

STONELEIGH & ASHOW *News*



JULY / AUGUST 2014

Space Academy

Reverend Sharon Goble aka “Captain Stash”

I’m getting so excited about the **Holiday Club** running every morning from **10.00am to 12 noon from 4th to 8th August 2014 in Stoneleigh Church and churchyard.**

We are really looking forward to welcoming our “Astro-0s” to “Stoneleigh Starbase”; *this applies to*

any children of primary school age as well as any young people who would like to come and muck in to help, as long as anyone under 18 has been registered to be with us by an adult. Under-5s are also welcome as long as their own adult carer stays with them to help them join in throughout. You can register at the door or in advance at the parish office with Jackie, our administrator, or at the Duck Race, where you can help us in preparing Stoneleigh Spaceship ready for launch. Join us up to our elbows in papier maché planets and modelling aliens!



We are going to have lots of fun exploring our space theme through music and drama (The Final Frontier), games and Phaser-fitness with Super Nova, and all sorts of craft activities to take home. We are also going to be finding out about someone in the Bible called Daniel. Daniel’s story is one of challenge, danger, courage and facing the unknown. He is plunged, against his wishes and as a result of violent conflict, into an amazing adventure where he has to make difficult choices, combat enemies, understand dreams and work miracles; all the time living boldly for God in a world that appears completely alien to him. Though Daniel did not have today’s scientific knowledge, it must have felt almost like being on another planet. Each day in Space Academy, we will discover together how much Daniel loves God and wants to live and behave in a way that pleases Him. That is not easy or comfortable for Daniel and his friends: while they stand firm for

God, others actively oppose them – and have the power to destroy them! Come and find out about his action-packed story.

We would love you to join us. Bring your BIG questions for our Wonder Box, your best space jokes and prepare for countdown!

See you there!

Can't wait?...

We will be introducing the Holiday Club at our launch service on 13th July as part of our All Age Worship in Stoneleigh Church at 11.00am, and we will be touching down to earth and celebrating the club at the All Age service at 11.00am on 10th August. We would love to welcome you to these or any of our services. **All are welcome!**



Rainbow over Ashow

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Stoneleigh Community Orchard Update

Pete Freeman

The annual general meeting of the Orchard Group was held on 15th May and saw the re-election of Pete Freeman as Chairman and Richard Hancox as Treasurer. The majority of the meeting centred on the acquisition of skills to enable the production of a quality craft cider that is both pleasant and safe to drink.

It is worth remembering that the majority of the trees were only planted three years ago, and it is with some astonishment that we are considering a small harvest from our orchard as early as we are!

Another significant event for the group will be the visit of European auditors on Thursday 19th June, who randomly selected to visit our orchard.

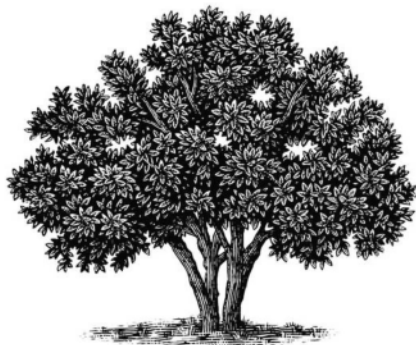
The group intend to furnish them with all requested information, and hopefully we will have some feedback from this exercise shortly. We hope to convince them that this project has been a worthwhile exercise and that monies supplied have produced benefits for both the community and the environment.

The meadow environment has this year also benefited from a joint approach with the Meadows Society to the task of grass cutting. We owe a big thank you to John Wilkinson from Stratford who undertook a very thorough cut, and to local villager David Brooks who assisted in sourcing his expertise.

Of primary interest at this point in the year will be the results of the small area of wild flowers that were planted by Nora Blagburn and the rest of the team back in April, with the intention of commemorating the outbreak of World War One. It seems that the flowers are on the cusp of making an appearance. For those villagers who may be interested, the seed mix (in addition to poppies) contains cornflower (a blue flower), corn marigold (yellow), camomile (daisy-like in appearance), oxeye daisy, corn cockle and mallow (both tall pink flowers).

