

# Village Voice

The Newsletter of Stanton Harcourt & Sutton

February 2020

| February           |                                   |  |
|--------------------|-----------------------------------|--|
| 3 <sup>rd</sup>    | Harcourt Stores Opens!            |  |
| 8 <sup>th</sup>    | Village Litter Pick / Maintenance |  |
| 10 <sup>th</sup>   | Parish Council Meeting            |  |
| 27 <sup>th</sup> - | Drama Group Pantomime             |  |
| 29 <sup>th</sup>   | Sherlock Holmes!                  |  |
| March              |                                   |  |
| 14 <sup>th</sup>   | Litter Pick / Village Market      |  |
| 28 <sup>th</sup>   | FOSHS Barn Dance                  |  |
| May                |                                   |  |
| 8 <sup>th</sup>    | VE Day                            |  |
| June               |                                   |  |
| 20 <sup>th</sup>   | Festival Day 2020                 |  |

#### Litter Pick & Village Maintenance 8th February 10:00-12:00\*

\*if the markets not on we'll have a cuppa at the pub!

#### Meet outside the Primary School

Please join us if you can (else come to the next one!)
Children are welcome but MUST be supervised by an
Adult at all times

Next one 14th March - details to follow

# THE HARCOURT STORES IS NOW OPEN

THE STORES WILL BE A ONE-STOP-SHOP FOR OUR LOCALS

OPEN EVERYDAY FROM 7AM - 6PM

Think sandwiches and salads for lunch made daily, cured & smoked produce, fresh coffee to go and delicious sweet treats along with beers, wine and beautifully bottled spirits to take home.

TO CELEBRATE THE
OPENING, WE'RE
OFFERING A FREE
COFFEE WITH ANY
PURCHASE BETWEEN
7 AM - 12NOON, UNTIL
28TH FEBRUARY

# Stanton Harcourt Drama Group



# Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> February to Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> February 2020

Performances 7:30pm daily Saturday matinee 2pm Stanton Harcourt Village Hall

Tickets from The Harcourt Arms, Village Shop or Paul Harrison: <u>sutton-harry@hotmail.com</u> / 07989 825823

Thursday Special – tickets £6 Friday / Saturday – tickets £8 Saturday Matinee only – Children\* £4

> \*Children age 12 or under. All children must be accompanied by an adul



### 8-10 MAY 2020

Events are being planned for the weekend of celebrations. If you have any ideas or would like to help please contact kerstiejudson@aol.com



A warm welcome every day for the best food, drink and accommodation for miles around.

New for this year Pub Quiz nights on a Monday and acoustic music nights on a Thursday
For more information visit:

www.theharcourtarms.com

or call: 01865 416516

Village

# Village Market and Café 12 – 2 at the Village Hall on:

Come on down to see a range of produce and crafts, enjoy a bite to eat at the café and catch up with your favourite villagers!

This years market dates:

- March 14th
- April 4th (1 week early)
- May 9th
- June 13th
- July 11th
- August no market planned
- September 12th
- October 10th
- November 14th
- December 12th

#### Get your waste to the right place

A new and magical hero is in town to kill the confusion around recycling. The Waste Wizard is a new online tool that's here to provide a magical solution to help Oxfordshire residents in their quest to solve the riddle of household waste and defeat General Waste. Type in your postcode and the name of any item to find out whether it can be reused, repaired, donated, recycled, if it needs to go into a specific bin or can be disposed of at a Household Waste Recycling Centre - oxfordshire.gov.uk/wastewizard

# **Green Waste Collection – Renewal and Request?**

Now residents are being urged to sign up or renew their subscription which runs from 1 April 2020 to 31 March 2021 and costs £30 per bin a year for a fortnightly collection.

# Full-time teaching Assistant vacancy at Standlake School, Easter to August

Please see this link to find out more:

https://www.standlakeschool.co.uk/community/s taff-vacancies deadline 25<sup>th</sup> Feb

### Stanton Harcourt and Sutton Summer Festival 2020

Happy New Year to everyone from the Festival Committee.

We hope that you have already saved the following date on your new calendars!

