ, and to Margaret and Jinty Cotton for the wonderful flowers. And lastly to the PCC for all their help and kindness that they have given to me and all the family in our sad loss.

*David Wareing*

**Date for your diary**

**A concert by Con Voce,  
a mixed choir from South Wales**

Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2011  
Ashow Church



***STONELEIGH HAND BELL RINGERS***

are looking for more people to join the Junior Section. So, if you are eight years or older, why not give us a try? Just ask your parent or guardian if it's OK to come along.

Our regular practice nights will be starting again at 6.30pm on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> September at Stoneleigh Village Hall, culminating in playing carols at Christmas for local community groups.



Please let Lynne (024 7641 7544) know that you'd like to come along or visit our stall at the Duck Race on 9<sup>th</sup> July.





## ASHOW CHURCH NEWS



The church spring clean and churchyard tidy-up on Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> May were very well attended by helpers from the village and members of the congregation from elsewhere. Everyone worked very hard and the PCC is very grateful to everyone who helped. Afterwards, a picnic and refreshments, provided by Pat Harvey and Kate Jones, were served in the churchyard.

### **Muriel Houldin**

Muriel had lived in the village for many years and often participated in the services at Ashow even though she was a member of the Roman Catholic church in Kenilworth. It is with much regret that we report that she died recently and her ashes were interred in Ashow churchyard on 11<sup>th</sup> June. There was a short service there held by Jim Perryman, which was very moving and well attended by her family and friends. She will be much missed by everyone.

### **Stoneleigh Male Voice Choir Concert, Friday 10<sup>th</sup> June**

This popular annual event was another great success, and we send our grateful thanks to all the singers as well as soloists Lucy Morris and Jinty Cotton, Director of Music Alan Biddle and conductor, Judy Hatfield. Thanks too to those ladies who made canapés for the interval, and David and Keith Wareing who put up their marquee beforehand. The evening made a profit of £1,556.90 for church funds, and we would like to thank everyone who supported us in any way. Afterwards, the party continued at Ashow Club.

### **Future Events**

The next church event will be the barbecue at Ashow Club for all villagers and visitors on Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> July at 12.30pm, cooking at 1.00pm. See separate advertisement for more details.

*Stephen Harvey*



## STONELEIGH WI

John Carrier kept us very amused at the June meeting with stories of his life in the ministry. He also exhibited his skill as a gardener by providing beautiful bunches of sweet peas for the raffle; there were three lucky winners.

In June, there was a theatre trip to see “The Unexpected Guest” at the Priory Theatre. At the end of the month, a coachload of members and friends had a good day at Stourhead, the National Trust house and gardens in Wiltshire. Some of our members participated in two events organised by the Warwickshire Federation - a lecture on “Stuart Splendour” and a trip to the Victoria and Albert Museum. **Our July meeting is members’ night on 4<sup>th</sup> July**, when a group of our members will provide the entertainment for the evening.

### Village Lunch

Last month, 35 people enjoyed a salmon and strawberry lunch in the village hall. We are very pleased when so many come and have a pleasant time. However, I would apologise to those who were served towards the end, as we were running out of vegetables and you may have had a smaller portion. This was because we had a considerable number of people coming whose names had not been put in the book. **Please** check if you are not sure that your name is down, but please realise that we cook for the numbers that we have. It’s better that you check rather than we run out of food!

**The next lunch is to take place on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> July**, when the menu will be gammon followed by fruit in jelly. Please ring Liz on 024 7641 8301 to check that you’re included.

**The coffee morning is on 19<sup>th</sup> July** at the Club – all welcome.

*Rachel Gill*

# BARBECUE

**Ashow PCC invites you to its annual barbecue**



Ashow Village Club  
Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> July 2011  
12.30pm



**Tickets: £10 adults / £2.50 children under 12**

BBQ to include salads and puddings

Please buy your ticket, if possible, before 20th July to aid catering

Villagers and visitors welcome

Tickets available from

David Holt 01926 859537

Stephen Harvey 01926 852543

Kate Jones 01926 853511



## FROM THE REGISTERS

Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> June 2011 Interment of cremated remains  
- Barbara and Alan Daly at  
Stoneleigh

Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> June 2011 Baptism of Ben Jacob Constable  
at Stoneleigh

Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> June 2011 Interment of cremated remains  
- Julie Loft at Stoneleigh  
- Muriel Houldin at Ashow

# STONELEIGH CHURCH EVENTS



## FILM NIGHTS

Enjoy a relaxing evening with friends at Stoneleigh Village Hall. Coffee and cake is served in the interval.

