



# Around Pattishall

## No. 177

### October & November 2011

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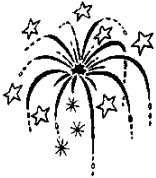
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***Would you like to see your photograph or artwork on the cover of the next Around Pattishall? If so, please send it to me. It should be something with a local & seasonal flavour.***

## Astcote High Street Closure

At last some proper repairs are to be carried out on Astcote High Street. As this will mean patching extensive areas it will require closure of the Road (between Suttons Walk and the A5) at off peak times and removal of parked cars. This will take place from October 3<sup>rd</sup> for up to three weeks. The alternative route to and from the A5 is via School Road and Butchers lane.



## Bonfire & Fireworks

Bonfire & fireworks display, Pattishall Playing Fields, Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> November. Bonfire lit 6.30pm, fireworks starting 7pm (timings approx). All welcome, adults £2, children 50p. Refreshments available.



Bonfire building will start Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> October (please do not bring anything earlier!) when the posts by side of hall will be removed for access. An area will be marked out for contributions to the bonfire - please bring along any old wood that you would like to get rid of! (Strictly no metal or rubber, paint etc).



## Pattishall Good Neighbours Club

Since the last report we have enjoyed Victoria Davis and her "*Fashion history of ladies underwear over the centuries*" and a coach load of us journeyed to Trentham Gardens. It rained on our way towards there but luckily it cleared up and we were able to enjoy the gardens and the lovely flowers in the large greenhouse. I think everyone enjoyed our day out.

We can look forward to our September with Brian Giggs "*Smothered in the Boghouse*".

So if you fancy coming to see what makes us tick we meet on the second Thursday of the month at 1.45pm. We can also look forward to our Christmas outing which will be on us in a very short time.

P Gilkes, Hon Sec, 830805

## ***Pattishall Parish Hall Association & Pattishall Playing Field Association***



The Car Boot held in July was well supported and raised £578 which was doubled by Barclaycard. Thanks go to Suzanne Raper and all the helpers for this great effort. The 'booters' and 'buyers' had a successful time. The next event for all the family is the Treasure Trail and Afternoon Tea on Sunday 25th September. Firework display on Bonfire Night, 5th November. More information in the article on previous page.

We have received some generous grants and donations for the extension and refurbishment. We have recently been awarded £1000 from the David Laing Foundation, £1000 from Maud Elkington Trust, £1500 from Constance Travis Trust, £50 from Sir Derek Greenaway Foundation and £7171 from South Northants Leisure Trust. South Northants Council are planning to install solar panels on the hall roof. They will install and maintain the panels through a grant and the hall will benefit from a proportion of 'free' electricity from the panels. The result of the application to the Big Lottery for the main part of the refurbishment project will be known by December. New lighting and ceiling tiles have been installed in the large hall.

The path to the tennis court has been re-laid and a root barrier installed to prevent further damage to the court. Tennis coaching starts in September for all age groups. Phone 07912 746693 for details. Next year we hope to improve the front of the hall with some planting. A prize of £500, awarded for environmental improvement, was won by Roger Clarke and will be used for this project.

We are fortunate to have the facilities of the hall and field which have been managed by voluntary committees for over 30 years. They are both charities and are well supported by many helpers. The list of activities provided by groups and organisations includes;

Mums and Tots	Photography	Local/Family history
Pre-School	Gardening club	Line Dancing
Home Tutor group	U3A	Neighbourhood Watch
Cubs and Beavers	Badminton	Good Neighbours
Youth Club	Karate	Bridge
WI	Self-defence	Eagles Football
	Keep Fit	

Contacts for these groups are listed in the Village Directory, on the website [www.pattishallparish.org.uk](http://www.pattishallparish.org.uk) or for information phone 830829

## ***Garden of Remembrance***

The maintenance and general up-keep of the Pattishall Garden of Remembrance is now in the hands of Michael Fleck. Those that visit the Garden will have noticed what a little care and attention does and many have commented how much better it looks. We are all grateful for the care and attention that Michael has given to this area of the Church Yard that is so special to so many in the community.

Roger Clarke, John Woollett

## ***Tools For Self Reliance***

I have been involved with this charity for many years. They refurbish rusty and disused tools to make carpentry kits and mechanics kits for villages in Africa where there is no electricity.

The tools are refurbished by volunteers and members of the Camphill Community in Milton Keynes. So old chisels etc can be brought back to life and serve to give jobs to people who would not be able to afford the equipment.

If you have any old tools that you no longer require please get in touch.

