

Stoneleigh & Ashow *News*



OCTOBER 2017



" The Heart of Stoneleigh Defibrillator"

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Cessation of Ecclesiastical Patronage

David Clark - Ashow

The Lord Leigh has formally surrendered his patronage, or advowson, of Ashow and Stoneleigh thus ending a long association between the family and the two parishes.

The advowson is the right in English law of a patron, or advowee, to present to the diocesan bishop, a nominee for appointment to a vacant ecclesiastical benefice or church living. Historically, advowsons were valuable assets which could be bought and sold. They were commonly acquired by the lord of the manor as a means of exercising influence and control over a parish. A benefice normally included the use of a vicarage and the proceeds from glebe and tithes. The advowson was often used by the lord to provide a career and income for a younger son who, due to the custom of primogeniture, was unable to inherit paternal lands.

The advowson of Ashow has been with the Leighs since 1562 following the dissolution of the monasteries, and of Stoneleigh since 1840 when it was acquired from the Crown. Appointments to ecclesiastical vacancies will now be the sole responsibility of the Bishop of Coventry.

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Stoneleigh WI Report

Rachel Gill



We had a very entertaining evening at our meeting in September. Our speaker, Paula Cornwell, is a costumed interpreter at the Motor Museum at Gaydon. She came as Mrs Victor Bruce, dressed in a 1920s outfit and was wearing a cloche hat. Mrs. Bruce was a racing driver in the 1920s and was the first woman from the UK to win the Coup des Dames at the 1927 Monte Carlo Rally, having driven for 72 hours and 20 minutes from John O'Groats. Her love of speed led to her being the first woman in the UK to be fined for speeding.



The Book Club met on 19th September at Barbara Kempster's house to discuss *Between You and Me* by Lisa Hall and *Mail Obsession: A Journey Round Britain by Postcode*. A group of members and their husbands met for lunch at the Royal Oak, Brandon on Wednesday 20th September and on Friday 22nd September some members visited the Loft Theatre in Leamington Spa to watch *The Cherry Orchard* by Anton Chekhov.

Dates for your diary

Friday 29th September ~ traditional Harvest Supper, 7pm at the Village Hall. Tickets are £8.50.

Tuesday 3rd October ~ village lunch, at the Village Hall.

If you wish to purchase a ticket for the supper or reserve a place for the village lunch please phone Liz Sykes on 024 7641 8301.

Tuesday 17th October ~ coffee morning, 10:30 am at the Village Club

Our next meeting on **Monday 2nd October** sees the welcome return of an old friend, Faye Gibb, who will be demonstrating autumn flower arrangements.

HS2 Update

Martin Smith, on behalf of Stoneleigh Action Group (against HS2)

Whilst a main contractor for the route has been appointed, there is expected to be no sign of “boots on the ground” for a while as the contractors develop their scheme design.

We were advised that further investigative works are to be carried out in Stoneleigh Park, and at the time of writing ground investigative works should have started mid-September.

Concern over the cost of HS2 does not abate. Freedom of Information Request (FOIR) are taking some 2 / 3 years to be released, and not always released, and the information from previous reports has in some cases been redacted, or in plain speak, struck out in sections. The official cost stands at £56 billion but it does not bode well that the Government considers some information too sensitive to be released to the public.

When I was on holiday in France, I read newspaper reports on the Paris to Bordeaux LGV (ligne a grand vitesse) which has now been running for about 2 months. One of the areas looked at was a village called Courcôme, in the Charente, where the older TGV line runs to the east of the village and the LGV to the west. It might be compared to say Water Orton which has more major traffic schemes surrounding it. Opinions differed on the issue of noise, although it was clear that the perception of noise had increased. Certainly there was an opinion that if the line had been sunk up to 5m lower, it would have helped. As for the operational future for the line, it is too early to say if take up and usage is meeting expectations. I did do a rail price search and one can travel one way for 100 Euros at short notice. The travel time is 2 hours 4 minutes. As has been said many times before, the argument for increased speed may have more aptness over greater distances, although the environmental pollution in terms of noise, increased energy usage, higher rail wear and the need to repair has to be factored in.



