

## St DENYS RAVENSTHORPE: SERVICE FOR REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY 12th NOVEMBER 10.50am



Arthur George Bates (1914-1918); Samuel John Berkshire (1914-1918);  
 George Dickens (1914-1918); Thomas Henry Jackson (1914-1918);  
 Alfred Reader (1914-1918); Joseph Henry Robins (1914-1918);  
 Richard Stone (1914-1918); Francis Stayan (1914-1918);  
 Colin Smith (1939-1945); Paul Sullivan (1982); Albert Tipler (1914-1918);  
 Albert Watson (1939-1945).

### THANK YOU TO: -

- Gill Douglas and team for another very successful Harvest Supper and to all those who provided delicious salads, pies and crumbles and all those who helped on the day. A very respectable £700 was raised towards funds for the church.
- Sally Marsh and her team for the beautiful flower arrangements for The Harvest Festival Service in Church.
- John Matts for assembling and installing the new furniture in the vestry which looks very smart and productive.
- Those people who brought produce to be auctioned at the Harvest Festival Service which goes to our charity in Bangladesh.

**OPEN THE BOOK** - A group of volunteers from the Benefice go into Guilsborough and Spratton Primary Schools and Spratton Hall Preparatory School every week to enact stories from the Bible. We are short of volunteers and would welcome anyone who would like to come and join us. It is great fun and the children really enjoy our visits.

**FOOD ITEMS FOR THE FOOD BANK** may be left in church and will be delivered in due course.

**SHOEBOXES—BLYTHSWOOD CHARITY** we will be filling shoeboxes again this year and these need to be ready by the beginning of November. If you would just prefer to donate items, we need:

toothpaste, toothbrush, shampoo, soap, flannel, pens, paper, pencils, rubbers, sharpeners, hats, gloves, scarves, socks, small soft toys. Empty shoeboxes are needed as well please.

Please bring to: Tricia Freeman, 1 Church Gardens.

### RAVENSTHORPE UNITED CHARITIES: CHRISTMAS DISTRIBUTION

Applications for the above are now due and should be given to the below **by 4th December**. All Senior Citizens living in the village in receipt of State Pension are eligible, also students who are in their first year at College or University and living away from home during term time. Applications to: Mrs Lynn Holt, 10 Little Lane or Miss Karen Blakelock, Secretary, 5 Dairy Field; or, email: [RavensthorpeUnitedCharities@outlook.com](mailto:RavensthorpeUnitedCharities@outlook.com)

### CHURCH CONTACT FOR MORE INFORMATION:

Rev'd Allison Twigg 01604 346099 [revallison@btinternet.com](mailto:revallison@btinternet.com); Associate Priest: Rev'd Caroline Burnett 01604 28629 [caroline\\_burnett@btinternet.com](mailto:caroline_burnett@btinternet.com); Assistant Curate: Rev'd Clare Glover 07912 88359 [revclare@icloud.com](mailto:revclare@icloud.com) The Uplands Group Office: [uplandsgroupoffice@gmail.com](mailto:uplandsgroupoffice@gmail.com); Website: [www.uplandsgroupchurches.org.uk](http://www.uplandsgroupchurches.org.uk)

### CHURCH SERVICES: RAVENSTHORPE & UPLANDS GROUP OF CHURCHES — NOVEMBER 2023

	Location	Service Type	Time	Flowers
Sunday 5 November	Ravensthorpe	BCP Communion	8.30am	Susie Pasley-Tyler/ Jean Jolley.
	Other Churches/ Services	Cottesbrooke (11.00am BCP Communion); Creton (9.30am BCP Communion); Guilsborough (11.00am C/W Communion); Spratton (11.00am Worship for All); Thornby (9.30am BCP Communion).		
Sunday 12 November	Ravensthorpe	Remembrance Service	10.50am	Susie Pasley-Tyler/ Jean Jolley.
	Other Churches/ Services	Cold Ashby (9.30am BCP Communion); Cottesbrooke (10.50am Remembrance Service); Creton (9.30am BCP Communion); Guilsborough (3.00pm Remembrance Service); Hollowell (6.00pm Remembrance Service); Spratton (10.30am Remembrance Service); Thornby (9.30am: Joint Service at Cold Ashby).		
Sunday 19 November	Ravensthorpe	C/W Communion	9.30am	Susie Pasley-Tyler/ Jean Jolley.
	Other Churches/ Services	Creton (9.30am C/W Communion); Guilsborough (Brunch@11, Village Hall; 5.00pm BCP Evensong); Spratton (8.30am BCP Communion).		
Sunday 26 November	Ravensthorpe	Worship for All	11.00am	Susie Pasley-Tyler/ Jean Jolley.
	Other Church 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).		





