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Final copy date for the May-June 2018 newsletter is 10th April. Copy should be sent to Andy Stewart, The Old Farmhouse, 13 High Street, Astcote (email <u>ap@stewarts.me.uk</u>, tel: 830042), or given to Janet Taylor, Dalscote. (Please use email if possible.)

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

Pattishall & District Food & Produce Show Sunday 9th September 2018



With warmer days just around the corner, now is the time to start planning what kinds of fruit, flowers and veg you will be growing to enter in this year's Pattishall and District Food and Produce Show. We have changed just a few categories this year – raspberries have been replaced by pumpkin, and spray chrysanthemums by gladioli – we like to keep our entrants trying new things in the garden.

Calling all younger entrants! We would love to hear your suggestions for the children's and young people's sections – what would you like to enter for this year's show? The age groups are: up to 5 years old, 6-8 years, 9-11 years and 12-16 years – if you have a good idea for an art / craft, food item, something you could grow in the garden or something else, please ask your parents to email it to katebartlett@btinternet.com. A (small) prize for any new ideas that the show committee decides to use, so put your thinking caps on!

Judging Sections for Vegetables, Fruit, Eggs, Flowers & Floral Art

SECTION A: VEGETABLES Unless otherwise specified, all categories are 'any variety'

Five onions Five potatoes

Three carrots (with tops)
Five pods of French beans

Five runner beans

Five standard / large tomatoes Five smaller / cherry tomatoes

Three courgettes

Three beetroot (trimmed)

One cabbage Three leeks

Longest runner bean

Longest parsnip

Heaviest marrow

One pumpkin

Strangest shaped vegetable

Four culinary herbs

SECTION B: FRUIT

Three cooking apples
Three dessert apples
Largest apple

Five plums / damsons

Tray of mixed fruit & veg - min five kinds

SECTION C: EGGS (Poultry)

Three matching eggs

One egg

Largest egg

Brightest yolk (egg to be brought in

whole)

One decorated egg (decorated by

entrant in 2018)

SECTION D: FLOWERS & PLANTS

Three roses of same or differing

varieties

Rose, one specimen

Dahlia, three blooms

Three spikes of gladioli (same or varying

colour)

Pelargonium / geranium in pot

One flowering pot plant

One foliage pot plant

Vase of sweet peas

Vase of mixed flowers (horticultural not

artistic quality)

SECTION E: FLORAL ART

Flower arrangement in a wine glass Flower arrangement in a watering can

Hanging basket or window box

Pattishall Youth Club Needs Your Help!

As of the 12th June 2018 Ruth, Claire and Mark are resigning to allow new blood to come on board.

For Youth Club to maintain a weekly service we need two volunteers from Tuesday 11th September 2018 to be available fortnightly to assist Debbie and Claire.

With the resignation of Ruth, Claire and Mark a new Committee will also need to be formed so if you feel you have the skills to be behind the scenes please contact us.

Youth Club continues to run during term time on a Tuesday 7.30pm – 8.45pm in Pattishall Parish Hall. Children from year 6 onwards are welcome, £1 per week with the first week free.

This term we have lots of activities planned including Laser Zone, Sports activities, Easter egg decorating, Easter egg hunt, Craft sessions and Cricket against Pattishall Cricket Team.

If you have some free time and would like to volunteer to help with the group or want further information about Youth Club pop in and see us or call Debbie Randle 07854 085539 / Claire Mackintosh 07780 617920.



Gardening Club

With Spring hopefully just round the corner, Peter Richardson from Preston Bissett Nurseries is coming to talk on 7th March and advise us on how to create a welcome burst of spring colour in the garden. Peter will bring a variety of plants to show and for purchase during the evening. If you haven't been to Preston Bissett Nurseries before then I'm sure you will after Peter has spoken to us.

On 4th April, Eve Bacon will explain where Medieval people believed spices came from and how they were used for fragrance, medicine and cooking. Eve will prepare spices both for you to smell and to taste.

New members or guests always welcome.

Christine Russell, Secretary 830012

Around Pattishall - Help Wanted

I'm looking for a volunteer to distribute Around Pattishall to houses in the Malus Field area, and also one or more volunteers in Pattishall. If you are interested please contact Andy Stewart (see front cover for contact details).

Pattishall Cricket Club

The first year of the newly reformed Pattishall Cricket Club has been a resounding success! From an idea over a few beers to a fully functioning, financially stable cricket club in less than a year is quite an achievement and we thank all those involved for their help and enthusiasm to help get this off the ground, and put what appears to be a half decent side together!

The aim of last year was really to lay the foundations of what we hoped would become a well-supported community club. We feel that after one season we can, with some pride, say that we have achieved our aim and we look forward to building on this in 2018. The club is as much about building community spirit as playing cricket so it has been great to see the support we have had from the local community. We have received donations from local residents and have been well supported at matches both home and away.

