STONELEIGH AND ASHOW NEWS



NOVEMBER 2017



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Coffee Morning



Friday 1st December, 10.30 am at
Stoneleigh Village Hall

Cake stall Raffle Christmas Table
All Donations greatly appreciated

Everyone Welcome – Please do come along

All proceeds to **Stoneleigh Church Flower Fund**





Ashow Church News October 2017

Ashow Church looked beautiful again this year at Harvest Festival time. Many thanks to Diana Holt, Margaret and Jinty Cotton for their flower arrangements, and Susan Spencer for her basket of fresh produce and window decoration. Diana again organised the marvellous harvest loaf of bread which was donated by the Baker's Dozen, Leyes Lane, Kenilworth. Thanks also to all those who donated dried goods for Kenilworth Food Bank, who were very grateful to receive them, and Stoneleigh Male Voice Choir gave a cheque to Ashow for £50 for the Trussell Trust which coordinates Food Banks nationally.

Some members of the congregation joined Stoneleigh at the Village Hall for the W.I. Harvest Supper.

Future notice of Choir practices, and our Services in December.

The Advent Carol Service arranged by Susan Spencer and Audrey Rowberry will take place on Sunday 3rd December at 4 pm. There will be mulled wine and mince pies after the service. There will be no morning service in the church that day.

The Ashow Christmas Carol Service will be at 5pm on Sunday 17th December. We hope that people will come to help decorate the church and Christmas tree (children very welcome) on Saturday 16th from 10 am onwards. Please bring greenery for decorating your poles.

The Ashow Parish Singers will take part in the services again this year. The first rehearsal led by Susan Spencer will be at Ashow Church on Thursday 26th October at 7 pm, and subsequently every Thursday evening There will be no morning service at Ashow on Sunday 24th December but Christmas morning will be celebrated at 10 am on Christmas Day.

Stephen Harvey

Stoneleigh Male Voice Choir News

The Choir took part in a very successful concert at St Mary's Church, Cubbington on September 16th and helped to raise over £800 for Church funds.

By the time you read this article, we will have sung at St. Francis of Assissi R.C Church in Kenilworth with the Stoneleigh Ladies Choir to raise funds for Cancer Research U.K. Hopefully a large sum of money will have been raised for this very worthwhile cause.

It was with great sadness, that we heard of the death of Alan Whitfield. Alan was a loyal member of the choir for many years. We shall miss him as a friend and fellow choir member.

Our prayers and thoughts are with Shel and the family at this time.

Forthcoming Events

November 10th - Concert at Walton Church near Wellesbourne in aid of the Addington Fund.

December 6th and 7th - Carol Concerts at Stoneleigh Abbey.

Tickets for any of the above events are available from any choir member or myself. I can be contacted on 01926 853511.

Phílíp Jones Chairman



John Fletcher

John lost his fight with cancer on 25th September. The family would like to thank everyone who sent supporting letters and cards, which were very much appreciated as were the lovely flowers. The support from everyone has been unbelievable.

John lived in Stoneleigh for most of his life, as does his wife Lynne, they have brought up a family and over the years have taken part in many activities and events in the village. He will sadly missed.



KENILWORTH COMMITTEE

CANCER RESEARCH UK are holding a

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



Stoneleigh WI Report

At the meeting in October we welcomed Fay Gibbs, an old friend, who came to demonstrate flower arrangements using seasonal flowers. Each arrangement was inspired by a theme tune and we were asked to guess the title of the song. Fay kindly gave the arrangements as raffle prizes.

The Harvest Supper on 29th September proved popular. The menu was pork and apple casserole which was followed by plum crumble and custard. On Friday 27th October a group of members attended an evening of Indian culture and food at Burton Green Village Hall hosted by Hodgetts Lane WI.

There was a games afternoon on 4th October when members met to play Rummikub and Scrabble.

The Craft Group are knitting sweaters for orphans of Kagera in Tanzania. The next meeting of the Book Club will be on 14th November. The books to be discussed are "The Gustav Sonata" by Rose Tremain and "Behind Closed Doors" by Hugo Vickers.

The next village lunch will be on Tuesday 7th November in the Village Hall. If you wish to book a place please ring Liz Sykes 02476 418301.

The next coffee morning will be on 21st November in the Village Club.

Rachel Gill

Stoneleigh Church Grounds

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. 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).

Clive Watson

Stoneleigh History Society

Did you attend Stoneleigh School? We should like to hear your memories! Our intention is to write a history of the school, and we should particularly like to hear memories from those who went to the school between 1940 and 1976, when it closed. In the New Year there will be a series of informal get-togethers when we should love to see you for a chat. In the meantime, do you have any old photographs of your time at the school? Any old school reports, certificates won etc? If you might be prepared to share them with us, please get in touch.

