



# VILLAGE VOICE

The Newsletter of Stanton Harcourt & Sutton

May 2019

## May

11 <sup>th</sup>	Community Litter Pick 10-12
11 <sup>th</sup>	Village Market and Café 12-2pm
11 <sup>th</sup>	Festival Village Inn 7:30pm
13 <sup>th</sup>	Parish Council Annual meeting 7pm
13 <sup>th</sup>	Parish Council Meeting 7:30pm
20 <sup>th</sup>	Annual Parish Meeting 7:30pm

## June

15 <sup>th</sup>	Festival Week Ignition
22 <sup>nd</sup>	Festival Moon Landing

## Village Market and Cafe

12 – 2 at the Village Hall on:  
11<sup>th</sup> May

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!



## Community Litter Pick

11<sup>th</sup> May 10am-12

Meet at the Village Hall



Please join us if you can!  
(if you can't - come to the next one!)

We can provide bags and pick sticks, wear suitable clothing and footwear and bring appropriate gloves if you have them.  
Children are welcome but **MUST** be supervised by an Adult at all times

## Feeling Creative?

Come and join us in the Methodist Chapel on the first Saturday of the month and enjoy a variety of crafts.

Make friends and try jewellery making, painting, card making, sewing etc.

10.30 – 2.00. Small donation to cover costs. Bring and share lunch.

Mandy Cowell and Brenda Waring Creation Crafts

## Ecumenical Matters.....

We are sad to announce that our Vicar Rev Drew will be leaving his post in the village on 28th July to take up an appointment as Team Rector, Brize Norton and Carterton. Billie and I are excited about this new opportunity but also sad to be leaving our four lovely Churches in the Lower Windrush Benefice and our beautiful home in Stanton Harcourt.

## Thanks from Bounce!

We would like to say THANK YOU to everyone who was part of the Bounce 10 year Show in March. We danced our socks off, ate lots of cake and raised a massive £272 for the British Heart Foundation!

Dancers, you were all fantastic and worked so hard throughout the year.

A special thanks to Diane Axford for helping us organise the event and make it such a success. Our next Bounce event will be a charity Dance-Athon on Sunday the 10th November, details to follow.

For information on Bounce dance classes please contact Jenny Chivers on 07810 521026.

Keep dancing....!

Jenny, Eleanor and Olivia  
Bounce Dance Teachers

## Stanton Harcourt Village Hall Village Inn – Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> May 2019



## “Inn on the Moon”



The countdown to Festival has begun.

Come along for a friendly night of fun – it will be out of this world!



Licensed Bar with Real Ales

Games and snacks

7.30pm



Hosted by The Festival Committee

What did you look like in 1969 – the year of the moon landings?

Send us a picture of yourself taken in 1969 and we will have a picture quiz on the night! (email [louise0110@btinternet.com](mailto:louise0110@btinternet.com) or post to Rue Croft near the village green)

**Also: Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> June - kicking festival week off in style - an 'Out of this World Village Inn!' Run by FOSHS!**

**Have you ever thought of becoming an on-call firefighter?**

visit [www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/oncallfirefighters](http://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/oncallfirefighters)

**St Michael's Church 200 Club April draw**

1<sup>st</sup> 189 E Floyd

3<sup>rd</sup> 112 B Pooley

2<sup>nd</sup> 292 V Putnam

4<sup>th</sup> 100 P Burden

# Stanton Harcourt and Sutton Summer Festival 2019 "Stanton ... To the Moon and Beyond"



Festival Week Events from

Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> June

Festival Day: **Saturday 22nd**

**June 2019**



We are really pleased to announce that our Festival

Attendant will be: **Eleanor Douglas**

Eleanor will accompany our Festival Queen Lucy Taylor on the royal float along with Edith Didcock and Harrison Knight who are this year's princess and prince.

**Congratulations to Lucy, Eleanor, Edith and Harrison!**

## What's landed in your garden?

The bunting will be going up in the village in June, but we really want Stanton and Sutton to look completely "out of this world" for Festival Week. We are hoping to see space ships, astronauts and aliens landing in the village so do start planning your house decorations, so you can enter our Festival competition. There will be prizes for the most creative and "other worldly" house decorations!