John Woollett 830470

## ***Marie Curie Blooming Great Tea Party***

Thank you to everybody who supported the tea party we held in aid of Marie Curie on Sunday 3rd July. We raised a total of £325 which has been sent to Marie Curie. Maybe see you all again next year!

Christine and John Russell

## ***Grand Draw***

Pattishall Parish Hall Association will be organising a Christmas draw in aid of the refurbishment. There will be prizes of food hampers and other gifts. Tickets will be on sale at Bonfire Night and through committee members. Please support this as every ticket sold will go towards new windows and flooring for the large hall.

## **Cold Higham Parish Council**

Following the report in the last Around Pattishall that the parish council received six nominations for the elections earlier this year there is currently a vacancy for a seventh councillor. We have now been given permission by South Northants Council to co-opt a new member rather than arrange a full by-election. Ideally the parish council would like to co-opt someone from a part of the parish that is currently under-represented (from Fosters Booth, perhaps) but members from any part of the community will of course be considered. In the first instance, please discuss with one of the existing parish councillors or contact Pauline Pearson, the parish clerk, on 01327 830287.

BT has written to the parish council to ask if we would like to purchase the public telephone box on Banbury Lane in Cold Higham. Many small villages have taken up a similar offer in other parts of the country, with some interesting outcomes, and the parish council would like to hear the views of residents before making its final decision. The costs of buying the phone box are not especially high but there are a few small ongoing costs that would have to be met in the future. We are, however, aware that the phone box is a village "landmark" and would like to find a way of retaining it in the village or nearby. Options include buying the telephone to keep it as a working unit, retaining the box with no working telephone so that it can be used for other purposes, or purchasing the box and relocating it to another site within the village. Please contact one of the councillors if you have any views or suggestions.

South Northants Council will be conducting a survey throughout Cold Higham Parish during September or October to assess current and future housing requirements. Similar surveys have been held in every other parish in the district as part of the council's long term planning. The survey comprises a simple form which will be sent to every household. The results will be collated by the council to form an overview of housing requirements. It's an important exercise and we urge all residents to spend a few minutes completing and returning the forms.

The dog fouling in the cemetery and churchyard does appear to have decreased over the past couple of months but we would remind and request all residents to prevent their dogs from entering these areas whenever possible and to clean up after them if fouling should occur.

Keith Wootton

## **Pattishall Charities**

### **Christmas Grants**

The trustees of the Pattishall General charities wish to inform anyone of pensionable age that a Christmas Grant is available, designed to help with fuel/heating bills. This grant is given regardless of marital status though the recipient needs to have been a resident in the parish for a minimum of 3 years.

Please apply to the Clerk stating date of birth and number of years as a resident. Pensioners who received the grant in 2010 need not reapply, however the Clerk would like to know if there have been any changes in circumstance. To avoid confusion it would be helpful to know to whom the cheques should be made payable.

### **Waites Education Foundation: Student & Apprentice Grants**

The Trustees of the Charity were pleased to award grants to 13 students in 2010/11, 2 of whom were on apprentice schemes. The latter were in keeping with Thomas Waites's wishes who wanted to support young people to buy "tools of the trade." The Trustees recognise the need to keep up to date with changes in the education system so as well as buying equipment will also provide grants for books and other resources.

Students of Further and Higher Educational and Vocational courses are now invited to apply for a Student Apprentice Grant. An application form can be obtained from the clerk or downloaded from the Parish website. This must be returned to the Clerk at the address below with a covering letter written by the applicant by Monday November 14th 2011. Please note that receipt/s will be required but they should not be included with the initial application.

Clerk: Mrs Wendy Watts, 59 Leys Rd, Pattishall. NN12 8JY

There is further information about the Pattishall Charities on the village website [www.pattishallparish.org.uk](http://www.pattishallparish.org.uk)

## **Poors Allotment Charity**

Cold Higham / Grimscote

The trustees of the above charity are able to "apply the income of the Charity in relieving either generally or individually persons resident in the parish of Cold Higham who are in conditions of need, hardship or distress, by making grants of money or providing or paying for items, services or facilities calculated to reduce the need, hardship or distress of such persons".

In practice this means that funds may be available for:



1. Households with at least one householder being aged 65 or over for heating purposes
2. Young people or students needing to purchase books or tools or to pay for travelling expenses
3. Any other person in need or distress

Because of the difficulties experienced by the trustees in identifying eligible persons it is requested that those wishing to claim a grant should apply in writing to the clerk - Keith Wootton, 7 Church Lane, Cold Higham, NN12 8LS. Email applications can also be made at [grants@coldhigham.org.uk](mailto:grants@coldhigham.org.uk). Applications should be received by 11<sup>th</sup> November 2011.

