

CHRISTIAN AID WEEK -

The generous folk of Ravensthorpe and Coton gave £175 on line and £344 in the envelopes & collection, making a total of £525.24. Many thanks to you all.



VILLAGE FÊTE -

The plans for the forthcoming Village Fête to be held at Torch Hill farm on August 5th are well in hand with several stalls booked and refreshments organised. However, we are looking for volunteers to man stalls and generally help out and to donate raffle and tombola prizes. Please contact Emma or Colin Mold on wdcldt@btinternet.com if you are able to help out.

HOLLOWELL STEAM RALLY -

This takes place on the weekend of July 1st and 2nd. The Upland Group of Churches will once again be running the Tea Tent. Each Parish has been asked to provide 10-15 cakes for the weekend so please may we ask that those of you who bake, each provide one or two cakes which can be baked ahead and frozen. Also volunteers are required to help in the tea tent on the Saturday and Sunday. Please contact Gill Douglas on 770541 if you are able to assist with this and there is a list in church to which you can add your name.

CHURCH CONTACT FOR MORE INFORMATION:

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JOHN PATRICK: THE GRATITUDE OF RAVENSTHORPE CHARITIES

Last month, the PCC and Parishioners of St Denys Church expressed their thanks to John Patrick, who passes away in April last year aged 92, for the very generous donation he left in his will to the church. This month we add the gratitude of the Village Hall and the Memorial Playing Field, to which John has also left very generous legacies.

In relation to the Village Hall, John and his late wife Pat were keen supporters of many local activities. They began the custom of the Autumn Coffee Morning for Macmillan Cancer Care, which will be continued in future at the RVH under the direction of Lin Hudson. This year, it will be on Saturday September 23rd.

John was also for many years a great stalwart of the Memorial Playing Field (including many years as Chairman). Much of what we have today — including the Children's Play Area and the Eric Hickman Pavilion, was down to John's commitment, hard work and his time spent raising funds, organising events and applying for grants. The village says *thank you John*.

NEWSLETTER

Local News from Ravensthorpe, Coton & Tacton

CHURCH SERVICES: RAVENSTHORPE & UPLANDS GROUP OF CHURCHES — JUNE 2023

	Location	Service Type	Time	Flowers
Sunday 4 June Trinity Sunday	Ravensthorpe	BCP Communion	8.30am	Pat Foss / Gill Douglas
	Other Churches/ Services	Cottesbrooke (11.00am BCP Communion); Creaton (7.00pm Songs of Praise); Guilsborough (11.00am C/W Communion); Spratton (11.00am Worship for All); Thornby (9.30am BCP Communion).		
Sunday 11 June Trinity 1	10.00am GROUP SERVICE Creaton			
Sunday 18 June Trinity 2	Ravensthorpe	C/W Communion	9.30am	Pat Foss / Gill Douglas
	Other Churches/ Services	Creaton (9.30am C/W Communion); Guilsborough (Brunch@11; 6.00pm Evensong). Spratton (8.30am BCP Communion).		
Sunday 25 June Trinity 4	Ravensthorpe	Worship for All.	11.00am	Pat Foss / Gill Douglas
	Other Churches/ Services	Cold Ashby (9.30am BCP Communion); Guilsborough (9.30am C/W Communion); Hollowell (11.00am C/W Communion); Spratton (11.00am C/W Communion).		
Sunday 2 July	Ravensthorpe	BCP Communion	8.30am	Meg Benn / Sally Marsh
	Other Church Services	Guilsborough 10.00: Steam Rally.		



Ravensthorpe Memorial Playing Field

Support your Playing Field!

The new Playing Field lottery year begins in June. An annual ticket costs £12 which enters the ticket-holder into 12 monthly draws (prizes of £50, £20 and a (third draw) £25 Chequers voucher if your name comes out of the drum when you are in the pub for the draw. The draw normally takes place on the evening of the first Wednesday of each month (except June which will be later in the month). There is also a special Xmas draw for £100. 50% of the money raised on tickets goes towards the upkeep of the Playing Field – the mowing of the field and the Children's Play Area in particular. It is our aim to sell 200 annual tickets, which raises almost £2,000 for the Playing Field. It needs your support! To purchase a ticket, please phone or text Alan Worthington (07801 051 402), or email odds200rav@gmail.com.

Lottery winners for May: Paul & Debbie Smith (£50); Terry & Pauline Smyth (£20).