The Parish Council and Playing Field Association have both been very supportive of the club and as part of a fund-raising agreement with the Playing Field Association the club has made a number of improvements to the club house. In addition to this we have received grants from South Northants Council and the South Northants Leisure Trust, and when combined with funds from donations and membership / match fees we have been able to lay an artificial mat on the wicket, buy some playing kit and also acquire a ride on mower!

On the field we gave a good account of ourselves finishing second in the Blakesley charity 7's tournament and results at the end of the season showing promise for this year!

This year we have a few more fixtures and as a bit of a highlight are hoping to arrange a friendly match between the current Pattishall Cricket Club and the former Red Lion & Eastcote Arms Cricket Clubs. If you played in the Red Lion or Eastcote Arms sides or know someone who did please get in touch so that we start to gauge interest.

Dates for the diary:

Practice sessions will resume at the playing fields from Tuesday 10/04/18 at 19:00 for around an hour (depending on the light) and will then continue every Tuesday at 19:00 until 11/09/18

Signing on afternoon at Pattishall Playing Fields on Sunday 22/04/18 from 14:00 to 16:00

2018 Fixtures.....so far!

- ☐ 13/05/18 @ 14:00 Stoke Bruerne (Away)
- □ 27/05/18 @ 14:00 Blakesley (Away)
- ☐ 31/05/18 @ 18:00 Farthingstone Nomads (Away)
- ☐ 16/06/18 @ 14:00 (TBC) Pattishall CC v Red Lion/Eastcote CC (Home)

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1 01/07/18	@ 11:00 - Blakesley Charity 7's
15/07/18	@ 14:00 - Farthingstone Nomads (Away)
29/07/18	@ 14:00 - Stoke Bruerne (Home)
05/08/18	@ 14:00 - Farthingstone Nomads (Home)
1 9/08/18	(TBC) @ 14:00 - Castlethorpe (Home)
09/09/18	@14:00 - Blakesley (Home)

If you are interested in playing or joining as a social member please get in touch and come along to the signing on afternoon at Pattishall Playing Fields on Sunday 22/04/18 from 14:00 to 16:00 or come to a training session on a Tuesday evening. If you haven't ever played or it's been a while please don't let that put you off. We have a wide range of ages and abilities in the side and everyone buys into the club ethos that we are here to have fun (and drink beer)!

Pattishall Cricket Club pattishall.cricket@gmail.com

Pattishall & District Good Neighbours Club

Here we are at the start of another year. Already we have had two good afternoon's entertainment. In January Tony Noble who served aboard the Royal Yacht took us behind the scenes with his illustrated talk about life on the ship.

In February Roy Smart told us so much we didn't know about Amy Johnson in his very interesting illustrated talk about "The Queen of the Air".

In March we have our AGM and a quiz afternoon and in April we look forward to a return visit by the Homestead Singers who always put on a good programme for us. If you are not a member and would like to join with us on this afternoon do come along – I know you will enjoy it.

Sadly I have to tell you that in the last month or so we have lost another four members. Joyce Pretty, a member for many years and one time Vice Chairman, died in December after a long illness. Joyce was always very active and was a great support to her late husband Alan when he was Chairman.

In January Kathy Smith, Jim Hooper and Brian Catlin died. They will all be sadly missed.

Whether you are a member or not keep your eyes and ears open as we have some very interesting afternoons of entertainment and outings coming up. Do come along and join in with us.

Alan White, 01327 830892



Pattishall School Update

As we enter a new year, and Christmas seems like a very distant memory, we reflect on the highlights of our Michaelmas Term.

Our new school rules are: Think, Care, Seek, Build and Respect. These are underpinned by the 'Fruits of the Spirit', which are the

virtues we aspire to cultivate in our pupils: Love, Joy, Peace, Patience, Kindness, Goodness, Gentleness, Faithfulness and Self-Control.

Part of our service and linked to our value of kindness, is fundraising for charity. The school community managed to raise £153.65 for the Gosset Ward at Northampton General Hospital, which is a charity close to many of our families' hearts. We also raised £122 for Children in Need – well done all and thank you for supporting us in encouraging the children to be outward looking.

We had a full house for both performances of 'A Midwife Crisis' — a modern twist on the traditional Nativity performed by Reception, Year One and Year Two. All the children performed with confidence and clearly enjoyed the experience. A special mention goes to Georgina in Year Two who played the midwife: she learnt an incredible number of lines in just a two-week period and her delivery was impeccable. Isla in Year Two stunned the audience at each performance for her wonderful solo — literally the voice of an angel. And finally, Alex in Year Two who played 'Steve' the Donkey, raised the roof with his deadpan delivery and timing!

Our fun, festive extravaganza really brought the Christmas spirit to Pattishall. We had a fantastic turnout to 'Carols on the Playground': not just from parents, but other members of the local and wider community. We were pleased to welcome Liz Youngman (Deputy Diocesan – Director of Education) and Reverend Doug Spenceley (Bishop's Vicar for Church Schools). The school choir gave an excellent performance, led by Dawn Weston. We would also like to thank Sharon Onley and Chloe Nickless for their beautifully sung duets.