Those aged over 65 who already receive a grant do not need to re-apply.



## ***Diamond Jubilee Village Celebrations***

***Monday 4<sup>th</sup> June 2012***

Firstly a big thank you to all those who have already volunteered their services and responded to the emails and posters put up around our Parish. We will be contacting you over time.

However, we are still looking for more support and help.

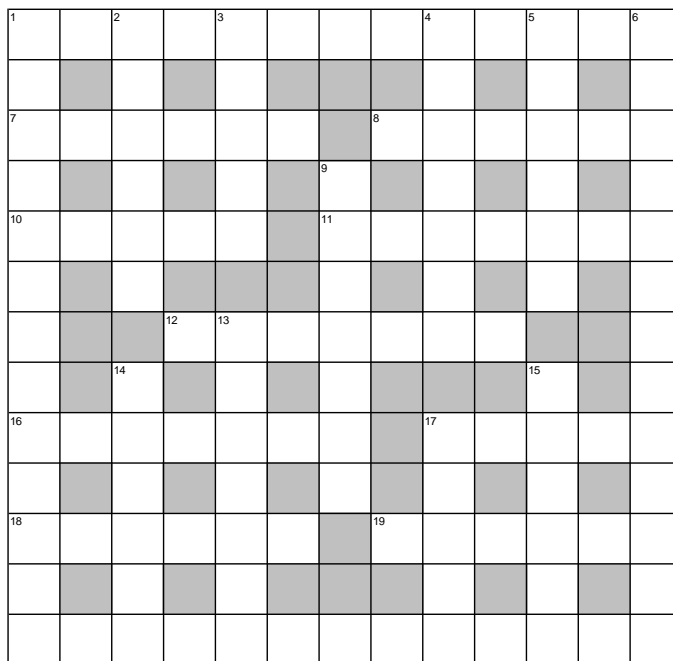
- If you are an organisation, what might you be interested in doing?  
Hold a stall, a game, event, exhibition, music etc...
- If you are a business / service provider, would you support an advertising campaign?  
e.g. sponsor stalls / events, be in a program, provide prizes etc...
- Do you know somebody 'famous' who can open the Celebrations?
- Have ideas which you want to share?
- Or just happy to offer time and resources?

So for any of the above, we would appreciate feedback and comments by 14th October - but don't wait until that date - do it now!

Please provide your contact details, organisation name, business and what you would want to do / can offer.

Either email to [villagejubilee@live.co.uk](mailto:villagejubilee@live.co.uk), or write to 9 Suttons Walk, Ascote.

Thank you, The Committee



Set by  
Aquarius.  
Answers  
on p22

### Across

1. Ho! Dine at hotel for pub grub (4,2,3,4)
7. Twisted live queen to assail with bitter abuse (6)
8. Put the first of these two in the second at breakfast (3,3)
10. Try to produce a paper, usually at Uni (5)
11. I perm with Her Majesty for a leader (7)
12. It means to bite or close together (7)
16. One ranger turning will see a horse up on its hind legs (7)
17. Probably sat on below decks at sea the short scientist construed (5)
18. Army officers or jams turned (6)
19. P.E. cars can graze the knuckles if bent into shape (6)
20. Crews spirit wit prepare lines for theatricals (13)

### Down

1. Stump Ron there for a game bid with partner at the card table (5,2,6)
2. I saved the message and will inform you (6)
3. Inset decorative work usually into antique furniture (5)
4. Manipulate spoon and insert soldiers into it, brainy fellow (7)
5. Exotically hidden orc may be obtained without any study in garden (6)
6. New pert exists and called in court (6,7)
9. When logo pay is about, give with grace (7)
13. Early birds twitter and sound like saying cheer up (7)
14. East End vehicle often used for marmalade (3,3)
15. In the event, the Deb at each table joined in the argument (6)
17. It sounds like I see with a cat in the desert (5)



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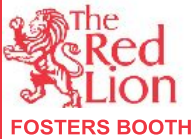
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## ***Affordable Housing for Cold Higham***

South Northamptonshire Council want to assess housing need in the parish of Cold Higham. This will help us decide whether an affordable housing development will be required for local people.

The starting point to identifying housing need will be a Housing Needs Survey which will be distributed to each household in the parish (that is to the villages of Cold Higham, Grimscote, Potcote, and part of Fosters Booth).

The survey covers two areas. First, general views from residents about a small affordable housing development in Cold Higham, should one be required for local people; second the actual housing need within the village. The survey form will be delivered to each household during the last week of September and should be returned, in the pre paid envelope provided, to South Northamptonshire Council, who will undertake the analysis of the results. Please be assured that all replies are confidential.