The October meeting occurred too late for a review of it to be written in this edition.

Our November meeting will be on Tuesday 27 November at 7.30 pm in the village hall. It will be on the subject of the Wroth Silver. This ancient tradition occurs each year at Martinmas (November 11 to you and me) before dawn, in a field off the A45 at Dunchurch! It is thought to be the oldest continuous celebration of its kind in the country – over one thousand years. Pete James will give its history, and Sheila Woolf will describe what it was like to attend!

Sheila Woolf
02476 418759
shewoolf@hotmail.co.uk



The Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal 2017

Once again there will be collections taking place in and around Stoneleigh for the poppy appeal. Our "patch" includes the showground, local schools and shops, and Abbey Park, but we also collect house-to-house and at the Club. Each year your generosity is much appreciated. Thank you, Hon. Area Organiser.

Sheila Woolf



MEMORIES OF JOAN

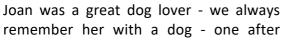
April 1923 - September 2017

Joan Dewhurst, husband Jim and family came to live at No.20 Stoneleigh Close in 1971. Jim

lectured at Warwick University and Joan trained as a primary school teacher with talents in art, crafts and pottery.

Their younger son, Ben, was at Kenilworth Grammar School with our son, David, they played rugby and table tennis together.

Joan's great passion was sport, playing tennis and golf at Hearsall Golf Club, becoming the Lady Captain and winning the Hearsall Cup. She also played Bridge, partnering her close friend Mollie at No.17 Stoneleigh Close.





another - a real softie with them. When her dog was too old to walk down the Close and back, she would go down in the car to then walk the dog round the Meadows. She looked after our dog, Minta, when we needed to go out or even over a weekend and would come over to keep her company for a while in case our dog was lonely.

Joan regularly attended Stoneleigh Church, finding comfort and support in times of sadness, such as the loss of her husband Jim.

Will and I would sometimes go to Joan's or Mollie's for a fish and chip supper, accompanied with a nice glass of wine. There were New Year's Eve parties at Mollies and later at our house, No.7, with Peggy, Rachel and Philip, when we would enjoy a Bring and Share Supper. Joan's special dish was a Chicken and Broccoli Bake and Rachel would bring a delicious Pavlova.

One year our family were with us from Puerto Rico, the two youngsters wondering what it would be like to spend the evening with these three

over 80 year old ladies - Joan, Mollie and Peggy. They arrived all looking so elegant and when we played quiz games after supper, our family were so impressed with their quick wit and alertness.

Joan, Mollie and their two friends, Marge and Marjorie had great holidays together going by train to a villa in the South of France, having such fun and laughs, until one summer when they were all ready to go, Mollie tripped over her suitcase and broke her hip. She wanted them to go on without her but they refused.

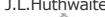
Joan loved the sea and enjoyed holidays at Ramsgate with her family, including her two grandsons, Jack, and Joe.

We will remember Joan as a gracious lady, slim, smart, always well dressed, lively and fun to be with.

Nora Blagburn

October 2017







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Christmas Workshops

at the Village Hall, Stoneleigh, Warwickshire.

- Christmas Wreath making Saturday,
 25th November 3pm until 5pm (8 places)
- More Christmas Wreath making or a Christmas Table centre (to be agreed at time of booking - 8 places) – Saturday, 16th December 10am until 12 noon.

Cost for each workshop is £30 to include all materials and refreshments.

Telephone Barbara Gee on 024 76 690066 or 07874030829 or go to the website. www.bellswillsfloraldesign.co.uk

Flying the Flag at Christmas

For many years now, I have "flown the

flag" around Christmas time to offer Christmas greetings between friends and neighbours instead of sending or delivering cards. Those wishing to join in this quaint custom have their greetings listed in the December S & A News and this list is also displayed on my gatepost when the flag is flying. In return, those joining in give a donation for the selected charity. Last year, I sent just over £300 to both Myton Hospice and The Addington fund. This year I will, once again, be supporting the Warwickshire and Northamptonshire Air Ambulance (WNAA).

If you wish to take part this year please send your contributions (cash, or cheques payable to "WNAA") to Robin Bussell at The Oaks, Vicarage Road, Stoneleigh, CV8 3DH - and before 18th November, please, to meet the next S&A News deadline. The flag will be flying over the weekend of 15th/17th December. Thank you.



Thank You Stoneleigh Church!

The 1st Kenilworth Brownies would like to say a huge thank you to Stoneleigh Church for allowing them to visit on 18th September.

The girls had a fun evening looking for Gilbert and family, observing the beautiful windows and pillars and learning about the Leigh family. At our next weekly meeting the girls were still full of excitement and parents had emailed in to say what a great trip out the girls had had.

The girls especially loved their visit up into the bell tower where they had tremendous fun trying to ring the bells and learning about the mechanics.

