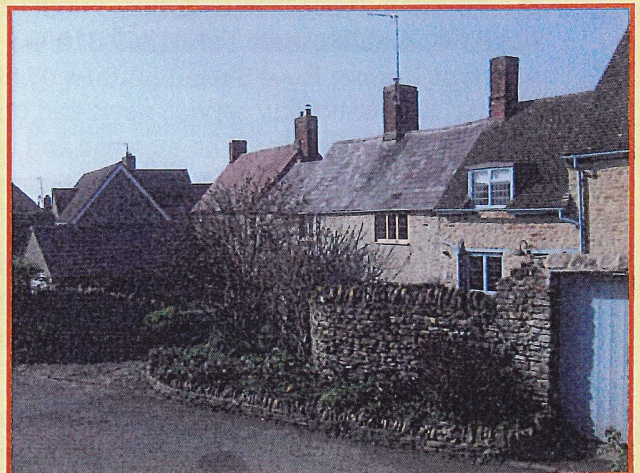
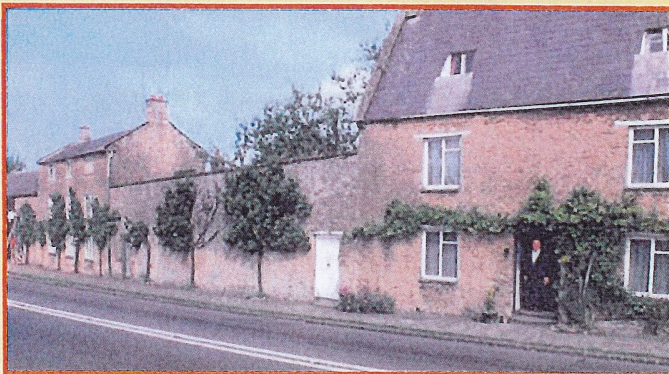


AN "APRICOT AYNHOE" CALENDAR?



ASTWICK VALE BENEFICE
CHURCH CALENDAR FOR APRIL 2016
AYNHO-CROUGHTON-EVENLEY-FARTHINGHOE-HINTON-in-the-HEDGES with STEANE

Please note all AYNHO Services are now at 11.0am.

Sunday: **AYNHO 11.0am Holy Communion***
April 3rd (Sidespersons: Mrs.Pusey Mrs.Kirby)
Farthinghoe 9.30 FW Hinton 11.0 M Evenley 6.0 TAIZE

Sunday: **AYNHO 11.0am Matins***
April 10th (Sidespersons: Mr.Cheney Mr.Sutton)
Croughton 9.30 HC Evenley 11.0 HC Farthinghoe 10.0FW
Steane 6.0 Evensong

Sunday: **Benefice at Hinton 10.0am**
April 17th **with Pizza Praise at 4.0pm.**

Sunday **AYNHO 10.30am Activity.... followed by**
April 24th **11.0am Family Communion***
(Sidespersons: Mrs Chong. Mr.Leigh.)
Croughton 9.30HC Evenley 11.0amFW Farthinghoe 6.0 ES
Hinton 11.0am HC

*Refreshments served after Services – new help always appreciated list for volunteers in porch.

Annual Parochial Church Meeting at Aynho. Monday 11th 7.30pm in Church
Morning Prayers Mondays 8.30am in Church
Home Communion Monday March 29th & April 25th 11.00am 15, The Square
Bible Study Group Monday 18th 10.15am “Oakgates” Millers Lane.
Church Cleaning Thursday 21st 9.45am onwards
Prayer Group to be announced 2.30pm 15 The Square
Bell Ringing – Tuesdays at 7.30pm 1st Evenley 2nd & 4th Kings Sutton 3rd Tuesday Aynho.
Weddings: May 1st

Information about the life of our church - baptisms or wedding enquiries from:

Revd.Simon Dommett Tel:01869.810903 Email@the.revd.simon@gmail.com

Assistant Curate: Revd Shemil Mathew 07401 587151 revshemil@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 Warden: Graham Gibbs 01869 819727

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Items for May 2016 by and before Monday April 18th to:
Sybil at 32, Roundtown Tel:810692 Email: syban@btinternet.com Vol.601
or any comments re Newsletter to Sybil or Rev.Simon Dommett.

