

Around Pattishall

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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

The delayed repairs to Astcote High Street are now to start early in January.

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 for up to three weeks. The alternative route to and from the A5 is via School Road and Butchers lane.



Pattishall Good Neighbours Club

Just a few lines to bring you up to date. Since the last report we've had two good speakers and enjoyed meetings. We are looking forward to our November one with Peter Barrat and "*The Life and Times of a Suffragette*" and our Christmas lunch at The Globe, Weedon. Christmas seems to come quicker with every passing year or is that just that I'm getting older. Still we've got the festive season and New Year to look forward to. Hoping to see a few more of our Senior Citizens coming to join us then.

Wishing all of you a very Merry Christmas and a joyful New Year from us all at Good Neighbours.

P Gilkes, Hon Sec, 830805



Gardening Club

The next meeting of the Gardening Club will be held on Wednesday 7th December when John Cornwall will illustrate his talk with slides of deepest Buckinghamshire. Mince pies will be served with tea/coffee afterwards and there will be a raffle to win a Christmas decoration. Weather permitting, the first meeting in the New Year will be held on 7th January when we will be able to forget about the winter and enjoy looking at some of the highlights from the Chelsea Flower Show.

Christine, Tel 01327 830012

Cold Higham Parish Council

We have made some progress in the purchase of the public telephone box on Banbury Lane in Cold Higham. Subject to a few minor details being clarified with BT and South Northants Council we expect to take ownership of the box during early 2012. At the moment the intention is to turn the box into an information point for the village, complete with notice boards and holders for suitable leaflets. We do not expect to change the outward appearance in any way. The current notice board in Cold Higham will be removed once the work is completed. At the same time we will also be refurbishing the notice board in Grimscoate.

Following our appeal for new councillors in the last edition of Around Pattishall, Jonathan Campion has joined the parish council. This means we now have a full complement of seven councillors.

Finally, as this is the last edition of 2011, the parish council would like to wish everyone a merry Christmas and happy new year.

Keith Wootton

Mobile Library Service - new timetable

The Northamptonshire mobile library service now visits on the second Friday of the month, in the early evening.

Stop

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

Time

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

Dates

December 9th 2011
January 13th 2012
February 10th 2012



Senior Citizens Christmas Lunch



The lunch this year will be held at 1.00pm on Saturday 10th December at Pattishall Parish Hall. It is open to residents of the parish who are aged 60 or over. Reservations can be made through the Good Neighbours or directly with Libby Covington on 830501.

Pattishall Parish Hall Association & Pattishall Playing Field Association



The walking treasure hunt around Pattishall in September was enjoyed by several families. Along with the afternoon teas the sum of £113 was raised. Many thanks to Hilary Aslett who searched out the challenging questions.

We were very fortunate with the weather this year for Bonfire Night. The firework display was one of the best we have ever had thanks to Andrew and Peter Stratton and assistants Denis and Matthew Townsend. The music was organised by Malcolm Townsend and Peter Barnes and greatly added to the atmosphere. Thanks go to John Woollett and Roger Clark for supervising the bonfire, James Hawtin for the loan of a digger, Richard and Roger Burt for the lighting and Duncan Townsend for the safety barrier. This is an annual parish event which always receives plenty of support from everyone. Thank you for helping to make it a safe event. Barclaycard supported this event and the proceeds will go towards the Senior Citizens Christmas Lunch and the refurbishment.

We have received pledges of £2000 from the Bernard Sunley Charitable Trust and £19,000 from South Northants Council if we reach our target amount for the extension fund. Unfortunately we were unsuccessful with the Big Lottery bid for £50,000. The Edith Murphy Trust has given us £1,000.



The popular **quiz with a fish and chip supper** will be held on **Friday 24th February 2012** so organise your team and look out for further details.

Now that the evenings are drawing in the local Police Community Support Officer will be dropping in to the hall occasionally to make sure everything is safe. Please report anything untoward to the local NHW number.

If anyone has a child's high chair in good condition that is no longer needed, we would like to acquire one for the hall. Please contact Iris on 830829.

Dog Fouling

Your Parish Council spends over £1,300 a year having dog waste bins emptied. Still irresponsible dog walkers are allowing their dogs to foul pavements and grass verges. This happens where children are being walked to school. If you are one of those owners please be considerate and bag it and bin it in the proper bins.