The analysis of the survey will find out who:

- Needs to move in the next 5 years
- Wants to live in the parish of Cold Higham
- Has a strong local connection to the parish

Every form counts, so please take the time to complete the survey. It's a chance for you to have your say, even if you don't have a need for housing yourself, you may know family members or local people who do have a need. If the results indicate a local housing need, the information gathered will help to identify the appropriate number and type of housing for people with local connections to the village.

In the meantime, if you would like any further information please contact Laura Welch Strategic Housing Officer at the Council, on 01327 322372 or email on [laura.welch@southnorthants.gov.uk](mailto:laura.welch@southnorthants.gov.uk).

## ***Mobile Library Service - new timetable***

The Northamptonshire mobile library service now has only two stops in the Parish. There is also a new timetable - dates will now be on the second Friday of the month, and in the early evening instead of the morning.

### **Stop**

Pattishall, Leys / Festival Road  
Cold Higham, Old School House

### **Time**

18:15pm - 18:35pm  
18:45pm - 19:05pm

### **Dates**

October 14<sup>th</sup>

November 11<sup>th</sup>





## **Gardening Club**

The Gardening Club Committee has organised an interesting programme for this Autumn including a visual trip through the gardens of Japan, an alphabetical guide to perennials starting with H-Z and a winter vision of the landscape gardens of Stowe in Buckinghamshire. Whether you are a keen gardener, an allotment holder or just enjoy gardens at home or away, you would be most welcome to come along to any of our meetings. We meet on the 1st Wednesday of each month in Pattishall Parish Hall at 7.30pm. Details are listed in the Diary of Events on the back page. Annual membership fee is only £6 plus £2 per meeting. Guests £3 per meeting.

Dates of next 3 meetings (Pattishall Parish Hall.7.30pm):

- October 5th: *Gardens of Japan*
- November 2nd: *Perennials H-Z*
- December 7th: In deepest Buckinghamshire

Christine Russell

## **Pattishall Youth Club**

Pattishall Youth Club is held on Tuesday evenings in term time and is open from 7.30pm to 9.15pm. It is open to any children in Year 6 to Year 11.

We have a tuck shop with many varieties of sweets and cans of drink.

We finished last year with a party featuring “The Bus” an educational tour bus with a computer suite and chill out zone as well as an area for Xbox and Playstation consoles. We had a barbecue and played some games on the field, and opened to the Year 5 children at Pattishall so that they could meet with other youth club members and trial it to see if they wished to come along when they moved into Year 6.

Forthcoming events will include a craft night (22/11/11) & games nights hosted by NAYC, we will also be making cookies and hot chocolate, a Halloween party (1/11/11) and a Christmas party (6/12/11) as well as a trip out to a local entertainment venue. Previous outings have been to trampolining, a rock climbing wall, laserzone, white water tubing.

Hope you can come along and see for yourself the fun that can be had at Youth Club.

Term dates are 13/9/11 to 18/10/11 and 1/11/11 to 13/12/11.

Mark Couling 01327 831443, Ruth Furniss 01327 830118



## ***Pattishall Neighbourhood Watch***

Thankfully we have had a quiet summer with just a few incidences recently which required police involvement. However there has been a house burglary recently in the parish and this must remind us all to be vigilant and careful with our house and car security.

Those people who are on the NHW email link will hear all the local news and any concerns/issues affecting our community immediately from their street warden. We would like everyone to be part of this instant communication and urge you to contact Linda Hemming who will give you the details of your local NHW street warden.

Please remember to report every incident, suspicious car/van (especially white vans or pick-ups)/persons/peddlers etc. The dedicated Neighbourhood Watch number is 01604 432436

Our next meeting will be **20<sup>th</sup> October**, 7.30 in the village Hall. Everyone is welcome.

NHW Co-ordinator

Linda Hemming 01327 830744 or [linda\\_hemming@hotmail.com](mailto:linda_hemming@hotmail.com)



## ***Pattishall Women's Institute***

We've had a busy few months over the summer. In July we had two fund raising events, a stall at the car boot sale and a curry lunch. Both were very successful. Our July speaker unfortunately didn't arrive so we made the best of the time catching up with old friends and making some new ones. In August we had our summer ramble and in September we visited Cambridge with a guided tour of one of the colleges, with time for shopping and tea.

As the nights draw in we start to look forward to our Autumn programme which starts off in September with a talk and demonstration of Victorian and Modern Beading. October is our Annual Meeting and Harvest supper and in November we shall all be singing.

If you are in fine voice it's a good time to think about joining the WI. Join in October and get 3 months free membership. Why not come along and see what we get up to. Visitors and new members are always welcome.