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From your Rector:

ALLELUIA CHRIST IS RISEN – HE IS RISEN INDEED ALLELUIA

As the Easter greetings still ring out in our churches, we begin to follow the birth of the early church as new religion is formed full of hope and life and joy. But all is not well as their leader was crucified as a criminal, the national or state religion rejects their claims and would rather have them 'hushed up'. Life for the early Christians wasn't going to be easy but that didn't stop them, then or now.

Even today society is often unkind to those deemed to be 'on the fringes'. Those who have their lives 'together' can sometimes forget that they're only ever three missed pay-cheques away from homelessness, or one chronic illness away from disability, or one bereavement away from single parenthood. It's a sobering thought, but it's one that should motivate us to gather people around us in love and show kindness to everyone – irrespective of their circumstances. A circumstance doesn't define a person; all of us – without exception – are important to God.

The early church knew the truth of the statement- all of us are important to God. That is they believed and still believe that Jesus' death was for the good of all people, those of faith and those of none. Scripture tells us 'that God so loved the world that he sent his Son into the world, not to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him'.

I believe that people still need to hear this message today. That God loves them. Not because of who they are, not because of what they have done or not done, not because of the circumstances of their life, but because they are part of His creation, and He cannot but love them.

We live in a society when more people are being marginalised, being told they are not wanted, for not conforming, being a refugee or migrant etc. Surely all people should be valued and loved and not just a few?

In the coming months we will be asked to vote on our membership of the European Union. As we do so let us ask the question – "What would Jesus do in these circumstances?" What choice or vote would show his love best? We have a few weeks to think and pray before we have to vote, let us use that time wisely.

Happy Easter. Simon

Annual Parochial Church Meeting – Aynho 11th April 7.30pm in Church

Church Wardens are elected on an annual basis. If you wish your church wardens to stand for the coming year, you must nominate them and get them to sign the nomination form **BEFORE** the **APCM**. Forms can be found in the BLUE folder in church.

Everybody is invited to attend the APCM where a report of the work of the church is given and its Parochial Church Council is appointed, only those on the Church Electoral Roll may vote.

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Katharine House Hospice: *Thank-you* again to all those who have contributed foreign coins and used postage stamps, these are still needed. However, KHH now inform us that they are no longer issuing re-made Greetings Cards – so please – no further cards of any nature required.

Marlene 10 Portway Gardens.

ALL FOR YOUR ENTERTAINMENT



ARMS (Aynho Recorded Music Society)

April 6th 7.30pm Village Hall.

Gill and John presented (albeit separately), with the first half presided over by Gill who started with Holst's 'Jupiter Bringer of Jollity'. The delightful 'Piano Concerto in C Major' by Mozart led to Prokofiev's 'Knight's Dance' from Romeo and Juliet. A track from John William's Schindlers List and one from Schubert's 'Serenade' was followed by Norah Jones 'Don't know why' and the 'Tannhauser Overture' by Wagner brought the first half to its conclusion. John, as can be expected, presented a totally individualistic programme with 'The Hungarian Rhapsody No2'. Frank Sinatra sang 'Monteray' which was followed by Verdi. The group The Eagles, rendered 'Lying Eyes', followed by Maria Callas'. John brought an interesting and entertaining evening to a close with Aliena Kraus singing 'Lament'. A splendid programme, thank you Gill and John.

Contact: Bob Mann 810264

PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY - A.G.M. April 6th 7.00pm Cartwright Hotel.

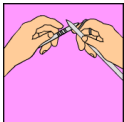


Last month, member Jim Muller gave a presentation entitled 'From humming birds to cake stands -the sublime to the ridiculous.' Describing himself as a hobby photographer who has more recently taken up commercial photography, Jim delivered his presentation in three parts: landscape, wildlife and commercial photography. Jim's opinion is that the countryside centred eight miles around Aynho is one of the most beautiful parts of England and he demonstrated this by showing a series of stunning images of sunrises over the local misty countryside, including water reflections and views of the canal at Aynho. He then finished his landscape photographs with images of the hot springs in Yellowstone National Park, Canadian waterfalls, Swiss mountain scenery, and sand dunes and shadows in Namibia.

An excellent presentation by a most accomplished photographer, accompanied by a wealth of technical detail, that was much appreciated by his audience.

Our next meeting of the Society is the A.G.M at **7.00pm** which will be followed by members' photographs on the subject of 'What is it.' Everyone is welcome to attend, so please come along and meet us all.

Contact: John Branton www.addphoto.co.uk



KNIT & STITCH (& "cuppa"!)