John Woollett, Parish Council



Pattishall Neighbourhood Watch

NHW Street Wardens are/have been delivering "Home Security Leaflets" to all households in Pattishall Parish. These have been printed (35,000) by South Northants NHW Area Support Team, with lottery funding, for the whole of South Northants. There are useful contact numbers on the back of the leaflet. If you haven't received a leaflet and would like one please contact the Co-ordinator.

A Police e-newsletter is now sent to NHW Co-ordinators bi-monthly. The newsletter includes locally identified priorities, incidents and other concerns. This e-newsletter is passed on to Street Wardens and residents on the email loop. If you wish to be included on the email loop and receive crime information please contact your Street Warden or the Co-ordinator. If you are not on email and wish to receive information please also contact the Co-ordinator.

The telephone number used to report non-emergency crimes has been changed to 101. (previously 03000 111 222). This number is at a fixed rate of 15 pence per call. This can also be used to speak to your local safer community team. HOWEVER, PATTISHALL PARISH RESIDENTS SHOULD CONTINUE TO USE 01604 432436 TO REPORT CRIME, SUSPICIOUS VEHICLES/PERSONS/PEDDLARS ETC.. THIS NUMBER RECEIVES THE HIGHEST PRIORITY AFTER 999 and is used by villages with NHW groups. If you have cause to report anything to the police please would you inform the Co-ordinator.

Happy Christmas and be vigilant over the winter months!

Linda Hemming (Pattishall NHW Co-Ordinator)
01327 830744 or linda_hemming@hotmail.com

Pattishall Scout Group

We run a Beaver-Scout section and a Cub-Scout section for boys and girls from the ages of 6 to 11/12. Both sections meet on Monday evenings from 6 to 7.30 and we have a waiting list of children wanting to be Beaver-Scouts.

BUT what we don't have is sufficient Leaders. The Group is at risk of closing in the next year unless we can recruit some more help.

Please, if you could spare a couple of hours a week to help either section, then we could continue to keep the Group running. The children are great and it is good fun, honest!

Training is provided, so if there is anyone who feels able to help, please contact me on 830245

Barbara Parkinson, Group Scout Leader

Christmas Post



Want to save on postage?

Holy Cross Pattishall will again be running the local Christmas Post this year. This service is free to over 60's living in the parish and others are asked to make a donation. There will be a collecting box at the Senior Citizens' Party on Sat Dec 10th Dec.

Post can also be delivered to 59 Leys Rd, Pattishall, 10 Hodge Close, Astcote, 28 Gayton Rd, Eastcote and Corner House, Grimscote. The last posting date will be Fri 16th Dec and the post will be delivered from Sun 18th.

If you have any queries please contact Wendy Watts on 830583.



Pattishall Women's Institute

We had a very entertaining meeting in September with Lilian Harper, who told us how she came to be making and selling beaded jewellery. She also brought along her collection of exquisite Victorian beaded collars, belts and bags.

October was our Annual Meeting with a Harvest Supper provided by the committee. Sadly Janice Rogers has retired from the committee having given five years of sterling service. We welcome in her place Kathie Barker who, although new to this village is a long-standing WI member.

This month we look forward to hearing Natasha Thompson who asks 'How can I keep from singing?' and at the end of the month a group of us are going to Spinney Hill to hear a talk by Adam Henson of Countryfile.

In December, 'Tales of a War time Christmas' will bring back poignant memories to those of us old enough to remember them, but if we are very good, Santa may bring us each a little gift!

We have another interesting programme lined up for next year. New members and visitors 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.

Pat and Dave Mortimer

Pat and Dave Mortimer wish all their friends in the Parish a very Happy Christmas and New Year and thank you all for your good wishes on our recent move to Essex.

New Play Equipment

At last we have ordered the new play equipment for the playing field. This has been possible through grants, donation and 106 agreement money. ("106 agreement money" comes from planning gain, and in this case is from "The Orchard" development on School Road.) There will five pieces of equipment. Including Climbing Frame, Zip Wire Cableway, Five Way Swing, Rock It and Shelter.

These items will be installed ready (we hope) from the new year. They will provide adventure and climbing skills for growing children.

