

Aynho

The Apricot Village

NEWSLETTER

FEBRUARY 2010



A WINTER VISITOR !

ASTWICK VALE BENEFICE CHURCH CALENDAR FOR FEBRUARY 2010

AYNHO-CROUGHTON-EVENLEY-FARTHINGHOE-HINTON-in-the-HEDGES with STEANE

February 7th

AYNHO 9.30am Sunday School
11.0a.m Common Worship Sidespersons: Mr.Croft.Mr.Sutton

February 14th

AYNHO 9.30am Common Worship Sidespersons: Mrs.Kirby .Mrs.Pusey

17th ASH WEDNESDAY 7.30pm CroughtonH.C.
with imposition of ashes

February 21st

AYNHO 9.30am Sunday School
11.0am Matins Sidespersons: Mr.Cheney. Mr.Oakey.

February 28th 10.0am Benefice at Evenley

For all other Church Services - see Pew Leaflets

PANCAKE PRAISE PARTY on Shrove Tuesday 16th February 5.30-7.0pm Croughton Village Hall for children aged 5-11 years. Organised by the Benefice Holiday Club Team.

Games, Songs, Worship, Pancake Races and lots of freshly cooked pancakes to eat!

Cost £1 per child. Register on the day from 5.15pm. Further details : Helen Boswell 810224

Church Dates for your Diary

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| Praise & Play: | Bible Study | Choir Practice |
| 1st & 3rd Wednesdays | Monday 10.15am | Thursday 5.30pm |
| 10.0am in Church | 8th at Mrs.Kirby's The Butts | 4th |
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| Prayer Group | Church Cleaning | P.C.C. |
| Thursday | Thursdays 9.45a.m.onwards | Monday 1st 8.0pm |
| 18th | 18th | The Rectory Room |

Bell Ringing - Tuesdays @ 7.30-9.0pm

1st Evenley. 2nd & 4th Kings Sutton + Ringing at Aynho - Wedding Saturday 13th February.
3rd Aynho 5th Croughton

From our Parish Register

Christian Burial ANNE TURNER 6th January 2010

Information about the life of our church or baptisms or wedding enquiries from our

Rector: Revd.Gill Barker- Tel:01869-810903 Mobile: 07710402122.

e.mail: barkergill@hotmail.com

Church Wardens: Graham Gibbs 01869-819727 & Anthea Bazin 01869 - 810692

MARCH 2010 NEWSLETTER items to Sybil, 32, Roundtown. Tel:810692
by Monday February 15th. For purposes of Newsletter only: syban@btinternet.com

CHRISTMAS CHURCH COLLECTIONS for CHARITY

Thank you to all those who arranged the Carol Service, to you who came, it was lovely to see so many, and a special thanks to Helen and the children for their entertainment.

The cash collection at that service has been rounded up to £250 sending £125 to Katharine House Hospice and £125 to "Tear Fund".

The cash collection at the Christmas Eve and Christmas Day services was £135 which has been sent to "CRISIS". Thank you for your generosity.

A special thank you also to those who decorated the Church and Christmas Tree which again this year was kindly donated by Messrs.McLaren.

PAULA the POSTLADY would like to wish all of you a very HAPPY NEW YEAR
and thank you for your generosity at Christmas.

WHAT'S ON.....

ARMS

It was most unfortunate that we had to abandon our meeting last month due to the weather, but we look forward to our February evening on the 3rd with musical delights to bring a little sunshine back into our lives. See you there, in the Village Hall, at 7.30pm.

GARDENING CLUB

Our next meeting, weather permitting, will be Wednesday 10th February, when Tony Robinson, who is well-known to many people in Aynho for his invaluable help with building repairs and decorating, will be speaking from personal experience of being the son of the Head Gardener at the Tusmore Estate.

He will also be bringing along a collection of old horticultural implements.

As usual the meeting will start at 8.0pm in the Village Hall. New members and guests welcome.

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Our February Meeting on Wednesday 17th is an OPEN MEETING, when an illustrated talk will be given by Andrew Fairbairn of his journey by canoe, cycle and on foot.

"From the Scilly Isles to the Shetlands".

Tea Hostesses: Mrs.Barbara Williams & Mrs.Kathleen Arnold. Visitors welcome to this open meeting.

AYNHO HISTORY SOCIETY

A reminder that at our first meeting of 2010 - January 27th - Dr.Jim Mcdermott will present further extracts from The Cartwright Papers currently archived in the Northants Record Office.

Our February meeting on Wednesday 24th will welcome Martin Greenwood who will speak about "The Role of the Country Carrier". All meetings in the village hall at 7.30pm.

Members are reminded that the Annual Membership Fee of £10.00 was due in January.

For further information about AHS contact: Brian Reynolds 811007 or Peter Cole 811261

DATES FOR YOUR NEW YEAR DIARY

MAYTIME in the SQUARE

We have a provisional date of Saturday 15th May for our crowning of the May Queen this year. If there are any budding Morris Dancers out there wanting to try their hand at our "Aynho Apricot Challenge Dance" please contact Kay on 810019.

NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

① Telephone Scam -Someone claiming to be from the local council saying you have overpaid your council tax and are due a rebate. The caller then asks for your credit card and bank details to pay the amount due. Do take care.

② Northants Police now have a video on YouTube if anyone would like to view it on www.youtube.com/northantspolice.

③ Dog walkers keep a look out for anything suspicious - e.g. thefts from farm buildings

④ Distraction burglary in Kings Sutton - again do ask for proper identification.

BANBURY GUARDIAN VILLAGE COLUMN

A reminder - anyone wanting any information to be put in the village column of the Banbury Guardian please let Cameron Anderson know on either 01869-810019, cam22@tiscali.co.uk or at 11, Portway, Aynho. This can be anything from village events, lost and found, important information etc etc. He really needs any text by the weekend before the Thursday publication.

PARK CLUB DRAW

A big thank-you to everyone who has paid their subscription already. If your collector has not managed to get to you and you still wish to take part, please do call either Kay on 810019 or Val on 810118 who will arrange collection. The first draw took place at the end of January. As a reminder to any newcomers to the village - the draw profits help to maintain the sports field and pavilion and for a monthly donation of £1 (paid annually as £12 in January) we draw a monthly prize of £74 currently. We have lots of plans for the pavilion this year, including the opening of a cafe-style meeting place. We are hoping to get this underway at Easter Weekend which this year is 2nd/3rd/4th/5th April. Look out for leaflets and posters and in the newsletter in the near future.

PARISH COUNCIL NOTES & NEWS

Precept 2010-11

Councillors formally agreed that they would not increase the precept for the next financial year. The Parish Council precept is shown as a percentage of the Council Tax statement each household receives in March.

Affordable Housing

Aynho housing need survey results

As you may be aware South Northamptonshire Council carried out a housing needs survey in April 2009, to find out if there is a need for new affordable housing in Aynho. The results have now been collated and a report produced.

The report found that

- Three affordable homes for rent and one home for shared ownership are required for Aynho Parish
- The main reason for most people looking to move within the next five years is either to set up home for the first time or to be closer to employment
- 39% of respondents said they would definitely be in favour of a small scale affordable housing development and a further 26% might support development
- The main concerns of residents were that new housing may increase traffic congestion, that there is a lack of facilities in the village and poor public transport links.

Consultation with residents and appropriate solutions would be discussed prior to any development taking place.

All of those who need to move but wish to remain within the village have a strong local connection to Aynho. A local connection is usually defined as someone that already lives in the village for at least 3 years, previously lived in the village or has relatives in the village, and also other considerations such as working or undertaking education.

If you would like a copy of the housing needs report or have any questions about the housing needs of Aynho, please contact Paul Brunige, Strategic Housing Office at South Northamptonshire Council on 01327 322373. You can also visit www.southnorthants.gov.uk/housing/260.htm#hns to view a copy of the housing needs report online.

Speed Camera

The Parish will have the speed camera again in May on a shared basis with Croughton.

By that time all the road improvements should be in place so we will have the chance to check on their effectiveness and also to concentrate more on Charlton Road. We would also like some more volunteers to man the cameras. Free training is provided.

If you are interested in helping with this please contact the clerk or Colin Macklin for details.

The next meeting is in the committee room at the back of the village hall 7.30pm. Monday 1st February

Keith McClellan Chairman 810346 keith.mcclellan@homecall.co.uk

The meeting is open to the public. The agenda will be published on the village notice boards. Once the minutes are approved they are available on the website at www.aynho.org.uk or on request from the clerk under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act. You can contact the council via the clerk,

Sadie Patamia, 9, Roundtown. 07887 548774 or aynhopc@googlemail.com

Community Connection Roadshow visits Aynho

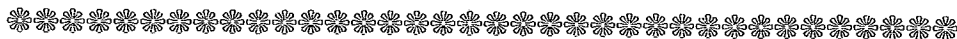
Villagers in Aynho and surrounding villages can get free gifts and advice from a range of service providers, as well as meet their Parish Council and representatives of activities which go on in the village at a Community Connections event at the Village Hall, on Wednesday 24th February between 9.30 am and 11.30 am.

Community Connections brings together a range of local groups that contribute to and enrich the lives of the residents of Aynho and neighbouring villages, together with representatives from the Police, Fire Service, Health, Care and Repair, South Northants Council and South Northants Homes.

Barron Walton from snvb, who promote the event, says, "We are excited about this latest development to the Safe 'n Sound project making this a really informative event. Together, we hope to encourage householders in South Northamptonshire to take measures which will help them feel warmer and safer in their own homes and get more involved in their village."

The drop-in event will have a wide appeal as visitors will be able to meet Safe 'n Sound partners to find out what services they provide as well as representatives from local groups to hear about activities in their village. There will be a range of free equipment on offer as well as free refreshments!

If you would like further information about the event or the Safe 'n Sound project contact Barron Walton on 01280 841250.



A Winter Visitor!

**Here I came to sit - moulded to perfection
Looking such a pretty sight - waiting for Jack Frost to bite
But just as quickly as I came - I'm slipping away much too soon
in a southerly direction.**



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