

STICKFORD NEWSLETTER



Village News and Diary Dates November 2022 to January 2023

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On **Sunday 13th November** at **10.45** am an act of remembrance will be held at the War Memorial to remember the people from this area who gave their lives in the two World Wars

Everyone welcome

STICKFORD MEMORIAL – Remembrance Sunday

Once again we will be decorating the memorial ahead of Remembrance Sunday. All help would be appreciated on **Thursday, 3 November** in the afternoon - please contact Jennie on 07966 139641 if you are able to help. Thank you

STICKFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Is giving back to the community something that may interest you?

This is why I and my fellow councillors became councillors, to help protect and grow our close-knit community.

Please come along to a meeting, dates are in the newsletters, to see what we do and whether it could be something that would be for you.

We are currently reviewing the Parish assets of which these include the four bus shelters. These wooden bus shelters, supplied by the highways department, replaced the brick-built ones which were demolished for the new main road. They have now come to the end of their life and need replacing or reducing the numbers of shelters due to the significant cost to replace.

It is therefore proposed to replace the one at the top of Fen Road near Peachwood garage and the one over the road at the top of the dead end Church Road. It is proposed to remove completely the two at Church Road turning as they are not used as much/if at all as the other two and attracts the use of vehicles using it as a toilet and litter bin. We would like the villages opinion on this proposal and urge anyone to attend the December meeting with your views.

We now have the date for the Kings Coronation and as all money set aside for the Queens Jubilee wasn't spent we are in the early stages of planning a village party to celebrate the day. We therefore need volunteers to help organise this event. If you can help then please come along to the next meeting on 13th December in Stickford Community Centre. This again will be a chance for the whole village to come together. Lesley Reeson

Chairman of Stickford Parish Council

The church is open daily from 10am to 4pm for use of the bookshop or quiet prayer and contemplation.

First of all a massive thank you to everyone who helped us with our events in September:-

Lincolnshire Wolds and Coast Festival, Craft Fair and Heritage Weekend - Thank you to Jude, Barbara P, Jennie, Trevor, Alan, Pam, Dawn, Karen, Nicki, Jean, Julie and Alison who all worked really hard to keep these events running smoothly.

Harvest Supper and Auction - Thank you once again to Robert for donating the potatoes for cooking and auctioning, Steve, Sharon, Lou and Alison for peeling and cooking potatoes, Lesley, Jude and Lisa for serving the food from the kitchen and to our younger helpers who took the plated meals out, Erin, Alysha, Ella, Chloe and Bethany.

Nearly 60 people came to the Harvest Supper and we had plenty of produce to auction. Thanks to Keith for collecting many of the cabbages and cauliflowers from local farmers and to everyone who donated items for auction. Richard was the auctioneer for the evening and was ably assisted by Della who passed him the items and Garry and Peter who delivered the goods. There was fierce bidding for some things - one Victoria sponge cake raised £17!

Throughout all these events everyone has commented on how friendly everyone is and there has been a good community feeling.

If any of you would like to get more involved and volunteer to help out at future events, please get in touch - cherylsteele@tiscali.co.uk or phone 01205 480477.

Farmers Markets - these have been very successful events with many people coming to buy local produce. Three have been held so far, in July, August and October, with a Christmas one planned for Saturday 26th November. This will be held in the church, so make sure you wear a thick coat as it's cool in there in winter! Once again, I would like to thank those who help serve refreshments, Jude, Barbara P, Julie, Jennie and those who stepped in at the last minute, Pauline and Su.

We are in the process of planning dates for next year as they have proved so popular. If you would like to get involved with organising these or helping to run them, please contact Cheryl on 01205 480477 or email cherylsteele@tiscali.co.uk. We'd welcome any helpers or organisers.

Friends of St Helen's

Early 2022, saw a group of like-minded individuals come together in the Community Centre with the aim of caring for the exterior of the church and churchyard.

Our first project was to clean down and paint the metal fencing for the Queen's Jubilee which I am pleased to say we achieved.

Since then, we have "edged" 2 internal paths and tidied up the yew trees within the churchyard.

Current ongoing work involves the removal of large conifers and the planting of a new hedge in November. So, if you fancy a bit of trench digging or hedge planting, come along on **Saturday 12th November at 9am**.

Whilst all this has been happening, the grass has kept on growing and Lesley, Darren and Bailey have been keeping on top of this.

May I take this opportunity of thanking all those that have helped and if you fancy getting involved, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Richard

Bins at the Green Barn

These will be removed as soon as possible as everyone now has purple lidded bins for card and paper. Thank you to everyone who has used them over the past years

Enquiry

Are there any stay at home Mum's in Stickford? If so, would they like to meet up for a play date/coffee/chat?

Email cherylsteele@tiscali.co.uk and I will pass the messages along.

STICKFORD COMMUNITY CENTRE

Thank you to everyone who supported the Macmillan coffee morning held in September which raised £125. This will go to the local Macmillan nurses who will use it to buy new items for their base at Louth hospital where equipment used by cancer patients in their own homes is stored.