Make yourself feel at home, bring your own wine, cushions or a comfy chair.

**Friday 8<sup>th</sup> July & Friday 9<sup>th</sup> September**  
**6.45 for 7.00pm**

**Tickets: £3.00** from Parish Office 024 7641 5506

*Details of the film will be displayed on the church noticeboard*



## TEA AND CAKE IN THE CHURCH

**Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> July from 12 noon**

in conjunction with the Duck Race & Fete



This month's front cover:

Ashow Village Club

<https://sites.google.com/site/ashowvillageclub>

<http://tinyurl.com/67q8f8k>

# FROM THE VICARAGE

Jesus didn't come to create the Church, nor to begin a new religion. He came to bring the Kingdom of God (also called the Kingdom of Heaven) into the present reality of life on earth. He doesn't impose it on anyone, but invites all to enter.

I'm writing this on my way home from a conference in the beautiful setting of Beatenberg, near Interlaken in Switzerland. Here, chaplains of English-speaking congregations from around Europe and North Africa gathered – many along with their spouses and some also with children – to enjoy each other's company and to be inspired by some excellent and challenging speakers to think more about our Christ-given task of bringing the Kingdom of God near and inviting people in. Sadly, the pressures of 'running a church' can often get in the way of what the church is there for. Keeping buildings standing, taking services, holding fêtes or social events etc are important in so far as they serve the main purpose. When they take over and become an end in themselves, then it is no wonder that people see the 'church' as irrelevant to their lives. Jesus would agree!

Our conference title was **"The Kingdom of God: Future Hope and Present Reality"**, and our main speaker was Harold Miller, the Bishop of Down and Dromore in Northern Ireland. He led us through four parables that Jesus told: the sower, the good samaritan, the tenants in the vineyard, and the wise and foolish girls. He was an entertaining and inspiring speaker (I can provide copies of his talks on CD or MP3).

Our nation's life has been based on what could be called "Kingdom Values", such as justice, compassion, generosity and respect for life. When the Church has been faithful in proclaiming the message of the Kingdom by word and deed, much good has been achieved and many people have discovered the "Life in all its fullness", which Jesus said that he came to offer us. When the Church has held back and been more concerned with its own survival than with the Kingdom



of God, then the message has sounded hollow: as some describe it - "pie in the sky when you die". The 'future hope' remains as a vague comfort, but the 'present reality' is obscured. I want every reader – church member or not – to know that our purpose in these parishes is to faithfully proclaim the message, by word and deed, that the Kingdom of God is not just a future hope but also a present reality: that it is a place where you can experience the fullness of life in relationship with the God who loves us with a quality of love that no human can come close to matching. The challenge for me and for every church member is to fulfil that purpose with dedication, joy and enthusiasm.

*Jim Perryman*

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### **All Saints' Church Holiday Bible Club**

invites you to come and join us as we meet in the catacombs,  
hiding from the Romans, passing on secret messages,  
and meeting Ben the baker and the other Story Keepers,  
who tell the stories of Jesus.

Meet up with your friends for three mornings  
full of craft, cooking, group games and activities,  
acting, singing and FUN!

**From Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> until Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> August 2011**

**9.45am - 1.00pm**

at All Saints' Primary School, Leek Wootton

£15.00 per child or £25.00 max per family for all three mornings

(Price also includes all snacks and drinks)

Cheques made payable to Leek Wootton PCC

All primary-school-aged children welcome,  
including children due to start school in September 2011

To secure your place, please contact Kimberley Lunn

6 Quarry Fields, Leek Wootton CV35 7RS

[kimberleylunn@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:kimberleylunn@yahoo.co.uk)



## Dates for your diary 2011...

### ...July

Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup>

Friday 15<sup>th</sup>

**Summer Gathering & BBQ**, from 12.30pm  
**Annual Stoneleigh v Ashow cricket match**  
 at Stoneleigh Abbey Cricket Ground, 6.00pm  
*Club open following the match*

