

## STICKFORD NEWSLETTER UPDATE JULY 2022

### FARMERS MARKET at St Helen's Church, Stickford

Saturday 2nd July 11am to 3pm

If you have produce you would like to sell please book a stall by contacting

Nicki on 01205480869 or Cheryl at [cherylsteele@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:cherylsteele@tiscali.co.uk) (01205480477)

Refreshments and Tombola Please support our new venture

- Sunday 10th July **Morning Worship** 11.15 am St Helen's Church, Stickford
- Monday 11th July **Stickford Ladies Social Circle** Talk 'The Bloody Tower' by Keith Hansen, ex-Beefeater. 1.30pm Stickford Community Centre. Visitors welcome (£2)
- Tuesday 12th July **Keals Club** Tea, Cakes & Conversation followed by an Auction  
2pm Stickford Community Centre Visitors welcome (£1)
- Tuesday 12th July **Parish Council Meeting** - Public open forum for 15 minutes at start of meeting 7.30 pm Stickford Community Centre
- Sunday 24th July **Holy Communion** 11.15 am St Helen's Church, Stickford

### HORNCastle COMMUNITY CHOIR IN CONCERT

#### ST HELEN'S CHURCH, STICKFORD

Sunday 24th July at 3pm



Refreshments served in the interval



Tickets £5 – pay at the door

More information from Cheryl Steele 01205 480477 or email [cherylsteele@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:cherylsteele@tiscali.co.uk)

### Coffee Morning in Stickford Community Centre

Friday 29th July 10.30 am - 12 noon

Coffee/Tea + Cake £1 Proceeds to Stickford Community Centre



## The Queen's Platinum Jubilee.

I hope that you enjoyed the village's celebrations on 4th June. After months of planning everything went really well on the day although maybe the weather could have been kinder with some sunshine and warmer. The Big Jubilee Lunch was very well attended with all of the straw bales placed on Church Road occupied and Church Road residents taking part on their driveways. Many dogs entered the dog show which was very popular with dogs and owners alike!

The church was very busy all afternoon with everyone enjoying the exhibition, free drinks and cake. There were about 20 exhibits in the vintage tractors and classic vehicles exhibition this was also very popular. However most popular was the free ice cream from the Skinner's Ice cream van with it taking just over an hour to serve everyone. The games in the garden of the Red Lion were enjoyed by all ages.

Throughout the afternoon and evening everyone was thoroughly entertained by Keith Bishop and his musical roadshow His three outfits for the day were a sight to behold!

The afternoon events were brought to a close by a magnificent flypast by the Hurricane from the Battle of Britain Memorial Flight.

Prizes for fancy dress were given out to children on the day. The overall winners of the best dressed house competition are

Keith, Val and Oliver Bishop, Fen Road

Runners up Richard Richmond on Church Road, Dawn Hart on Fen Road and Kathleen Wheeler the Cul de Sac who will receive gift card prizes.

The commemorative jubilee gift of the Royal Mint coin for the children of the village has been very well received. We do have some coins left if you would be interested in buying one or more cost price £10 then please contact me [jknowlett@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:jknowlett@hotmail.co.uk) or 01205 481361 with the number you would like. If we have a large number of applications, we may need to draw names. The coins are now available from the Royal Mint, product reference UK22PJBU.

Now some thank you's since without the contribution of these people we could not have staged the event.

Thank you to Brenda Turner for her very kind donation towards the costs of the event, Keith Bishop for the musical entertainment and donating bunting and flags, Cheryl Steele for arranging the flypast and Garry Steele for overseeing the games, Nicki George for the dog show, Robert and Graham Morley for organising the vehicle exhibition and all who displayed their vehicles, Noel Bradley for helping me with the collection delivery and return of the straw bales, Clive Kingswood for being the escort on the King's transport, Stickford Ladies Social Circle for serving the refreshments in the church and everyone who baked and donated cakes, the History Group for the setting up the Jubilee exhibition in the church and everyone who helped out during the morning of the event in particular Darren Harris who provided cable ties to attach all of the bunting. Thank you everyone.