The countdown to Festival is well underway so a quick reminder that:

If you want to run a stall on the school field on Festival Day contact Lucy on 07775 604466 or email [lucylowe1974@gmail.com](mailto:lucylowe1974@gmail.com).

If you are interested in holding an event during festival week contact Mike Parker on 884435 or email [mikeparker12@gmail.com](mailto:mikeparker12@gmail.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](mailto:rich.thom77@gmail.com))

## The Festival Committee

## Life Drawing Workshop

There is a new Life Drawing Workshop which has started up in the village. Details as follows:

Venue: Stanton Harcourt Village Hall (rear room)

Date: every Wednesday 7.30pm - 9.30pm.

Cost: Approx £7 per session (depending on numbers attending) Those attending are requested to bring their own materials: easel, paper, tape, paints/pastels/charcoal etc.

Tea/coffee provided.

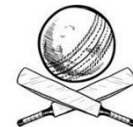
Contact Paul Tomlinson

([janandpaultomlinson@gmail.com](mailto:janandpaultomlinson@gmail.com)) for further details.

## Stanton Harcourt Cricket Club

This summer Stanton Harcourt Cricket Club are running a programme called All Stars Cricket. For more information see the web address below. Starting from May 2019, All Stars Cricket is an 8-week programme for girls and boys aged 5 – 8. Each attendee will receive their very own personalised kit, including a personalised t-shirt, bat, ball, cap, All Stars activity book and backpack. They will learn skills like throwing, catching, hitting a moving ball, and teamwork all within a safe environment.

Register at [allstarscricket.co.uk](http://allstarscricket.co.uk)



## **Sutton Singers- Would you like to have a go at singing?**

*No auditions or previous experience. Just an enthusiasm to have a go!!*

*Fabulous local singing teacher – Lizzie Soden leads our group. We have recently performed at Chipping Norton Music Festival and were highly commended – the photo shows some of us at the Festival. Look out for us during Village Summer Festival Week - 18.6.19 7 for 7.30 at Sutton Methodist Chapel.*

*Come along and join our friendly fun group if you fancy a go at singing songs from musicals and other popular songs - for more details please contact:*

*Jan Tomlinson on 01865 881709 or email [janandpaultomlinson@gmail.com](mailto:janandpaultomlinson@gmail.com)*

*We meet on Tuesdays in the Sutton Methodist Chapel, New Road at 7pm, Sutton.*

## Watermill Theatre's next performance at the Village Hall "Our Church" Saturday, 13th July 2019

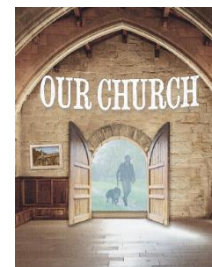
In some people's lives there is a moment when something goes wrong, when they do something very bad, something that poisons their life for good.

In a small village, the last remaining members of the dwindling church committee gather to discuss its future. At this critical meeting, Tom, a contentious nomination to join the committee, is put forward. Caught with indecent images of children on his computer, Tom has been to prison and is now on the sex offenders register. Whilst many of the community can't forgive him, one committee member proposes that Tom is given a second chance.

When the impact of the past collides with the future of a village community, is forgiveness ever possible? A powerful and captivating new drama that explores, from multiple points of view, what it means to live a haunted life.

***This play contains themes of a sensitive and potentially distressing nature. Parental discretion recommended.***

**Tickets will be on sale in mid June from Lucy Heath on 07711 704475 or [lucy.heath1@gmail.com](mailto:lucy.heath1@gmail.com)  
Adults £12, teens £8.**



## Parish Council News

### Next Parish Council Meetings

- Annual Meeting of the Parish Council: 7pm Monday 13<sup>th</sup> May
- The next Ordinary Meeting: 7.30pm Monday 13<sup>th</sup> May
- Annual Parish Meeting: 7.30pm Monday 20<sup>th</sup> May

**We look forward to seeing you at these meetings**

### B4449 Improvement

Cllr Charles Mathew has managed to get the OCC to confirm their schedule for implementing B4449 improvement through the village. OCC have confirmed they will be progressing some of the items discussed such as the footway siding out, drainage, and patching on Sutton Lane over the next 3 – 4 weeks. Whilst in Sutton Lane overhanging willows will be cut back. In addition to these works OCC will be looking at a structural patching scheme to be undertaken through the village they will require a road closure for it to be undertaken so is a little bit longer away. When we have further information, we will let you know.