Friday  
3rd  
November

**Ravensthorpe**  
Memorial Playing Field  
**FIREWORKS 2023**

Teeton Road, NN6 8EJ  
Doors open 6pm, Bonfire 7pm, Fireworks at 7:30pm  
Food trucks, drinks and glow toys available  
Cash and Card accepted

Donations Welcome  
All proceeds go towards the upkeep of the playing field  
Registered Charity 304239

This year we will be extending the entertainment after the fireworks with some music and drinks.

Playing Field lottery winners for October: Richard & Tanya Avery (£50); Janet & Keith Hickman (£20). Thank you all for your support.



Many thanks once again to everyone who supported our last opening of the year at the end of September. Special thanks to Tricia Freeman and Jean Jolley who baked a cake each, which saved the day after my own ran out on the busy Sunday. Over our eleven days of opening this year we raised over £3,300 so we added to the income from July's Village Gardens opening. The total is over £4,000. Northamptonshire gardens this year raised almost £68,000 - a truly magnificent result!

Next month the Annual Lecture is being held on Thursday 23rd November. This year we are very fortunate to have as our speaker Robin Lane Fox, the legendary Financial Times gardening correspondent who has also written a number of acclaimed gardening books. Robin has written his FT weekly column for more than 50 years and his wonderful supply of anecdotes, tips and information will enliven his talk which is entitled "What garden visiting does for us."

The lecture is available to view live online. All proceeds from the event will go towards our 2023 beneficiary donations. For more information and to book tickets @ £18 please visit [ngs.org.uk](https://ngs.org.uk), click the box marked Annual Lecture and then click the box marked Live Streamed.

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INSPIRING WOMEN

Thursday October 16th 7.45pm  
Ravensthorpe Village Hall

**The Art of Needle Felting**

£5 entry to include refreshments. Contacts:

Maggie Lewis, Programme Secretary, 770458; [maggie.lewisuk@gmail.com](mailto:maggie.lewisuk@gmail.com);  
Tricia Freeman, President, 770855; [tricia.freeman@btinternet.com](mailto:tricia.freeman@btinternet.com)

## The CHEQUERS Ravensthorpe Calendar

December 1st—XMAS Hamper Prize draw opens.

Pop to the pub—Buy your tickets

December 1st—Xmas Menu Opens.

Pre-order and secure your table.

December 5th—12-3pm OAP Xmas Lunch

Pre-order and secure your table

December 16th—Village Xmas Buffet

Book your table

Telephone 01604 770379

Email: [pubchequers@gmail.com](mailto:pubchequers@gmail.com)

Charlie & Daniel: two 15 year-olds in the village, trying to earn some pocket money. We offer: car / van wash; lawn mowing; hedge trimming; jet washing. Text or phone: 07943 241 272 / 07494 490 764.

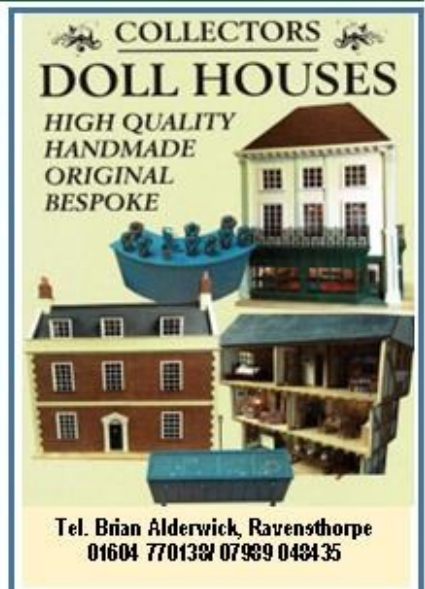


**BINGO!**

FRIDAY 24TH NOVEMBER

DOORS OPEN AT 6.30PM | EYES DOWN 7.30PM  
RAVENSTHORPE VILLAGE HALL  
£1 ENTRY INC. FREE BINGO TICKET  
LICENSED BAR & LIGHT REFRESHMENTS  
PROFITS TO VILLAGE FUND