"TIDY-UP" DAY:

Saturday June 10, 10am-4 pm. Anyone who can give some time would be most welcome. Many thanks.

And don't forget we have the **BEER FESTIVAL & FAMILY FUN DAY:** 6pm-11pm on Friday 14th July & 2pm-11pm on Saturday 15th. We look forward to seeing you there for a range of food, live music, a great selection of beers, wines and non-alcoholic drinks, and free children's entertainment.

**Odds-200
Lottery**



ABBA Tribute Night & Barbecue with Retro Vocals

A NIGHT OF... **ABBA**



WITH... **THE VOULEZ VOCALS**
Ravensthorpe Village Hall
Saturday 1st July
8.00pm to 10.30pm

DOORS OPEN 7.30PM

LICENSED BAR

ADMISSION £15 BY RESERVATION ONLY--AGE 16+

EMAIL RVHLIVE@RVHALL.ONLINE

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Ravensthorpe Village Hall Registered Charity 278283



Thursday 15 June -
International Aid & Travel—Sue Lindley
Ravensthorpe Village Hall, 7.45pm.

The annual membership is £46. Visitors are welcome at £5.

Maggie Lewis, Programme Secretary, 770458
maggielewisuk@gmail.com; Tricia Freeman, President, 770855.
tricia.freeman@btinternet.com

Get "SOUL-FULL" at St Marys, East Haddon

with the



**Wellingborough
Community
Gospel Choir**

Also appearing at "The Edinburgh Festival!!"

7pm, Saturday 17th June

Tickets £11 (2 for £20) incl. welcome drink
(under 12's free)

Tickets available from

Gilly Wrathall - gillywrathall@me.com

Annie Hull - annie@easthaddongrange.co.uk

Julia Farnsworth - juliafarnsworth@hotmail.co.uk

Ravensthorpe Village Hall



**Take 5 Artists: a Romantic Sensibility
1900-1950**

This is our next course, starting in September. Experienced lecturer Judith Hodgkinson will take a detailed look at 5 artists of the 20th century. These are:

**William Nicholson,
Laura Knight,
Alfred Munnings,
Stanley Spencer and
Eric Ravilious.**

Judith will explain the various techniques used and the strong images produced in WW1 and WW2 art. Join us for this exciting course to find out more.

Every Monday 18th September to 16th October

Time: 2-4pm

Fee: £30 for the 5 weeks

Venue: Ravensthorpe Village Hall

Book your place with either Mo Cobbe at mo@mikecobbe.com (01604 328822), or Graham Metcalfe gm@grahammetcalfe.net (07894 424328)

Booking from June onwards

Charity no. 278283

RAVENSTHORPE VILLAGE HALL: WHAT'S ON IN JUNE?

Thursday 1	9.30am	Pilates with Sophie	07764 586990
	2.15-4pm	"CRAFTERNOON"	Call Di 770482, Pauline 770634
	6pm-7pm	Shotokan Karate Juniors	Andy 07891 132675
Sunday 4	9.30am	Shotokan Karate Seniors	Andy 07891 132675
Monday 5	9.30am	Elizabeth Reader Pilates	07810 235258
Tuesday 6	2pm	Afternoon Bridge Club	Bernadette 770424
	7pm	Village Cinema: Phantom of the Open:	See box. Last film of the season.
Wednesday 7	10.30am	MORNING COFFEE	All welcome!
Thursday 8	9.30am	Pilates with Sophie	07764586990
	2.15-4pm	"CRAFTERNOON"	Call Di 770482, Pauline 770634
	6pm-7pm	Shotokan Karate Juniors	Andy 07891 132675
Sunday 11	9.30am	Shotokan Karate Seniors	
Monday 12	9.30am	Elizabeth Reader Pilates	07810 235258
Tuesday 13	2pm	Afternoon Bridge Club	Bernadette 770424
Wed 14	2.30pm	Speakers' Corner	See box
Thursday 15	9.30am	Pilates with Sophie	07764 586990
	2.15-4pm	"CRAFTERNOON"	Call Di 770482, Pauline 770634
	6pm-7pm	Shotokan Karate Juniors	Andy 07891 132675
	7.45pm	WI: "International Aid & Travel. Sue Lindley.	
Sunday 18	9.30am	Shotokan Karate Seniors	Andy 07891 132675
Monday 19	9.30am	Elizabeth Reader Pilates	07810 235258
Tuesday 20	2pm	Afternoon Bridge Club	Bernadette 770424
Wed 21	10.30am	MORNING COFFEE	All welcome!
	7.30pm	Ravensthorpe Parish Council	
Thursday 22	9.30am	Pilates with Sophie	07764 586990
	2.15-4pm	"CRAFTERNOON"	Call Di 770482, Pauline 770634
	6pm-7pm	Shotokan Karate Juniors	Andy 07891 132675
Sunday 25	9.30am	Shotokan Karate Seniors	Andy 07891 132675
Monday 26	9.30am	Elizabeth Reader Pilates	07810 235258
Tuesday 27	2pm	Afternoon Bridge Club	Bernadette 770424
Thursday 29	9.30am	Pilates with Sophie	07764 586990
	2.15-4pm	"CRAFTERNOON"	Call Di 770482, Pauline 770634
	6pm-7pm	Shotokan Karate Juniors	Andy 07891 132675

