STONELEIGH & ASHOW NEWS



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Summer Gardening Event Saturday 29th June 2013 2.00pm - 4.30pm

Castel Froma's League of Friends helps to raise funds to support the work of Castel Froma with adults who experience neurological disability.

We are currently looking for help with our forthcoming Summer Gardening Event, which promises to be a funpacked gardening-themed afternoon!

Might you be able to donate a raffle prize? Or might you be in the position to donate plants or products with a gardening theme? Do you know somebody who could give a short talk or demonstration on any aspect of gardening?

If you're able to offer any help whatsoever, then please contact me on 01926 852545.

Thank you in advance for your support.

Clare Burdett



BT's Superfast Optical Fibre broadband is here for the village which means people can now get decent internet connections for their businesses, for iPlayer, Sky On Demand, etc.- something we Stoneleigh villagers have been waiting for for a long time.

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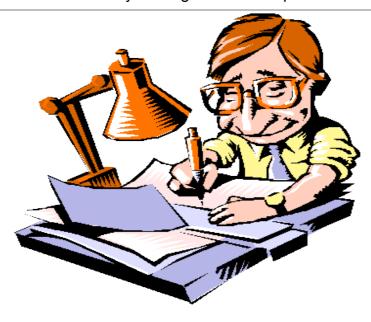
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HS2 LATEST



This has been a very busy month for HS2 news and developments.

Locally, on 23 April we had a bilateral meeting during which the HS2 Ltd engineers gave us disappointing news about the mitigation measures we had requested. They also failed to give satisfactory answers to our queries about the likely impact of road closures (for which apparently the local councils are financially and organisationally responsible) and the implications of the proposed location of a construction site on the edge of Stoneleigh. Strong arguments continue to be made by StAG regarding the advantages of having the railway completely under the A46 (near Crewe Lane) as this would reduce the time needed for closure of the A46.

On 3 May, a small delegation from StAG met Jeremy Wright M.P. to discuss our concerns. He promised to raise these with HS2 Ltd. and the Department for Transport but pointed out that there was' no doubt that the project would go ahead', comments which were borne out by the Queen's Speech and the subsequent introduction of a 'Paving Bill' which will authorise further expenditure on the HS2 leading up to the Hybrid Bill which would make it legal.

As I write, there is considerable kerfuffle following the publication of a highly critical report by the National Audit Office (the body required to scrutinise all aspects of Government expenditure and to point out where there are problems) which questioned many aspects of the claims being made about the financial/economic/business viability of the current proposals.

During the past month or so a consultation has been held about compensation, the various flaws in which led to an extension of the deadline. StAG submitted evidence and argued in favour of a Property Bond which offers fairer compensation to a wider range of home and business owners than the scheme previously put forward by the Government.

On 10 June, HS2 Ltd are organising a roadshow designed to provide information about the draft environmental statement. This will be held in Castle Farm Recreation Centre, Fishponds Road, Kenilworth CV8 1EY 12 - 8 pm and readers of the News are encouraged to attend.

The deadline for submissions is 11 July, forms on http://hs2draftes.dialoguesbydesign.net

Anyone interested in reading Section 18, the 122 pages of the draft environmental statement devoted to the section of the route Stoneleigh-Kenilworth-Burton Green can do so by looking at

www.hs2.org.uk/draft-environmental-statement

There is also a 78 page draft design statement out for consultation! See www.hs2.org.uk/design-refinement-consultation

Phone 0300 123 1102 (Mon - Fri) for hard copies of these documents.

Concerns continue to be raised about the complete lack of 'joined-up-thinking' regarding the HS2 project, plans for the expansion of Stoneleigh Park (already well-advanced) and the proposed Gateway project, together with the ongoing development of the University of Warwick and future development of the Deer Park, all of which would seem to contradict each other to varying degrees but all have enormous impact of this locality. StAG has raised these concerns with the Parish Council as well as elsewhere.