**BINGO - RAFFLE - TOMBOLA**



COLLECTORS  
**DOLL HOUSES**  
HIGH QUALITY  
HANDMADE  
ORIGINAL  
BESPOKE

Tel. Brian Alderwick, Ravensthorpe  
01604 770138 / 07939 048435

**December Newsletter:** the deadline for contributions is Thursday 23rd November. And just a reminder that there is no newsletter in January—the next Newsletter will be February 2024. Please send your contributions to: [ravensthorpenewsletter@gmail.com](mailto:ravensthorpenewsletter@gmail.com). If you have any queries, phone or text Alan Worthington 07801 051 402.



## RAVENSTHORPE VILLAGE HALL: WHAT'S ON IN NOVEMBER?

Wednesday 1	10.30am	MORNING COFFEE	All welcome!		6pm-7pm	Shotokan Karate Juniors	Andy 07891 132675
	2pm	Short Mat Bowling	Lin 07557 396627	Friday 24	7pm	Colin's Xmas Bingo	
Thursday 2	9.30am	Pilates with Sophie	07764586990	Sunday 26	9.30am	Shotokan Karate Seniors	Andy 07891 132675
	2.15-4pm	"CRAFTERNOON"	Call Di 770482, Pauline 770634	Monday 27	9.30am	Elizabeth Reader Pilates	07810 235258
	6pm-7pm	Shotokan Karate Juniors	Andy 07891 132675		2pm	ACE Course: Russian Women	See Box.
Sunday 5	9.30am	Shotokan Karate Seniors	Andy 07891 132675	Tuesday 28	2pm	Afternoon Bridge Club	Bernadette 770424
Monday 6	9.30am	Elizabeth Reader Pilates	07810 235258	Wednesday 29	2pm	Short Mat Bowling	Lin 07557 396627
	2pm	ACE Course: Russian Women	01604 328822	Thursday 30	9.30am	Pilates with Sophie	07764 586990
Tuesday 7	2pm	Afternoon Bridge Club	Bernadette 770424		2.15-4pm	"CRAFTERNOON"	Call Di 770482, Pauline 770634
	7pm	Village Cinema: <i>The Unlikely Pilgrimage of Harold Fry</i> (See box).			6pm-7pm	Shotokan Karate Juniors	Andy 07891 132675
Wed 8	2pm	Short Mat Bowling	Lin 07557 396627	 <b>RAVENSTHORPE VILLAGE CINEMA</b>			
Thursday 9	9.30am	Pilates with Sophie	07764 586990				
	2.15-4pm	"CRAFTERNOON"	Call Di 770482, Pauline 770634	<b>Tickets £7. Go to: <a href="http://rvhall.onlinecinema">rvhall.onlinecinema</a>;</b> <b>email: <a href="mailto:cinema@rvhall.online">cinema@rvhall.online</a>; or telephone Mike &amp; Mo Cobbe 01604 328822</b>			
	6pm-7pm	Shotokan Karate Juniors	Andy 07891 132675	<b>Mainstream Tuesday 7th November: 7.30pm Doors Open 7.00pm:</b> <b><i>The Unlikely Pilgrimage of Harold Fry</i>:</b> Harold Fry (Jim Broadbent) is an unremarkable retiree whose uneventful marriage to Margaret (Penelope Wilton) is blighted by a conflict relating to their absent son. When Harold learns that an old friend, Queenie, is terminally ill he is dissatisfied with trying to express his feelings in a letter of condolence. Instead of sending it he decides in a spontaneous and secular act of faith that if he walks from his home in Devon to Berwick-upon-Tweed, where Queenie is receiving palliative care in a hospice, he can save her life - leaving his wife hurt and confused by her husband's abandonment.  During his long walk he encounters acts of kindness and also comes to terms with troubling past events, taking on a beatific lightness, and the simple nature of his quest draws followers who hope to find answers to their own sorrows by joining this scraggly south coast Jesus.  The story of this walk is taken from the popular, critically acclaimed and multi-award winning, sad and quirky book by Rachel Joyce who also wrote the screenplay for this film by Hettie Macdonald (director of TV's <i>Normal People</i> ).			
Sunday 12	9.30am	Shotokan Karate Seniors	Andy 07891132675				
Monday 13	9.30am	Elizabeth Reader Pilates	07810 235258	<b>Cinephile: Tuesday 21st October</b> <b>7.30pm Doors Open 7.00pm: <i>Pain and Glory</i></b> In Pedro Almodóvar's 'Pain and Glory' - which is fictional but partially autobiographical - Antonio Banderas plays Salvador Mallo, an aging film-director experiencing illness and creative block. He is invited to a 30th anniversary screening of his '80s hit 'Sabor' following which he attempts to reconcile himself with his past. He sifts through his life in a more vibrant past as a series of flashbacks to old relationships and memories that shaped his life, including his childhood devotion to his mother, Jacinta (Penélope Cruz), his first boyish crush, his first mature relationship with a genuine lover, and the forces that allowed him to define himself through the world of cinema.  Vivid, reflective and touching, the memories charge the fading director with a renewed self-respect and hope.  In Spanish with sub-titles			
	2pm	ACE Course: Russian Women	01604 328822				
Tuesday 14	2pm	Afternoon Bridge Club	Bernadette 770424	<b>7.30pm</b> <b>Ravensthorpe Parish Council</b>			
Wed 15	10.30am	MORNING COFFEE	All welcome!				
	2pm	Short Mat Bowling	Lin 07557 396627	<b>7.30pm</b> <b>Ravensthorpe Parish Council</b>			
Thursday 16	9.30am	Pilates with Sophie	07764 586990				
	2.15-4pm	"CRAFTERNOON"	Call Di 770482, Pauline 770634	<b>7.30pm</b> <b>Ravensthorpe Parish Council</b>			
	6pm-7pm	Shotokan Karate Juniors	Andy 07891 132675				
	7.45pm	W/I: Art of Needle Felting	Tricia 01604 770855	<b>7.30pm</b> <b>Ravensthorpe Parish Council</b>			
Sunday 19	9.30am	Shotokan Karate Seniors	Andy 07891132675				
Monday 20	9.30am	Elizabeth Reader Pilates	07810 235258	<b>7.30pm</b> <b>Ravensthorpe Parish Council</b>			
	2pm	ACE Course: Russian Women	01604 328822				
Tuesday 21	2pm	Afternoon Bridge Club	Bernadette 770424	<b>7.30pm</b> <b>Ravensthorpe Parish Council</b>			
	7pm	Village Cinema: <i>Pain &amp; Glory</i>	See Box.				
Wed 22	2pm	Short Mat Bowling	Lin 07557 396627	<b>7.30pm</b> <b>Ravensthorpe Parish Council</b>			
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Thursday 23	9.30am	Pilates with Sophie	07764 586990	<b>7.30pm</b> <b>Ravensthorpe Parish Council</b>			
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## Update from Buckby Library & Hub

