

# NEWSLETTER OCTOBER 2013

# Aynho Community Weekend

SATURDAY 19<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER 10am – 4pm SUNDAY 20<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER 10am – 4pm Aynho Sports Field and Pavilion

FRENCH CAFE BIODIVERSITY BAT

**ACTIVITIES** 

BAT RESCUE OUR LOCAL PCSO

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# **ASTWICK VALE BENEFICE**

# CHURCH CALENDAR FOR OCTOBER 2013

AYNHO-CROUGHTON-EVENLEY-FARTHINGHOE-HINTON-in-the-HEDGES with STEANE 

# Sunday: October 6th



#### AYNHO 11.0am HARVEST FESTIVAL

# Followed by Pot-Luck Lunch in Village Hall (see poster)

(Sidespersons: Mrs.Pusey Mr.Cheney Mr.Croft Mr.Sutton) Farthinghoe 9.30am Communion Hinton 11.0am Harvest Festival There will be a **TAIZE SERVICE** at **EVENLEY** at 6.0pm.

**Sunday:** October 13th

#### **AYNHO 9.30am Communion**

(Sidespersons: Mrs.Bellamy, Mr.Leigh)

Croughton: 9.30am Harvest Festival Farthinghoe 11.0am Family Worship

Evenley 11.0am Communion Hinton 6.0pm Evensong

Sunday: October 20th

### **BENEFICE Communion at EVENLEY 10.0am** Pizza Praise

Sunday: October 27th

#### AYNHO 11.00am Matins

(Sidespersons: Mrs.Gray Mrs.Kirby)

Croughton 9.30am Communion Hinton 11.00am Communion 11.00am Family Worship Farthinghoe 6.00pm Evensong All Souls

# Home Communion at 15, The Square - Monday October 28th

Bible Study

 $14^{th}$ Monday

10.15am

Mrs.Croft, The Bothy.

Prayer Group Church Cleaning

 $17^{\mathrm{th}}$ Thursday

2.30pm

15, The Square

Choir Practice

Thursday Fridays

10<sup>th</sup> 9.45am onwards (note 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday- after Harvest)

4<sup>th</sup> & 25th. 6.30pm

Bell Ringing -Tuesdays 7.30pm 1<sup>st</sup> Evenley 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Kings Sutton. 3<sup>rd</sup> Aynho 5<sup>th</sup> Croughton Monday November 18th 8.0pm Village Hall Next P.C.C.Meeting

#### From the PARISH REGISTERS:

**Burial of Ashes:** 

#### Holy Matrimony:

April 5<sup>th</sup> Peter Garrett April 12<sup>th</sup> Peter Sharpley May 25<sup>th</sup> Richard Oakey

July 20<sup>th</sup> Alice Bellamy & Nicholas Montgomery August 3<sup>rd</sup> Sheila Wanjihia & Christopher Dommitt August 15<sup>th</sup> Carla Silverman & Jonathan Melmouth

July 12th Edward Williams

Information about the life of our church or baptisms or wedding enquiries from our Rector - Revd.Simon Dommett Tel:01869 810903.Email:the.revd.simon@gmail.com Sign up for our weekly service news and updates with "Pews News" on the subject line or just write in the message and be put on our weekly mailings.

Church Wardens: Graham Gibbs 01869-819727 Anthea Cowley 01869-810629

Items for November by Monday October 14th to SYBIL at 32, Roundtown. Tel: 01869 810692 E-mail: syban@btinternet.com

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# Meetings on each Wednesday of the Month



1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday **AYNHO RECORDED MUSIC SOCIETY** 

We commence our meetings on Wednesday the 2<sup>nd</sup> and your Committee look forward to seeing you – the usual travelling arrangements will be available. Our newest member, Robert, will be presenting the programme. He particularly requests that if you are tempted to "throw things" make sure it is money and he prefers the paper sort!! See you all.

Contact Bob Mann 810264.



1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday **PHOTOGRAPHY SOCIETY** 

Last month Pete Mitchell gave an informative and entertaining presentation on "World Travel Images" taking us to Africa, Thailand, Australia, New Zealand & China. At our meeting on October 2<sup>nd</sup> members will be shown their own images of "Street Photography" home and abroad.

