Village Voice

The Newsletter of Stanton Harcourt & Sutton

June 2024

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Saturday 1st 8.00am, Men's Breakfast, Harcourt Arms

Wednesday 5th 10am to 12pm, Coffee at the Chapel

Saturday 8th 12pm to 2pm, Village Market, SH Village Hall

Monday 15th to Saturday 23rd, FESTIVAL WEEK..!

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)

STANTON HARCOURT & SUTTON PARISH COUNCIL

We'll put any updates regarding the Parish Councils on the village noticeboards, on the Parish Council website and on the two village groups on Facebook. Keep your eyes peeled.

Meanwhile, a message from our new District Councillor, Steve Cosier...

Though it's only been a matter of weeks since becoming District Councillor; it has been a very busy and interesting time. I have recently met the officers at WODC to discuss amongst other things, management companies and Section 106s agreements.

Most new developments have an agreed management and maintenance contracts. This can sometimes have unforeseen problems for residents, so I'm keen to see what the planning department might do. One option might be that maintenance responsibilities don't go to private management companies and that this would no longer be included in Section 106 agreements. The Council could take ownership of the land, with responsibility for ongoing maintenance with a commuted sum secured by a planning obligation (and captured in the associated Section 106 Legal Agreement). But that's something that officers and members will have to discuss at a future date.

The speed of cars and motorbikes coming into Stanton Harcourt from the Cemetery end of the village is becoming a serious issue. I have received a number of complaints from residents, concerned about the safety of pedestrians and cyclists. I have emailed the Senior Officer for Traffic & Road Safety at the County Council

(as they are responsible for traffic matters) asking for his assistance. In the meantime, if you have an issues or concerns with speeding in the village, please contact me. I will make sure that the County Officer and our County Councillor Dan Levy are aware of all correspondence relating to speeding in the village.

Please do get in touch with any queries, comments and, or requests. The best way is via email at: steve.cosier@westoxon.gov.uk

Thank you

Steve

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Your Parish Councillors are:

TBD

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

Stanton Harcourt and Sutton Royal British Legion Annual Pig Roast, Bar and Band

As part of the Summer Festival Open Event Programme, we are inviting you to a Pig Roast, Bar, Ice-cream and Band on Sunday 16th June from 14.00-18.00 at the Old Guardroom and Garden.

The Pig Roast is free, but we ask for donations for the 2024 Poppy Appeal. Pay for drinks at the Bar and profits go to the Stanton Harcourt and Sutton Royal British Legion Branch.

We will be serving the Pig Roast from 14.30 which is on a first come first served basis until there is none remaining, so please come early to avoid disappointment. Please bring chairs and blankets with you to sit on and relax to soak up the atmosphere.

Church News

St Michael's, Stanton Harcourt Lower Windrush Benefice

Evening Prayer said most Mondays and Thursdays at 4pm

June:

Sunday 2nd 08:30 Holy Communion at St Michael's, SH Sunday 9th 10:00 Benefice Holy Communion at St Michael's, SH

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.ora

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

SERVICE: SUNDAY 9th June at 3.00pm

ALL ARE VERY WELCOME

St Peter's Roman Catholic Church, Eynsham

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

Stanton Harcourt Village Hall

We are very lucky to have such a fabulous Village Hall available for everyone. When was the last time you used it? Would you like to join our team and give a little time to ensure its ongoing success?

Your Village Hall Needs You!

The current committee have been running your village hall for very many years now. We have achieved some exciting things in the last few years, with the installation of solar panels, running the village market and cafe each month, welcoming The Watermill Theatre for fabulous performances, providing the bar and burgers for Festival Day and keeping the hall fit for use for all the many user groups, village residents and outside organisations. This only happens with the dedication of the volunteer village hall committee.

We would love to welcome some fresh faces to help us. Could you come to join us? Do you have a little spare time? The commitment is only 3 or 4 short meetings a year, help with some of the fund-raising events or maybe in time taking on one of the leading roles. Our Chair and Treasurer have let

on one of the leading roles. Our Chair and Treasurer have let us know at our recent AGM this will be their last year in those roles so we would welcome some new blood. The more people we have on the committee, the less work it is for individuals. The more the merrier! We are a jolly band and have fun at the events we organise.

If you would like to help to keep your village hall running, come and chat to us in the bar on Festival day or call Jane Eagle, our chair on 01865 880736 / jane1.goldenbridge@gmail.com or Jo Sensecall, vice-chair on 01865 882470 /jo@marketing-sense.co.uk.

Stanton Harcourt Beer Festival

Calling all Businesses, Families and Friends.
If you would like to sponsor our wonderful beer
festival, please get in touch.
We have a package for all levels.
Email us on

stantonharcourtbeerfestival@gmail.com

Café at the Chapel



Every first Wednesday of the month



WEDNESDAY 5th June 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.