The Winter Festival (organised by FoPS), was also a great success: all proceeds raised have gone towards our new library. Our Christingle Service saw Holy Cross Church full with standing room only – it was a magical way to round off the term. Thanks to everyone who was involved.

Our last day of term saw the whole school take a trip to the Royal and Derngate Theatre in Northampton to watch 'Peter Pan'. The performance was fantastic, with a star-studded cast including Coronation Street's Nick Cochrane, The Voice finalist Lydia Lucy, Grange Hills' Collin Ridgewell, our very own Mrs Green and yours truly. Apparently my initiation is now complete...

As we enter the Easter Term, life does not slow down. On Friday 9th February, we held our traditional Pancake Flip competition. This FoPs fundraising event is hugely

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popular with the children and adults alike and all proceeds go towards improving our learning environment.

On the 1st March it is World Book Day. We will be celebrating by dressing up as our favourite characters and enjoying activities based around the theme of C.S. Lewis' 'The Lion the Witch and the Wardrobe'. We are excited to welcome M&M Productions back to perform their version of the story.

On World Book Day, we are also holding the grand opening of our brand new library! Sue Bentley, a local author, has been invited to cut the ribbon. A heartfelt thank you has to go to FoPS for raising the money to make this possible: every single cake baked, and tea towel sold has gone towards this much needed space at the heart of our school. Its opening will reinforce our aim to put reading at the centre of the curriculum. We believe that if a child can read by the time they are six, their working memory is better developed. They have better self-esteem, a more positive mindset and can teach themselves anything throughout their whole lives. Teaching a child to read is the greatest gift you can give them. If you'd like to be involved in volunteering at the school – listening to readers, helping with gardening club or offering another skill or talent – please do not hide your light under a bushel, we'd love to hear from you!

On Sunday 4th March, fifteen children and I will be delivering the Family Service at Pattishall's Holy Cross Church at 9.30am - please do come along to support us. It is also a great way to meet new people and find out about the history of the village.

The 8th March will see Years Three and Four sharing their topic work in collective worship and the following day on the 9th March, it is another ERIS (Everyone Reading in School) afternoon whereby children can invite their parents into school to listen to them read a story of their choice.

With Mother's Day fast approaching, the Reception Class will be holding a tea party for their parents on 12th March and our newly appointed Year Six head boy, head girl and prefects will be serving the tea, while our youngest learners offer up their gifts and the choir performs.

Finally, I am really pleased to say that we have successfully filled the Caretaker position. We are pleased to welcome Brain Curtis, formerly the Head Teacher, back into school.

Please do follow us on Twitter and Facebook to keep up to date with our day-to-day life and remember we operate an open-door policy should there be anything you wish to discuss.

Mrs Emma McLean Head Teacher, Pattishall CE Primary School



Campion School

As we approach the close of this half term, I reflect on the wide range of experiences which Campion students continue to enjoy. Year 13 have taken their mock exams and showed great resilience during this pressured period. They have also received tremendous offers from universities and a flavour of these follow below; our students certainly have much to look

forward to at the end of this demanding exam experience.

We are thrilled to report that a total of three students have been successful in securing offers to study for their degrees at either Oxford or Cambridge, studying Engineering, Physics and Law. Other offers include York to read History, Leicester to read Archaeology, Loughborough to read English Literature, Leicester to read Economics and Northampton University to read Primary Education.

In Years 7-11, opportunities in the past five weeks alone have included an excellent production of Alice in Wonderland; feedback from all has been superb – a high quality performance indeed and a joy to watch! Other events have been shared through our weekly newsletter, *The Root*, including a whole series of extra-curricular revision opportunities for students in Years 10 and 11, leadership of primary school partnership sporting events, theatre visits (for example Woman in Black) and visits from theatre companies too as we continue our programmes to educate all students about the importance of positive relationships. Many of these events require time from colleagues beyond the school day and during holiday periods too and I am proud to lead a team who make such a tremendous commitment to our students.

Claire Whitmore Headteacher



Pattishall & District Poppy Appeal 2017

Thanks to all of the collectors and for the donations made by residents in Pattishall, Fosters Booth, Cold Higham,

Grimscote, Cornhill, Astcote, Eastcote and Dalscote. Collections were also made at Pattishall School and at Rothersthorpe School.

The total raised was £2,077.99, plus £25 more from the Eastcote Arms.

The Towcester and District total including Pattishall was £22,000 and with contributions still arriving it is nearing the £25,500 mark.



Shed Club

Are you interested in setting up or joining a shed club to serve the Pattishall, Cold Higham, Eastcote, Astcote, Fosters Booth and Grimscote area? An initial exploratory meeting to gauge interest will be held at 8pm on Wednesday 11th April at Cold Higham Village Hall.

Shed Clubs are about having fun, sharing skills and knowledge with like-minded people. Activities in sheds vary greatly, but you can usually find woodworking, metalworking, repairing and restoring, electronics, model buildings or even car building. Sheds typically attract older men, but younger members and women are welcome too.