We hope that the display will not only act as a poignant reminder of past wars, but will also elevate the spirits of those who chance to observe it.

To become a “Friend of the Orchard”, please contact Pete Freeman (Chairman) at 5 Church Lane, Stoneleigh (07791 303764).



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Ashaw Church News

Stephen Harvey

We intend to open the church on a daily basis. Following our vicar Sharon Goble's previous message about opening the church regularly, there have been a number of offers of help. If anyone else is available, could you let me know as I am drawing up a rota? I can be contacted by email (stephen.harvey@doctors.org.uk) or phone (01926 852543).

We recently enjoyed a mid-week service for under-5s (babies, toddlers and pre-schoolers) and their carers/parents/ grandparents for a half hour of story, song, play and chat. We hope to repeat this, perhaps on a more regular basis, if people would like, with Stoneleigh residents joining us too. Please let Sharon or me know if this is something that you would like to see happen again.

Stoneleigh Village Food, Beer & Craft Market



ADVANCE NOTICE

Saturday 27th September 2014

12 noon to 5.00pm in the Meadow

Save the date and tell your friends!

There will be a variety of stalls for browsing and buying, with food, drinks and music! Your support needed please: contributions of cakes, garden produce, jams, tombola items, books, DVDs all appreciated.

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Stoneleigh Church

Dates for your Diary

Sarah Ballinger



July

Friday 11th July

Film Night - "Philomena"

Village Hall

6.45 for 7.00pm

Tickets: £3.00 to cover room hire, coffee and cake.

Saturday 19th July

Village Duck Race

Church

Teas served in the church in conjunction with the duck race. See poster for details.

August

Monday 25th August

Late Summer Barbecue Sarah & Michael's house

From 12 noon - bring your own meat. Salads and puddings provided. Donations will go to Addington Fund.

September

Friday 5th September

Film Night

Village Hall

6.45 for 7.00pm - see poster in church for details of the film.

Tickets: £3.00 to cover room hire, coffee and cake.

For tickets and further information, please contact:

Jackie at the Parish Office

(024 7641 5506 / admin@stoneleighchurch.co.uk)

or call Sarah (024 7671 5256)

HS2 Latest



Margaret Wallis, on behalf of Stoneleigh Action Group

Thanks to a late flurry, 1925 petitions against the HS2 Hybrid Bill were submitted by the deadline of 28th May. Many individuals potentially affected by HS2, as well as organisations, county/district/parish councils, MPs and many action groups, all added their voices. These petitions, in order of receipt, can be read on **www.publications.parliament.uk/pa/cmhs2/petitions/petcontents.htm**.

(Note: At the time of writing, links to this site are problematical, but we encourage you to persevere via www.publications.parliament.uk and keep following any links to HS2; admittedly frustrating, but this is par for the course with this project to date.)

For those readers who are unclear what all the fuss is about, or those for whom finding a familiar source of concern might be a comfort, spending some time reading a selection of the petitions can be a salutary experience.

It is clear that a huge amount of research, emotional effort and determination have resulted in a common voice against the proposals. A selection of petitions of particular interest are Stoneleigh Action Group (999), Stoneleigh & Ashow Parish Council (1063, in the name of Jane MacKenzie), Warwickshire County Council (411), Jeremy Wright MP (1791), Warwick District Council (420), Coventry City Council (417), RASE (486), Kenilworth Action Group (1605), Kenilworth Golf Club (404), CPRE Warwickshire (1569), and the University of Warwick (1778). The national interest is covered in the HS2 Action Alliance (1591) and Stop HS2 (1611).