If you would like to know more about the WI or would like someone to accompany you to a meeting, please ring either Elizabeth Scowan (secretary) 07768744250 or Barbara Parkinson (President) 830245.





## ***Friends of Campion School***

The Friends have a busy term coming up, with a mixture of both new and familiar events:

**Salsa course** - 5 one-hour lessons in the school hall on 29 September and 6, 13, and 20 October from 7.30 – 8.30 pm. Each session costs £2 per person (pay on the door). Courses are suitable for both beginners and intermediate dancers. Having attended the previous course I can highly recommend them as being both fun and a good workout! No need to dress in anything special, normal clothes are fine.

**Friday 7 October - Quiz Night with Fish & Chip supper.** This is always a popular event for teams of about four. Tickets are £9 per head, and will be available from members of the Friends committee or from Alan Hackett at the school.

**Saturday 26 November - Campion Christmas market and art exhibition.** There will be stalls for all tastes, ranging from Christmas cards and giftwrap to fashion, jewellery and food. The exhibition and sale of original art and textiles by Campion students will also be well worth a visit.

The money raised by the Friends all goes to provide much-appreciated extra equipment or facilities for Campion students. We are always keen to welcome new members, so if you think you can help us, whether by attending meetings to contribute to fundraising ideas, or by coming along to help out at occasional events, please let us know.

Contact Jane Wood on 07901775639 or at [woodmanyana@aol.com](mailto:woodmanyana@aol.com) for more information about the work of the Friends.

## ***Improving Your Patch Award***



Pattishall Parish has won the South Northants Area Award of £150 in the Improving Your Patch Competition organised by Northamptonshire Environmental Forum.

The basis of the entry was the method and outcome of the Parish Plan and how we had involved the community throughout. Particularly the organisations that now support the community's needs, and our environmental work with the school, allotments, Fosters Booth Road and tree planting.

The money will of course be directed to a worthy village cause.

Roger Clarke

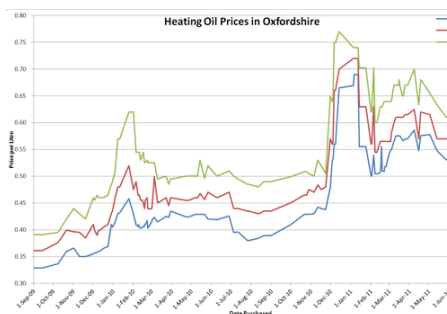
## **Local and Family History**

There will be a meeting for those interested in local and family history on Thursday 27th October at 7.30pm in Pattishall Parish Hall. Small charge of £1.50 which includes refreshments. For further details phone Iris Illingworth 830829

## **Northamptonshire ACRE Bulk Oil Buying Scheme**

Northamptonshire ACRE is concerned about the level of fuel poverty across the county and is looking at practical ways of being able to help our local, rural communities. One of our sister organisations, Oxfordshire Rural Community Council (ORCC) has recently set up a new social enterprise that will reduce the cost of domestic heating oil with each order simply by joining a community-based countywide oil buying syndicate. By bringing communities together throughout the county and making the most of joint buying power, huge savings can be made and passed on directly to people whose fuel costs are high simply because they have oil-fired central heating. By operating county-wide, the scheme makes it possible for new or existing local community oil buying groups to make the most of their collective purchasing power. Members pay a small annual fee to join (which is generally recouped in the savings from the first order!) before negotiations take place with every oil company that supplies premises in the county to ensure the best price is achieved.

Thus far, the Oxfordshire scheme is proving a great success, so we are conducting some initial research to find out what level of interest there is to run a similar scheme in Northamptonshire. Therefore, we would be extremely grateful if you would complete the very short survey on our website by clicking on this link: [www.northantsacre.org.uk/2011/07/21/](http://www.northantsacre.org.uk/2011/07/21/). Alternatively, you can contact Beth Milne, Rural Officer at Northamptonshire ACRE on 01604 825889.



The graph left shows how the min, max and average oil prices have varied (in Oxfordshire).

Beth Milne  
Northamptonshire ACRE  
Rural Officer (NBC, SNC, DDC)  
01604 825889

## **Better Broadband?**

The letter below has been sent to Pattishall School and offers a pilot for community broadband from a Company called embc. If you are interested in participating or knowing more about the initiative, please contact Brian Curtis via email: [head@pattishall.northants-ecl.gov.uk](mailto:head@pattishall.northants-ecl.gov.uk) If there is sufficient interest Brian will register with the company and find out if our Parish would meet the criteria for the pilot.