Coffee Mornings

on the last Friday of every month in the Community Centre from 10.30am to 12 noon Coffee/tea and cake only £1.

Everyone is made very welcome, so please come along. Support your Community Centre and meet the villagers.

COMMUNITY LOTTERY

Stickford Community Centre has joined the South and East Lincolnshire Community Lottery. Tickets for the lottery cost just £1 a week. Each ticket has a **1 in 50** chance to win a prize each week, with a top prize of £25,000! That's a better chance of winning than the National Lottery or the Health Lottery. The first draw will be on 26 November 2022 and then every week thereafter.

Here is the direct link to Stickford Community Centre's page -

https://www.selcplottery.co.uk/support/stickford-community-centre

PLEASE SUPPORT YOUR COMMUNITY CENTRE BY BUYING A WEEKLY TICKET FOR THE LOTTERY

STICKFORD CHARITIES

Stickford Relief in Need Charity exists to provide financial help for those in need living in the parish of Stickford, as well as providing school clothing vouchers, birth grants and cash payments to pensioners and others in need at Christmas. The Trustees welcome applications from any resident for assistance with, for example, repair bills, funeral expenses, aids for disabled people etc.

The Charity makes cash grants at Christmas to pensioners, single parents, disabled people and anyone else living in the parish who is in financial need. If you have not received a payment in the past and believe you would be eligible to receive one, please write with details to any of the Trustees or to the Clerk before our next meeting on 15th November 2022.

The Charity also provides a bus service twice a month - to Boston on the second Wednesday and Horncastle on the fourth Thursday of the month (except December), for those without access to their own transport and those who can show a genuine need to use the service, even if they have their own transport as well. If you would be interested in using the bus service on this basis please contact any of the Trustees:

Pam Bryant, Beauport, Cul de Sac, Stickford 01205 480410

Dave Bursnell, Mik-I, Cul de Sac, Stickford 01205 480053

Wendy Morley, Church View, Church Road, Stickford 01205 480474

Helen Edwards, Magers Farm, Back Lane, Stickford 01790 763267

Rev Fran Jeffries, The Rectory, Horbling Lane, Stickney 01205 481183

Stickford Educational Charity exists to make financial grants towards any educational objectives, including for equipment, books, courses and experiences, for people of any age resident in the Parish of Stickford (including those normally resident there but attending university or college elsewhere) such grants to be means tested if the Trustees in their discretion so require. **The Trustees would welcome applications for educational grants.**

Applications for any assistance from either Charity should be made in writing to the Clerk to the Trustees, Mrs Katherine Bunting at The Old Vicarage, Church Road, Stickford, Boston, PE22 8EP or by email to katherine.bunting@chattertons.com.

The next meeting of the Trustees is on Tuesday 15 November 2022.

EVERGREENS MINIATURE RAILWAY

It's been another great season for the railway this year, the weather has been very kind for us and visitor numbers have been good although our open days have clashed with other local events once or twice which means maybe we were a little quieter than normal for a few days.

As you read this, we will have had the Halloween open day at the end of October and our last public running day for the year apart from our Santa Special in early December. This is always a busy day for us and great fun for all who attend, young and old, in fact I'm not sure who gets the most fun - the children or parents & grandparents watching their faces. So if you have kids to bring along, or just fancy coming to see some trains & get a free hot drink then please pop along on Saturday 3rd December, we'll be starting around 11:00 ish for this one.

Also, we are still desperately short of helpers for our catering department. If anyone is at all interested in joining our happy band of people serving food, either cooking, serving drinks or as a general extra pair of hands then please contact me or come along to the railway and have a chat. It's not particularly difficult

work but it can get a bit hectic on busy days.

Anyway, if we don't see you at the Christmas run then have a great Christmas & New Year and hope to see you next April when the season starts all over again.

Regards,

Kevin Bennett - Evergreens Miniature Railway.

Email: kevinbennett126@hotmail.co.uk

STICKFORD LADIES SOCIAL CIRCLE

November Our next meeting is at 1:30pm on Monday 14 November in the Community Centre, Church Road, Stickford. Our speaker will be Linda Emmot who will be speaking about and demonstrating natural beauty products. Visitors welcome £2. We will be having our usual tea and cakes whilst everyone has a chance to chat!

December Our meeting will be held on Monday 12th December at 1:30pm when we will be having a fun Christmas quiz. Visitors are welcome to join us and enjoy our tea and cakes and the chance to chat to everyone.

January This meeting will be for members only when the ladies will enjoy a New Year lunch, provided by the Committee.

Mobile Library Service

The mobile library calls in the village every four weeks on the following dates: -

Thursday 24th November Thursday 22nd December Thursday 19th January

It stops at Hagnaby Road from 10.15am to 11.00am

To order books call the customer service centre 01522 782010 or online. Stickford is on **route 4 (C & P East)** – you will need to know this when placing an order.

RED LION NEWS

Join us at our upcoming LIVE MUSIC events:

Saturday 5th November – Celena Deans – Soul/Motown/Disco Classics - 8pm

Saturday, 19th November – **Under the Covers** – Rock with a Twist! - 8pm

Saturday 10th December – **Christmas Party** – Disco with Keith Bishop!