Margaret Wallis on behalf of the Stoneleigh Action Group

The Church of the Assumption of Our Lady, Ashow presents

AN EVENING OF ENTERTAINMENT WITH THE STONELEIGH MALE VOICE CHOIR



at Stoneleigh Village Hall at 7.30 pm. on Wednesday 19th June 2013 Tickets £16

Including a fish and chip supper and dessert Available from

Stephen Harvey (01926 852543) or Kate Jones (01926 853511)

Bring your own wine/beer/glasses etc.

Raffle

(profits to Ashow Church Fabric Fund)

STONELEIGH VILLAGE CLUB

EVENTS DIARY

June 22nd ACOUSTICA back by popular demand 8.00PM.

June Mick Malone's Quiz Night . Date to be confirmed

July 20th Duck Race Day 2.00pm start.











Please check your e-mails and the Club Notice board for other events and further details. If you have any ideas or want to run an event please contact your Social Committee.

Your new Social Committee Members are :

Rory O'Connor

Nora Blagburn

Anne Lowe

Mick Malone

Suzie Malone

Malcolm Murphy

Steve Neale

Kelly Ridge

Kim Smith

Martin Smith

Jules Storer



NEW TELEPHONE NUMBER FOR SVC:

024 7501 6865





Events at Stoneleigh Park during June

The following events are due to take place at Stoneleigh Park during June. For more information on any of the below, please visit http://www.stoneleighevents.com/events.aspx

Saturday 1st June

KENILWORTH SHOW 2013

The 70th annual Kenilworth Show will feature popular agricultural and equestrian classes, and entertainment, as well as a thriving home craft section and competition, plus various activities for all the family. Gates open at 9.00am. Tickets are £8 in advance, £10 on the gate for adults and children under 16 go free! http://www.stoneleighpark.com/events/92/kenilworth_show_2013_. aspx

Sunday 2nd June

THE RAM RUN

The Ram Run is the ultimate cross country challenge taking competitors through and around the beautiful 800-acre Stoneleigh Park and incorporating eight man-made and 15 natural obstacles. Three viewing points overlooking the action make it great for spectators, too.

http://www.stoneleighpark.com/events/103/the_ram_run.aspx Friday 7th – Sunday 9th June

THE WORLD OF PARK & LEISURE HOMES 2013

This is your chance to view and explore a large display of park and leisure homes and seek advice on hundreds of park sites and associated products. Free entry!

http://www.stoneleighpark.com/events/32/the_world_of_park__leisure_homes_2013.aspx

Friday 7th - Sunday 9th June

NATIONAL FUNERAL EXHIBITION 2013

The National Funeral Exhibition is the British funeral industry's showcase for products and services from both home and overseas, including a large variety of funeral related companies. TRADE VISITORS ONLY.

http://www.stoneleighpark.com/events/59/national_funeral_exhibitio n_2013.aspx

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Tuesday 25th and Wednesday 26th June

HTA NATIONAL PLANT SHOW 2013

The HTA National Plant Show will once again showcase the best of British plant suppliers. Offering a 'back to basics' approach, the event focuses purely on plants and is held at the best time of year for retailers to plan their ranges for the following season. TRADE VISITORS ONLY.

http://www.stoneleighpark.com/events/70/hta_national_plant_show _2013_.aspx

Sunday 30th June

RACE FOR LIFE 2013

Race for Life is the UK's biggest fight against cancer and the largest women-only fundraising event in the country. 2013 is the fifth consecutive year that Race for Life has been hosted at Stoneleigh Park and we are looking forward to welcoming over 500 women adorned in pink fancy dress. Please note, there will be no access through the main entrance, car parks will be signposted. http://www.stoneleighpark.com/events/94/race_for_life_2013_.as px

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STONELEIGH & ASHOW ORGANISATIONS 2013

The following people have kindly agreed to be the contacts and provide information about the organisations; they may or may not be office holders themselves. Please contact the News Editor if any of these contacts change.