### ***Helping your rural community get better broadband .. and getting a better connection at lower cost for the school***

*Large numbers of villages in the East Midlands have poor or non-existent broadband provision. However, in many of those communities, embc has helped the school get a good quality broadband connection. Maybe your school is one of those.*

*The good news is that, just as embc has helped you get a good internet connection; it is possible that your connection could be upgraded so that it could also enable much better broadband for your local community. It's also possible that this could be partly funded out of the £500 million pounds the government has promised to County Councils to tackle the problem of broadband "not-spots" around the country.*

*embc, in partnership with the County Council staff that are putting together the bids for Government funding for rural broadband, is looking at how it could work with schools to help make this happen in a way that would benefit both the schools and their local communities.*

*The router in the school would connect to a community hub outside the school, and there would be a completely separate connection over that for local homes and businesses. A commercial company would handle all the issues relating to the provision of broadband to homes and businesses using that connection.*

*There should be no extra work or complications for the school. In fact the school could even see improved broadband speeds and / or reduced costs. Local pupils will see the benefit of better broadband at home, and through its partnership in the scheme, the school could see financial benefits, effectively reducing the cost of its own broadband connection.*

*However, at the moment, while we know this is possible, the details still need to be worked out in practice. embc is therefore looking for around ten schools and local communities interested in investigating this with us. If your school has its broadband coming over fibre and if there is a campaign already running in your local community to get better broadband, we would be interested in hearing from you. Even if you are not sure about your own connection, but know that the*

*local parish council or groups of residents and businesses are working to find a solution to broadband issues, we may be able to help.*

*All we are looking for initially is a willingness to explore the issues with us. It would simply mean one or two meetings to help us scope out the opportunity. If that indicates that there might be a commercially viable solution to provide broadband to the community using the school's connection, then a clear proposal would be put together, showing in detail any minor works that might be needed to take the connection out of the school premises to a community hub and the benefits to the school in terms of better connectivity and/or lower costs. The decision about whether or not to go forward would then be completely up to the school staff and governors.*

*Of course, at the end of the day, we cannot be sure that a viable solution could be found for each of the pilots. However, at the very least, each community would gain a clearer understanding of the options available to them.*

*To find out more, contact Michael Mulquin on 07711 444500 or [MMulquin@embc.org.uk](mailto:MMulquin@embc.org.uk) Or Peter Thewlis on 07831 553197 or [PThewlis@embc.uk.com](mailto:PThewlis@embc.uk.com)*

*Jane Barker Company Development Manager*

# **Holy Cross Christmas Fair**

**Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> November**

**2pm to 4.30pm**

*Father Christmas will be in his Grotto  
to talk to the children*

*many more attractions*

*teas and cakes*

*plus a variety of goodies for Christmas presents*

*come along and find some bargains*

**Followed by Advent Sunday service  
of carols and readings**

**27<sup>th</sup> November 6pm**

## Bus Service



We are very fortunate to have been given such a useful timetable which allows 2 hours, or more, in either Towcester or Northampton and avoids us having to go 'the long way round' via Stoke Bruerne. I have been told that bus companies are not receiving the full concession payment from the NCC and therefore they will need even more passengers for this route to continue to be viable. Please make as much use of the service as possible, and encourage others to do the same.

Note for Eastcote/Dalscote passengers: It is unfortunate that the 9.30am bus from Pattishall does not call at Eastcote first, but having contacted Stagecoach

they will be instructing drivers to pick up any passengers 'on request' from opposite Pattishall School. You will at least be able to get the bus back to Eastcote or Dalscote.

I'm sure everyone's emails, letters etc. made a difference in getting a decent service. We just need now to show that we really want to make use of it.