Some of our Brownies commented...

"I loved flying up and up" -Lucy.

"It was a great feeling being pulled up by the bell but it was hard work to pull it down." - Florence.

"The man showed me a knot and I could do it". - Ellie
"A beautiful church" - Martha.

Thank you again for allowing us to visit your amazing church and to the Stoneleigh Bell Ringers who gave up their time to share their skills with us.

The 1st Kenílworth Brownies and their leaders Karen, Jennífer, Jo and Roma.

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Stoneleigh Church News

Harvest Festival was celebrated on Sunday 24th September. The church

look splendid decorated with the Autumn flowers and harvest produce. Thanks go to everyone who helped arrange the flowers and made the church look so festive. At the service the chairman of the charity the 'Addington Fund', Sheila Cole, came to tell us about its work with farming communities.

The food donations were taken to the Kenilworth Food Bank who were very grateful.

This year, in a change from the usual tradition we didn't hold our own harvest lunch; instead some of us enjoyed the hospitality of the WI when we attended their Harvest Supper the following Friday.

We have no news at the moment regarding filling the 'vacancy'. The next step is for the congregations to meet with the Archdeacon at a date to be arranged.

Sarah Ballinger

Film Night

This month we will be showing **'Hidden Figures'**On Friday 10th November in Stoneleigh Village Hall at
6.45 for 7pm

Make yourself feel at home, bring your own wine, cushions or a comfy chair. Coffee and cake in the interval.

Tickets: £3.00, to cover refreshments and room hire.

To reserve a place call Jane on 01926858315

'Hidden Figures' is based on a true story. Three brilliant African-American women at NASA -- Katherine Johnson (Taraji P. Henson), Dorothy Vaughan (Octavia Spencer) and Mary Jackson (Janelle Monáe), serve as the brains behind one of the greatest operations in history: the launch of astronaut John Glenn (Glen Powell) into orbit, a stunning achievement that restored the nation's confidence. Also stars Kevin Costner.



HS2 UPDATE

HS2 continues to receive widespread – mainly critical – coverage in the media, with much attention on the overall cost. Various human interest stories dominate local press along the route, especially concerning house demolition, potential subsidence etc., and the implications for communities of construction works over many years. Locally, the construction of holding pools for newts in Dalehouse Lane seem to have been completed without incident! Drilling teams and a survey team have begun work on the part of the route through Stoneleigh Park to the A46. This work will take c 4 weeks and the results will be handed to HS2 Ltd to assess the suitability of the terrain and develop the planning stages required before Sector construction contracts are placed. It is hoped the planning statements will be made available locally so that comments can be submitted.

Becki Coombe kindly set up a group to discuss and co-ordinate possible bids that this community could submit to the HS2 Community Fund via the Parish Council. Amongst these proposals was one from the Community Orchard Group that Stoneleigh Park should plant additional trees on the village side of the route as soon as possible to provide a noise and visual screen in advance of the main HS2 roadside planting scheduled for 2026 at the earliest; this idea is being pursued separately. Following an initiative by StAG, Gareth Epps, Independent Complaints Commissioner, plans to visit this district on 21 November in order to familiarise himself with the route and to meet with representatives of the District and Parish Councils, and action groups. It is clear from reports submitted since his appointment earlier this year that Gareth Epps intends to establish good local liaison and to deal with complaints in a much speedier and more effective way than HS2 Ltd. has done so far. We hope this intention is realised.

Margaret Wallis

on behalf of the Stoneleigh Action Group (against HS2)

PARISH COUNCIL NOTES

Meetings

The **November** Ordinary Council meeting will be held at Stoneleigh Village Hall on Thursday 9th November at 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.

The **December** Ordinary Council meeting will be held at Ashow Village Club on 14th December at Ashow Village Club. 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

Helena Pettit from Stoneleigh Events attended the October Parish Council meeting to answer questions regarding upcoming changes and events at Stoneleigh Park.

Upcoming events at Stoneleigh Park include:

5th November - The Restoration Show

11th- 12th November - Your Horse Live

25th - 26th November FREE EVENT Winter Fair

For more details on upcoming events please see the Stoneleigh Park website: http://www.naecstoneleigh.co.uk/exhibitions/

A full report of the presentation from Stoneleigh Park can be found within the October minutes on the Parish Council website.

The Parish Council are pleased to report that Mr Anthony Bianco has been co-opted onto the Parish Council to represent Stoneleigh ward. Mr Bianco has been invited to the November meeting to sign the Declaration and join the Council, and we look forward to working with him.

Community Infrastructure Levy Councillor Martyn Foster recently attended a meeting regarding the Community Infrastructure Levy which is a planning charge, introduced by the Planning Act 2008 as a tool for local authorities in

England and Wales to help deliver infrastructure to support the development of their area.