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024 7641 0252

Stoneleigh Handbell Ringers	Lynne Fletcher 024 7641 7544
Stoneleigh Male Voice Choir	Judy Hadfield
	024 7641 4616
Stoneleigh Village Hall & Playing Fields	
	024 7641 1315
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	024 7630 6894
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	024 7641 8301
Stoneleigh & Ashow Cricket Club	David Wildgoose
	024 7659 4879
Stoneleigh Football Club	Joe Ball
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Stoneleigh Park Angling Club	Pat Brewerton
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Stoneleigh Tennis Club Ja	anet Charlesworth
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Coventry Airport Consultative Committe	
	01926 850413
Stoneleigh History Society	Sheila Woolf
0(*************************************	024 7641 8759
Stoneleigh Action Group (against HS2)	Lisa Reay
	024 7669 7037

Stoneleigh Cricket Club

The season has at least got started before the middle of May in contrast to 2012. But the prolonged earlier cold spell with biting winds has played havoc with pitch preparations for all cricket clubs. Our groundsman Joe has had to fit pre-season work into a much reduced time scale, so much so that the first weekend's home game was cancelled to allow more time to get the ground ready.

The End-of-season Do turned into the Pre-season Do at Stoneleigh Club, ably hosted by Messrs Whittingham, Gallagher and Crowley. Best wishes to Dave who's off to Yorkshire, armed with the special award for the best set of excuses for non-availability in 2012!

Cotswold Hills League Div 6

Last autumn the decision was taken to leave the South Northants League and apply to join the Cotswold Hills League. We had generally enjoyed our cricket in the SNCL but the prospect of continuing to travel long distances to away matches in Buckinghamshire and Milton Keynes was no longer appealing. Our application to the CHL was successful and we find ourselves in Div6 playing against clubs mainly within reasonable distance in Warwickshire plus one or two over the border in Worcestershire and Nth Gloucestershire

Two matches have been played to date, resulting in victories against Kineton II and Bidford II. Totals of over 200 were made in both games with Lee Moreton, brothers Phil & James Chapman and skipper Paul Lazenby all scoring good runs. Dave Beale is also back in the fold, having missed much of last season through injury and looked in good touch at Bidford until getting a dodgy LBW decision.

The bowling attack has been hampered by the absence of various seamers and wickets have been shared around between the slower bowlers. Darren Young bowled superbly in both matches but remains wicketless.

With 2 rounds of matches played, only Leamington IV and ourselves have a 100% record – an early pointer to the contenders for promotion perhaps.

Friendlies

There were two early victories, against Willow and a Kenilworth XI followed by a defeat at Wellesbourne on another day of bitter cold wind. The match at Heckley was abandoned after 20 overs with steady drizzle making conditions unplayable.

The biggest disappointment was the late cry-off of Adlestrop for the annual Bank Holiday Monday match on probably the best day of weather so far. I suppose it was one way of ensuring they did not lose hold of the Lord Leigh Cup.

Finally a reminder that Nets are held at the Abbey on Tuesday evenings – new players always welcome.

For more club details, contact secretary Phil Chapman (01926 774864). Notes contributed by *Dave Wildgoose, Fixture Secretary (024 7659 4879)*.

Neighbourhood Watch

No crimes to report between February and May 2013 Please be mindful of door to door salesman canvassing the area. Beware of hand delivered leaflets offering odd jobs. If they do not show addresses and contact info – these are usually bogus. Summer time usually brings an increase in shed crime e.g garden equipment, bikes etc. Please ensure you lock up and secure all windows and doors.

Please be vigilant and keep an eye on each other's property. Remember to keep safe at all times.

Neighbourhood Watch does not recommend you put yourself in harm's way. If you see a crime being committed dial 999 straight away. Alternatively dial 101 for any other minor concerns.

Tony Hanselman



From the Vicarage:

Firstly, a thank you to those who took part in delivering, collecting and contributing to the Christian Aid Week "Bite Back at Hunger" appeal. The difference that will be made to people's lives as a result is immense.