The next stage is that a Select Committee of MPs will consider the petitions and will decide who should be called to give oral evidence. Meanwhile, HS2 Ltd may attempt to negotiate with some petitioners to deal with their complaints (difficult to imagine how this can be achieved as most refer to fundamental flaws in the overall scheme as well as describing how specifics will affect their individual situation). Given the number of petitions received (far more than for HS1 and for Crossrail), the process is likely to take considerable time - very likely beyond the existing parliament. The suspense continues!

Treasurer's Report

Clive Watson, Honorary Treasurer

To new and current readers, may I remind everyone that *Stoneleigh & Ashow News* is delivered to all homes in the area free of charge, being funded by annual donations from residents and advertising revenue? Back copies are also available on **www.stonleighvillage.org**.

The financial year runs from January to December. Donations (cash or cheque payable to ***Stoneleigh & Ashow News***) can be sent to me at Alliance Cottage, The Bank, Stoneleigh, Warwickshire CV8 3DA. It is also possible to make a direct payment into our account:

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Thank you to all those who have already made a donation.



Summer Rose

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Stoneleigh & Ashow Organisations 2014

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. Many thanks to Roger Gilbert for updating this list.

Stoneleigh & Ashow Parish Council	Pat Madison (Clerk) 01926 491482
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Stoneleigh Ladies' Choir	Kate McCutcheon 024 7641 0100
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Stoneleigh Football Club	Joe Ball 024 7641 1315
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Stoneleigh Tennis Club	Janet Charlesworth 01926 853296
Coventry Airport Consultative Committee	John Astle 01926 850413
Stoneleigh History Society	Sheila Woolf 024 7641 8759
Stoneleigh Action Group (against HS2)	Lisa Reay 024 7669 7037



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Kate Jones (01926 853511)

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Ian Smith (01926 853238)

Sarah Ballinger (024 7671 5256)

For pastoral care or to arrange a baptism, wedding or funeral,
please contact Revd Sharon Goble

For any other matter,
please contact the Parish Administrator:

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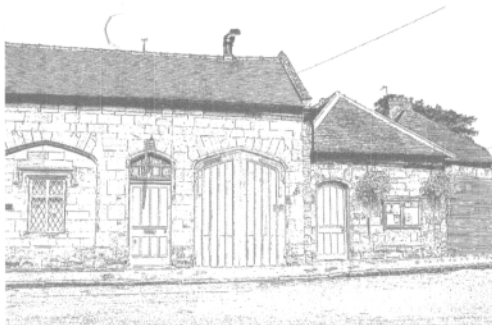


Viburnum

Photograph by Lucy Morris

Stoneleigh Village Club Events

Robin Bussell



Stoneleigh Village Duck Race & Village Fair

Saturday 19th July 2014

From 2.00pm

Fun for all the family and stalls, stalls, stalls...
Race tickets are now on sale at the Village Club.



World Cup Football

Watch the noticeboard for special supporting activities as the tournament develops.

Stoneleigh Food, Beer & Craft Market

(together with Harvest Festival in the Church)

Saturday 27th September 2014

12 noon to 5.00pm in the Meadow



Stoneleigh Cricket Club

Dave Wildgoose, Fixture Secretary

Cotswold Hills League Div 5

Stoneleigh were promoted to Div 5 for the new season and have, so far, carried all before them. At the time of writing, the team sit at the head of the table with four wins from the five matches played. The other match was against last year's promotion rivals, Leamington Fourths, when the weather intervened with the match nicely poised in the second innings. The other two fixtures were cancelled because of the weather.

Of the batsmen, Paul Lazenby, Lee Moreton, Paul Smith, Dave Beale and James Chapman have all chipped in with useful runs at important moments. Phil Chapman has once again demonstrated his all-round skills with bat, ball and especially in the field. New recruit James Mills made a telling contribution at Broadway II when his dismissal of their star batsman (normally their first team skipper) turned the game our way. It's also been good to welcome back Mark Edgington whose wife Lyn is recovering well after her stroke. Mark has been wheeling away picking up wickets with his usual regularity.