Men's Sheds are similar to garden sheds – a place to pursue practical interests at leisure, to practise skills and enjoy making and mending. The difference is that garden sheds and their activities are often solitary in nature while Men's Sheds are the opposite. They're about social connections and friendship building, sharing skills and knowledge, and of course a lot of laughter. If you think this could suit you come along to this meeting.

Steve Rowe Tel 01327 830990



"If music be the food of love play on" - and join the Watling Singers

"Singing is both enjoyable and good for your health and well-being."

We are a small Chamber Choir singing mainly 'a capella' and with a very wide repertoire. Rehearsals are held in the Chapter House of Weedon Church on Tuesday evenings. The ethos of the group is to enjoy singing whilst striving for good standards of performance within an informal atmosphere.

We are actively looking to recruit new members, most particularly for Tenor and Bass voice parts, and would be very pleased to hear from anyone with enthusiasm and a good voice. 'The Watling Singers' sing for weddings, and also in support of good causes, but basically for anyone who wants us to sing for them.

If you think that you might enjoy singing with a sociable and welcoming group of people then please do get in touch. This could be your New Year's resolution – the thing that you are always meaning to do but never get around to.

Please contact our Secretary, Jan Clark Tel. 01327 361562 jan@everdon.f9.co.uk

Annual Parish Litter Picks:

Cold Higham: 18th March Meet at the corner of Church Lane in Cold Higham

and at the telephone kiosk in Grimscote at 10am.

Pattishall: Saturday 24th March Meet at Pattishall Parish Hall at 9.30am.

Please Support This Community Event

Seniors Christmas Lunch 2nd December 2017

What a lovely day dawned on Saturday, just right for the atmosphere of this wonderful event. Sixtynine guests attended our 70th get together. Back in 1948 the volunteers cooked twenty cockerels along with plenty of Brussel sprouts and potatoes. The meal was followed by tea and cakes. A raffle had been held earlier where the prizes included a pair of stockings and 50 cigarettes.



Today we started with a glass of sherry or juice, followed by roast turkey, stuffing, sausage, roast potatoes, mashed potatoes, peas, corn and carrots. This was accompanied by a nice glass of wine, amply served by our waiters Nigel, Sam and Theo. Christmas pudding and lashings of custard followed. After being entertained by *Dukes Ukes* we finished the afternoon with a mince pie and cup of tea or coffee. Every guest was presented with a lovely plant on exit as a reminder of the day.



This event could not take place without the many helpers and thanks go out to all of them. I will not name them in case I miss anyone out, but you know who you are. Should anyone else like to join our team please contact Libby 830501 or Iris 830829. The date for 2018 is Saturday 1st December.

Libby Covington

A big thank you must go to Libby who has been organising this event for the past 12 years and keeping the tradition going along with several of the cooks who have been involved for many years.

Iris Illingworth

Picnic in the Park Music Festival 2018

Saturday 14th July

Plans are now well advanced for this year's event. It is looking awesome, let me tell you. There will be a great variety of music and singing this year – Daventry Choir will join us again having been a huge hit last year. There will be jazz, pop, party and something I can't wait to tell you about next time!

This family orientated event will have even more great stuff to entertain the children this time – the circus people are back and we have a stilt walker too! This year we have a children's activities co-ordinator – welcome Sasha. Sasha has so much planned that your kids will be completely spoilt for choice as to what to do first.

I have so much to tell you about but will keep you guessing until the next time when I will give you all the exciting details. For now please get the date in your diaries and on your calendars – **SATURDAY 14**th **JULY!**

Suzanne, Pitp 2018

Curry & Quiz Fun-filled Fundraising Evening Saturday 12th May – Pitp 2018

Fancy a great curry and a few laughs? Then come along to Pattishall Parish Hall at 7.30pm on Saturday 12th May for a fun-filled quiz evening. The Picnic in the Park committee are holding a curry and quiz evening raising funds towards this year's music festival event. Quiz first prize – two tickets to this year's event!

The curry will be made by our very skilled local amateur chef Johnny (remember his great artisan home-made sausages?). Pizza option for non curry eaters and a vegetarian curry option too. There will be a fun-filled quiz and possibly live music as well as a reasonably priced BAR (yay!), so please do not bring your own drinks.

Tickets are £10 per person (includes food and quiz). For catering purposes please book your tickets by 4th May. They are available from:

Suzanne Raper, <u>suzanne.raper@talktalk.net</u> 01327 830279 Johnny Smith, <u>jsmith@ajdesignandbuild.co.uk</u>
Sasha France, <u>sdentonwhite@hotmail.com</u>

See you there!

The Late Joan Basketfield

Ann and Derek would like to thank you all for attending Mum's funeral on the 8th February. Although Mum was with us in Salisbury for the last four years, Astcote of course was her real home. Thank you again to each and every one of you, and we were overwhelmed with how many of you attended.