**Our November film:** On Tuesday, November 28th, we are showing *The Unlikely Pilgrimage of Harold Fry*: "Harold is a seemingly unremarkable man in his 60s, but one day learns his old friend Queenie is dying. He then embarks on a walk across the country, until he reaches Queenie's hospice, much to the despair of his wife Maureen. The film stars Jim Broadbent and Penelope Wilton." Doors open 7.00pm for a 7.30 start. Tickets are available from the Library & Hub or the Peephole in the High Street: £7. Refreshments available.

**West Northants Council monthly drop-in sessions:** the next session is on Friday, November 10th, 10.30-12.30. Feel free to come along with your questions or concerns.

The **Northamptonshire Association for the Blind (NAB)** mobile sight centre will be stationed in the library car park between 2-4pm on Tuesday, 14th November.

### Looking ahead...

**Arts and crafts sale:** come to our pre-Christmas 'Under £20' sale of arts and crafts in December. The sale will include handmade bookmarks and gift tags, Christmas cards, tree decorations and small paintings. Come along during opening hours and find gifts for family and friends.

**The Crimbo Limbo Magic Show!** This will take place on 27th December at 1.30pm. A balloon for every child! Tickets from the library & hub: £5 per child; accompanying adults free.

**Our December film:** on Tuesday, December 19th, come and see *Champions*: "Woody Harelson stars in a heart-warming and funny tale of a former minor-league basketball coach who, after some personal trouble receives a court order to train up a team of players with intellectual disabilities. Despite his doubts, he soon realizes that together they can go further than they ever imagined." Doors open 7.00pm for a 7.30 start. Tickets are available from the Library & Hub or the Peephole in the High Street: £7. Refreshments available.