John Woollett, Parish Council

Holy Cross Wildflower Garden

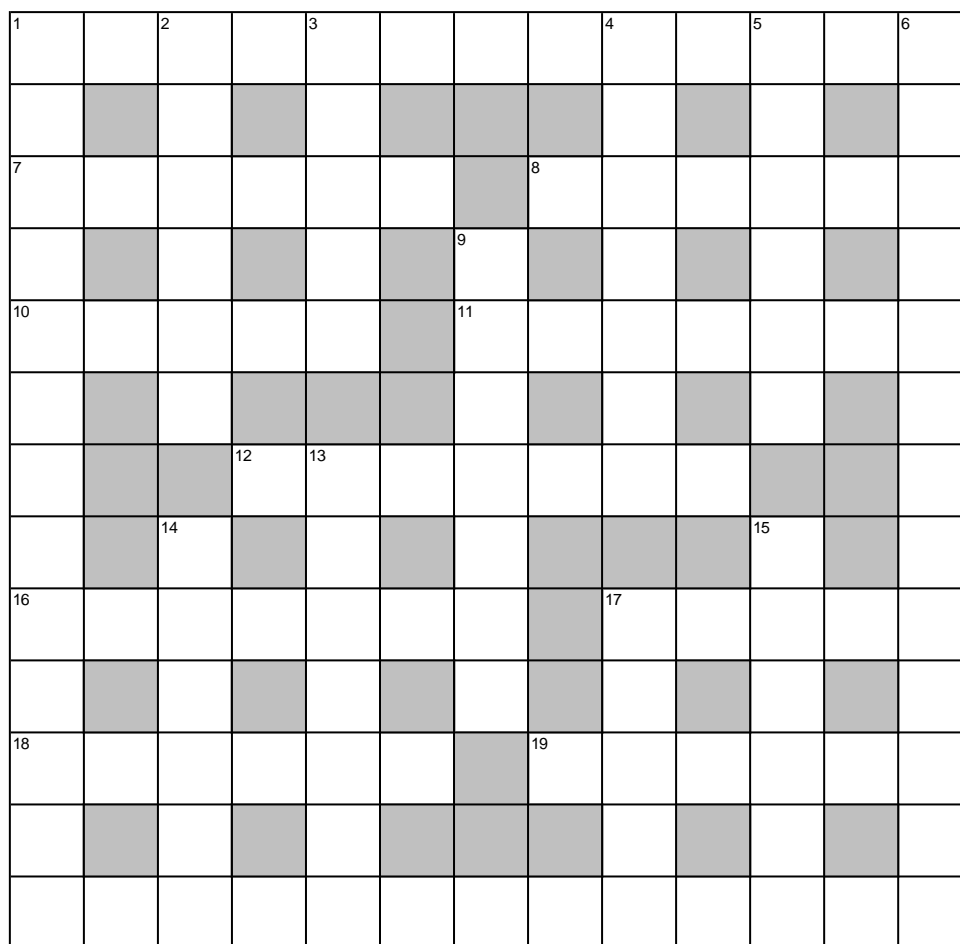
The wildflower garden at Holy Cross is an attractive public amenity and has been managed over recent years on an ad hoc basis. Because of its relatively undisturbed nature it is a sanctuary for wild flora and fauna and in a recent survey was found to contain 82 wildflower species, a number of grass species and 16 trees and shrubs.

The garden was created as a millennium project because as an ancient burial ground it had become very overgrown and unmanageable. At present the wildflower garden consists of only part of the existing graveyard but it is proposed that in time management will be extended to other parts of the south side of the churchyard.

As part of the Parish Plan a small group has produced a provisional management plan for initially the ensuing twelve months which will take into account cutting back of intrusive shrubs and undergrowth and allowing more light into the area by careful removal of some lower branches of trees. This will promote the growth of existing wildflowers and will facilitate any further planting schemes should they arise.

In keeping with the Parish Plan, tasking is on a voluntary basis and the group would welcome those with an interest in the project to contact them with a view to providing assistance as and when required. It is hoped that from this it will be possible to set up a more long term working plan with new ideas and a vision for the future for the wildflower garden.