Sutton Singers 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

Summer Festival Month! Hooray!! We are delighted to join in the Summer Festival fun and frolics with our Summer Festival Concert.

Tuesday 18th June 7 for 7.30 sing. At The Chapel, new Road. No tickets needed, just turn up, a collection for Sutton Singers and The Chapel at the end of the concert. There will still be time after the concert to catch the vintage car show!

Dear Villagers

Me (Nasser, The Fox) again, on the scrounge! This time, however, I am asking for your spare/unwanted mobile phones please.

Like bikes, mobile phones help our refugees and asylum seekers communicating with friends and families and also with our carers, in times of need. Also, a great help not feeling isolated. Smart phones preferred, I have been told, but beggars should not be choosers, and I am the beggar. You can clean your old mobile to "factory set" and drop it at my place, The Fox, Main Road, Stanton Harcourt, or email me for queries or alternative arrangements. dearnasser@hotmail.com

Thanks to so many of you and many others within Oxfordshire, we managed to equip over 600 Refugees and asylum seekers with bikes during the last 2½ years. We are still short of bikes, by the way, especially for adult males.

Nasser

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

While we try to ensure the accuracy of information in Village Voice, readers use the information at their own risk. Opinions expressed are those of the contributors and not necessarily those of the Editor. Inclusion of an advertisement does not indicate endorsement of the product, service or event being advertised.

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

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.

Ladies Walking Group - fancy walking with others?

We are a group of ladies who get together at 9.30 on a Monday Morning to walk! Mostly for about 2 hours locally. Sometimes stopping for coffee at the end. Occasionally we also go further afield travelling to nearby walking routes within a 15 to 30 minute drive. There is no pressure to attend every week – sometimes it's just a couple of us and another day it will be 10. We walk at a pace that works for those attending. For more information contact Jan Tomlinson 01865 881709 / janviv28@gmail.com

Come and join us on Monday 17th June at 10am. for a ********************* Anyone can come along – man, woman

<u>Anyone can come along – man, woman, accompanied child.</u>

Meet at The Village Hall Car Park. Come dressed for the weather - hoping for sun hats!! We will be walking around Dix Pit - weather permitting and popping into The Harcourt Arms for a 'buy you own' coffee afterwards - or you could stay for a fabulous lunch. The pub will be expecting us! Hope to see you there.

FIRST AND LAST MILE BUS SERVICE

First and Last Mile are pleased to announce that a new direct bus to Witney will be running every Wednesday from 14 February. The bus will leave Bablock Hythe at 09.30 and serve all bus stops including Flexneys Paddock at 09.41 and Sutton at 09.45. In Witney it will stop at Sainsburys as well as the Market Square. The return journey will depart from Sainsburys at 11.55 and Witney Market Square at 12.00. If the service proves popular the bus may run on other days in the future. The 418 service will continue to run every 2 hours Monday to Friday to Eynsham.

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.

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.



Stanton Harcourt CC

The cricket season is well underway, and it would be fair to say that results have been mixed. The U11 team is firing on all cylinders but the same cannot be said for the senior teams. A series of freak injuries and something about Oxford United playing at Wembley meant our player pool has been seriously depleted. However, we are confident we'll turn the corner and results will come our way.

If you would like to come and support your village club, we have a licensed bar with patio seating to watch the drama unfold. A home match will take place most Saturdays through till end of August. Junior matches take place on Sunday mornings. For more details on fixtures, you can search for Stanton Harcourt CC on play-cricket.com:

https://stantonharcourt.playcricket.com/Matches?tab=Fixture

In other news, our junior nights on Friday evening have been very popular with the bar open and BBQ in action. We have also started our Women's cricket evenings on Mondays, absolutely no experience necessary. Please feel contact for more information.

Finally, we will be participating in the Festival week. Test your cricket skills for both juniors and adults at the club on Thursday 20th June. Refreshments will be available at the bar. On Friday 21st June, by popular demand, we see the return of talented musician Jamie Felton playing in the club bar. Jamie plays a wide range of music and will attempt all requests. The bar will open from 6pm and Jamie will play later. More details will follow. For any more information please

contact edwinapps@me.com

STANTON HARCOURT VILLAGE FESTIVAL DOG SHOW JUNE 15th 2024

(RKC licensed) Stanton Harcourt Village Green, OX295RN Entries from 12.30pm. Judging 1.30 pm / £2 a class or £5 for 3 classes. All funds for Standing with Giants. (Reg Charity No 1205903) & Oxfordshire Wildlife Rescue. (Reg Charity No 1194050)

