
Village Voice

The Newsletter of Stanton Harcourt & Sutton
September 2024

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Monday 2nd, 7.30pm, Parish Council Meeting,
The Guardroom, Old Airfield

Wednesday 4th, 10am to 12pm, Coffee at the
Chapel

Saturday 7th, 8.00am, Men's Breakfast, The
Harcourt Arms

Saturday 14th, 12pm to 2pm, Village Market,
Village Hall

Regulars

Every Thursday – Lunch Club (see entry for
details)

**Every Monday and Thursday – Yoga with
Alison James** (see entry for details)

**Every Tuesday (term time) – 7pm Sutton
Singers** (see entry for details)

**Every Tuesday and Wednesday – Pilates with
Nicky Holmes** (see entry for details)

Every Tuesday – Badminton (see entry for
details)

From Steve Cosier, District Council

Another busy month for me as your District Councillor. At the beginning of June, I was informed by WODC officers of hazardous waste being dumped at in Standlake. The waste contained several hundred unstable lithium-ion batteries stored within chemical hazard drums used for storing a chemical known as Isocyanate. This incident was dealt professionally before, any negative affects to environment or public. WODC officers liaised between Ubico and hazardous waste specialist Cawleys, as well as the fire dept, Environmental Agency and surrounding districts, and the offending waste was disposed of. WODC are going to be implementing directed surveillance at identified hotspots across the district to combat this issue and I can inform you directly if we undertake any such surveillance within your ward.

As part of the Rural Crime Partnership Cameras have been installed throughout rural locations in West Oxfordshire to combat fly-tipping. £156,000 in funding has been secured from the Police and Crime Commissioner for Thames Valley and the Home Office's Safer Streets initiative and will be used to tackle fly-tipping and other rural crimes. This area of work will be led by the West Oxfordshire, South Oxfordshire, and Vale of White Horse district councils and Thames Valley Police. New covert cameras, purchased with funding from the scheme, will be deployed in fly-tipping hotspots across local rural

areas. Currently West Oxfordshire District Council (WODC) shares four cameras with a neighbouring council, but through this project, a further 20 cameras were bought for WODC use along with additional cameras for South and Vale.

Finally, last month, I had the absolute pleasure of being invited to play football for the local Dad's Stanton Harcourt Team in the local derby against Standlake. Though not in the same league as Mary Earps or Jordan Pickford, I absolutely enjoyed my time playing in goal. It was a friendly and well-played match with Stanton Harcourt eventually winning 5 goals to 2.

Thank you
Steve

Please do get in touch with any queries, comments and, or requests. The best way is via email at:

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Parish Council Information:

All official communications should be addressed to the Parish Clerk: Trudi Gasser, 5 Woodlands, Standlake, Oxon, OX29 7RA. clerk@shpc.co.uk

Village Market and Cafe

As well as our wonderful village market, the cafe is a very popular destination for a mug of freshly brewed cafetière coffee & home-made cake or bacon rolls and soup. It's an opportunity for villagers to gather for a chat which is lovely for

the Village Hall Committee to witness. Dates for the Autumn are as follows:

- 14th September
- 12th October
- 9th November
- 14th December

Church Times

St Michael's, Stanton Harcourt **Lower Windrush Benefice**

*****Evening Prayer said most Mondays and Thursdays at 4pm*****

September 8th

10:00 Service of the Word, lay led

September 29th

10:00 *Café Church* (Harvest Festival) with Baptism

Wednesday evenings at 8:30pm we have a short service of Compline via Zoom. Thursday mornings we have Early Bird Prayer at 7:30am via Zoom. All Zoom codes can be found on www.lowerwindrushbenefice.org

For more information about all services taking place in the Benefice (Stanton Harcourt, Northmoor, Standlake, Yelford) please visit the Lower Windrush Benefice website:

www.lowerwindrushbenefice.org

Sutton Chapel

Sunday 8 Sept at 3.00 –

Service led by the new minister Rev. Sue Jacobs with Holy Communion.