### B4449 Road Closer

We have been notified that the B4449 will be closed from the Hardwick junction of the A415 and B4449 to the roundabout at Friars Farm to facilitate carriageway surface dressing on June 24<sup>th</sup> /25<sup>th</sup>.

### Possible Congestion

A34/M4 Junction 13 Chieveley (West Berkshire): Bridge Refurbishment and Surface Reconstruction - Kier Highways, on behalf of Highways England, will be carrying out maintenance work at the Chieveley Interchange over the spring and summer 2019

### Litter Pick

Steve Good, WODC District Councillor and Cabinet Member for Environment and Housing Management, attended our last Parish Council meeting to personally thanks all those who took part in the Litter Picking. in March. He was very pleased with the results

A successful Litter Pick took place in April collecting a total of 21 black sacks full. These were disposed of at the tip, along with some larger items, wheel caps, bin lids, tyres etc. We hope that by removing the rubbish regularly we are discouraging others from leaving their rubbish in or near our village

The Next Village Litter Pick will take place on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> May all volunteers welcome. Meet at the Village Hall at 10am.

Please wear sturdy shoes or boots and bring a stout pair of gardening gloves with you if you haven't them

### Village Hall exit Road improvement

we are still chasing the supplier for date to address the rectification of the road at the Village Car Park exit

### Airfield Development

Despite meeting with the developers, Hayfield, we are still having issues with HGVs travelling through the village. We will continue to address this with the Developers. If you see a lorry travelling through the village either to or from the airfield development, please note the time and registration and let Trudi

know. We will follow up on each and every occurrence. The developers have applied for a foot path extension closure on the grounds of safety, up to 'when the development is complete' or December 2021, whichever is the soonest, they have committed to reinstatement of the footpath through the site as soon as it is safe to do so. The developer have dug a trench through the parade ground to enable them to provide main water and electricity to the Stanton Harcourt cricket club, they have committed to making good as part of the development. The roads within the development will be named after aircrafts that flew from the site Halifax Way, Wellington Crescent, Lancaster Drive, Liberator Close and Whitley Lane.

### Newbridge

The Oxfordshire County Council continue to prosecute HGV owners who breach the weight limit over Newbridge. The purpose of this weight limit is to protect this old and relatively weak bridge.

So far this calendar year 32 vehicle owners have been prosecuted, with total fines and costs of over £11,000 (OCC only retains the costs awarded). If you notice any HGVs potentially breaching weight restriction and want to report your concerns this can easily be done at:

<https://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/business/trading-standards/weight-restriction-enforcement>

**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](mailto:trudigasser@rocketmail.com)

### EYNHAM ARTS GROUP MAY EXHIBITION

An exhibition of recent work by a group of talented local artists. For sale in a variety of media, with cards, prints and other items.

Entry is free. New members are always welcome.

Bartholomew Rooms, The Square, Eynham

**18th until 27th May, 10 am until 4 pm**

Sat 18th May, Sun 19th May

Thu 23rd May, Fri 24th May

Sat 25th, Sun 26th Mon 27th May

Please visit our website for further

information **[www.eynshamartsgroup.org.uk](http://www.eynshamartsgroup.org.uk)**

### The Page 3 Bird

This month's bird is Yiska and she's a Yellowhammer. Yellowhammers have bright yellow heads and underparts and a chestnut rump, when in flight you can see their white tail feathers deployed.

They enjoy sitting on top of things and singing but are gradually becoming rare

due to changes to their habitat, so say hello to her while you can! Yellowhammers are very similar to Cirl Bunting and Yellow Wagtails also dramatically decreasing in numbers ☹



**Elections?** Depending on the behaviour of our beloved leaders there may be a May Election for the European Parliament on the 23<sup>rd</sup> May. Closing date to register to vote is 7<sup>th</sup> May!



## Oxfordshire Artweeks

My sister Jane and I are doing a joint presentation in the village for Oxfordshire Artweeks. Details as follows:



Venue: Spindlewood, New Road, Sutton  
Dates: Saturday/Sunday 18/19 May and  
Saturday/Sunday 25/26 May. Open 12noon -  
5.30pm each day.

All welcome to attend. The exhibition will feature new and recent works produced by us both. On sale will be original works, plus cards and prints. Tea/coffee will be available.