Festival Day this year will be held on:

### Saturday 20th June 2020

Festival Week open events will be held around the village in the week leading up to Festival Day (i.e. from Sat 13<sup>th</sup> June onwards)

2020 is an Olympic year with the summer Olympics being held in Tokyo.

To celebrate this, our theme this year is an Olympic one:



We hope to turn Stanton and Sutton into our very own Olympic village and have lots of sporting fun, activities and attractions for you all to enjoy on Festival Day.

If you would like to have a stall on the school field on Festival Day then please contact Lucy on 07775 604466 or email lucylowe1974@gmail.com As usual we are looking for village organisations or residents to host events during the week leading up to Festival Day – and hopefully some that will embrace our "Olympic" theme! Hosting a Festival Week event is a great opportunity to raise money for your local organisation or favourite charity. If you would like to hold an event, please contact Mike Parker (tel 884435 / email mikeparker12@gmail.com) who is co-ordinating the event schedule for the week and will ensure that all details are included in the Festival programme.

If you are involved in a local business and would like to place an advert in the Festival Programme booklet then contact Gill (gill@gillmason.com)

For other enquiries about Festival or to volunteer to help with the organisation of this year's event then please contact Richard Thomson (rich.thom77@gmail.com)

The Festival Committee



8 Feb Forest School Groundforce morning10 Feb Outdoor Gym arriving12 Feb NSPCC Fun Run14 Feb Half term

#### Forest School Groundforce Day

Saturday 8th February 9 am -12 noon
We need your help with creating our new forest school area on site. If you are free and have some time to volunteer, we would really appreciate your help and skills. If you have any tools that you think would be useful please bring them along with you.

Any questions please contact the school.

#### Hungry minds, Hungry bodies

Team Stanton Harcourt C E Primary School's story It costs £23 per day to provide two meals for 200 children at Murubindi and Rwamahano Schools. We have already raised enough for ten weeks, and would like to provide more, so we are. The meals are basic - maize porridge and posho and beans. For some children this will be the only food they have. Our latest total so far is £1137.17 We are having a school Barn Dance on Saturday 28th March and everyone is invited – proceeds will be shared

#### Time Capsule

We have been presented with a Time Capsule from Hayfield Green housing estate. We are starting a project with the children and we are thinking of items that could be put in the Time Capsule. The first flight left Stanton Harcourt airfield in September, 80 years ago. The children would like the Time Capsule to be buried on the site and opened in 80 years. What do you think? We are making a display in the School Hall and wondered if anyone had any information on the airfield that they could share?

#### **WASP - Windrush Against Sewage Pollution**

The release of untreated sewage is killing the River Windrush. Sewage is being taken away from our villages in tankers, screened to take out the toilet paper (not always all of it!) and re-released to flow along our streams, into our fields and past our homes.

It is in our hands to fix the problem, find out more at:

www.windrushwasp.org

### Page 3 Bird

This Month's Bird is Georgia and she is a Yellow Wagtail.



A small graceful bird dressed in yellow and green who spends a lot of time walking or running on the ground wagging her tail, which explains the name! Yellow wagtails only visit in summer, spending winters in Africa, they are now becoming endangered as they spend so much time on the ground they get eaten by cats (and lions in Africa!) so try to be nice if you do see one, as it might be the last one left!

#### Parish Council News

Next Parish Council Meetings 10<sup>th</sup> Feb, 7:30pm

### Minerals and Waste Local Plan: Part 2 – Site Allocations

Oxfordshire County Council is responsible for minerals and waste planning within its area. The Core Strategy for this was completed 2017. It sets out the key principles to guide mineral and waste development up to 2031. Part 2 aims to specify the location of the sites that will deliver the Strategy. Oxfordshire County Council are now consulting on the Preferred Options for the sites. This consultation will run from Wednesday 22 January to Wednesday 4 March 2020. There is a link to this 66-page Plan on the Stanton Harcourt Parish Council Website.

#### **Sharp Sand and Gravel Sites**

The current plan seeks to allocate sites in Northern Oxfordshire to deliver 0.612 million tonnes per annum; and in Southern Oxfordshire to deliver 3.207 million tonnes per annum. Northern Oxfordshire produced the majority in the previous plan so this rectifies the balance. Land between Eynsham and Cassington appears to be the preferred option for extraction in Northern Oxfordshire, although sites in Sutton and Standlake also appear on the list for consideration.