*John Howlett.*

Did you know there is now a mobile **POST OFFICE VAN** that calls at the village every Monday morning between 11.30am and 12.30pm at the Red Lion (in the car park). It offers all the usual post office services, banking, car tax, business banking, travel services, bill payments, licenses and applications, cheque deposits and they sell a range of greetings cards. Easy access for wheelchair users and those with disabilities.

There is also a **fresh fish van** that calls at the Red Lion car park every fortnight on a Thursday afternoon between 2.30 and 3pm – The Little Fishmonger. It should be there on 30<sup>th</sup> June and 14<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> July. You can contact Suzanne on 07812 648417 or email [thelittlefishmonger@gmail.com](mailto:thelittlefishmonger@gmail.com)

## **Red Lion News**

### **Stickfest (Saturday 2 July from 2pm)**

Live music from the Rough Culprits and The Expletives together with a mix of genres from Keith Bishop.

### **Charity Weekender (Saturday 16/Sunday 17 July)**

Many of you will have seen the inspiring story of Martin Hibbert on BBC Breakfast. Martin was the closest survivor to the Manchester arena bombings. He was left paralysed and set himself a challenge to raise £1m for the Spinal Injuries Association (SIA). Alongside a team of experts and members of the SIA (including my brother) THEY HAVE JUST CLIMBED MOUNT KILIMANJARO!!

To help with their fundraising efforts we are holding a 2-day weekender which will include:

**Saturday 16 July** (from 3pm) - Music from Keith Bishop, Test yourself on the inflatable bungee run, The Stickford stocks are back! Hog/meat roast.

Raffle tickets available to purchase Food and drink (well of course!)

**Sunday 17 July** (from 1pm) - Music from Toxic Blondes, Food, Huge raffle with some amazing prizes!

**Let There B/DC (an AC/DC tribute band) (Friday 22 July at 7pm) Playing** live outside at the Red Lion.

**Lizzie and the Sandboys (Sunday 14 August)** Join us on Sunday afternoon to listen to this band play a mix across the genres from Fleetwood Mac to the Rolling Stones

**Village Fete with The Nuggets (Saturday 20 August from 1pm)** Stickford Village Fete with music from the Nuggets. Watch this space for further information or follow us on Facebook.

*Katie*

## **St Helen's Church**

### **Church Bookshop**

Thank you again to everyone who has donated and bought books from the church bookshop recently. This month we've had some of the "Game of Thrones" series donated. They are currently featured on the top shelf as you approach the bookshop corner. It's always interesting to see new titles/ authors come in. The romantic fiction section is getting full – so if you need some summer reading, visit the bookshop before your holiday. *Julie*

### **Tombolas and Raffles**

Thank you to everyone who has donated prizes for our tombolas and raffles. With more events coming up, please continue to support our fundraising efforts. Prizes can be handed to Julie Bedford (01205 480165) or Cheryl Steele (01205 480477). Or drop them off at any of the Thursday coffee mornings. Maybe you have been given a gift that you don't really have a use for? Perhaps you have won something that you won't use or you are able to add a small item to your next shopping trip? Whatever you can find will help us to raise money.

Thank you!

*Julie*

### **Jubilee Celebrations**

On behalf of the "cake and coffee" team in the church on 4 June, we would like to thank everyone who baked cakes for the event. We thought there would be too many, but we were delighted that virtually every slice was eaten. I don't like to think how many cups of tea and coffee we made (or how much washing up we did!). So whether you baked a cake or just came along to support us on the day, we are truly grateful. It wasn't targeted as a fundraising event – but your generous donations were a bonus and made it all even more worthwhile. Thanks also to Garry Steele for putting up the bunting inside the church – it looked fabulous.

*Julie*

### **Church fence painting**

Thanks to everyone who helped with wire brushing and painting the gate and fence outside the church. It looks so much better! Special thanks to Darren for the repair work to the fence too. Also thanks to the "gardening team", the grounds are looking very well cared for this year.