The levy can be used to fund a wide range of infrastructure, including transport, schools, hospitals, and other health and social care facilities.

Fifteen per cent of Community Infrastructure Levy charging authority receipts are passed directly to those parishes and towns where development has taken place.

Communities that draw up a Neighbourhood plan will benefit from twenty five percent of the levy revenues arising from the development that takes place in their area.

The Parish Council would like to create a Neighbourhood Plan for Stoneleigh and Ashow, and will be taking the first steps to achieve this in the new year.

If anyone would like to help the Parish Council with this or feels they can contribute some skills (eg using ICT to create village plans) please contact us at stoneleighashowparishcouncil@gmail.com

We would love to hear from you. 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!

WARWICKSHIRE POLICE Local Policing – Stoneleigh and Ashow

PCSO Ed King has offered to join residents wishing to discuss local issues at a village meeting to be held in the village hall on Tuesday 21st November 2017. This is an opportunity to come along and discuss issues affecting us all. The meeting will start at 19:30 and last a maximum of 2 hours.

The agenda can cover any issue that residents want to discuss and is likely to include:

- Local Crime and reporting it
- Traffic issues, speed, volume and weight of traffic
- On street parking

The idea is to get together and discuss the issues in a friendly manner accepting that not everyone has the same issues and some issues are not as important as others to some. Please come along and take part.

Mrs Sarah Windridge

Parish Clerk





Your Local Safer Neighbourhood Team is:

Warwick Rural East Safer Neighbourhood Team
Dial: 01926 684471

Email: wre.snt@warwickshire.pnn.police.uk
Website: www.warwickshire.police.uk

Twitter: @KenilworthCops

Please note you cannot report incident(s) to the SNT directly. The above contact details are for general enquiries only. To report an incident/crime dial 101 for non-emergencies or 999 in an emergency.

Warwick Rural East Team Members

Police Sergeant 1958 Chris Kitson

Police Constable 1874 Wendy Burrows

Police Community Support Officer 6178 Sharron Underwood

Police Community Support Officer 6223 Ed King

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999 in an EMERGENCY







PS 1958 Kitson



PC 1874 Burrows



PCSO 6223 King



PCSO 6178 Underwood

Stoneleigh Village Club

Established 1856



Mon-Thur: 7pm – 11pm Fri: 5pm – 11pm Sat: 12pm – 11pm

Sun: 12pm – 10.30pm

Welcome to our second magazine news update, don't forget you can share your news and views by emailing stoneleigh.villageclub@gmail.com or via our Facebook page www.facebook.com/stoneleighvillageclub. Keep an eye on your email account this month too as we send out our first monthly email!

Good news! We are pleased to write that we are in a position to add £350 to the new TV fund – saved by members. We hope you enjoy watching our new picture-perfect TV in the near future!!

Upcoming Events

Why not bring a guest and sign them in to one our upcoming events, or indeed any time that we are open?!!

Wednesdays 1st , 15th and 29th November - Knit and Natter
Wednesdays 8th and 22nd November - Bingo
Tuesday 21st November - Coffee morning
Thursday 30th November - Avon Night - hosted by Kelly Hickman
Saturday 16th December - Children's Christmas Party



Congratulations to our October marrow competition winners (it's not as easy as you might think!!)

WINNER: Chris and Dave Allcock: 62.4lb **SECOND:** Nora Blagburn: 14.7lbs



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ST MARY THE VIRGIN, STONELEIGH

Services for	November	2017
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Services for November 2017			
Thursday 2nd	7.00 pm	All Souls Service at Stoneleigh	
Sunday 5th	10.00 am	United Holy Communion Service at Stoneleigh (with Bishop Christopher)	
Thursday 9th	10.30 am	Midweek Communion Service at Stoneleigh	
Sunday 12th	9.30 am 10.50 am	Remembrance Sunday Service at Ashow Remembrance Sunday Service at Stoneleigh	
Sunday 19th	9.30 am 11.00 am	Holy Communion Service at Ashow Fellowship Communion Service at Stoneleigh	
Sunday 26th		Village Service at Ashow Sung Holy Communion Service at Stoneleigh	
Midweek Communion takes place once a month on the second Thursday			

From the Registers - Funerals

Thursday 28th September – Diana Lyn Batten – Interment at Stoneleigh Friday 6th October – Ethel Joan Dewhurst - Funeral Service at Stoneleigh Wednesday 18th October – Alan Whitfield – Memorial Service at Stoneleigh

Contacts:

For Pastoral Care or to arrange a baptism, wedding or a funeral, please contact:

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For any other matter please contact the

Parish Administrator: Jackie Cubitt 02476 415506

email: admin@stoneleighchurch.co.uk website: www.stoneleighchurch.co.uk

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