**Ashow Church BBQ**, 12.30pm

Sunday 24<sup>th</sup>

### ...September

Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup>

Friday 9<sup>th</sup>

**Movie Night - On Golden Pond**, 7.30pm (cost: £2.50)

**Quiz Night with fish & chips**, 7.30pm (cost: £6)

*Tickets available from the Club*

Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup>

Saturday 24<sup>th</sup>

**Bridge Afternoon**, 2.30pm (cost: £2.50)

**Ashow Horticultural Show**

### ...October

Saturday 1<sup>st</sup>

Friday 7<sup>th</sup>

Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup>

**Movie Night**, 7.30pm (cost: £2.50)

**Wine Tasting**, 7.30pm (cost: £10)

**Con Voce Mixed Choir**

*gathering in Club after evening concert*

Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup>

Friday 28<sup>th</sup>

**Bridge Afternoon**, 2.30pm (cost: £2.50)

**Murder Mystery Evening**

### ...November

Saturday 5<sup>th</sup>

Saturday 12<sup>th</sup>

Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup>

Monday 28<sup>th</sup>

**Bonfire Night**

**Movie Night**, 7.30pm (cost: £2.50)

**Bridge Afternoon**, 2.30pm (cost: £2.50)

**Christmas Wreath Making Workshop**, 7.30pm

### ...December

Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup>

Sunday 11<sup>th</sup>

**Movie Night**, 7.30pm (cost: £2.50)

**Festive Lunch & Advent Music**, 12.30pm



*In addition to our regular opening hours, Ashow Village Club  
 is available for private functions and meetings.  
 For details, please contact Lucy Morris - ashowclub@gmail.com.*

**Opening hours:** Tue 9-11 Fri 5.30-7, 9-11 Sun 12-3, 8-11

**<https://sites.google.com/site/ashowvillageclub>**

# STONELEIGH CRICKET CLUB

Four matches have been played since the previous report:

## **South Northants League Division 1**

May 21 <sup>st</sup> at home	Castlethorpe (274 for 9) beat Stoneleigh(163ao)
May 28 <sup>th</sup> away	Afro Caribbean (165 for 4) beat Stoneleigh (164 for 7)
June 4 <sup>th</sup> at home	Willoughby (187ao) beat Stoneleigh (171 for 7)
June 11 <sup>th</sup> away	Bodicote (182 for 8) beat Stoneleigh (134ao)

Results have been disappointing, although only the defeat by Castlethorpe was a heavy one. The team put in a sterling performance against Afro at Milton Keynes, where a specific game plan to trap their calypso hitters so nearly came off with a critical dropped catch probably depriving us of a win. Catches were also missed at important moments in the other games – good fielding is as important as batting and bowling. Pete MacKenzie's 66 could not take us to a win against Willoughby.

There was entertainment at the end of the Bodicote match when, with the Unicorns slumped to 77-9, Dave Wildgoose joined Bob Bains for a last wicket stand of 57. 'The Goose' dropped anchor as ever while Bob took the long handle to Bodicote's change bowlers in a swashbuckling 43no with eight fours and a six. Some batting bonus points were thus gained and, indeed, a good haul of bonus points in defeat has kept us off the bottom of the table.

## **Friendlies**

Better news of the Sunday friendlies with victories over Snitterfield and Warwick University Staff. Against Coventry Barbarians, Andy Edgington opened the batting and made 72 off 38 balls, while Sohail Iqbal at number three plundered 93. But, the final total of 250 was still not enough on a good pitch with one short boundary, and Ba-Ba's reached their target with overs to spare. 500 runs in the match provided good entertainment for those who had stayed to watch after the Fun Run in aid of the Air Ambulance.

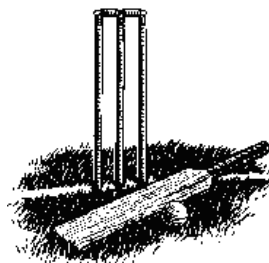
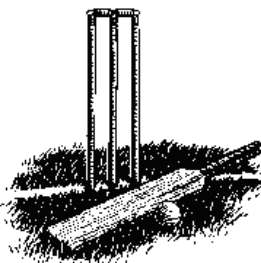
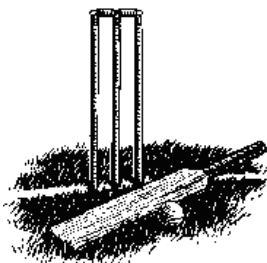
### **Six-a-side**

Sadly, after weeks of dry weather, the heavens decided to open and the second annual six-a-side competition on Bank Holiday Monday 30<sup>th</sup> May was washed out. Better luck next time.