Don't forget to check the website for our regular activities. You can find our calendar here: <https://buckbylibraryhub.org/calendar/>  
<https://buckbylibraryhub.org>; [info@buckbylibraryhub.org](mailto:info@buckbylibraryhub.org); 01327 842591

## COMMUNITY BUS SERVICE FROM RAVENSTHORPE TO DAVENTRY OR RUGBY/ELLIOTT'S FIELD.

The service is free to anyone with a bus pass, and costs £2 per journey for anyone without a pass (until the end of October). Regular weekly services run in the mornings on Tuesdays to Daventry or on Thursdays to Rugby (Elliott's Field or town centre). The bus returns after approximately 2 hours. This service is run by a social enterprise - CommMiniBus and administered by volunteers.

Passengers need to register to use the service - ring 0333 188 0591 or email [bookings@cmbus.org](mailto:bookings@cmbus.org). If you want to use the service you must also book for each trip.

**Upcoming Journeys: info hasn't yet been circulated by Commibus for November but this is the assumed timetable.**

Daventry - Tues 7th Nov, 14th Nov and 21st Nov.  
Rugby/ Elliott's Field - Thurs 30th Nov.  
Ravensthorpe contact Di Hayes 01604 770482

*It's a great service, with helpful drivers, so please support it and help to keep it going.*



**Northampton Hope Centre**  
Supporting those who face hardship,  
hunger and homelessness.

Please donate: telephone 01604 21430  
[www.northamptonhopecentre.org.uk](http://www.northamptonhopecentre.org.uk)

## Crabtree Pit Pocket Park Update

Have you visited the pocket park? If not, then why not try this winter? It's a lovely quiet park for wildlife and villagers. Extend your walk along the West Haddon Road by having a snack at the picnic bench, looking at what's wiggling in the pond, watch winter birds eating the berries, and enjoy the view from the WI bench.

The next volunteer session is on Sunday 19th November at 10am - 12noon. Come for the whole session or just 40mins, you'll be very welcome. Can't make it then? No worries—just email me, and we can organise a midweek session and see how that goes.

We'll be working on tidying up the lane, cutting back overhanging branches, trimming the hedge and generally improving the welcome too. Also working on the meadow hedge as well.

Many hands make light work as they say, so if you would like to keep fit, breathe in the countryside air and help out a village asset, we'd appreciate your support.

Queries to Ruth Rolls at [crabtreepit@gmail.com](mailto:crabtreepit@gmail.com)

## Ravensthorpe & Coton Parish Council

### Household Support Fund

WNC has been allocated £5.2million for residents who are working and are on a low wage. To be eligible residents must be in full or part-time work earning less than £400 a week after tax, including any government benefits. Also have less than £5000 in household money, saving and investments, and not have received government cost of living payments. Please search for Household Support Fund on the West Northants Council website if you think you may qualify. Payments of up to £300 are available.

### Parking on Pavements

Every so often we remind people that it is against the law to park on pavements such that an obstruction is caused which prevents a wheelchair, mobility scooter or child's buggy from passing safely. It is often visitors to properties, including tradespeople, that cause problems so please ask your visitors to be aware that this is an issue. Despite speed limits traffic still speeds through the village and less able people need to be able to use the pavement. Many thanks for your help.

Diane Hayes  
Chair of the Parish Council

## Ravensthorpe Village Hall History of Medicine

We are very pleased to welcome back  
Dr Michael Muncaster to present this  
10-week course on the History of Medicine.

During the 150 years covered, the basis of modern medicine was established and a unified and regulated profession emerged.

From Quacks and Charlatans to the start of the NHS enjoy a journey through time studying the development of medicine in Britain. Discover how fortunate you are to be a patient in the 21st Century.

Lecturer: Dr Michael Muncaster  
Every Monday: 9th January to 25th March 2024  
Time: 2-4pm

Fee: £60.00 for the 10 weeks  
Venue: Ravensthorpe Village Hall, 1 High Street NN6 8EH  
Book your place with either:  
Mo Cobbe at [mo@mikecobbe.com](mailto:mo@mikecobbe.com) Tel: 01604328322  
Or: Graham Metcalfe at [gm@grahammetcalfe.com](mailto:gm@grahammetcalfe.com)

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