7.30pm at The Cartwright Hotel

Contact John Branton www.adandd.co.uk



2<sup>nd</sup> .Wednesday GARDENING CLUB

On October 9<sup>th</sup> is our final trip of the year. We are going to Bodenham Arboretum, Nr.Kidderminster to see the autumn colours. This should be a lovely day out. As well as the trees there are a number of different types of gardens to look around. There are still places available, so please contact Barbara on 810797 to reserve a seat. It is not necessary to be a member to go on the trip and members are welcome to bring a friend. We look forward to seeing you then.

Contact: Mrs. Anthea Cowley. Tel:810629

Picture from Bledington - Do I detect a little "robin" in the garden?



3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday **AYNHO WOMEN'S INSTITUTE** 

October 16<sup>th</sup> 7.30pm We meet for our Annual Meeting and then enjoy a Ploughman's Supper prepared and served by the Committee.

Contact: Mrs.Barbara Watkins Tel: 811152



4<sup>th</sup> or last Wednesday **AYNHO HISTORY SOCIETY.** 

October 30<sup>th</sup>. "From Gough to Google! The development of printed maps of Oxfordshire. Presented by Mr.John Leighfield. To accompany the lecture John will be displaying part of his collection of rare maps, so this is an event for the geographers as well as the historians.

A.G.M. brought forward from the November Meeting. .

Contact: Rupert Clark 810603 Peter Cole 811261

The Kindness of Aynho Village. The Story of an evacuee in WW2.

Arnold (Bill) Pyatt has written his memories of 2 years spent in Aynho as a child. He escaped the blitz but his living here was not all "peace & quiet"! His letter is published on the village website – front page. I would urge anyone with an interest in local history, or who is studying the Second World War, to read this snap-shot of Aynho life. Thank you Bill for taking the effort to record your experiences and send your message of gratitude.

#### **BIODIVERSITY GROUP**

Changes for the Biodiversity Group

After providing wonderful service to the Aynho Biodiversity Group, Gill Phillips is to leave Aynho and head for pastures new at Kings Sutton. Although we will continue to see Gill at future events, she will clearly want to become involved in the Kings Sutton community. This will be their gain and our loss, so I would like to take this opportunity to thank Gill for all her hard work and enthusiasm in leading the Biodiversity Group at Aynho over the years. We all hope to continue with the excellent work which Gill has been involved in, so if anyone would like to participate in any of our events or join the group, please contact Les Horley, 7 Portway, on 810209 or email at leshorley@hotmail.co.uk and you will be most welcome to join us.

Our next event is the Community Weekend in October, when we will be focussing our efforts on improving the habitat for bats in and around Aynho. We will be fund raising for bat boxes which, if positioned carefully, will encourage a diverse range of species of bats to breed in Aynho. We look forward to your support.

#### **BAT SPECIAL**

#### The Pipistrelle Bat

The UK has 18 species of bat. The one which is the commonest and the one you are most likely to see is the pipistrelle They are the smallest UK bat measuring 3-5cm long with a wingspan of 19-25cm and weighing about the same as a £1 coin. Adults vary in colour from place to place, some colonies are mainly orange-brown and others mainly pale greybrown. Favourite summer roosting places are small, warm spaces behind tiles or weather-boarding on a south-facing wall. In winter they also roost in churches and cellars. The pipistrelle is so tiny that it can squeeze

through gaps only 15mm wide. They generally emerge from their roost about 20 minutes after sunset, although it can be earlier if it is a warm evening and flying 2-10m above ground level search for their insect prey (mostly gnats, tiny moths and small caddisflies), which they catch and eat on the wing. During the mating season (the Autumn) the males defend their individual mating roosts and attract a harem of as many as 10 females by using special calls which can include purrs, clicks and buzzing. The eggs are not fertilised until the following spring and the females give birth in June or early July in a 'ladies only' maternity colony. For three or four weeks the young are fed solely on their mother's milk. After about four weeks the young are able to fly and at six weeks can forage for themselves. They hibernate from mid-November to April. Although not endangered Pipistrelle numbers have declined dramatically partly due to the loss of suitable feeding sites such as hedgerows, ponds and old grassland, chemicals used to control insects, renovation work on old buildings using toxic wood treatments and blocking up crevices. The domestic cat is also a threat to roosting bats in urban areas. **Did You Know?** 

- □ Bats are the only mammals that can fly.
- □ The UK bat produces just one young whereas in central Europe they more commonly have twins.