PEDIGREE CLASSES

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JUDGE. MR KENNETH FRY. (GABLECROSS)

1. Best Pedigree Puppy 6-12 mths John Weller 2. AV sporting 3. AV Non Sporting The Nose Knows

4. AV Open The Nose Knows 5. Best Veteran (over 7 yrs) in memory of Brett **BEST IN SHOW**

VJP Veterinary Rehabilitation

RESERVE BEST in SHOW The Nose Knows **BEST PUPPY** THE HARCOURT ARMS **BEST VETERAN** in memory of Evie

NOVELTY CLASSES JUDGE. Stephanie Presdee (Pampardour)

in memory of Wee Mac aged 17 6. Golden Oldie (over 7 years) 7. Cutest Puppy (under 1 year) in memory of Ollie Windrush Nutrition 8. Best Cross Breed 9. Dog most like owner Chris Green Windrush Nutrition 10. Handsome Dog 11. Prettiest Bitch John Weller

12. Child's Best Friend in memory of Meg 13. Waggiest Tail in memory of Bunty 14. Appealing Eyes Chris Green

15. Best Long Coat/Best Condition in memory of Nancy 16. Best Short Coat/Best Condition in memory of Meg 17. Best Rescue

in memory of Big Jim aged 13 18. Best Six Legs "Walk like an Egyptian" in memory of Woodie 19. Fancy Dress "Dress like an Egyptian" Timberwise Property Care &

Preservation

20. Best Local Village Dog Paw Behaviour Training (Glos) Novelty Best in Show // Voucher from Chiltern Hills Farm

Reserve Best in Show // Timberwise Property Care & Preservation

All dogs to be kept on leads and under control at all all times. Please clean up after your dogs. Park in the Village Hall Car Park OX29 5SB and walk down. There is limited parking in the village. Please be respectful of driveways. When the Village car park is full you will be directed to the Old Fox Pub who have offered parking and use of their loo! The Harcourt Arms have also kindly agreed to allow parking. No CC, RCC winners to take part in Classes 1-5. Prizes + Super Rosettes 1-5th.

Stanton Harcourt and Sutton Summer Festival "Stanton Discovers Ancient Egypt""



Festival Week Events

15th to 23rd June



Festival Day Saturday 22nd June

Don't miss out on any of the events that are taking place this year by ensuring that you get a copy of the Festival Programme booklet. It will be available from 8th June and will contain all the details of events that are taking place during the week. Programmes cost £1.50 and will be on sale from the Village Shop / The Harcourt Arms or from the programme sellers who will be doing the rounds of the village.

Don't forget to help us turn Stanton and Sutton into "Ancient Egypt" by getting your house decorations on display ready for Festival week and start planning your Egyptian fancy dress ready to join in the parade on festival day.

There will be prizes for the best decorated houses and for the best dressed Egyptians on the day.

More details about Festival are contained in the flyer insert delivered with this edition of VV.

For other enquiries about Festival or to volunteer to help with the organisation of this year's event then please contact Jo Wilby (jowilby@hotmail.co.uk)

The Festival Committee



The Rotary Club of Eynsham

Within the Eynsham community, the Rotary Club stands as a beacon of service and goodwill. Founded in 1905 by Paul Harris in Chicago, Rotary initially served as a forum for professionals from diverse backgrounds to exchange ideas and foster goodwill. Today, Rotary International spearheads numerous initiatives aimed at addressing pressing global challenges from organizing charity events and fundraisers to offering practical support to local schools and community projects, our Eynsham Club members are dedicated to making a difference right here at home as well as participating in Rotary International projects including disaster relief.

If you share our passion for service and community and can spare 2 evenings a month, we invite you to join the Rotary Club of Eynsham. Whatever your age and whether you're a seasoned professional or a newcomer to Eynsham, there's a place for you in our friendly, informal and welcoming group. By becoming a member, you'll have the opportunity to make meaningful connections, develop new skills, and most importantly, contribute to positive change in our community and beyond. We meet in the function room of the Swan on the second and fourth Tuesday of the month.

To learn more about the Rotary Club of Eynsham and how you can get involved, visit our website at https://www.rotary-

ribi.org/clubs/homepage.php?ClubID=2080 or have a look at our Facebook page https://www.facebook.com/eynshamrotaryclub

Anahata Yoga 🧚



Monday 6.15-7.15pm The Old Guardroom, on The Old Airfield, **Stanton Harcourt**

Thursday 10-11am Stanton Harcourt Village Hall

Anahata yoga uses sequences of standing yoga flows, floor exercises, vinyasa, meditation and relaxation to help us to relax and reset, as well as stretching and opening our bodies. This class is suitable for all levels and equipment is provided. It is also a great way to get together and meet others in the area.

The 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 🛡

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