Contacts: bob.illingworth@btconnect.com Tel 01327 830829
pippoptaylor@hotmail.co.uk Tel 01327 830996



*Set by
Aquarius.
Answers
on p17*

Across

1. Dear mouse mate found a good suit fit (4,2,7)
7. Done to a bucket when you are finished (6)
8. Pilgrims led and did so after crossing the ocean (6)
10. Opinion held to be true by the alien who phoned home with a net (5)
11. Retrace a provisions merchant who often has a shop (7)
12. Handymen with horses in stables (7)
14. Sob and long for rectangular forms (7)
15. Young soldier takes a short hour out of chartered boat (5)
18. Sit with Sue and make a gauzy fabric (6)
19. Less inclined to work; yet zeal is roused initially (6)
20. Rent fit paddle for some spoons shaped like instruments (6,7)

Down

1. Tom had met foes and uses resources wisely (4,3,4,2)
2. Cede the New Testament initially for good (6)
3. Pinched the foot without the ducks (5)
4. Prod at a gadget to be a useful adjunct (7)
5. Cows give milk via them in the milking shed (6)
6. Her rebel trend is towards senior members (5,8)
9. The specialist who enables us to see well (7)
13. Unseals and of the senses (7)
14. Cold South East shortly shut up (6)
15. Dave is able to give one information (6)
17. Cleaner with a little tea studies a plan (5)

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Neighbourhood Planning

Neighbourhood planning is a new way for communities to decide the future of the places where they live and work.

It will be up to this parish to decide what gets built and where. The Parish Council has invited Adrian Colwell of SNC planning dept to our January meeting to explain what is involved and what we have to undertake. We will have a working group to decide how we progress.

If you would like to get involved or know more come along on January 12th 7.45pm

John Woollett



HALLOWEEN, Trick or Treat

As usual bus loads of people arrived in Pattishall and descended on Pool Close Ha! Ha! Tons of sweets etc were dished out and everyone enjoyed themselves. All the children were very well mannered again this year.

See you all next year!

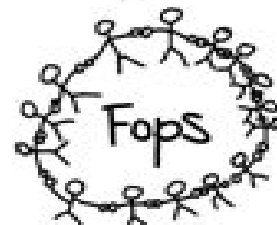
The Old Witches – Pool Close



Christmas Fayre

Friday December 2nd

3.15pm – 6pm in the school hall



Friends of Pattishall school invite you to join us for a fun afternoon of Christmas shopping and activities.

***Face Painting - Photographer - Crafts - Santa's Grotto
Games - Cakes - Tombolas - Home-made sweets
Secret Santa room - Decorations - gifts.***

***Visiting stall holders including Tanya's Jewellery & Gems, Phoenix cards,
The Book People, PartyLite candles and Jamie Oliver's Kitchenware***

***And we'll make the afternoon go with a swing with Krispy Kreme doughnuts,
mulled wine, mince pies, hot food and carols from the children.***

***So come along, get some Christmas shopping done, entertain the kids and grab
your tea all without a journey to the shops***



Northamptonshire Acre's Bulk Oil Buying Scheme

Northamptonshire ACRE is delighted to announce the launch of a new venture that we hope will be good for you, good for the environment and good for Northamptonshire ACRE.

WHAT'S THE SCHEME?

Northamptonshire ACRE will be using the model of a local buying syndicate for domestic heating oil and rolling it out across the county. We believe there will be great strength in harnessing the purchasing power of the many rural communities who are without mains gas so that together, oil-buyers will be able to make significant savings. Experience has already shown that it's possible to get a discount of around £50 on a single order. And since the scheme is only in its infancy, we see no reason why we can't improve on that. There are other benefits too – reduced carbon footprint (yes, really), a move towards renewable energy sources and a contribution to funds to support Northamptonshire.

WHY IS NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ACRE DOING THIS?

As a publicly funded charity, we know that there will be difficult times ahead and we want to safeguard our future and our ability to advise and support rural communities across Northamptonshire. Our aim is that not only will we help households to save money – especially important in Northamptonshire's rural areas where we know there is far greater 'fuel poverty' than in our urban areas - but we will also be able to generate some income for Northamptonshire ACRE. And you can be entirely confident that this is not a scam – it's simply about bulk-buying.

AREN'T THERE LOTS OF SYNDICATES ALREADY IN EXISTENCE?

Yes. We don't know exactly how many but there are some communities who have been doing this locally for some while. We have no wish to take any schemes over – but if that local purchasing power can be scaled up to something much bigger, then everyone will benefit. And for communities who don't yet have a local scheme, this provides an easy way for you to get one, with very little work.

WHAT ARE YOU ASKING OF ME?

We are an organisation that is rooted in local community action, and we want to run the scheme in a way that reflects this philosophy. So we are looking for local people to play a part in getting things off the ground and helping it to grow.