We are now into the "Green" season in the Church. As some of you will know, there are different colours used through the year to signify the changing seasons – not winter, spring, summer and autumn – but the seasons of the Christian Year. We have purple for the seasons of Advent and Lent - times of preparation for the great festivals of Christmas and Easter. The festivals themselves have the colour white. There is also red to remind us of blood and fire – this is for the season of remembrance and also for certain Saints days and the recent festival of Pentecost when the coming of the Holy Spirit on the early Church is celebrated. But now, we are into the green season – a time with no major festivals in view for many months. As I teach the children at the Primary School in Leek Wootton, the green season is for growth. In the agricultural year it is the same - the sowing is long finished and the harvest is still distant. In between, there must be that pause from the frantic activity to allow the seed to sprout, firmly root itself and grow to maturity.

Perhaps you have been what could be called a 'festival' Christian – enjoying the celebrations, wanting to take part in the excitement of Christmas and Easter, joining in the thanksgiving of Harvest and sharing the pain of Remembrance. Maybe you are a 'hatch, match and dispatch' Christian, wanting to share the key moments of life (Baptisms, Weddings and Funerals) with the God you believe in – but have never really got to know. In all those events, seeds of faith are often sown into our lives but the hectic nature of our existence perhaps stops us from letting that seed sprout or take root. Jesus told a story about that which you can read in the Bible (Mark chapter 4 – or look on the Parish Website and follow the link on the home page).

There are times in life, and our life of faith is no different, when we just need to step back from the busyness and let ourselves grow and mature – as people and as Christians. The green season in church is not about having a rest in the sense of doing nothing and putting our feet up (just as I suspect that the farmers still have plenty to do between now and harvest), but it is about taking stock of our lives and the life of the Church and allowing all that has happened over recent months to be applied to our everyday life and faith – resting in God's love, letting God's fruit and gifts grow within us as we draw from his goodness and life-giving Spirit. Everyone is invited to enjoy the spiritual refreshment for, as Jesus said, "Come to me, all you who labour and are heavy-laden, and I will give you rest." (Matthew 11:28)

Jim Perryman

Leek Wootton Link-up:

June 8th is the date for our annual Church Fete. At the time of writing, the venue is still not fixed because of unfortunate circumstances, but it will take place and the website will give information. The following evening (June 9th at 6pm) we will be holding a "Songs of Praise" in the Church followed by Cheese & Wine. Please come along and enjoy the weekend with us.

In our morning services, we are beginning a series of Sunday themes and following these with Wednesday evening discussions on the "8 Essential Qualities of Healthy Growing Churches" – more details on the Leek Wootton pages of the website.

Our Summer Teas continue on the first Sunday afternoon of each month (through to September) from 3pm to 5pm. Do come and join us for some cake and a cuppa.

Jim Perryman



WI REPORT

During first part of our monthly meeting on 7th May we discussed a resolution concerning the continuing decline of our high streets and the damaging effect this has on our local communities. The resolution will be voted on at the AGM in Cardiff on 1st June, which will be attended by 3 members of Stoneleigh WI. During the second part of the meeting Victoria Barber, a GP from Northamptonshire, spoke about ovarian cancer. She talked about symptoms and tests, urging anyone who was worried that they might have ovarian cancer to see their GP as soon as possible

Several members attended the Group Meeting at Leek Wootton on 14th May. There was a demonstration of the best way to plant hanging baskets. There was a Scrabble/Rummikub afternoon on 14th May in the village hall. During May the Craft group have been making greetings cards using various techniques.

A Tea Party was held in the village hall on Saturday 18th May. Guest enjoyed sandwiches, homemade cakes and scones. All proceeds are going to the Warwickshire Air Ambulance.

The next village lunch will be on Tuesday 4th June. The menu will be salmon and new potatoes followed by fruit jelly and cream. If you would like to book a place please ring Liz Sykes on 02476 418301. The next coffee morning will be on 18th June at 10.30 am in the Village Club.

At our next meeting on 3rd June Frances Freeman will be taking about 'Fun with Kitchen Gadgets.'