April 14th & 28th

2, Portway Gardens. 2.0 – 4.0pm

Contact: Glenwys Wormald Tel: 810880



WRITER'S GROUP -

April 9th 10.0-12.30. Village Hall Committee Room

At our March meeting we had some fascinating accounts of border crossings – see the village website for examples. This month we will be writing about "Getting Older" or "please don't hang up – your call is important to us". We are also planning for our 20th Anniversary in a number of ways. New writers very welcome. Why not try a taster visit.

Contact: Keith McClellan 810346

CROUGHTON CINEMA

April 15th Croughton Village Hall

Production "SUFFRAGETTE" with Carey Mulligan, Anne-Marie Duff and Helena Bonham Carter.
7.30pm Licenced Bar



HEALTH WALKS

Long & Short Every Thursday - Sports Pavilion 10.0am

Contact: Keith McClellan 810346

GARDENING CLUB -

April 13th 7.30pm Village Hall



The sun is shining and the air is beginning to warm up at last so perhaps, after all the huge amount of rain, Spring really is around the corner –let's hope so!

Our next Gardening Club evening will take place in the Village Hall on Wednesday 13th April. The talk by Duncan Coombs is entitled Bagatelle and Giverny. Parc de Bagatelle is situated at the heart of the Bois de Boulogne in Paris and is one of the city's four botanical gardens. Giverny is where Claude Monet lived for 43 years creating the most beautiful flower and water gardens.

This should be a very interesting talk and will begin at 7.30pm.

We are always delighted to welcome new Members; the Aynho Gardening Club is a friendly club where our aim is to increase our knowledge in all things gardening as well as to have an enjoyable time – nothing too serious! The annual subscription is £10.

For any queries, please get in touch with Annabel Bellamy (810 847)



W.I.

April 20th 7.30pm. Village Hall.

This will be an **OPEN MEETING** (Gentlemen allowed!!) when Mr. Tim Massa will talk on "Historical Lime Plastering". The tea hostesses are Mrs. Barbara Williams and Mrs. Kath Arnold.

Contact: Barbara Watkins 811152



AYNHO HISTORY SOCIETY

April 27th 7.30pm Village Hall

"The Mary Rose" a window into Tudor life at sea Annual Membership £20p.a. Lectures then free – or pay as you go £3.00 per event. Student concession £1.

Contacts: Rupert Clark 07808 763261 rupert.ds.clark@gmail.com or Peter Cole

811261

You are invited to your AYNHO VILLAGE HALL.

Annual General Meeting Monday April 11th 7.30pm – Back Room

NEWS from your PARISH COUNCIL

Dog Fouling

Did you know you can report incidents of dog fouling online to SNC? If everyone does it it will make a difference. If you go to this link -

<https://webforms.ictmanageservices.com/default.aspx/RenderForm/?F.Name=CioE7cvHDzX>

You fill in a simple form and submit.

Help clean up the village!

This year's spring clean will be on 16th April, 2pm, starting at the Pavilion with tea and cake afterwards. Please join us.

Annual Village Meeting

This will be on Monday 18th April at 7.30pm in the Village Hall. Watch out for the annual report and agenda which will be delivered to your

home .



Parking survey

A parking survey is being compiled to help APC gauge the problems encountered.

Please do fill it in when it comes to your home. At this stage it will be coming to only selected streets.

Street Doctor Don't forget you can report things such as potholes, dirty signs and the like at Street Doctor. Link below –

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

Contact details Sadie Patamia is the Parish Clerk and can be contacted on Mondays & Thursdays 3.0pm-6.0pm on 07887548774 or Sadie.patamia@aynho.org Postal address is 25, Brackley Rd. Croughton NN13 5PP or find us on Facebook & Twitter.

ASRA – NEWS

Firstly a huge thank you to Michael Johnson and his team for putting on another excellent quiz night. The event made over £700 for ASRA and we are very grateful. This, along with the Park Club Draw has enabled us to start work on replacing the windows and make some much needed repairs to the building.

Track Maintenance

This is a plea to all those who use the amenity track for running, cycling, jogging, walking, skating etc. We are aiming to have a maintenance afternoon on Saturday 16th April when the clean up day is. If you value this facility and want to keep using it, please come and join us with a broom and a spade and gloves. Thank you.

MAYTIME IN THE SQUARE

this year will be on Saturday 14th May. We are offering stalls in the Square for £8 each (table provided). Email Kay to book kaynho@lineone.net. If anyone has a vintage vehicle that they would be prepared to carry the May Queen in please could you contact me on either the e mail above or 0330 113 6008 urgently. We have the annual barn dance in the evening. This year we have decided not to do food but just snacks. It would be helpful if you book your places early for this. Contact Kay on kaynho@lineone.net to reserve your tickets.