The key to making this work will be having a network of community co-ordinators who are willing to collate local members' monthly oil orders and pass them on to us, and who will then let the local members know the cost per litre and the delivery date. That's pretty much it. No negotiating oil prices, no

handling money. For doing this, you will get FREE membership of the scheme – an annual saving of £20. We know that our newsletter readers are keen and active participants in local community life and your local networks and contacts will be important – the more members the scheme has, the stronger the buying power! We hope you will be willing to take on this very modest role so that we can get up and running in your village.

INTERESTED? NOT INTERESTED?

If you think this could be of interest to you or your community, get in touch with us on 01604 765888 or email: oil@northantsacres.org.uk

If you aren't interested yourself but can think of someone who might be, please pass the information on. We'll be happy to answer any questions.



Pattishall Pre-school

The pre-school have just had their AGM.

Pattishall pre-school is a charity which is run by a voluntary management committee. It was sad to say goodbye to Debbie Randle and Vicky Golden who have been a big part of our pre-school over the last few years and have helped the setting go from strength to strength.

Happily, we welcomed on board some new parents and now look forward to working together with them, the staff and the rest of the families involved with pre-school.

We have enjoyed 2 big events this year. The Silverstone bike ride was enjoyed by all ages as was our popular Halloween disco which was a “wicked” night.

This is the 3rd year we have been running a holiday club from Pattishall School. It is a useful option for working parents and also for children who just want to go and play with their friends somewhere fun in the holidays. We welcome all 3 – 11 year old children, half or full days from £10.

The pre-school is run on a daily basis in the capable hands of Lindsay Bignell, Sarah Allan and Georgette Rodrigues. They are all mothers, 2 of them grandmothers and 1 a qualified teacher.

Please call Rachel on 01327 831146 if you would like any further information about pre-school or holiday club.

New look Pattishall Parish Website

The Parish website was originally launched in 2007 as an initiative of the Parish Plan. The design is more than four years old and although visitor numbers continue to grow - from a few hundred to an average of 1620 per month during 2011 - the site could do with a refresh.

The Parish Council who sponsor the site and fund the cost of hosting have approved the new format. This re-build creates the opportunity to make use of new website technology and features which have been developed since the site was launched.

We hope you will enjoy the new look, which should be easier to navigate both from the menus and links within the content. The page layouts are cleaner and the design includes key sections for News, Whats On and the Parish Hall – there are even direct feeds from the BBC News site. Although the look and feel is quite different there are some familiar Quicklinks on the home page to help you get started.

You will find that some page requests will open in a new window – but when you are ready to go back, simply click close (X).

Pattishall Parish

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Pattishall Parish - Northamptonshire, England

Pattishall Parish includes the villages of Astcote, Dalscote, Eastcote, Fosters Booth, Pattishall and the hamlet of Cornhill. It is set in a rural area on the borders of the Northamptonshire Heights and the Nene Valley. Located 6km north of Towcester adjacent to the Roman Watling Street (A5) and Banbury Lane, an ancient drove way.

[Local History Photos](#)

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News

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Saturday 19 November 10-12 noon

Astcote Methodist Church

Christmas Gifts/Cards Fairtrade Foods

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The box below includes some familiar Quicklinks to get you started.

Quicklinks

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Ex-borders chief: I'm no rogue

The site domain name is unchanged: www.pattishallparish.org.uk

Do take a look - you can use the contact information to share you views. If you would like to contribute content, photographs or information about local groups or organisations please forward by email to: webeditor@pattishallparish.org.uk

You may have already visited the new look website, it was launched on 16 November 2011.

Bob Illingworth, 830829



A Victorian Christmas at Canons Ashby

During the last weekend of November and the first 2 of December, Canons Ashby House is open in costume as the Victorian household prepares for the

most important holiday of the year. Meet Cook as she is busy in the kitchen preparing the feast, the servants bustling around the house, Lady Dryden writing her Christmas cards and Sir Henry hiding away in his book room to escape all the fuss.

Why not bring your family to Canons Ashby, step back in time, and experience the fun for yourselves?

Saturdays and Sundays, 26th 27th November, 3rd 4th, 10th 11th December. 12 noon – 4pm Normal charges apply.

Found - Blue Peter Badge

When clearing up after the bonfire I found a Blue Peter Badge by the swings. If anyone has lost one please get in touch.