Art Exhibition & Sale

Stoneleigh Village Hall, Saturday 18th November 14:00 ~ 21:00
Patricia Freeman 1 July 1930 ~ 3 June 2016

It is the intention of the Freeman family to hold an exhibition to display the Art of Pat Freeman at Stoneleigh Village Hall on Saturday, November 18th 14:00 – 21:00. This was a promise that my sister Jackie, brother Jonathan and I made to her during the latter stages of her life and that would celebrate a life immersed in artistic creativity.

Pat our mother was indeed a talented artist who encouraged by her teacher “Miss Parncutt” at an early age won a scholarship to attend Art school in 1943, an opportunity that was to change her life in so many ways, as it was whilst there that she first met fellow artist and her future husband Peter, our father.

Whilst at Art School mum received some teacher training, a discipline that she used to teach art at evening classes and from which she earned 10 shillings a week which she later described as a lot of money in those hard times! On leaving Art School in 1948 she initially gained employment dressing shop windows for Smiths in Nuneaton then Arthur Hammond in Coventry city centre followed by work in Sasha Richter’s Art studio, centred on display art.

Following the raising of a family mum’s art teaching talents saw her working as a lecturer at the Butts technical college as well as going on to gain a BA in Art and to become a member of both the Coventry & Warwickshire Society of Artists as well as the East Cornwall Society of Artists.

Our mother’s work is both diverse and prolific ranging from traditional oil, pastel and water colour to pottery and ceramics. Her work demonstrates a wonderful sense of colour particularly her drawings of flowers and is varied in subject matter, indeed her work is displayed all over the world.

On account of the quantity of work, the family have decided to offer much of the work for sale with the proceeds going to various charity centred services such as Macmillan Nurses and Myton Hospice.

It is intended that sealed bids can be made for the work with a minimum bid price being set to be both affordable and to reflect the quality of the work, so there will certainly be the opportunity to undertake some Christmas shopping irrespective of budget!

Everyone is welcome so do come along, enjoy the exhibition and perhaps you may wish to purchase a piece of our mother's work?

Peter Freeman

The picture displayed on the right is painted by Patricia Freeman is called "The Foliate Head of Christ"



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Parish Council News

Mrs. Sarah Windridge - Parish Clerk

Meetings

October

Ordinary Council Meeting - Ashow Village Club, Thursday 12th October 7pm.

Helena Pettit from Stoneleigh Events will be attending to answer any questions regarding upcoming changes and events at Stoneleigh Park.

The Parish Council will also be considering the HS2 Community Benefit Fund, and deciding what project the Parish Council would like to discuss funding for.

November

Ordinary Council meeting - Stoneleigh Village Hall, Thursday 9th November 7pm

Mr Adrian Hart from WCC is attending to discuss the results of the recent traffic study in Stoneleigh and provide an update on both the A46 junction at Stoneleigh and the proposed Kenilworth to Leamington cycle route

December

Ordinary Council meeting - Ashow Village Club, Thursday 14th December 7pm

The annual budget will be reviewed ahead of the precept request in January.

Members of the public are invited to attend all meetings

The agenda, including upcoming planning applications, can be found on the Parish Council website at <http://stoneleighashowparishcouncil.btck.co.uk/>

Parish Council News

The Parish Council invited Colin Hooper from Stoneleigh Park to the September meeting to discuss the relocation of the Farmer's Market. The full presentation can be seen on the Stoneleigh and Ashow Parish Council website at: <http://stoneleighashowparishcouncil.btck.co.uk/VillageMatters>

The Parish Council have a new Facebook page!

Please search Stoneleigh Ashow Parish Council on Facebook and send us a friend request, or 'like' our page to receive notifications and local updates!

The Parish Council are pleased to report that Sarah Williams and Martyn Foster have been co-opted onto the Parish Council to represent Ashow ward. The Parish Council currently has a vacancy for one Parish Councillor to represent Stoneleigh Ward. If you are interested or wish to know more about this position, please contact the Chairman, Richard Hancox, on 07770 826310 or email richard.hancox@kier.co.uk.