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- □ Some adults and children are able to hear the mating calls of the male pipistrelle.
- △ A single pipistrelle can consume up to 3,000 small insects in one night.

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Have you ever paid a visit to The Wharf Shop by the canal and station. It's only 1 mile and you can walk, cycle or take your car — and park!

Selection of groceries and other goods available.

#### PAVILION NEWS do read all about it!

#### AYNHO COMMUNITY WEEKEND

Plans are underway for the Community Weekend and we'd love as many people as possible to get involved, particularly if you are new to the village. Lookout for the details coming through your door in the next couple of weeks. But in order for it to go ahead we need help please with.. Items for the silent auction: this can be anything from a week in your holiday home to a jar of home made jam. If you have something that someone else might be willing to buy please offer it up for sale over the weekend. Even household items would be good or home-made cakes, quality toys etc. All items will be displayed over the weekend and the auction will end at 4pm on Sunday. Please contact Kay on 810019 with any offers. All proceeds from this weekend will go to the Playpark fundraising campaign.

#### **PAVILION CAFE**

The Cafe will be open on the following dates:

Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> September for the History Walk with tea and home-made cakes on vintage china from 2pm – 5.30pm.

Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> October, 10<sup>th</sup> October, 17<sup>th</sup> October (with SNVB van in attendance), 24<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup> October. Opening times on Thursdays over the winter season are from 11am – 2pm and anyone is welcome to come along for home-made cakes and coffee or lunch. The walking groups are the primary users and the cafe is not as warm as the village hall where Amanda will be running her Winter Lunch Club but anyone is welcome to pop in whilst they are out and about or dog walking (use the main drive to access with dogs though please).

#### **Macmillan Coffee Morning**

The Pavilion Cafe will be open on Wednesday  $9^{th}$  October from 10am - 12 noon for coffee and cakes and chat. Do come along and support this worthwhile cause and bring your friends. There will be a range of Phoenix Christmas and everyday products on sale with a percentage of the profits going to the cause and if you would like to bring something along for the bring and buy stall that would be welcome.

Donations of cakes to cut and sell please also. Phone Kay on 810019 if you can make one.

#### Halloween - 31st October

Anyone interested in running a Halloween event for the kids on this Thursday please let me know. Its the regular cafe day and half term and we can put on some activities for kids in the afternoon followed by an evening event if people can help. Let Kay know on 810019. Details next month.

#### **Xmas Market**

This is planned for 16<sup>th</sup> November in the village hall. If anyone wishes to have a gift or craft stall for a nominal amount (we split the hall hire between us) please contact Kay on 810019.

#### Park Club Draw

Many thanks to Hilary Gray who has donated her winnings of £76 back to ASRA.

#### **Pavilion Maintenance**

Thanks to those villagers and the football managers who turned up on 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> September to help out. We have almost finished decorating both changing rooms and the mound has benefitted from some serious weeding. Plans are afoot to do some planting at the community weekend so if you have some unwanted plants you are digging up please save them in some water and bring them over then. I'd love the changing rooms to have a dual purpose use so if you can think of anything they could be used for during the week (we have water supply, toilet and shower), do let me know. Immediate things that spring to mind would be something like mobile dog groomer? Again, contact Kay on 810019.

#### FROM YOUR PARISH COUNCIL

#### **Casual Vacancy**

Aynho PC have a casual vacancy so if you are interested in joining APC please get in touch with the Clerk.

Aynho Community Weekend, including village clean up

Please do support the Aynho Community Weekend on 19th and 20th October. Members of APC will be in attendance to discuss any issues you wish. The village clean up will also take place on 19<sup>th</sup> October.