Pattishall Parish Hall Association Pattishall Playing Field Association



We are holding a Spring Sale on Sunday 18th March so please come along and enjoy some refreshments – bacon rolls available from 11.00am and plenty of tea and cakes for the afternoon. Maxine Brand will be showing her new range of cards along with other stalls selling handbags, scarves, jewellery, beauty products and Usborne books. The Parish Hall committee will be selling jigsaws, plants, books, bric-a-brac etc and providing children's craft activities for Easter. All monies raised will go towards helping with the financing of the roof so please support us.

Work on the roof is almost finished. The insulation has been greatly improved which will make the hall more energy efficient and along with new tiles the building is now watertight. We are awaiting access to the rear of the roof to complete the fascia boarding.

The Christmas raffle raised over £700 for the Playing Field and the winners are listed below. The Pattishall Playing Field Association began in 1967 and a voluntary committee has been responsible for maintaining the facility throughout this time, with support from many helpers. In order to celebrate 50 years we are holding an event with the Cricket Club on Saturday 16th June. Further details to follow.

The Parish Hall and Playing Field meetings are held on the first Thursday in the month at 7pm. Please come along just to meet us and find out more about the organisations. Both these facilities only function with the help of volunteers so we are always pleased to welcome helpers or anyone interested in supporting our community. For more details contact 830829.

Pattishall Playing Field Christmas Draw 2017

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1.	Michael Cox	Eastcote
2.	Pat Rowden	Eastcote
3.	Brian Englefield	Pattishall
4.	Sue Brotherton	U3A Bridge
5.	Nigel Banister	Pattishall
6.	BevNicholson	Eastcote
7.	Kevin Boyd	Pattishall
8.	Blanche Smith	Pattishall
9.	Marion Cross	Pattishall
10.	Maureen Burnicle	Grimscote
11.	Emma Neill	Pattishall

Iris Illingworth

Cold Higham Parish Hall Annual General Meeting

Cold Higham Parish residents are cordially invited to the AGM which will be held at 7:30pm on Wednesday 16th May 2018 at Cold Higham Parish Hall.

The Parish Hall is a charity which provides a venue for local activities for people in the Cold Higham, Fosters Booth and Grimscote areas.

If you are looking for an easy way to become more involved in the local community why not come along to the meeting, take a look at your local facility, meet the people involved and have a cup of tea.

Gill Rowe Chairperson tel 01327 830990



Cold Higham Village Hall Quiz

The next Quiz will be held at Cold Higham Village Hall on Saturday 24th March 2018 at 7:30 for 8:00pm.

Teams of 6 (approx)

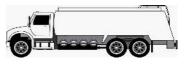
If you want to enter a team please contact Gill on 830990 or Michele on 830040

Fish and Chips will be provided (just bring your own drinks)

Costs will be £10 per person

Come along and meet friends and neighbours!

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Why not join Harlestone Oil Collective and benefit from ordering in bulk and having as many deliveries as possible on the same day? No admin charges and we all share in the advantages of keener pricing and fewer tankers. I currently have over 30 households on the list and would welcome anyone who is interested. Please give Richard Dyball a call on 01604 585797 or e-mail richard.dyball@sky.com

How It Works A member e-mails when they require some oil and I then contact everyone and put together as big an order as possible. I negotiate with all available suppliers and check internet prices. I advise members of the price, supplier and delivery dates and the supplier invoices each member separately. There is no commitment to order and I do not get involved in the payment process. For further information please contact Keith or Janet Amos 01327 830732.

Pattishall Neighbourhood Watch

Recently there have been **burglaries and thefts** in the area.

There have also been suspicious persons photographing properties and looking up driveways. If you notice anything at all suspicious or out of place however trivial it may seem please ring 101 immediately. If calling from a mobile a call back service is now in place.

Cold Calling

- □ Peddlars. Anyone selling door to door in Northamptonshire must have a peddlars' licence issued in Northampton. A licence issued from another county is not valid. Please report these people.
- □ Door-to-door Fundraisers should not knock on the doors of properties that display a "No Cold Calling" sticker. The Institute of Fundraising has a code of conduct preventing this. If you require a yellow "No Cold Calling" sticker for doors/windows please contact the Coordinator or your street warden.
- ☐ The Police value phone calls to identify cold calling/door knocking. You can also phone the Doorstep Action Network (DAN) 03452 307702.

If you would like to receive up-to-date information it is easily accessible by:

Joining our email loop

- Contact the Coordinator

Pattishall Parish Website

- There is a quick link to the NHW page
- Facebook PattishallParishNeighbourhoodWatch

Linda Hemming (NHW Coordinator) linda_hemming@hotmail.com Tel 01327 830744

Traffic Survey Report

Number of vehicles in survey: 17801						
Posted Limit: 30	Exceeding 14442 (_	NPCC threshold At or Exceeding NR 35 10996 (62 %			
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Detailed information						
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Cars			HGV's			
85%: 47 mph	Count:	16544	85%:	45 mph	Count:	102



Pattishall
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Facing:

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NPCC refers to the National Police Chiefs Council, formerly ACPO. The NPCC sets the minimum enforcement threshold for forces across the UK.