This will be the first Oxfordshire Artweeks event to be located in the village for some time. We hope as many people as possible will find the time to attend and support Oxfordshire Artweeks.

Contact [janandpaultomlinson@gmail.com](mailto:janandpaultomlinson@gmail.com) for further details or visit my website [paulrichardtomlinson.co.uk](http://paulrichardtomlinson.co.uk) or my sister's website [janetomlinson.com](http://janetomlinson.com).

## New Thames Valley Police Initiative

From the 1 May 2019 Thames Valley Police (TVP) will be launching a text survey process. If you receive a text message from TVP after the 1<sup>st</sup> of May it will be because their records show that your mobile number contacted them to report an incident or crime. TVP would like you to complete their two question survey by responding to the text you received (your usual charges will apply). They are aware of the sensitivities around certain crimes and incidents e.g. cases of domestic abuse. Due to these sensitivities' texts will not be sent to victims involved in these cases.

The aim of the survey process is to help TVP to shape their service by learning from your experience. Taking part in the survey is entirely voluntarily, and whether you choose to participate or not will have no impact on your case. TVP want you to be confident that the text you have received is genuine. The number that they will send the text from will be 07860020479 (this may also show as +447860020479).

See the Thames Valley Police website for their privacy statement and full details about this survey

**Deadline for next issue is 20th of the Month**  
**[village-voice@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:village-voice@hotmail.co.uk)**

**AS ALWAYS – Thank you to this month's contributors, reviewers, & deliverers**

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## St Michael's Church

For help or advice on service arrangements contact  
Rev Drew Tweedy: ☎ 01865 880914 or Church Warden  
Sandy Rich ☎ 01865 881943, [sandy@rtinsurance.co.uk](mailto:sandy@rtinsurance.co.uk)  
[www.lowerwindrushbenefice.org](http://www.lowerwindrushbenefice.org)

### May

5th 9:30	Parish Communion and Sunday School	Stanton Harcourt
12 <sup>th</sup> 10:30	Benefice Communion	<b>Standlake</b>
19 <sup>th</sup> 10:30	All Age Worship	Stanton Harcourt
26 <sup>th</sup> 8:00	Holy Communion BCP	Stanton Harcourt
30 <sup>th</sup> 7pm	<b>Ascension Day Holy Communion</b>	<b>Yelford</b>

## The Catholic Church of St Peter

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

**Fr Mark Lagorio**

☎ 01865 881613

✉ [stpeterschurcheynsham@gmail.com](mailto:stpeterschurcheynsham@gmail.com)

**Website:** [www.stpeterseynsham.org.uk](http://www.stpeterseynsham.org.uk)

### Weekend Services

Sunday Mass 10.00am with a Children's Liturgy

Saturday Mass 5pm

Bible Study after Mass on Wednesdays

Adoration after Mass on Fridays

### Special Services

ASCENSION DAY Thursday 30th May Mass at  
10.00am and another at 7.00p

## Sutton Methodist Chapel

**Contact: Rita Stockill** ☎ 01865 880200

### May

<b>Sunday 5<sup>th</sup></b> 10am	Informal Gathering
<b>Sunday 12<sup>th</sup></b> 10am	Rev Hilary Ewing
<b>Sunday 19<sup>th</sup></b> 10am	Eddie Fowler
<b>Sunday 26<sup>th</sup></b> 10am	Service at Long Hanborough

**Coffee Morning – First Wednesday of each Month**

**1<sup>st</sup> May, 5<sup>th</sup> June, 10.00–11.30 am. All welcome**

## Stanton Harcourt Cricket Club

**All Star Cricket** – see article above 6:00pm -  
6:45pm, Tuesdays May 14th - July 2nd Contact:  
[edwinapps@me.com](mailto:edwinapps@me.com), Register at  
[Allstarscricket.co.uk](http://Allstarscricket.co.uk)

We are also looking for sponsorship of the cricket club. A new venture that allows business and individuals to help support the local cricket club. We will be doing a sponsorship wall on this wall for a small fee of £25 the business can have a space which is displayed at the club at every home game and social event as well as on our social media. Along with Matchday ball sponsorship. If any business or individuals are interested in this Please contact Alex at [a.vaughan@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:a.vaughan@hotmail.co.uk).