**Practice sessions** are held on the ground at Stoneleigh Abbey on Tuesday evenings. Contact Club Captain, Paul Lazenby (024 7671 3895).

For more club details, enquire via email on [mail@stoneleighcc.org.uk](mailto:mail@stoneleighcc.org.uk) or phone Secretary, Phil Chapman (01926 774864) or Fixture Secretary, Dave Wildgoose (024 7659 4879).

*Dave Wildgoose*



## HS2 CONSULTATION - YOUR LAST CHANCE

Residents of Stoneleigh and surrounding villages attended a briefing meeting in the Village Hall on 14<sup>th</sup> June to discuss possible answers to the Seven Questions asked in the HS2 consultation document. Jeremy Wright MP and several local councillors were also present.

Martin Smith and Sheila Woolf gave a presentation about the consultation, outlining possible points that could be made on the questionnaire and in any supplementary letters. If they were opposed to HS2, respondents were advised to state “No” at the beginning of each question to ensure that this objection was noted when the replies were analysed. However, everyone was advised to select points that were important to them, and to write in their own words. Details of the ‘Six Friends Scheme’ were also outlined and residents were encouraged to ask people living further away from the route to lodge their views.

Copies of the presentation were subsequently emailed or posted to all those present as well as whose names are on our mailing list. Anyone else who would like this material should contact [stagagainsths2@live.co.uk](mailto:stagagainsths2@live.co.uk) or call Lisa Reay on 024 7669 7037. General background information about the HS2 proposal and the consultation can be found on <http://highspeedrail.dft.gov.uk>, <http://hs2actionalliance.org>, and others listed on [www.stoneleighvillage.org.uk](http://www.stoneleighvillage.org.uk).

NB: You do not have to complete the questionnaire if you do not wish to do so. Letters may be sent to Freepost FSLX-UCGZ-UKSS, High Speed Rail Consultation, PO Box 59528, London SE21 9AX. Alternatively, you can attach additional evidence to the hard copy form. However, you cannot send supplementary comments online.

***This is your last chance to make your views known. Deadline for receipt of comments is Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> July 2011. Please take the trouble to respond, even if only to write “No” in each box.***

***Responses to the consultation will play a key role in the Government's decision on this massive and expensive development that will affect everyone for years to come. Silence will be interpreted as approval.***

David Vaughan spoke about a proposal which had been submitted to HS2 Ltd for consideration in case the Government eventually decides to go ahead with the scheme along the proposed route. This involved the construction of a 'green tunnel' through Stoneleigh Park which would mitigate some of the worst effects. Affected residents had been asked by HS2 Ltd to write to them supporting this amendment to their proposal. Again, copies of the documentation were provide on 14<sup>th</sup> June, but can be supplied to readers of Stoneleigh & Ashow News if required.

Several residents had attended HS2 Roadshows at various locations in Warwickshire and reported disappointment at the vagueness of information provided, indicating that the consultation was being held before much detailed work about many aspects of the proposal had been carried out.

Jeremy Wright outlined his misgivings about the current HS2 proposals; these appear on his website [www.jeremywrightmp.co.uk](http://www.jeremywrightmp.co.uk). The Government's decision on the consultation is likely to be announced by the end of 2011. Stag's campaign on your behalf will continue for the foreseeable future.

*Margaret Wallis*

on behalf of the Stoneleigh Action Group



Saturday 3rd September 2011

# CLASSIC MOVIE NIGHT



Ashow Village Club, 7.30pm

Entrance: £2.50

This month's edition of *Stoneleigh and Ashow News*  
was compiled by **Lucy Morris**,  
who would like to thank all contributors.

The September 2011 edition will be compiled by  
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# STONELEIGH HISTORY SOCIETY

Members have been extremely busy gathering data which, it is hoped, will prove of interest to those researching both their family history and that of the village. A complete digest of the census returns, from 1841 to 1911, has been created, where individuals and families can be traced; a CD of the births, marriages and deaths for the parish, covering a period from 1633 to the early nineteenth century, has been purchased and will no doubt prove invaluable. This CD also carries a copy of the “monumental inscriptions” in the churchyard, which was created by Stoneleigh WI in 1981.