St Peter's Roman Catholic Church, Eynsham

For information about services at St Peter's please visit www.stpeterseynsham.org.uk/

Stanton Harcourt Cricket Club

Another cricket season is drawing to a close which means another summer over :(Our season started brightly with a thrilling village knockout cup win over big hitters Cumnor CC. However, it proved difficult to maintain such a heady level of excitement over the rest of the season. The first team remains in a very respectable mid table position in tier 4 of the Cherwell League, competing with larger clubs such as Kingston Bagpuize and Chipping Norton. Unfortunately the club has seriously struggled with availability of players meaning the second team has had to cede fixtures and has not managed a win this year.

A bright side has been the continued success of the youth section. Under the watchful eye of our fantastic youth coaches, SHCC under 11 team won their league and we had an under

13 team competing in Oxfordshire hardball league. In fact many of our youth players have stepped up to compete in open age/senior cricket with some remarkable performances of which they can be proud. The All Stars and Dynamos youth programs were as popular as ever and there were many wonderful Friday evenings over the summer. Our ladies training night continued this year and it was great to see new faces wanting to play cricket. Our licensed bar has become a thriving social hub during match days and, after some upgrades, the clubhouse is looking immaculate. So it just remains for me to thank all those who contribute, from our landlords who allow us to play on the field, the people who cut grass, mark lines, run the bar, lift, carry, sweep and clean. Without these people who give up so much of their time for free, the village would be a poorer place.

The Lower Windrush History Club will be kicking off their next season of talks on 1st October. The talks will be a mix of local and national history, held on Tuesday evenings.

If you would like to be added to the mailing list to hear more, please

email lwbscommittee@gmail.com

The Stanton Harcourt Royal British Legion Branch is 103 years old and was the 3rd Branch to be set up after WWI. In honour, the Stanton Harcourt Standard took part in the Last Post Ceremony at the Menin Gate, Ypres on 08 Jul 24, proudly representing the Branch and County.



The main purpose of the Branch is to coordinate Remembrance on the Sunday nearest to the 11th November every year. So that as a community we do not forget the sacrifice made by so many. Not just the Great War but during all wars and conflicts since.

If you are interested in supporting the Branch, please contact Rachel: elliottcains@gmail.com or Jacqui: gravesjacqui@gmail.com



Café at the Chapel

Every first
Wednesday of the month



Wednesday 4th September

10.00 – 12.00

FRESH ROASTED COFFEE / SELECTION OF TEAS
TOASTED TEACAKES, CRUMPETS AND HOT
BUTTERED TOAST.

BOOKS AND GIFTS SALE TABLE TO BROWSE
WE WOULD LOVE TO SEE YOU!

Sutton Singers – back singing on 3rd September

Sutton Singers continue to meet on Tuesdays during term time at 7pm.

Would you like to sing? Come and join in the joy and fun of singing together? No auditions needed.

We welcome new members, have parties sometimes and our Musical Director – Lizzie Soden – is a joy to work with, fun, encouraging and says everyone can sing! Get in touch with Jan Tomlinson on phone: 01865 881709 or email:

janandpaultomlinson@gmail.com

*****Newsflash*****

Sutton Singers are running another Open Mic Night Friday 11th October 2024 7pm –9pm. Do come along to watch. Bring a picnic, get a takeaway and enjoy the singing and playing. No Bar, so bring your own drinks. If you want to sing or play – please get in touch with Jan as above, there will be a running order prepared so do let us know you are coming to sing.

Entrance for all £5. There will be a raffle, Singing lesson from Lizzie is our star prize.

Senior Badminton Group

We meet every Tuesday at Stanton Harcourt Village Hall between 10am and 11.30am with a break for a coffee halfway through to catch our breath. Our numbers have dwindled recently as hips etc have needed replacing (including mine). Anyone interested can contact me, Tony Baker on 0x 882576.

*Deadline for next issue is 20th of the month
village-voice@hotmail.co.uk*

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St Denys' Church Northmoor

*Invites you to a display of
Wedding Dresses*

Through The Decades.