If you feel that you can put something back into the community, the Parish Council would love to hear from you.

KENILWORTH COMMITTEE CANCER RESEARCH UK

COFFEE MORNING

Wednesday 8th November 2017

10.00a.m – 12.00 noon

**SALE OF CHRISTMAS CARDS,
CAKES & PRESERVES, BOOKS & DVDS
JEWELLERY + RAFFLE**

**Kenilworth Cricket Club
Warwick Road, Kenilworth**

Admission £3

To include Coffee/Tea and Biscuits

**Please Support Cancer Research
Everyone Welcome**



SNT Police Surgeries

A member of Warwick Rural East Safer Neighbourhood Team shall be present at **Stoneleigh Village Club**, Vicarage Road, Stoneleigh on the below dates between **2pm and 3pm**.

Saturday 7th October

Saturday 18th November 2017

Sunday 17th December 2017

Saturday 27th January 2018

These events will allow you to sit down with a member of your local police team to discuss any concerns or issues within the local community. Come along and tell us what matters to you.

Warwick Rural East Safer Neighbourhood Team

Telephone: 01926 684471

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Stoneleigh History Society

Sheila Woolf

Many visitors were welcomed to the church over Heritage Weekend and it was good to add to our stock of information and be able to help others with their research. Since the creation of our website we now find ourselves being contacted by ancestor-hunters from all over the world.

The September meeting was a most interesting one, when Pete James continued his series of talks about various local industries. This time he spoke about the industries which the area has recently lost, and recollected many well-known manufacturers' names which, alas, are no more.

Our October meeting will be on Tuesday 31 October at 7.30pm in the village hall. We welcome Anne Langley, a well-known speaker on local history topics, who will talk to us about Warwick County Asylum, which was set up to reform young offenders in the early 19th century. This talk looks at the history of this pioneering institution – please note that it is not about the Hatton “Lunatic Asylum”!

Stoneleigh Church Grounds

Clive Watson

May I once again request a band of volunteers to join our *Autumn Work Party*, commencing from 9.30 a.m. on **Saturday 11th November 2017**. The past year has seen use of the grassed areas as a contractor's site compound, now virtually restored thanks to the efforts of the Mowing Team. A little extra help would now be appreciated before winter weather sets in.

All are welcome, and light refreshments will be provided to keep you going during the morning. If anyone has their own hedge trimmer, or strimmer (petrol preferred), this would be helpful, together with sharp spades to edge the paths. Those with a short garden knife or pruning saw might help our gradual programme of ridding the trees of ivy creeper. Gloves & stout shoes advisable. To help with catering, if possible please let me know if you can come, or just turn up on the day. My number is 024 7641 1658, (with message recorder if we are out).

Thank you

Stoneleigh Village Club

Established 1856



Mon-Thur: 7pm – 11pm

Fri: 5pm – 11pm

Sat: 12pm – 11pm

Sun: 12pm – 10.30pm

We would like to share updates and news, in addition to receiving your views through here, our Facebook page www.facebook.com/stoneleighvillageclub and also emailing subscribed members directly.

This month we would like your feedback on our drafted 'CCTV' policy:
<https://www.dropbox.com/s/yelz4f87jdbwebn/SVC%20CCTV%20Policy%20Sept17%20v1.pdf?dl=0> (CCTV is **not** being viewed as a live feed)

Please do read it at and email any feedback before **Monday 16th October** to stoneleigh.villageclub@gmail.com – thank you!

In October, we will be revising our Health and Safety Policy. Should any member wish to be a representative to join our employee and committee representatives, please email or message via Facebook **before Monday 16th October**

Please feel most welcome to sign-in guests at any of our events below, or indeed any time that we are open!

Sunday 1st October - **Judging of the annual marrow competition**

Wednesdays 4th and 18th October - **Bingo**

Wednesdays 11th and 26th October - **Knit and Natter**

Saturday 21st October - **Quiz Night** - organised by Stoneleigh Village Orchard

Sunday 22nd October - ****HELP NEEDED** to decorate for Halloween!**

Saturday 28th October - **Spooky Halloween Walk (£4 - with food box!)**

Judging of the pumpkin carving competition

*****SPOOKY GHOSTS & WITCHES NEEDED*****

We will look forward to seeing you in the Club!