^{*} The 85th percentile speed is the speed which 85% of the vehicles are not exceeding. Road speed limits are commonly determined by the 85th percentile, given that 85% of drivers will drive at or below a speed that is comfortable for the given road conditions.



SPRING FAIR and SALE

Sunday 18th March 11am - 5pm Pattishall Parish Hall School Road, Astcote

Crafts, gifts, cards, books, Local produce, bric a brac Refreshments with homemade cakes Children's activities Large car park, Free entry In aid of Pattishall Parish Hall







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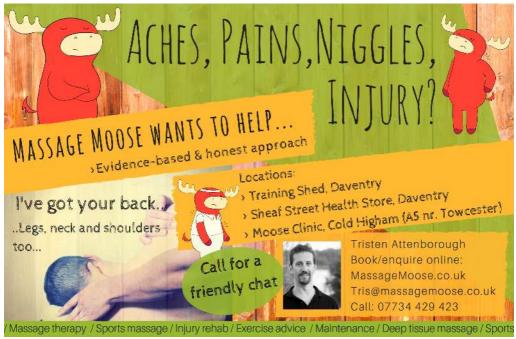
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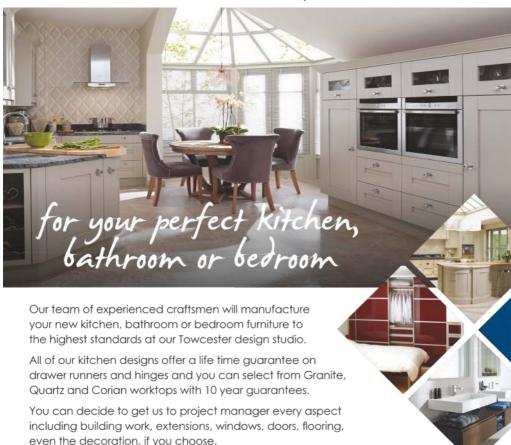
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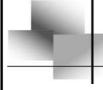
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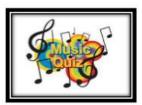
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The Annual Parish Meeting will be on Thursday 15th March at 7.45pm in the Parish Hall. This is a legal requirement, and is a meeting of the whole Parish at which all of its electors have the right to talk, vote and discuss Parish matters. It is not a Parish Council meeting, but the March Council meeting will take place immediately after the Annual Parish Meeting.

Subsequent PC meetings for the year will be on the 24th May (AGM) and thereafter on the third Thursdays of June, July, September, October, November, January and March 2019. All meetings will be at 7.45pm in the Parish Hall.



The annual litter pick will be on 18th March. As ever, there will be meeting points at the corner of Church Lane in Cold Higham, and at the telephone kiosk in Grimscote. Meeting time will be 10am. Please come and help clean up the parish – vests, litter sticks and bags will be provided.

On 11th **November 2018** the nation will be commemorating the centenary of the signing of the Armistice, bringing WW1 to an end. *The Battle's Over – A Nation's Tribute* is being organised by the Pageantmaster in London. Information is available on our web site, but in outline the programme will consist of four items:



- 6.00am **Sleep in Peace.**A thousand bagpipes will greet the dawn.
- 6.55pm **The Last Post.**A thousand buglers will sound out.
- 7.00pm **Beacons of Light.**A thousand beacons will be lit across the country.
- 7.05pm Ringing out for Peace.

 Bells in a thousand cathedrals/churches will ring out.

The Parish is registered to take its part, certainly with the beacons and bell ringing. The PC would like to organise a social event at the Parish Hall in conjunction with the national tribute, and is now urgently seeking volunteers to assist in planning and running this whole project. Please contact the Chairman.

Conversations with BT over broadband in Grimscote have so far lead nowhere, coming to a formal impasse in December. The good offices of our MP have therefore been sought to help clarify/resolve the issues. Andrea Leadsom's office has asked BT and Openreach for information. As we go to press that is still awaited. Any information received will be put on the website.

Digby Carter, Chairman 01327 830521

Pattishall Parish Council

The council meets at 7:45pm in the Parish Hall on the second Thursday of each month throughout the year, except for August when no meeting is scheduled. An agenda and draft minutes are available on the Pattishall Parish website (www.pattishallparish.org.uk) and all notice boards. Parishioners are very welcome to attend or contact one of the council members listed below, should they wish to raise a point but cannot be at the meeting in person.

The Parish Council

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Should parishioners have a concern or require advice on any of the above then please contact the councillor concerned and/or Ann Addison, the parish clerk.

PARISH LITTER PICK

This year's litter pick will take place on Saturday 24th March. Volunteers should meet at the Parish Hall at 9:30 where hot drinks and juice will kindly be served by Iris Illingworth. This is an opportunity for residents to help look after our parish and to be involved in a community project. We look forward to seeing many adults & children join in for an hour or two; high viz jackets & litter pickers will be provided.