Have you tried our new saver meals yet?

Only £3.95!!

3 x chicken drumsticks OR 1 x full chicken leg
With chips, coleslaw and salad
Available to eat in or take away from 2pm to 2pm Me

Available to eat in or take away from 3pm to 8pm Mon – Sat

Our Winter opening hours are:

Monday to Thursday – 3pm to close Friday and Saturday – 2pm to close, Sunday – 12 noon to 7pm

FOOD BANK COLLECTION

Donations are being collected for the local food banks

A box is located in the porch in Stickford Parish Church and also at meetings in the Community Centre



All tinned/packet/dried foods, toiletries, soft drinks, cleaning products baby food & baby essentials

please, no perishables -

queries : contact Jennie 07966139641

November

Tuesday 8th November Keals Club - The Sibsey Singers with popular and festive tunes, followed

by refreshments.

2pm Stickford Community Centre.

Sunday 13th November Service at Stickford War Memorial followed by short service in church.

Tea, coffee & biscuits served after the service.

10.45 am at Stickford War Memorial

Monday 14th November Stickford Ladies Social Circle – Talk & demonstration of natural beauty

products by Linda Emmot

1.30pm Stickford Community Centre

Visitors Welcome (£2)

Thursday 17th November Stickford Local History Group - Stickford Church from a different

perspective - a talk by Garry Steele

New members and visitors welcome. Visitors £2.50, members £1

7.30pm Stickford Community Centre

Monday 21st November

Prize Bingo

7.30pm Stickford Community Centre

COFFEE MORNING

Friday 25th November
10.30 am - 12 noon
Stickford Community Centre
Coffee/Tea + Cake £1
Proceeds to Stickford Community Centre



Variety of Stalls - Advent calendars, knitted items, jewellery, bags, bath & shower bombs, fused glass, cards, bottles and more.

Raffle, Tombola

Refreshments

An opportunity to buy Christmas presents!

Everyone welcome

Proceeds to St Helen's Church, Stickford

If you can help with the tombola, serving refreshments, or making cakes for the Craft Fair, please ring 01205 480477 or email cherylsteele@tiscali.co.uk

CHRISTMAS FARMERS MARKET

Stickford Church

Saturday 26th November 11am to 2pm

Refreshments (hot soup and a roll) and Tombola

Variety of stalls - bacon & sausages, chilli products, cheese, sweets, plants, jewellery, Flowers & wreaths, local honey & more.

To book a stall at £5 each please email cherylsteele@tiscali.co.uk or call 01205480477

Sunday 27th November Holy Communion followed by tea, coffee and biscuits

11.15 am St Helen's Church, Stickford

Monday 28th November Prize Bingo

7.30pm Stickford Community Centre

December

Monday 5th December Christmas Prize Bingo

7.30pm Stickford Community Centre

Sunday 11th December Morning Worship followed by tea, coffee and biscuits

11.15am St Helen's Church, Stickford

Monday 12th December Stickford Ladies Social Circle - Fun Christmas Quiz followed by tea, cakes

and chat.

1.30pm Stickford Community Centre

Visitors welcome (£2)

Tuesday 13th December Parish Council meeting

Public open forum for 15 minutes at start of meeting

7.30 pm Stickford Community Centre

Thursday 15th December Stickford Local History Group - Tattershall and Coningsby Ukelele group

will be entertaining us with festive songs and a singalong. Everyone welcome 7.30pm Stickford Community Centre £1 members £2.50 non-members



FAMILY CAROL SERVICE St Helen's Church, Stickford

Saturday 17th December at 3pm

This will be followed by the traditional village party with local band "Minus 2" and barbecue Mulled wine, mince pies, tea, coffee and hot chocolate will also be served.

This is a free party and barbecue for the village.
All you will need money for is the tombola.

Monday 19th December

Christmas Prize Bingo

7.30pm Stickford Community Centre

<u>January</u>

Sunday 8th January Morning Worship followed by tea, coffee and biscuits

11.15am Stickford Church

Monday 9th January Stickford Ladies Social Circle- New Year lunch for members only

Tuesday 10th January Keals Club - "Travels in South America" talk by Ken Richard

2pm Stickford Community Centre

Visitors welcome (£1)

Monday 16th January Prize Bingo

7.30pm Stickford Community Centre

Thursday 19th January Stickford Local History Group. - TBC

7.30pm Stickford Community Centre £1 members £2.50 non-members

Sunday 22nd January Holy Communion followed by tea, coffee and biscuits

11.15am St Helen's Church, Stickford

Monday 23rd January Prize Bingo

7.30pm Stickford Community Centre

Friday 27th January

Coffee Morning 10.30am to 12 noon

Stickford Community Centre

Monday 29th January

Prize Bingo

7.30pm Stickford Community Centre

St Helen's Picture Framing

Church Rd, Stickford PE22 8EP Next door to the church email sthelenspictureframing@outlook.com



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