Friendlies

The season has got off to a stuttering start, with a number of fixtures called off because of the weather. Particularly disappointing was Adlestrop crying off for the second successive year in the Bank Holiday match for the Lord Leigh Cup. Some reflection is now needed on how this fixture can proceed in the future.

When we finally got some Sunday cricket, there were disappointing defeats by BBC Midlands and Ilmington, but we finally burst into life with a splendid victory against Oakfield. A total of 175, based on an excellent knock of 63 by Matt Bates (who seems to be getting well into his stride now), didn't look enough. However, the spin and guile of the Venkat brothers on a slowish pitch, plus some gentle seam from Neil Carter and excellent ground fielding and catching, saw the visitors dismissed for barely half our total.

And there was at last a midweek fixture played on 18th June when visitors Rainbow snatched defeat from the jaws of victory. Our total of under 100 from 20 overs didn't seem enough but, once again, splendid fielding and spectacular catches saw us pinch the win, with Paul Smith picking up a career best 4 wickets.

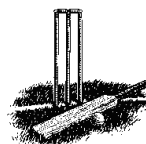
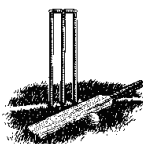
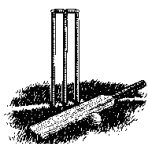
There was an unfortunate postscript to this match when one of the visitors found his car had been broken into on the car park. Any information to help trace the culprits would be gratefully received.

Volunteers

We are always on the lookout for help off the field. Anyone in the Stoneleigh area who could spare a bit of time helping Joe Ball out with ground maintenance would be most welcome, as would anyone who would like to supervise the teapot at home matches.

For more club details, contact secretary Phil Chapman (01926 774864).

Notes contributed by Dave Wildgoose, Fixture Secretary (024 7659 4879).



Parish Council Notes

Pat Maddison, Parish Clerk

Meetings

The July Ordinary Council Meeting will be held at Ashow Village Club on Thursday 10th July 2014 at 7.30pm. The September Ordinary Council Meeting will be held at Stoneleigh Village Hall on Thursday 11th September 2014 at 7.30pm.

Stoneleigh Councillor

I am very pleased to advise you that a new Parish Councillor was co-opted on the Parish Council meeting on Thursday 12th June 2014. It is Suzanne Crofts, and she can be contacted on either 024 7641 3287 or sue2.crofts@btinternet.com.



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Stoneleigh History Society

Sheila Woolf on behalf of Stoneleigh History Society

By the time you read this, our preview night of the WWI Centenary Exhibition will have taken place on 24th June . If you missed it, it's not too late to view the exhibition, which will be in the Leigh Chapel throughout the summer. Why not pop in and see it, especially if you have relatives from the village who served? In particular, members of the society will be in the Chapel on Duck Race Day to help answer your questions – or receive any further information which you might have for us!

Our September meeting will be held in the church - 7.30pm to 9.00pm on Tuesday 30th September. We shall be talking about the wonderful church cushions, which were designed and stitched with such devoted care by a team of stitchers over many years. There will be an introduction and description of the project, followed by plenty of time to look at the cushions and to chat over refreshments. We hope to be joined by some of 'The Stitchers', who will share their memories with us.

And don't forget: the deadline for sending in your Stoneleigh photographs is 31st July. So, if you would like your pictures to be part of a 2015 calendar, please send them as a jpeg to woolfsheila@gmail.com.



This month's front cover:

Strawberry

Photograph by Lucy Morris

An Evening of Music with
**Mill House Green
Male Voice Choir**
(visiting from Yorkshire)
and
Stoneleigh Male Voice Choir



**Saturday 20th September 2014
7.00pm**

The Church of St Mary the Virgin, Stoneleigh

All profits will go to the fabric fund

Tickets £15.00

(including a glass of wine and canapés)

*For tickets and further information, please contact Jackie
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Stoneleigh Events

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Great Central Railway Auction

Sunday 13th July 2014

The event is being held indoors on site, with parking also on site. Around 400 extra cars are expected on site, with no great increase in disruption caused by the event.