HIGHWAYS

There are several pot holes at the top of Bird's Hill, opposite the school and along School Road, Leys Road & Blacksmiths Close that require attention. Please would residents contact Street Doctor with their concerns, as although the parish council have been active it also helps if individuals register their complaints.

LOCAL PLAN TWO

The first consultation period has now closed, and it envisaged that SNC will publish the plans with any revisions in January/February. There will then follow another four weeks of consultation prior to the Local Plan Two being published. All such documentation can be found on line at the SNC website. A resident reminded the council that libraries have internet facilities for those parishioners without a computer.

STREET LIGHTING

When reporting a light out of order would residents please remember to state where it is – eg. outside/opposite a particular house, name of road, PL number if known and a contact name and number.

FOOTPATHS & STILES

Our thanks go to John Woollett & John Russell who have walked the parish footpaths & mended stiles. Please contact the parish council if you come across any future obstruction to footpaths or broken stiles.

SPEEDING

Speeding along Butchers Lane seems to be a perennial problem, but it appears it has got worse of late. It has been proposed that the moveable VAS sign in Birds Hill Road will be moved back to Butchers Lane and the clerk has been in contact with the police for a speed check box along the playground stretch of the road. There have been police speed cameras in the area and will continue to be operative over the coming weeks.

PARISH WEBSITE

There are between 2,500 & 3,000 visitors per month to the parish website and last year there were over 33,000 visitors, an increase of 10,000 over the previous year.

PATTISHALL SCHOOL

The newly refurbished library will be officially opened by the author Sue Bentley on 1st March. Any parishioner who can spare some time is most welcome to contact the school to volunteer for reading duties. The excitement of a child learning to read is a joy and it would be really helpful for the school to have some volunteers from the community to help with reading and storytelling. This year the school will be celebrating its 120th birthday and they are hoping to put on an event focusing on the school's history. They would dearly like to hear from parishioners with any memorabilia and/or photographs that they would lend for this event.

PRISONER OF WAR MEMORIAL

The parish council have been given authorisation to proceed with the installation of the memorial stone which will be placed diagonally opposite to the school about 100 metres from the T junction.

PARISH PARKING

Parking appears to be a problem throughout the parish with verges and village greens being eroded by vehicles. Three areas were highlighted by residents as being of particular concern; the verge along Butchers Lane, the verge along School Road to the east of the school & Astcote Green. Helen Howard, The Highways Officer for our area, is visiting the parish on February 22nd and it is hoped that she will have some solutions to the problem. This item will be on the agenda at the next meeting which will be held on Thursday March 8th at 7:45. Preceding this will be Annual Parish Meeting starting at 7:30 where members of the parish may ask questions on a range of topics that fall within the remit of the council.

PARISH AGM

The annual AGM will be held on Thursday, 17th May, which is the third Thursday in the month.

COUNTY COUNCIL

It is important that members of our community understand the tiered system of administrative Councils; at the top of the pyramid is the;

National Government below this is the

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You will be aware that it is the Northamptonshire County Council (NCC) that is currently in the news for its wayward control of its finances. So much so that the Government has sent in specialist accountants Price Waterhouse to assess the state of affairs and to present a report by 15th March 2018. NCC have for some years not functioned within their budget and are likely to have a spending gap in this financial year of £26m with no reserves left! As a result of this the NCC Chief Financial Officer issued a Section 114 Notice, which is a legal instrument that publicly warns of a risk that the Authority may end the financial year in deficit and/or unable to set a balanced budget next year. It also imposes immediate spending controls and prohibits the County Council from employing new staff or entering into new contracts.

Many will have heard that 20 backbench Conservative Councillors have expressed a vote of no confidence in the current NCC Cabinet.

The NCC Council suggest mitigating circumstances such as a particularly high young and ageing population putting a drain on resources! This together with very poor management has created the current situation.

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Sixfields, opp Sainsburys	09:18	11:18	13:18	14:18	16:18	18:08	
West Hunsbury, opp Ashpole Spinney	09:23	11:23	13:23	14:23	16:23	18:13	
Rothersthorpe, opp Kislingbury Road	09:26	11:26	13:26	14:26	16:26	18:16	
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Eastcote, opp Gayton Road	09:32	11:32	13:32		16:32	18:32	
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Lunch Club For the elderly or retired on the second Tuesday in the month. Please contact Maureen Corbett on 830296 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.

22nd March (one week early) – Jenny Harris, Fostering & Faith – Reflections with Sue Titheridge

Flowers can be placed in the Chapel on Sundays to celebrate an anniversary or in memory of a loved one. Please contact Kate Stretton 830115.

Family Services 45 minute service for all the family on the 3rd Sunday in the month. Refreshments served after the service: All welcome.

18th March and 15th April

A Lent Course is running weekly on Tuesday evenings 7.30-9pm, and Thursday mornings 10.30-12 midday in people's homes. Please see poster on the noticeboard outside the Chapel for details

Easter Services

Good Friday 30th March 10-12.30pm **Easter Eggsplosion** (Workshop Primary school children) Booking essential via John Atkin 830907 or Pattishall Primary School)

Easter Sunday 1st April:

9am Holy Communion led by Rev John Marriott

9.30-10.30am Easter Breakfast (book your seat by ringing Ann Atkin 830907)

10.30am Worship for Easter led by members of the congregation

THANK YOU to everyone who attended our Christmas Services at the Chapel and contributed to our Christmas Offering which totalled £302 for the Night Shelter for the Homeless in Northampton.