#### **Waste sites**

Dix Pit (Area 2), Sheehan Recycled Aggregates Plant and New Wintles Farm Eynsham all appear to have been ruled out. But Lakeside Industrial Estate Standlake and High Cogges Farm, Witney appear to be among the potential options under consideration.

#### **Neighbouring Villages**

Eynsham is faced with a number of significant proposals – against the expressed wishes of many Eynsham residents. There is the proposed Garden Village and Park & Ride to the North, plus new development on the green spaces to the West which will dwarf the Thornbury Green Estate. There is a planning application for a solar farm on the hill between Eynsham and South Leigh. And to cap it all, OCC is considering the land to the East, between Cassington Road and the river, for gravel extraction. Such changes that impact our neighbours also impact our villages as a result of extra traffic and loss of amenity.

### **Stanton Harcourt and Sutton Parish Council Elections**

A Stanton Harcourt Parish Council Election will take place on Thursday 7 May 2020 if more than six people put themselves forward to be considered for one of the six Parish Councillor posts. The nomination process and timetable will be published soon and placed on the Stanton Harcourt and Sutton Website.

# www.pc.stantonharcourt.online Parish Council Information

All official communications should be addressed to the Parish Clerk: Trudi Gasser, 5 Woodlands, Standlake, Oxon, OX29 7RA. trudigasser@rocketmail.com

#### **Witney Music Society**

The next concert in Witney Music Society's 2019-20 season will be given by Mark Taylor (flute) and Gabriella Jones (harp) who'll be playing works by composers including Piazzola, Bartok, Hamilton Harty and Ravi Shankar. The concert is at 7.30pm on Friday 14 February.

Tickets (£12, £1 for under 19s) will be available at the door from 7pm or in advance online or in person from Greenway Antiques or Rapture in Witney. For more information please telephone 01993 702296 or visit the Witney Music Society

website www.witneymusicsociety.org.uk





#### The Catholic Church of St Peter

Abbey Street, Eynsham. The Catholic Church for Sutton & Stanton Harcourt

#### Fr Mark Lagorio

**2** 01865 881613

stpeterschurcheynsham@gmail.com

Website: www.stpeterseynsham.org.uk

**Weekend Services** 

Sunday Mass 10.00am with a Children's Liturgy

Saturday Mass 5pm

**Special Services** 

Ash Wednesday 26th February 10am and 7pm

### **Sutton Methodist Chapel**

Contact: Rita Stockill 2 01865 880200

#### **February**

| Sunday 9 <sup>th</sup> 10am  | Mr Robin Gurney            |
|------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Sunday 16 <sup>th</sup> 10am | Mr Keith Crawford          |
| Sunday 23 <sup>rd</sup> 10am | Service at Long Hanborough |

Coffee Morning – First Wednesday of each Month 5<sup>th</sup> Feb All welcome – If you have a spare hour – come for a chat over tea, coffee and biscuits.

#### St Michael's Church

If you have any queries regarding a funeral, marriage or baptism at St Michael's, please contact Alison Shaw initially; 01865 300 615 ali46pshaw@ yahoo.co.uk For all other queries please contact: Gill Salway salwaypg@btinternet.com Jane Watts jane.saddleback@talktalk.net

www.lowerwindrushbenefice.org

| February               |                                     |                  |  |  |
|------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------------|--|--|
| 9 <sup>th</sup> 10:30  | Benefice Communion                  | Stanton Harcourt |  |  |
| 16 <sup>th</sup> 9:30  | All Age Worship                     | Stanton Harcourt |  |  |
| 19 <sup>th</sup> 10:00 | Benefice Communion                  | Standlake        |  |  |
| 23 <sup>rd</sup> 11:00 | Benefice Choral<br>Eucharist BCP    | Northmoor        |  |  |
| 26 <sup>th</sup> 10:00 | Ash Wednesday                       | Standlake        |  |  |
| March                  |                                     |                  |  |  |
| 1 <sup>st</sup> 9:30   | Parish Communion with Sunday School | Stanton Harcourt |  |  |

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