IN JULY:	8pm	Retro Vocals present ABBA TRIBUTE DANCE & BBQ
Saturday 1		
Sunday 2	1-5pm	RGS Open Day—Teas at the Village Hall.



RAVENSTHORPE VILLAGE CINEMA

Tickets £7 (& £5 for students). Go to: rvhall.online/cinema; email: cinema@rvhall.online; or telephone Mike & Mo Cobbe 01604 328822

TUESDAY 6th JUNE 7.00 for 7.30: MAINSTREAM FILM PHANTOM OF THE OPEN

"Phantom of the Open", directed by Craig Roberts (Dreamhorse), tells the remarkable, true story of Marcus Flintcroft, a crane operator and optimistic dreamer from Barrow-in-Furness who, with the support of family and friends, managed to gain entry to the 1976 British Open despite never having played a round of golf before.



While drawing the ire of the golfing elite, Flintcroft's fearless ineptitude on the fairway struck a chord among the non-country-club rank and file and captured the imagination of sports page editors and the public. Flintcroft is utterly sincere and charmingly ridiculous. That he would pull off return appearances at the British Open in various guises — once using the name Arnold Palmtree — is one of the delights of his story.

Flintcroft is played by Mark Rylance as an eccentric holy innocent; his long-suffering and affectionate wife is played by Sally Hawkins; and Rhys Ifans is the pop-eyed, pompous club secretary. The screenplay is adapted by Simon Farnaby from the 2010 non-fiction book he co-wrote with Scott Murray and shares the good naturedness that runs through Farnaby's Paddington 2.

This is the final Village Cinema presentation until September.

SPEAKERS' CORNER

On Wednesday 14th June at 2.30pm Dr John Lewis will be talking about the 19th Squadron

First of the Few

The fascinating story of the World War II fighter plane, the classic Supermarine Spitfire.

Ravensthorpe Village Hall £6 a ticket
Tea/Coffee
Book www.rvhall.online or ring 01604 770482



SPEAKERS' CORNER

The deadline for contributions to the July Newsletter will be Friday 23rd June. Contributions & queries to Alan Worthington, 07801 051402 or ravensthorpenewsletter@gmail.com. There is no news letter in August.



Update from Buckby Library & Hub

Saturday 17th June 10am to 12noon: a **book signing** of *The Starved God*, recently published by local author, Thomas Norford. Proceeds will go towards Cancer Research and Buckby Library & Hub.

Sunday 18th June 12-4pm: a stall with a book sale, plant sale and tombola at the **fete** organised by Friends of Long Buckby Infant School and Long Buckby Vintage and Classic Vehicle Meet. The fete will be on Long Buckby Sports Field. All welcome.

Wednesday 21st June 2-3.30pm at Long Buckby Community Centre: come along to our stand and see what we have to offer at the **Carers and Veterans Tea and Coffee Afternoon**.

Friday 30th June 6 pm to 10 pm: a **car treasure hunt!** Setting off from the car park at Buckby Library & Hub between 6 and 7 pm, returning by 9.30pm. Refreshments available during the debriefing in the library from 9.30-10pm. Participation is at car owner's risk. £20 per car. Contact us for further information and to apply to participate.

Saturday 1st July, 8pm at the Old King's Head in Long Buckby: a **disco** in aid of Buckby Library & Hub. Tickets: £10. A BBQ will be available from 7pm (additional cost). Please book directly with the OKH: 01327 437574.