Praying for the Community

There is 'Prayer Box' on the wall outside the Chapel. This is for any member of our Community to be able to drop in the name of someone they would like us to pray for. We don't need to know the details, just a first name is sufficient. That person will be included in our time of prayer on the following Sunday.

In addition, at 9.30am on the first Sunday of the month, there will be a half hour of prayer specifically for the Community. Anyone may join us for a time of quiet or simple spoken prayer. Our normal 10.30am service will follow after a cuppa.

The Parishes of Holy Cross Pattishall and St Luke, Cold Higham

Date	Time	Service	Church
4 th Mar	8:00am	BCP Holy Communion	Pattishall
	9:30am	Informal Worship	Pattishall
	9:30am	Morning Worship	Gayton
	11:00am	CW Holy Communion	Tiffield
11 th Mar	9:30am	Family Worship	Tiffield
	9:30am	Morning Worship	Cold Higham
	11:00am	CW Holy Communion	Pattishall
18 th Mar	8:00am 9:30am	BCP Holy Communion Family Worship	Pattishall Cold Higham
18 th Mar	9:30am	Morning Worship	Tiffield
	11:00am	CW Holy Communion	Gayton
25 th Mar	9:30am	Morning Worship	Pattishall
	11:00am	CW Holy Communion	Cold Higham
29 th Mar	7:30pm	CW Holy Communion + Vigil	Pattishall
30 th Mar	2:00pm	Last Hour at the Cross	Cold Higham
	7:00pm	Devotional Hour	Gayton
1 st Apr	9:30am 9:30am 11:00am 11:00am	CW Family Communion CW Family Communion CW Family Communion by extension CW Holy Communion	Pattishall Cold Higham Gayton Tiffield
8 th Apr	9:30am	Family Worship	Tiffield
	9:30am	Morning Worship	Cold Higham
	11:00am	CW Holy Communion	Pattishall
15 th Apr	8:00am 9:30am 9:30am 11:00am	BCP Holy Communion Family Worship Morning Worship CW Holy Communion	Pattishall Cold Higham Tiffield Gayton
22 nd Apr	9:30am	Morning Worship	Pattishall
	11:00am	CW Holy Communion	Cold Higham
28 th Apr	8:30am	Benefice Prayer Breakfast	???
29 th Apr	11:00am	Benefice Holy Communion	Gayton

Appointment of Rector

We are delighted to announce that the **Reverend Canon Káren Jongman** has been offered and has accepted the invitation to become Rector (House for Duty) in the benefice of Pattishall & Cold Higham & Gayton & Tiffield (The Amelcote Benefice).



March

- 1st Pattishall Parish Hall & Playing Field meeting, Pattishall Parish Hall, 7pm
- 7th Gardening Club: *Spring Colour in the Garden*, Pattishall Parish Hall 7.30pm
- 8th Good Neighbours: AGM, Quiz, Bring & Buy, Pattishall Parish Hall, 1.45pm
- 8th Pattishall Parish Council meeting, Pattishall Parish Hall, 7.45pm
- 14th Pattishall WI: Medieval Dunstable inc Pattishall, Pattishall Parish Hall 7.30pm
- 15th Cold Higham Annual Parish Meeting, Cold Higham Parish Hall 7.45pm
- 18th Cold Higham Annual Litter Pick, 10am
- 18th Spring Fair & Sale, Pattishall Parish Hall, 11am 5pm
- 22nd Well Group Ladies meeting, Astcote Methodist Church, 12 noon
- 24th Pattishall Annual litter Pick, Pattishall Parish Hall 9.30am
- 24th Cold Higham Village Hall Quiz, Cold Higham Village Hall, 7:30 for 8:00
- 29th Photographic Club, Pattishall Parish Hall, 7.30pm
- 29th End of Pattishall School term
- 30th Easter Eggsplosion, Astcote Methodist Church, 10-12.30pm

April

- 5th Pattishall Parish Hall & Playing Field meeting, Pattishall Parish Hall, 7pm
- 4th Gardening Club: Spices and the Medieval Society, Pattishall Parish Hall 7.30pm
- 11th Pattishall WI: Music Quiz, Pattishall Parish Hall 7.30pm
- 11th New Shed Club exploratory meeting, Cold Higham Village Hall, 8pm
- 12th Good Neighbours: Homestead Singers, Pattishall Hall, 1.45pm
- 12th Pattishall Parish Council meeting, Pattishall Parish Hall, 7.45pm
- 17th Start of Pattishall School term
- 25th Photographic Club, Pattishall Parish Hall, 7.30pm
- 26th Well Group Ladies meeting, Astcote Methodist Church, 12 noon