Rachel Gill



The Guide Dogs National Breeding Centre offers tours for individuals or groups of 2-50. Ideal for families, social groups or companies planning a team building outing. Located close to Leamington Spa, within easy access from the M40.

Tours take place on Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons and Friday mornings. In addition there are a limited number of Saturday tours during the summer.

As well as learning about the work carried out at the National Breeding Centre - who supply all of the guide dog pups throughout the UK - and seeing pups, you can experience our sensory tunnel, and purchase gifts in the shop.

Simply call 0845 3727432 or email nbcvisitors@guidedogs.org.uk

See website for further details:

http://www.guidedogs.org.uk/aboutus/national-breeding-centre/visit-the-nbc/

We look forward to welcoming you soon.

(Registered Charity No. 209617)





Stoneleigh History Society

The SHS has prepared an exhibition 'Stoneleigh Through the Ages', now - thanks to the Church - on permanent display in the Leigh Chapel. Originally set up as part of the 'Leamington Looks Back' festival (with teas in the Church 2-4 pm on 25 May) this will be available to future visitors. There is a timeline highlighting the village's history since Roman times! Browse a large collection of old photographs - Can you help us identify the people in them? Perhaps you have photographs or your own you might share?

Sheila Woolf 024 7641 8759

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Huge thanks to Sheila Woolf and Pam Baker for their work on the Timeline. Ed.

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Dates For Your Diary - Church Events

June

<u>Wednesday 19th</u> 7.30 p.m. An evening of entertainment with Stoneleigh Male Voice choir, see main advert for details

<u>July</u>

Friday 12th Film Night- Field of Dreams

August

<u>Bank holiday Monday 26th August</u> Barbecue at Sarah and Michael Ballingers. **September**

Friday 13th Film Night - My Family Bought a Zoo

<u>Sunday 22nd</u> Harvest Lunch –in the village hall following the service.

Crackley Hall Year 3 History Visit

Each year Ms Carrie Holmes of Vicarage Road, Stoneleigh, brings her class of Year 3 children to the village for a History tour. This year the students' visit was in April. They were lucky enough to have a demonstration by Brandon Thatchers who were working on Church Meadow Cottage. The owner of the cottage, Mr Bill Whatmore, provided ice lollies for the children, which was much appreciated. The visit looks at the different styles of buildings in the village from the past, and also a visit to the church, where the children have a quiz.







Sunday 30th

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

SERVICES FOR JUNE 2013



Sunday 2 nd	11.00 a.m. United Holy Communion service at Stoneleigh
Sunday 9 th	9.30 a.m. Holy Communion at Ashow11.00 a.m. Holy Communion at Stoneleigh
Thursday 13 th	10.30 a.m. Holy Communion at Stoneleigh
Sunday 16 th	9.30 a.m. Holy Communion at Ashow 11.00 a.m. Fellowship Holy Communion at Stoneleigh
Sunday 23 rd	9.30 a.m. Village Service at Ashow11.00 a.m. All Age Worship at Stoneleigh
Thursday 27 th	10.30 a.m. Holy Communion at Stoneleigh

Information about services and events at Leek Wootton can be found at www.a-lw-s.org.uk

10.15 a.m. Three Parish Holy Communion at Ashow

From the registers

Saturday 18th May, Marriage of Richard Synge and Ellie Moughton at Stoneleigh

Sunday 19th May, Holy Baptism of Eliza Ruby Alice Jarvis at Stoneleigh



CONTACTS

Priest in Charge, The Reverend Jim Perryman Phone 01926 850610 or email:jim@a-lw-s.org.uk Ashow Contact: Stephen Harvey 01926 852543 Stoneleigh contact Ian Smith 01926 853238.

To arrange a baptism, wedding or a funeral please contact the Vicar, for Pastoral Care please telephone Dr Elizabeth Penlington on 02476 41 9707, for any other matter please contact the Parish Administrator, Sue Wareham, 02476 415506,

http://www.a-lw-s.org.uk