John Woollett 830470

Across: 1. Made to measure 7. Kicked 8. Landed 10. Tenet 11. Caterer 12. Ostlers 16. Oblongs 17. Cadet 18. Tissue 19. Lazier 20. Fiddle Pattern
Down: 1. Make the most of 2. Decent 3. Theft 4. Adaptor 5. Udders 6. Elder Brethren 9. Oculist 13. Sensual 14. Closed 15. Advise 17. Chart

Crossword Answers

Girls Got Tough! In Jordan

Thank you to all those in the Parish who supported me in whatever way to achieve the Jordan Desert Trek, featured in previous editions of *Around Pattishall*. I was raising funds for *Wellbeing of Women*, which funds medical research on all matters concerned with women and pregnancy, and raised over £3,300. The whole group raised a total of over £90,000, so it was well worth doing from that point of view!

I completed the Challenge – a trek from the lowest place on earth (the Dead Sea) to the Rose Red ancient city of Petra in Jordan, about 50 miles. We were lucky with the weather – it stayed between 25C and 31C – and were supported by four great donkeys, who carried the water. We walked/climbed for between 8 and 11 hours each of the five days, and slept in Bedouin camps each night, sleeping either in Bedouin tents or under the stars, and arrived in Petra at noon on the last day. We flew back on 5th November and I arrived in the village just in time for the great firework display! Good timing!

It was a great challenge and a wonderful experience – the group is now talking of tackling Kilimajaro in 2013, but we'll see...!

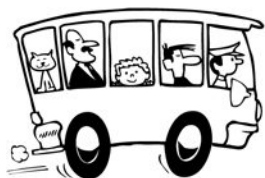
I had great support from everyone – thank you so much. If you would still like to contribute, the website is still open – www.justgiving/Kate-Bartlett1 or text AAJT65 to 70070.

Anyone else keen to get involved with challenge, please get in touch – they exist for many charities and there are also challenges where you can choose your own charity. Go for it!

Kate Bartlett
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Bus Service



The new bus service seems to be well used and Stagecoach are planning more publicity in the area to encourage people to take the bus. At a recent Bus Users meeting I pointed out how expensive fares are for those of us without a bus pass, and fares too will be on the agenda in the near future.

You may have heard of plans for a new bus terminal in Northampton and more details can be found on the Council website: www.northamptonshire.gov.uk

In addition to our scheduled bus service there is **CountyConnect** which offers

an 'on demand' service between villages, Towcester and Brackley, when a scheduled service is not available. Leaflets on the service are available at Towcester Library or at www.county-connect.co.uk

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

Ann Atkin

ALL WELCOME
to a
**FESTIVE SONGS
OF PRAISE**

at Holy Cross

**Wednesday
21st December
7.30pm**

**A Great Christmas Sing
Seasonal Refreshments**

A DATE FOR YOUR CALENDAR

**Celebrate Burns
Night**

January 28th 2012

Pattishall Parish Hall
7.30pm 'til late

Toast Robbie Burns

Piping in the Haggis

***Dust off your Tartans,
Revive your Sporrans and
Dance the Night away with
the Ceilidh Band***

Holy Cross Christmas Fair

Saturday 26th 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
27th November 6pm**

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..

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.*

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.

Christmas Events & Services

Christmas Cracker Saturday 19th December 2-4.30pm for school age children up to 11 year olds. Parents welcome to join everyone in the Barn for Carols from 4.15pm Contact John Atkin 830907 to book a place

Christmas Eve 4.30pm - Candlelit Service led by Rev. Martin Swan

Christmas Morning 10.30am - Family Service led by Rev. Tina Swire

New Year's Day 1st January 11am - Songs of Praise to Welcome the New Year for all the Family



Coming again in 2012 more news soon

EASTCOTE BAPTIST CHURCH

Services

Start at 3pm unless otherwise stated, everyone welcome

December	4 th	Rev Sue Litchfield
	8 th	Carol Service with The Salvation Army, 7.30pm
	11 th	Mrs Hilary Walden
	18 th	Rev M Swan
	25 th	<i>Christmas Day - no service</i>
January	1 st	Mr Mabbutt
	8 th	Mr Roy Chapman
	15 th	Rev P Taylor
	22 nd	Mr & Mrs D Haynes
	29 th	Mr J Hutcherson
February	5 th	Mr M Mabbutt
	12 th	Mr I Markey
	19 th	Rev P Taylor
	26 th	Mrs W Manley

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

Coffee mornings

Held in Eastcote Chapel from 10 am to 12 noon:

February 25th in aid of Seb Strudwick, a young lad with cerebral palsy

We have raised £1,707 so far this year for various charities, with one more month to go (November 26th in aid of Cynthia Spencer Hospice) which has all been doubled by Barclays Bank. A big *Thank You* to all our supporters, and we look forward to seeing old & new friends in the New Year.