Warwick University Park and Ride

Monday 14th – Thursday 17th July 2014

The event is being held indoors on site, with parking also on site. There are 800 extra vehicles expected on site each day, so local traffic is expected to be busier than usual.

Trailblazers

Monday 21st July – Monday 4th August 2014

These equestrian championships return to Stoneleigh Park, with finals for various disciplines occurring over two weeks. This is an outdoor event with access via Gate 3 and parking on site. There are 2,000 vehicles expected over the course of the event, with no great increase in local traffic expected.

The National Pet Show

Saturday 2nd – Sunday 3rd August 2014

The National Pet Show returns for a second year. This fun-filled family show offers a host of entertainment for pet lovers and enthusiasts. The event is held in both indoor and outdoor areas on site, with parking in Car Parks 2 and 5. Around 10,000 vehicles are expected, so local traffic is expected to be heavier than usual. Tickets: £15.40 (adults) £9.90 (concessions) under-7s free of charge. For more information, visit www.thepetshow.co.uk

The WI Report

Rachel Gill

At our meeting on Monday 2nd June, Graham Soden gave a talk about the Shetlands, illustrated with excellent photographs that he had taken himself.

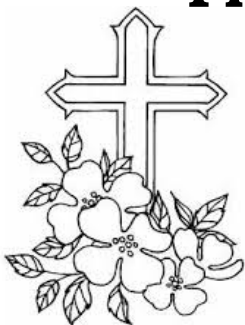
On Wednesday 18th June, a group of members visited Coton Manor Gardens in Northamptonshire. On Monday 23rd June, members of the Craft Group visited Willoughby Waterleys for afternoon tea and a talk on the Willoughby Tapestry. The craft topic for June was techniques for making cards.

There was a games afternoon on Tuesday 17th June. The Book Club also met on 17th June to discuss "Diary of an Ordinary Woman" by Margaret Forster and "The Great Silence" by Juliet Nicholson.

The next village lunch will be on Tuesday 1st July. The menu will be quiche, salad and new potatoes followed by fruit jelly and ice cream. If you would like to book a place, please ring Liz Sykes on 024 7641 8301. The next coffee morning will be on Tuesday 15th July in the Village Club.

The meeting on 7th July will be Members' Night.

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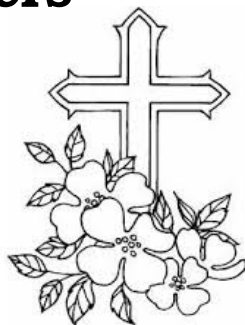


Funerals at Stoneleigh

Thursday 22nd May 2014
Betty Margaret Shortland
(*Interment of remains*)