Ann Atkin

Towcester ● Greens Norton ● Pattishall ● Rothersthorpe ● Northampton					87
MONDAYS TO SATURDAYS, except Public Holidays, sorry, no Sunday service					
<b>Towcester</b> Northampton Rd/Seena Dr.	0956	1155	1355	1655	
<b>Towcester</b> Tesco	1001	1201	1401	1701	
<b>Towcester Square</b> - southbound	0724	1004	1204	1404	1704
<b>Towcester</b> Highfields/Redmoor	0729	1009	1209	1409	1709
<b>Towcester</b> Springfields	0731	1011	1211	1411	1711
<b>Greens Norton</b> High Street	0735	1015	1215	1415	1715
<b>Duncote</b> Main Road	0737	1017	1217	1417	1717
<b>Astcote</b> High Street	0742	1022	1222	1422	1722
<b>Pattishall</b> Church Street	0744	1024	1224	1424	1724
<b>Fosters Booth</b> Red Lion	0746	1026	1226	1426	1726
<b>Eastcote</b> Birds Hill Road	0748	1028	1228	1428	1728
<b>Gayton</b> Bugbrooke Road	0753	▼	▼	▼	▼
<b>Rothersthorpe</b> Banbury Lane	0759	1034	1234	1434	1734
<b>Banbury Lane</b>	0801	1036	1236	1436	1736
<b>Northampton</b> Mereway Tesco	0808	1043	1243	1443	1743
<b>Towcester Rd</b> opp B&Q Superstore	0815	1050	1250	1450	1750
<b>Northampton</b> Greyfriars bus station	0820	1055	1255	1455	1755
<b>Northampton</b> Greyfriars bus stn bay 6	1100	1300	1600	1800	
<b>Towcester Road</b> B&Q Superstore	1103	1303	1603	1803	
<b>Northampton</b> Mereway Tesco	1110	1310	1610	1810	
<b>Banbury Lane</b>	1117	1317	1617	1817	
<b>Rothersthorpe</b> Banbury Lane	1119	1319	1619	1819	
<b>Gayton</b> Bugbrooke Road	▼	▼	▼	▼	1825
<b>Eastcote</b> Greenway	1126	1326	1626	1830	
<b>Pattishall</b> Church Street	0930	1129	1329	1629	1833
<b>Fosters Booth</b> Red Lion	0932	1131	1331	1631	1835
<b>Astcote</b> High Street	0934	1133	1333	1633	1837
<b>Duncote</b> Main Road	0939	1138	1338	1638	1842
<b>Greens Norton</b> High Street	0941	1140	1340	1640	1844
<b>Towcester</b> Springfields	0945	1144	1344	1644	1848
<b>Towcester</b> Highfields/Redmoor	0947	1146	1346	1646	1850
<b>Towcester</b> Square - northbound	0952	1151	1351	1651	1855
<b>Towcester</b> Northampton Rd/Seena Dr.	0956	1155	1355	1655	1859
<b>Towcester</b> Tesco	1001	1201	1401	1701	1905

# ASTCOTE METHODIST CHURCH

Team Ministry

Rev. Phil Taylor, Rev. Tina Swire, Rev. Martin Swan, Rev. Phil Snelson

Deacon Richard Beckett

To contact a Minister please ring the Circuit Office: 01604 721908

## Sunday Services

10.30am All age worship – children & adults meet together.  
Services are generally informal.

**Children/Youth Groups** Sunday Club 8-18 year olds 6-7.15pm. Contact John Atkin 830907 for more details..

**United Family Services** Relaxed Family Service, a chance to meet new friends:

11am Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> October led by Rev. Martin Swan

**Lunch Club** For the elderly or retired on the second Tuesday in the month. Please contact Fiona Hawkins on 830368 if you are interested.

**Well Group** 12-2pm Ladies group meet monthly for lunch followed by a speaker. Contact Alison Brierley on 830770 to book a seat. No meeting in December.

27<sup>th</sup> October Maureen Timms, Northampton, representing the  
*Zulem Trust*

24<sup>th</sup> November Kate Bartlett, Pattishall, on the trek in aid of  
*Wellbeing of Women* in Jordan

**Flowers** can be placed in the Chapel on Sundays to celebrate an anniversary or in memory of a loved one.

**Hire of the Church Rooms**, which include kitchen area and toilets. Please contact Kate Stretton on 830115 to organise flowers or book the rooms.

**Quiz and Supper** to be arranged later in the year - date TBD.

The next **Messy Church is on Sat 8<sup>th</sup> October** 10.30am-12.30pm for All the Family - Mums, Dads, Grandparents & Children - Two hours of crafts and activities on a biblical theme, with a time of prayer, a song, and then lunch together. Run by the Messy Church Team - Astcote Methodist Church & Holy Cross, Pattishall.

# EASTCOTE BAPTIST CHURCH

## Services

Start at 3pm unless otherwise stated, everyone welcome

October	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Mr Richard Wilson
	9 <sup>th</sup>	Rev Sue Litchfield
	16 <sup>th</sup>	<i>see noticeboard</i>
	23 <sup>rd</sup>	Mr Keith Brooks
	30 <sup>th</sup>	Mr John Hutcherson
November	6 <sup>th</sup>	Mr Michael Mabbutt
	14 <sup>th</sup>	Mr Roy Chapman
	21 <sup>st</sup>	<i>see noticeboard</i>
	28 <sup>th</sup>	Mr Bruce Furniss

If anyone has any queries, please contact Janet on 01327 830210, or write to Mrs J Steel, 45a High Street, Ascote, Towcester, Northants NN12 8NW.