In addition, a number of residents of the village, both past and present, have kindly agreed to be interviewed about their memories of growing up or working here; more research has been carried out on the history of some of our houses and their occupants. With each discovery, we become more fascinated!

This year sees the 160<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the current smithy building (it is thought that there may have been one here since the sixteenth century) and we have been collecting information about some of our past blacksmiths. We shall put this on display, along with other findings, on our stall at the Duck Race on 9<sup>th</sup> July. We look forward to seeing you there: perhaps you can help us with our researches... or perhaps we can help you with yours!

*Sheila Woolf*



# HOW HS2 WILL AFFECT OUR LOCAL FOOTPATHS - ACWA RESPONSE

HS2 is planned to slice through many of the local footpaths. Only one path is mentioned in the Kenilworth/Coventry “Gap”, and that being the “Coventry Way”. But, in actual fact, in the 13 mile stretch of the proposed line of HS2, between Cubbington Woods and the A45 (Birmingham International), there are 27 public footpaths that HS2 will cut through. Will provision be made to ensure that **ALL** of these paths will be kept open, or will future generations be robbed of the opportunity to explore this lovely area of countryside on foot, along with the health benefits that go with this sort of recreation?

If HS2 is truly thought to be a financially viable project, the use of the already existing M40 “corridor”, where these environmental issues have long since been resolved, would appear to be by far the most sensible solution, as opposed to the route presently being thrust upon us. This proposed route would appear to be a straight line drawn on a map, with no consideration given either to social or environmental issues. It rather brings to mind a song from the 70’s by Joni Mitchell where she sings, “...pave paradise and put up a parking lot”. And don’t forget one other line from the same song, “...you don’t know what you’ve got till you’ve lost it”.

**Please don’t let the craving for speed ruin so much of what’s left of our beautiful countryside.**

The ‘A Coventry Way Association’ (ACWA) is to work with the Local Authorities, other footpath organisations and HS2 Ltd to ensure that, if the proposals go ahead, the impact on the countryside is kept to a minimum and recreational facilities are protected as far as possible. The map on page 20 defines the paths which need attention to ensure a minimum impact of the rich footpath network we have in this area.

**We believe that much more consideration needs to be given to all footpaths affected, solutions must be sought, and that financial provision must be included in the valuation and funds made available to implement the retention or user-acceptable diversion of most paths. It must not be left as an expense that financially constrained Local Authorities have to try and deal with after HS2 is complete.**






Source [www.acoventryway.org](http://www.acoventryway.org).

If anyone would like a copy of the map emailed, please contact [fightagainsth2@live.co.uk](mailto:fightagainsth2@live.co.uk).

*Lisa Reay*

**STOP HS2** **No business case.**  
**No environmental case.**  
**No money to pay for it.**

**Map key:**

<b>HS2 - ACWA Map ...</b>	<b>Title Box (inc date updated ... )</b>
<b>W165X</b>	<b>Labels (Def Path Nos, Names of Paths, etc.)</b>
	<b>Other PROW Paths</b>
	<b>ACW Circular Walks</b>
	<b>A Coventry Way path</b>
	<b>Other Long Distance paths</b>
	<b>Base Layer - copy of HS2 Map</b>



# STONELEIGH NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

I am pleased to announce that we have nothing to report this month. Please remain diligent and ensure you keep your home and property secure at all times.

## **Mobile Police Station in STONELEIGH for Stoneleigh, Ashow and Stareton**

*A chance for Warwick Rural East residents to speak with an SNT officer if they wish to discuss any local issues or problems.*

When: 9<sup>th</sup> August 2011, 6.30pm

Where: Stoneleigh Village Hall car park.

## **Spotlight on car crime – 6 top tips to keep your vehicle safe**

The best way to protect your belongings is to lock your car whenever you leave it. Other things you can do include:

1. Removing everything from the car; don't even leave a jacket where it can be seen.
2. Closing the sunroof, along with the windows, when you leave.
3. Not storing things in the boot; take them with you.
4. Storing car ownership information in your home, not in your car.
5. Having a routine to ensure you always take the keys out of the ignition.
6. Taking removable stereos and sat nav equipment with you.