We continue to look for someone to help us with our **social media**. Are you that person? If so, we'd love to hear from you!

And do you run a small business? Might you be interested in having a stall at a **late summer fayre** we are planning (Saturday, September 23rd, pm). If so, please do get in touch.

Finally, **we're improving our building!** From June 1st to mid July (approximately), we will be installing a fully accessible toilet and making improvements to our existing one. This is part of our aim to be an inclusive service for all. We aim to keep any disturbance to a minimum and are planning to remain open as usual during this period to continue delivering our existing services and activities. An alternative toilet facility will be available, however we will not have any dedicated baby-changing facilities during this time. We will enable babies to be changed in the library. Our car park will be closed for health, safety and security reasons. Please check our website and Facebook page for updates, or just give us a call. Thanks for your forbearance during this time!

Don't forget to check our website for our regular activities; you can find our calendar here: <https://buckbylibraryhub.org/calendar/>.

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Community bus service from Ravensthorpe to Daventry or Rugby/Elliott's Field.

This service is free to anyone with a bus pass (£2 per journey for anyone without a pass). Regular weekly services run in the mornings, alternating between trips on Tuesdays to Rugby (Elliott's Field or Town Centre), and on Thursdays to Daventry. The bus returns after (app) 2 hours. This service is run by a social enterprise CommMiniBus and is administered by volunteers.

Passengers need to register to use the service - ring Christine on 07899 445627 (9am to 12 noon) or email bookings@cmbus.org. If you want to use the service you must also book for each trip using the website or by ringing Christine.

Upcoming Journeys:

Rugby/ Elliott's Field - 6th June, 20th June and 4th July
Daventry 15th June and 29th June

For Ravensthorpe contact Di Hayes 01604 770482

Crabtree Pit Pocket Park

National Meadows Day

National Meadows Day is an annual event which takes place on the first Saturday of July each year to celebrate our magnificent meadows. It is run by *Plantlife*, a national charity. It is a chance to visit meadows at their midsummer best, to have fun and to raise awareness of this vanishing habitat.

National Meadows Day is a day of events and activities across the UK, including open meadows, walks, mowing and hay-making, mini-courses on ID, bees, rural crafts, art activities, children's activities and scything competitions. *Plantlife* look forward to seeing your shared photographs of your meadows day fun – social media posts, paintings – please use the #NationalMeadowsDay!

Keep an eye on *Plantlife's* [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) and [Instagram](#). Join us at our amazing village meadow on Saturday 1 July at 3.30pm for a walk, talk and refreshments. Seek tips on how to create a wildflower meadow in your garden or community patch.

Ruth, Volunteer Pocket Park

Coordinator - Ruth.rolls@gmail.com

National Garden Scheme At Ravensthorpe Nursery



We are Looking forward to welcoming visitors to Ravensthorpe Nursery's gardens on Friday 30th June, and Saturday 1st and Sunday 2nd July. On Sunday afternoon we will be joined by four other garden openers, including two new gardens, 5 Church Gardens and Manor View. Admission £5 on Friday and Saturday, opening 11 a.m. till 5 p.m., teas at the Nursery, admission £5; Sunday 1.30 to 5.30 p.m., teas at and in aid of the Village Hall, admission £7, children free. Hope to see you.

The best show garden at Chelsea this year represents the real gardens that the charity Horatio's Garden has been building spinal injuries units around Britain. This is one of the charities you are supporting when you visit any N.G.S. garden, with 9,500 patients supported across four Horatio's gardens last year. Stephen Anderton, The Times Gardening Correspondent, says 'These are serious flower gardens, often cared for by serious volunteer gardeners and not surprisingly are the last word in accessibility.' The design caters for those in wheelchairs and wheelchair beds, with low planting and garden features.

ANGELA WILLIAMS would like to say "thank you".

"I was unable to say thank you in the last newsletter to Steve and Rachel Roffe, daughter Kayti, Charlotte Woodman and Patsy Tevendale who came to my assistance when I fell in the garden on April 22nd. Steve came quickly and took great care of me. He knew exactly how to make me comfortable until the ambulance came. I could not have had more kind attention and comfort from these kind neighbours. I want everyone to know what kind and caring neighbours we have". Angela's email is angelawilliams3808@icloud.com