Saturday 14th September

10am – 4pm

Sunday 15th September

Midday – 4pm

Free entry with donations welcome.

*Tea, coffee and cake, plus sale of
vintage costume jewellery.*

Postcode: OX29 5SX

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ODCC Beer Festival 2024

We are excited to be announcing our third beer festival! To be held at Oxford Downs Cricket Club on Saturday 28th September 2024 from 12 noon. Entry is £12 to include pint glass and 3 tokens (available on the door).

Food is available from Friends & Flavours Gourmet Burgers and The Cotswold Pizza Co. We also have two music acts during the day and evening from Eden Bay and Dr Vegas.

We aim to have a broad selection of beers that are not often found in our part of the world, so there will hopefully be something for everyone - and this year we aim to have a gin bar as well as a fully stocked bar with bar snacks available.

If you're interested in sponsoring a Beer, Cider or Gin, please drop an email to beerfest@oxforddowns.com (£120 to sponsor one of the beers, £70 to sponsor cider and £50 to sponsor gin.)

All proceeds go towards the club, including providing opportunities for local cricketers, all our juniors and this year our first women's team; not to mention the social side of the club in and out of the season.

Full details of the festival are on our event page at:

<https://www.oxforddowns.com/beerfest24>

Village Shop & Post Office

Monday Shop only 08:00 - 10:00
 Tuesday Shop & Post Office 08:00 - 11:30
 Wednesday Shop only 08:00 - 10:00
 Thursday Shop & Post Office 08:00 - 11:30
 Friday Shop only 08:00 - 10:00
 Saturday Shop & Post Office 08:00 - 11:30
 Sunday Shop only 08:00 - 10:00

THE THURSDAY CLUB

We meet every Thursday at Northmoor Village Hall between 12:00 and 2 pm. **COOKS NEEDED** We have several local volunteer cooks who work on a rota basis providing traditional food, but need more people to help ease the pressure on our existing cooks. If you feel you could help out generally or by cooking dinners or puddings please contact Anna on 01865 881363 / Michael on 01865 3004480 or pop in and see us one week between 12.00pm and 2.00pm.

Anahata Yoga ☀

Monday 6.15-7.15pm The Old Guardroom, on The Old Airfield, Stanton Harcourt
Thursday 10-11am Stanton Harcourt Village Hall

Over the summer- Wednesday 10.30-11.30am The Ferryman's Inn, Bablock Hythe

The last class is on Wednesday 18th September. Thanks so much for everyone who came along. It has been a pleasure to be teaching this class by the river, with the sounds of nature, and then staying for tea and cake! To return next year.

Anahata yoga is a moving meditation style of yoga, similar to tai chi with slow repetitive movements that create an inner sense of calm, whilst stretching our bodies, creating flexibility, and helping to improve our alignment.

These classes are donation based, with a suggested donation of £8. Any donation welcome, it is more important that if you think the class would benefit you that you come along ♥ All equipment is provided and the classes are suitable for all levels.

I am also a qualified massage therapist offering Thai Yoga Massage, and Holistic Massage from my home in Sutton. Please contact me for more information on 0789 002 6446 or via alison@peacefulexistence.co.uk

Combe Mill, Blenheim Palace Sawmills, Combe, Oxon OX29 8ET

15th September 'In Steam' 'Crafts & Skills'

We have invited crafters from the local area including Oxford Guild of Weavers Spinners & Dyers, they will be bringing their Big wheel, Needle felting, Lace bobbins & Childrens Clothes, De-coupage and much more.

Combe Mill is a late 19th Century Restored Water Mill on Blenheim Palace Estate by the River Evenlode, all Machinery running 'In Steam' volunteers will be on hand with lots of interesting information. Come along and see the Blacksmiths in the forge you might just be able to make a poker. Tea room will be open, BBQ, Gift Shop, Tombola and Raffle. Dog on Leads most welcome. Parking free.

Adults £9.00, seniors £7.50, accompanied children FREE open 10.30am to 5.00pm.