#### Highways and parking update

#### The Glebe

The parking reinforcement mat to the grass area has now been fitted. Some grass seeding to the unprotected areas has been completed and roped off. The main area will be seeded later this month when the weather has changed. Once completed could residents with vehicles from the same house please park in tandem rather than side by side so as to make the space more effective. There is room for 8 cars on one side and 4 on the other, so 12 in total if parked in this way.

Charlton Road - Proposed Yellow Line Parking Restriction

Due to concerns raised by residents about parking of vehicles close to the junction of Charlton Road and Banbury Road and the difficulties that emergency vehicles can have when entering Charlton Road, the Parish Council has approached Northamptonshire Highways department in order to find a solution. They have proposed the introduction of parking restrictions on the left hand side of Charlton Road as you enter from Banbury Road. This will also apply to the first 50 or so metres on the right hand side as well. Residents will be consulted in due course by the Highways department and will be able to submit comments on the proposed scheme. Other than the vicinity of the Banbury/Charlton Road junction, the scheme should have no impact on the area currently available for parking, as parking will still be permitted on the side of the road nearest the terrace houses in Charlton Road.

The Green (opposite the Cartwright Arms)

Dragon's teeth have been fitted to prevent the foot path being blocked. Other area of concern are currently under investigation.

#### New bins

As you know, we now all have our new blue bins for recycling. Aynho is a conservation area and as such APC would encourage you to keep your bin in an suitable area. It is worth remembering that SNC will collect any unwanted bins and the old recycling boxes for you. It is also possible to share bins with your neighbours. If, for example, both you and your neighbour do not have much call for the garden waste bin, why not send one back and share? This way we can keep Aynho the attractive village we all love. For more info see the SNC website.

#### **Street Doctor**

Please ensure that any hazards or issues within the village such as pavement and road repairs clearing blocked street gullies etc are reported to NCC Street Doctor. This can be done online at -

http://www.northamptonshire.gov.uk/en/councilservices/Transport/roads/streetdoctor/Pages/Step1.aspx

The more people that complain about these things, the more likely it is that something will be done.

#### Superfast Broadband.

Northamptonshire County Council are working with British Telecom to ensure that by 2017 all residents within the County have access to Superfast Broadband. Full details of this project have been published on the Project website <a href="www.superfastnorthamptonshire.net">www.superfastnorthamptonshire.net</a> The project is designed to assist in those areas where it is not commercially viable for telecoms companies to do the upgrades themselves.

You can have your say by completing the survey at

www.surveymonkey.com/s/NCCParishBroadbandSurvey The more residents who reply, expressing the desire for faster speeds, will asset in helping to prioritise the Croughton exchange to be upgraded. Please do take the time to complete the survey and register Aynho's voice!

#### Thanks

The Chair wishes to convey his thanks to Cllr Richard Hoddinott for his hard work in organising the laying the parking matting on The Glebe and to Cllr Fi Burge for her work in securing a Viridor Grant for new playground equipment.

#### Contact details

Sadie Patamia is the Parish Clerk and can be contacted on Mondays and Thursdays from 3pm – 6pm on 07887548774 or <a href="mailto:aynhopc@gmail.com">aynhopc@gmail.com</a>. The postal address is 25 Brackley Road, Croughton, NN13 5PP, or you can find us on Facebook and Twitter (@aynhopc).

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# HARVEST FESTIVAL



# SUNDAY 6th OCTOBER 2013 at 11.00am

We will be celebrating HARVEST FESTIVAL

# In ST MICHAEL'S CHURCH, AYNHO

followed by a

# POT LUCK HARVEST LUNCH

in the Village Hall

All are welcome particularly children to celebrate this festival.

Please bring a dish of food (savoury or sweet) which will be put on the table for everyone to share. Bring your own drink!

We do need to know numbers so please let **Annabel Bellamy** know how many you will be and if you have any questions she will be happy to speak to you. (Tel: 01869 810847, mob: 07825 090111, bellamy.annabel@googlemail.com)