## **How to keep your car safe at home**

Thieves sometimes break into houses looking for car keys. They can also use wires and hooks to try and drag your keys through the letterbox. Keep your keys away from doors and windows and tucked away out of sight. Have your vehicle's windows etched with its registration number or the last seven digits of the vehicle identification number (VIN). This can put criminals off as it makes your car more difficult to sell. It also makes it easier for police to get your car back to you if it is stolen.

I would like to thank all community members of the Stoneleigh Neighbourhood Watch for their commitment and ongoing contributions. Please keep up the good work.

If you wish to report a crime, please contact the crime desk on 01926 451111. If it's urgent, dial 999. Please visit <http://www.warwickshire.police.uk> for force news and information.

*Tony Hanselman*



## **ASHOW NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH**

In early June, an Ashow resident was visited by a door-to-door salesman, who introduced himself as an ex-prisoner with 'bits and pieces' for sale. He provided a photograph and proof of identity. All good so far. However, as he left, he was seen to photograph a saddle stone with his mobile 'phone. Saddle stones fetch a good price on ebay! Cause for concern? Hopefully not, but please be aware that there are some door-to-door salesmen who are not to be trusted. The Police have been informed.

*John England*

Ashow Neighbourhood Watch Co-Ordinator

*Editor's note: On Monday 20<sup>th</sup> June, between the hours of 9.15am and 12.00pm, Manly in Ashow was broken into. It is thought that the burglar gained access from the fields behind the house; immediate neighbours were in their gardens all morning and would have spotted somebody breaking into the front of the house. The double-glazed back door was smashed and the house turned upside-down. At the time of going to print, it is not known what has been taken. Please remain vigilant.*

# Stoneleigh Village Club

The club has been busy over the past few weeks, and we hope you all enjoyed the very successful events. Thanks to the committee and all the very willing volunteers for helping to organise. The bellringers' quiz went down a storm and Jim's 60<sup>th</sup> birthday party night was a blast! Thanks to Rashid, Nigel, Jimmy, Mark, Mick & Olivia for helping to decorate and make the evening successful. The duo Jimmy Jimmy also did the party proud.

## Forthcoming Events



### **DUCK RACE - Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> July**

Tickets available from behind the bar & from the committee

Stoneleigh's annual event - **car boot & fête start 2.00pm**

£5 per pitch - gates open from 12 noon to set up

**Duck Race starts 4.00pm**

### **YARD OF ALE - Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> August**

From 7.00pm - BBQ

### **BREAST CANCER CHARITY NIGHT**

**Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> August**

See noticeboard for details

### **RUGBY WORLD CUP - September**

Open from 7.00am for bacon rolls - full details to be advised

We are planning to hold a Stoneleigh Open Gardens. Please let any member of the committee know if you are willing to volunteer for this event.

Look forward to seeing you in your Club.

*Sue Brooks*

# THREE PARISH SPOTLIGHT

## Ashow-Leek Wootton-Stoneleigh

(See [www.a-lw-s.org.uk](http://www.a-lw-s.org.uk) for up-to-date service details)



Over the coming months, the themes for our services in all three parishes will be some of the key themes from the Bible. Each month will have a different theme which we will explore in different ways most weeks. July will see us thinking about what it means to be the God's people, and in August we will investigate the theme of salvation. We would also invite you to start thinking whether you would like to join an "Alpha" course this autumn – further details to come, which will be published in the church notice sheets and on the website.

July includes a "Fifth Sunday" (31<sup>st</sup>), when we will be gathering from across the parishes for a united service at Ashow (10.15am), rather than our normal 9.30 (Leek Wootton & Ashow) or 11.00 (Stoneleigh) services.

Before that, on July 3<sup>rd</sup>, at Leek Wootton we will be having a special 'parade' service to focus on and to celebrate the Scouting and Guiding groups who meet in the parish. That day also sees the monthly Church Summer Tea at 3.00pm, once again preceded by a guided walk at 2.00pm to build up an appetite!

At Stoneleigh on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> July, we are hoping for lovely weather for ducks – or at least for the annual Duck Race organised by the Village Club. The Church will be offering the usual wonderful refreshments at the event.

Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> July will be Ashow Church's turn for a feast, with their annual barbecue at the Village Club.

In August, the Leek Wootton Holiday Club for primary-school-aged children will be taking place on three mornings (16<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup>) at the school. This year, we will be following the adventures of the "Story Keepers".



# STONELEIGH YOUTH GROUP

**Great News!!** Three pieces of play equipment to the value of £11,000 have been gifted and delivered for all children and young people of Stoneleigh village by **'Big On Play'** via Warwick District Council. Our village hall committee has kindly agreed to facilitate this on their grounds; our Parish Council has also kindly agreed to look after the equipment and insure it long term, and they have all supported this project from concept to a reality! Please treat this wonderful gift and the environment in which it is placed with respect. Look after this equipment and enjoy many hours of fun playing safely and appropriately.

Three cheers and a big **THANK YOU** to all of the kind people of Stoneleigh village and beyond who have contributed and kindly donated. Without your sincere help and kind support, this community project would not have been made possible.

Special credits to:

**Stoneleigh Male Voice Choir**

**Our Church of St Mary**

**Stoneleigh United Charities**

**Warwickshire Rural East Community Forum**

**Claire James-Bull**

**Stoneleigh Village Hall**

**Stoneleigh Parish Council**

**Alexandra Agronovsky**

**Tracey (Warwick University)**

**Wendy Hanselman**

Special thanks to:

**Councillor Doodie and Simeon Packard, WDC & WCC**

## **Note to parents & children:**

Our Community Village Hall and playing fields are built on private land - not public land like a regular park. The Village Hall Committee has very kindly allowed our children to play in the grounds and use the facilities.

But, there are **RULES**. Please ensure that these rules are respected and the property at all times.

Don't forget Hybrid Arts every Wednesday until the end of August. Times are 5.00 to 7.00pm in our Village Hall - all children and young people from Stoneleigh are welcome.

*Tony Hanselman*

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# **QUIZ NIGHT**

## **with FISH & CHIPS**

### **Ashow Village Club**

**Friday 9th September**

**7.30pm, £6 per person**

**Tickets available from the Club**



# STONELEIGH MALE VOICE CHOIR

The Stoneleigh Male Voice Choir is now recruiting for new members. Rehearsals take place on a Wednesday evening at Stoneleigh Village Hall starting at 7.30pm. The choir performs at various concerts throughout Warwickshire, raising around £3,500 annually for charity.

Each year, the choir entertains at a Summer Serenade, which last year attracted an audience of 250. In 2010, the choir received the Warwick District Council award for culture.

If you would be interested in joining the choir, or would like to come to a rehearsal to see what being a member of the choir entails, please call Phil Jones (Choir Chairman) on 01926 853511.

## **THE UNITED BENEFICE OF THE ASSUMPTION OF OUR LADY, ASHOW and ST MARY THE VIRGIN, STONELEIGH**



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**SERVICES FOR JULY 2011**

Sunday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	11.00am	United Holy Communion - Stoneleigh
Sunday 10 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	Holy Communion - Ashow
	11.00am	Sung Holy Communion - Stoneleigh <i>with speaker from the Children's Society</i>
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am	Holy Communion - Stoneleigh
Sunday 17 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	Holy Communion - Ashow
	11.00am	Fellowship Holy Communion - Stoneleigh
		<i>The Archdeacon, Rev Morris Rodham, will be preaching at both services.</i>
Sunday 24 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	Village Service - Ashow
	11.00am	All Age Worship & Baptism - Stoneleigh
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am	Holy Communion - Stoneleigh
Sunday 31 <sup>st</sup>	10.15am	Three Parish Holy Communion - Ashow

**SERVICES FOR AUGUST 2011**

Sunday 7 <sup>th</sup>	11.00am	United Holy Communion - Stoneleigh
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am	Holy Communion - Stoneleigh
Sunday 14 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	Holy Communion - Ashow
	11.00am	Sung Holy Communion - Stoneleigh
Sunday 21 <sup>st</sup>	9.30am	Holy Communion - Ashow
	11.00am	Fellowship Holy Communion - Stoneleigh
Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am	Holy Communion - Stoneleigh
Sunday 28 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	Village Service - Ashow
	11.00am	All Age Worship & Baptism - Stoneleigh