Also open every Wednesday for 'self-guided tours' with volunteer around. Adult's £5.00 senior's £4.00 Accompanied children FREE Tea Room open if you would like to call in for refreshments, Cream Tea, Cake, Ham roll, coffee and soft drinks etc., Ever thought of volunteering at Combe Mill? Come to a steaming event when you will see if you have an interest and can join the 'Team'

FIRST AND LAST MILE BUS SERVICE

!!! NEW TIMETABLE !!!

We are happy to answer any queries at 07584 927 050 or info.firstandlastmile@gmail.com. Please email village-voice@hotmail.co.uk for a printable copy of the timetable.

Valid from 1 September 2024 Standlake-Stanton Harcourt-Eynsham Mondays to Fridays, except Bank Holidays					
Bablock Hythe, Ferryman	R	09:46	11:46	13:41	Change in Eynsham for Oxford and Witney
Northmoor, Red Lion	R	09:50	11:50	13:45	
Church Mill Close		09:55	11:55	13:50	
Brighthampton, Lancott Lane		07:30	10:00	12:00	13:55
Standlake, Woodlands		07:35	10:05	12:05	14:00
Stanton Harcourt, Flexneys		07:49	10:15	12:15	14:15
Sutton		07:52	10:18	12:18	14:18
Eynsham Church, Witney-Bound		07:57	10:23	12:23	14:23
Bartholomew School		08:02			17:18
Additional journeys run on schooldays only, see below for details.					

Valid from 1 September 2024 Eynsham-Stanton Harcourt-Standlake Mondays to Fridays, except Bank Holidays					
Bartholomew School		08:26			15:15H
Eynsham Church, Oxford-bound		08:30	09:30	11:25	13:25
Sutton		08:35	09:35	11:30	13:30
Stanton Harcourt, Flexneys	R	09:38	11:33	13:33	15:28H
Bablock Hythe, Ferryman		09:46	11:46	13:41	R
Northmoor, Red Lion		09:50	11:50	13:45	R
Church Mill Close		09:55	11:55	13:50	R
Brighthampton, Lancott Lane		10:00	12:00	13:55	R
Standlake, Woodlands		10:05	12:05	14:00	R
Additional journeys run on schooldays only, see below for details. R - by request only to the driver. The 15:15 departure from Bartholomew shown in <i>italics</i> runs only during school holidays.					

Valid from 1 September 2024 Schoolday only journeys					
Standlake, Woodlands		08:02			
Church Mill Close		08:04			
Brighthampton, Lancott Lane		07:30			
Hardwick Village		R			
Stanton Harcourt, Flexneys		08:15			
Sutton		08:18			
Bartholomew School		07:45	08:23		
Bartholomew School		15:15	15:15	15:55	
Sutton		15:20	15:20	R	
Stanton Harcourt, Flexneys		15:23	15:23	R	
Blackditch		15:24		R	
Hardwick Village		R			
Brighthampton, Lancott Lane		15:31	15:34	R	
Standlake, Martins Lane		15:33		R	
Standlake, Woodlands		15:36		R	
Church Mill Close		15:39		R	
School term dates: (2024) 3 Sept - 25 Oct 4 Nov - 20 Dec (2025) 7 Jan - 14 Feb 24 Feb - 4 Apr 22 Apr - 23 May 2 Jun - 18 Jul Phone us up: 07584 927050					

Monthly Men's Breakfast

The Men's Breakfast meet ups are held at The Harcourt Arms on the 1st Saturday of each month at 8:00 am to approx. 09:15 for a breakfast & general social chat. Have a full English, with tea/ coffee & toast. Other breakfasts available from the menu too. Open invitation to all, but anyone who would like to come along please let Rob Brown know by text or telephone on 07957 664117 or email rlindsaybrown@btinternet.com so he can give the Arms numbers by the Thursday beforehand.

Pilates with Nicky Holmes

Tuesdays - 5.15pm / Village Hall

Wednesdays - 10.10am and 11.20am, Guards Room

Classes start from £10 for a 6 week course -

personal tuition is also available

www.physiquepilates.co.uk

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