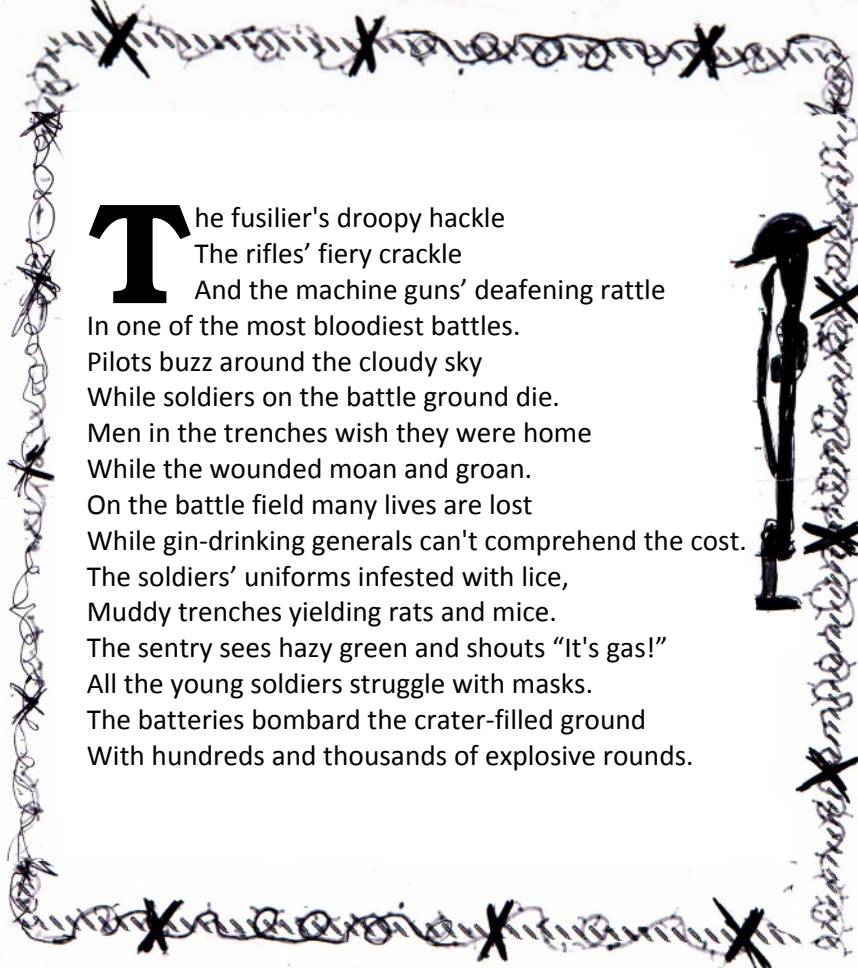
Thursday 12th June 2014
Mollie Evans
(*Funeral service*)

Tuesday 17th June 2014
Frances Mary Hutton
(*Interment of remains*)



World War I Horror

Written by a 14-year-old young man



The fusilier's droopy hackle
The rifles' fiery crackle
And the machine guns' deafening rattle
In one of the most bloodiest battles.
Pilots buzz around the cloudy sky
While soldiers on the battle ground die.
Men in the trenches wish they were home
While the wounded moan and groan.
On the battle field many lives are lost
While gin-drinking generals can't comprehend the cost.
The soldiers' uniforms infested with lice,
Muddy trenches yielding rats and mice.
The sentry sees hazy green and shouts "It's gas!"
All the young soldiers struggle with masks.
The batteries bombard the crater-filled ground
With hundreds and thousands of explosive rounds.



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Services for July & August 2014

July 2014

Sunday 6 th	11.00am	United Holy Communion - Stoneleigh
Thursday 10 th	10.30am	Holy Communion - Stoneleigh
Sunday 13 th	9.30am	Holy Communion - Ashow
	11.00am	All Age Worship - Stoneleigh
Sunday 20 th	9.30am	Holy Communion - Ashow
	11.00am	Fellowship Holy Communion - Stoneleigh
Thursday 24 th	10.30am	Holy Communion - Stoneleigh
Sunday 27 th	9.30am	Village Service - Ashow
	11.00am	Sung Holy Communion - Stoneleigh

August 2014

Sunday 3 rd	11.00am	United Holy Communion - Ashow
Sunday 10 th	9.30am	Holy Communion - Ashow
	11.00am	All Age Worship - Stoneleigh
Thursday 14 th	10.30am	Holy Communion - Stoneleigh
Sunday 17 th	9.30am	Holy Communion - Ashow
	11.00am	Fellowship Holy Communion - Stoneleigh
Sunday 24 th	9.30am	Village Service - Ashow
	11.00am	Sung Holy Communion - Stoneleigh
Thursday 28 th	10.30am	Holy Communion - Stoneleigh
Sunday 31 st	9.30am	Holy Communion - Ashow
	11.00am	Holy Communion - Stoneleigh