## Coffee mornings

Held in Eastcote Chapel from 10 am to 12 noon:

**October 22<sup>nd</sup>** in aid of **British Heart Foundation**

**November 26<sup>th</sup>** in aid of **Cynthia Spencer Hospice**

### Crossword Answers

Across: 1. Toad in the hole 7. Revile 8. Egg cup 10. Essay 11. Premier 12. Occlude  
16. Rearing 17. Chest 18. Majors 19. Scrape 20. Scriptwriters  
Down: 1. Three no trumps 2. Advise 3. Inlay 4. Egghead 5. Orchid 6. Expert Witness  
9. Apology 13. Chirrup 14. Jam Jar 15. Debate 17. Cacti



## **The Benefice of Pattishall with Cold Higham**

### **MINISTRY TEAM**

**RECTOR** - vacant

**ASSISTANT CLERGY:** The Revs Colin Hutchings, Hugh Kent,  
Francis Rodriguez & Canon Hilary Davidson

**READERS:** Peter Stiling and Nigel Strang

### **CHURCHWARDENS:**

<b>Cold Higham</b>	Pauline Pearson	(01327) 830287
	Nita Pearson	(01327) 830263
<b>Pattishall</b>	Janet Taylor	(01327) 830996
	Michael Marketis	(01604) 830729

### **Holy Cross, Pattishall**

### **St Luke, Cold Higham**

#### **October**

2 <sup>nd</sup>	8.00am	Holy Communion BCP	no service
9 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	Parish Eucharist	Parish Worship
16 <sup>th</sup>	8.00am	Holy Communion BCP	Parish Communion
	11.00am	United Family Service at School	
23 <sup>rd</sup>	9.30am	Parish Eucharist	Parish Worship
30 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	Benefice Eucharist at St Mary, Gayton	

#### **November**

6 <sup>th</sup>	8.00am	Holy Communion BCP	no service
13 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am	Ecumenical Remembrance Service	Parish Worship
21 <sup>st</sup>	8.00am	Holy Communion BCP	Parish Communion
	11.00am	United Family Service at School	
26 <sup>th</sup>	2 to 4.30pm	Christmas Fayre	
27 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	Parish Eucharist	Parish Worship
	6.00pm	Advent carol service	

Any parishioner needing a pastoral visit should contact their churchwarden.

Arrangements for baptism and marriage should also be made through the churchwardens

# DIARY

## October

- 5<sup>th</sup> Gardening Club, Pattishall Parish Hall.7.30pm. Topic: *Gardens of Japan*
- 6<sup>th</sup> Pattishall Hall & Playing Fields meeting, Pattishall School, 7.00pm
- 12<sup>th</sup> WI, Members Evening, Pattishall Parish Hall 7.30pm
- 13<sup>th</sup> Good Neighbours, *Christmas in the New World*, Patt. Parish Hall, 1.45pm
- 13<sup>th</sup> Pattishall Parish Council meeting, Pattishall Parish Hall, 7.45pm
- 14<sup>th</sup> Towcester Farmers' Market
- 14<sup>th</sup> Mobile Library
- 20<sup>th</sup> Pattishall Neighbourhood Watch meeting, Pattishall Parish Hall, 7.30pm
- 21<sup>st</sup> End of Pattishall School term 1
- 22<sup>nd</sup> Coffee morning, *British Heart Foundation*, Eastcote Chapel, 10 - 12 noon
- 26<sup>th</sup> Photographic Group, Pattishall Parish Hall, 7.30pm

## November

- 1<sup>st</sup> Start of Pattishall School term 2
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Gardening Club, Pattishall Parish Hall.7.30pm. Topic: *Perennials H-Z*
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Pattishall Hall & Playing Fields meeting, Pattishall School, 7.00pm
- 5<sup>th</sup> Bonfire & Fireworks, Pattishall Playing Fields, from 6.30pm
- 10<sup>th</sup> Good Neighbours, *Life & Times of a Suffragette*, Patt. Parish Hall, 1.45pm
- 10<sup>th</sup> Pattishall Parish Council meeting, Pattishall Parish Hall, 7.45pm
- 11<sup>th</sup> Mobile Library
- 11<sup>th</sup> Towcester Farmers' Market
- 26<sup>th</sup> Coffee morning, *Cynthia Spencer Hospice*, Eastcote Chapel, 10 - 12 noon
- 26<sup>th</sup> Holy Cross Christmas Fair, 2pm to 4.30pm
- 27<sup>th</sup> Holy Cross Advent Sunday service of carols and readings, 6pm
- 30<sup>th</sup> Photographic Group, Pattishall Parish Hall, 7.30pm

**Use This Space for Your Future Events!**

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