Janet Steel

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:

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

Holy Cross, Pattishall

St Luke, Cold Higham

December

4th 8.00am	Holy Communion BCP	<i>no service</i>
11th 9.30am	Common Worship Mod. Prayer B	9.30am Parish Worship
18th 8.00am	Holy Communion BCP	9.30am Holy Communion
		6.00pm Nine Lessons & Carols
21st 7.30pm	Festive Songs of Praise	
25th 10.00am	Christmas Holy Communion	9.00am Christmas Holy Communion

January 2012

1st 8.00am	Holy Communion BCP	<i>no service</i>
8th 9.30am	Common Worship Mod. Prayer B	9.30am Parish Worship
15th 8.00am	Holy Communion BCP	9.30am Holy Communion
22nd 9.30am	Common Worship Mod. Prayer B	9.30am Parish Service
29th 10.00am	Benfice Eucharist at St John's, Tiffeld	

February 2012

5th 8.00am	Holy Communion BCP	<i>no service</i>
12th 9.30am	Common Worship Mod. Prayer B	9.30am Parish Worship
19th 8.00am	Holy Communion BCP	9.30am Holy Communion
26th 9.30am	Common Worship Mod. Prayer B	9.30am Parish Worship



DIARY

December

- 1st Pattishall Hall & Playing Fields meeting, Pattishall School, 7.00pm
- 2nd Pattishall School Christmas Fayre, 3.15 - 6pm
- 7th Gardening Club: *In Deepest Buckinghamshire*, Patt. Parish Hall, 7.30pm
- 8th Good Neighbours Christmas Lunch, coach leaves Simons Walk at 11am
- 8th Pattishall Parish Council meeting, Pattishall Parish Hall, 7.45pm
- 9th Towcester Christmas Farmers' Market
- 9th Mobile Library
- 10th Senior Citizens Christmas Lunch, Pattishall Parish Hall, 1.00pm
- 14th WI, Pattishall Parish Hall 7.30pm
- 16th End of Pattishall School term 2
- 19th *Christmas Cracker*, Astcote Methodist Church, 2-4.30pm
- 21st Festive Songs of Praise, Holy Cross, 7.30pm
- 28th Photographic Group, Pattishall Parish Hall, 7.30pm

January

- 4th Start of Pattishall School term 3
- 5th Pattishall Hall & Playing Fields meeting, Pattishall School, 7.00pm
- 4th Gardening Club: *Chelsea Highlights*, Pattishall Parish Hall, 7.30pm
- 10th Good Neighbours, *History of Pantomime*, Patt. Parish Hall, 1.45pm
- 11th WI, Pattishall Parish Hall 7.30pm
- 12th Pattishall Parish Council meeting, Pattishall Parish Hall, 7.45pm
- 13th Mobile Library
- 13th Towcester Farmers' Market
- 25th Photographic Group, Pattishall Parish Hall, 7.30pm
- 28th Burns Night, Pattishall Parish Hall, 7.30pm 'til late

February

- 1st Gardening Club: *National Garden Scheme*, Pattishall Parish, Hall 7.30pm
- 2nd Pattishall Hall & Playing Fields meeting, Pattishall School, 7.00pm
- 8th WI, Pattishall Parish Hall 7.30pm
- 9th Pattishall Parish Council meeting, Pattishall Parish Hall, 7.45pm
- 10th Good Neighbours, *Towcester Choral Society*, Patt. Parish Hall, 1.45pm
- 10th Senior Citizens Christmas Lunch, Pattishall Parish Hall, 1pm
- 10th End of Pattishall School term 3
- 10th Towcester Farmers' Market
- 10th Mobile Library
- 20th Start of Pattishall School term 4
- 24th Quiz with Fish & Chip supper, Pattishall Parish Hall
- 29th Photographic Group, Pattishall Parish Hall, 7.30pm



Use This Space for Your Future Events!

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