Morris Dancers Our annual Morris Team will be in action on May 14th but we need some new recruits. It's just a "one-off", no experience required. Costume provided. Come along to our rehearsal at the pavilion on Sunday 8th May at 4pm. *You know you want to.....*

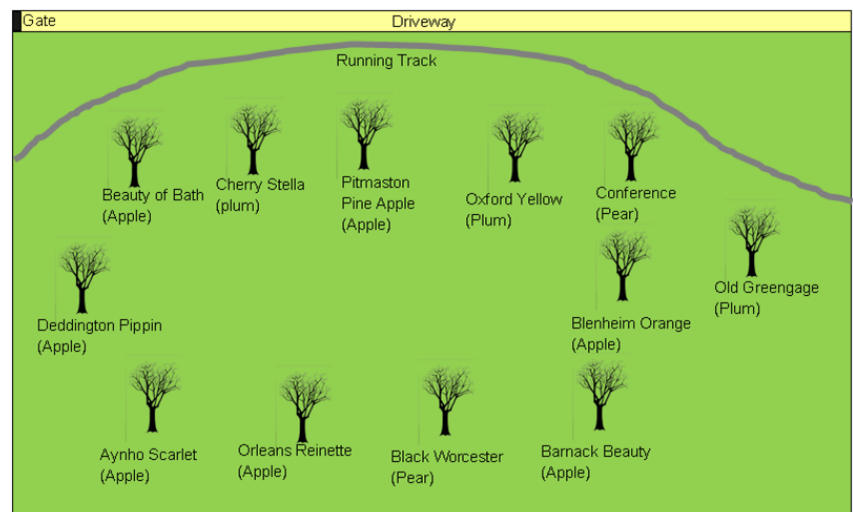
BIODIVERSITY GROUP

The Community Orchard on the Playing Field Part 2

More about the varieties of trees we have planted for you to enjoy.

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Orleans Reinette: First recorded in the 18th century. Late- season apple very different from modern apples being firm and crisp to the bite.



Aynho Scarlet: The Aynho Scarlet grew just on the edge of Aynho on the B4100 for quite a few years. Unfortunately one year the Highways Agency took out the whole tree. Luckily Andy Howard from the Heritage Fruit Tree Co in Adderbury had taken graft wood by then and propagated it naming it the Aynho Scarlet. A dark red/scarlet, crisp and crunchy apple reminiscent of a spartan/braeburn.

Blenheim Orange: Discovered around 1740 in Woodstock, by the local cobbler (some say tailor), George Kempster, growing against a boundary wall at Blenheim Park. He moved it to his garden, where it became famous locally. It was originally named Kempster's Pippin. The Duke of Marlborough at Blenheim Palace approved of the apple and it was renamed Blenheim Orange in 1804. A late culinary dessert apple with a sweet, nutty flavour.

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May Time in Aynho

Saturday 14th May 2016

2pm in The Square



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| • Town Crier | • WI's Homemade Refreshments |
| • Procession | • Craft & Gift Stalls |
| • Crowning of the May Queen | • Gardening Club Plant Stall |
| • Aynho's Morris Dancers | |

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AYNH0 CALENDAR IDEA (see front cover) from Dawn Griffis—U.S.A.

My idea for a calendar on Aynho(e) showing old and new photos around Aynho(e). The way it would work is to have an old building photo beside a new one of it on the same page. This calendar would include the holidays for the UK, US & Canada which would make it a very nice gift for friends and family on both sides of the Pond.

Additional special dates can be added that are relevant to Aynhoe.

The cover photo could be discussed late.

I have 42 old photos dating from around 1900 to 1980, 32 are black & white, 10 coloured, these are posted on Aynho Community Facebook page. I will ask for them to be posted on the web page as well.

I am hoping if someone has more to offer they would share them with me. For the new photos of same buildings to be used then I would need the new photos e-mailed to me. If you don't have email please ask a friend to email them for you.

My email address is dq2134@comcast.net. If anyone in the village would be willing to help coordinate it all from there, it would be a great help, otherwise I'll try and do it without making any mistakes!! The photos that aren't obvious where they are, because things have been changed or gone forever I have put the info beside them.

Dawn Griffis (nee Alsford) U.S.A.