Stoneleigh Village Orchard Quiz



Happy 90th birthday, Layton!

Ashow villagers came out in force on Friday 15th September to mark Layton Bowkett's 90th birthday. Layton and Janet thoroughly enjoyed the celebrations at the Village Club, and would like to extend their sincere thanks to all those who helped to make the evening such a special one.

Stoneleigh Church News

Sarah, Gordon and Richard
Stoneleigh Churchwardens



On the 30th August a group from both churches travelled to St David's Church, Newbold-on-Stour to support Rev Sharon Goble at the service of 'Institution, Induction and Installation' as Rector of the Stourdene Benefice by the Bishop of Warwick. It was a lovely service and clearly bore the personal touches that we had come to recognise as the hallmark of Sharon's special style of worship.

We were all made to feel very welcome and for those who could stay behind afterwards were offered hospitality in the form of a splendid buffet in the pub across the road from the church!

It had been almost four years since we in turn had organised the service when Sharon was appointed as our vicar. How quickly the time has passed, so much has happened and so much has been achieved. I am sure many of us will have our own memories and reflections of Sharon's time with us.

Despite not living in the village and having to travel forty five minutes each way Sharon worked hard to try and get to know everyone. With her warmth, sense of humour and informality she became part of the communities in which she has served and will be missed by us all.

Through Sharon we got to know the rest of the family - Chris, Ben, Fliss and Timmy and it was fitting that in her last week that they were all involved with the holiday club.

The churches will now go through a period without our own vicar, now referred to by the Church of England as a "vacancy". We do not know how long this will last but it is 'business as usual' holding funerals, weddings, baptisms, fellowship and social events and as far as we possibly can we will keep to the same pattern of services.

However as the "vacancy" may well go on for quite a period of time and we may not always be able to get the cover we would like, it could well give us all

the opportunity to see if any fresh thoughts on our form and patterns of worship are forthcoming. If you have any ideas please speak to any of us.

We are most grateful to Jackie Cubitt, our administrator, who has managed to organise clergy to cover the services into the New Year and is doing a tremendous job of keeping on top of everything.

Volunteers Wanted



We are looking for someone with a couple of hours to spare each month who could help us with updating our website.

*Full training will be given please contact Sarah on 024 7671 5256
or email sarahjballinger@gmail.com*

BRITISH SUMMERTIME ENDS

CLOCKS GO
BACK BY 1
HOUR
Sunday 29th October





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



SERVICES FOR October 2017

Sunday 1 st	10.00am	United Holy Communion Service at Ashow
Sunday 8 th	9.30am	Holy Communion Service at Ashow
	11.00am	All Age Worship at Stoneleigh
Thursday 12 th	10.30am	Midweek Communion Service at Stoneleigh
Sunday 15 th	9.30am	Holy Communion Service at Ashow
	11.00am	Fellowship Holy Communion at Stoneleigh
Sunday 22 nd	9.30am	Village Service at Ashow
	11.00am	Sung Communion at Stoneleigh
Sunday 29 th	9.30am	Holy Communion Service at Ashow
	11.00am	Fellowship Holy Communion at Stoneleigh

Midweek Communion will take place once a month on the second Thursday

From the Stoneleigh Registers

Saturday 19th August – Cecil Leslie White (Cec) - Interment at Stoneleigh

Tuesday 29th August – Mary Mirecki – Funeral Service followed by burial

Wednesday 30th August – Cynthia Dorothy Hunt – Funeral Service

Contacts:

For pastoral care or to arrange a baptism, wedding or a funeral, please contact:

Ashow Churchwarden:	Kate Jones	01926 853511,
Stoneleigh Churchwardens:	Sarah Ballinger	024 7671 5256
	Gordon Gatward	024 7669 0746

For any other matter please contact the

Parish Administrator: Jackie Cubitt 024 7641 5506

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