

CHURCH NOTICES:

Church news

Uplands Group of Churches Summer Picnics

8th August Guilsborough Church

15th August Ravensthorpe Church

22nd August Spratton Church

29th August Creton Church

Please join us for summer crafts and games- bring a picnic and join in. 11-1.00

Reverend Cecily will be leading her first service of Holy Communion on 21st July at 10.00 in Guilsborough following her ordination to the priesthood. There will be activities for children with refreshments outside during the service.

We have had to temporarily cease our open church policy. This means the church is closed, except for services, due to several incidences of theft in Ravensthorpe, alongside other churches in the benefice and others in the local area. The police have been informed. We do not like the church to be closed but under these circumstances the PCC have had to make this difficult decision. Should you wish to access the church, it is still possible, please do contact one of the PCC representatives whose numbers are in the church porch.

The Uplands Group Office: uplandsgrouppoffice@gmail.com;

Website: www.uplandsgroupchurches.org.uk

CHURCH SERVICES: RAVENSTHORPE & UPLANDS GROUP OF CHURCHES—JULY-AUGUST 2024

| | Location | Service Type | Time | Flowers |
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| Sunday 7 July | Hollowell Steam Rally: Service on the Rally field | | 10.45am | |
| Sunday 14 July | Ravensthorpe | CW Communion | 9.30am | Meg Benn / Sally Marsh |
| | Other Churches/ | Creton (9.30am CW Communion); Guilsborough 6.00pm Evensong); Spratton (8.30am BCP Communion). | | |
| Sunday 21 July | Guilsborough | 10.00am Group Service. Rev'd Cecily Numahl's first Celebration of the Eucharist and Brunch. | | |
| Sunday 28 July | Ravensthorpe | Worship for All | 11.00am | Meg Benn / Sally Marsh |
| | Other Churches/ | Cold Ashby (9.30am BCP Communion); Guilsborough (9.30am CW Communion); Hollowell (11.00am CW Communion); Spratton (11.00am CW Communion). | | |
| Sunday 4 August | Ravensthorpe | BCP Communion | 8.30am | Thalia Pike / Hilary Bent |
| | Other Churches/ Services | Cottesbrooke (11.00am BCP Communion); Creton (9.30am BCP Communion); Guilsborough (11.00am CW Communion); Spratton (11.00am Worship for All). | | |
| Sunday 11 August | Creton | Group Service | 10.00am | |
| Sunday 18 August | Ravensthorpe | CW Communion | 9.30am | Thalia Pike / Hilary Bent |
| | Other Churches/ Services | Creton (9.30 CW Communion); Guilsborough (Brunch@11 Village Hall; 6.00pm Evensong); Spratton (8.30am BCP Communion). | | |
| Sunday 25 August | Ravensthorpe | Worship for All | 11.00 | Thalia Pike / Hilary Bent |
| | Other Churches/ Services | Cold Ashby (9.30am BCP Communion); Guilsborough (9.30am CW Communion); Hollowell (11.00 CW Communion); Spratton (11.00am CW Communion). | | |

CHURCH CONTACT FOR MORE INFORMATION:

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 Assistant Curate: Rev'd Clare Glover 07912 88359 revclare@icloud.com The Uplands Group Office: uplandsgrouppoffice@gmail.com;

PLAYINGFIELD LOTTERY



The Playing Field Odds-200 Lottery tickets for 2024-5:
Thank you everyone who has bought a ticket—we have now sold over 190 tickets! Tickets are still available if you haven't got yours yet.

An annual ticket is £15 for monthly prizes of £50, £20 and a £25 Chequers voucher, plus the Christmas £100 draw. The money raised goes towards the grass-cutting of the Playing Field and Children's Play Area. Buy annual tickets online (see below) or phone / text 07801 051 402.



**Ravensthorpe Beer Festival
and Family Fun Days
JULY 12th & 13th**

www.RMPF.info

**For more information
and / or tickets go to:**



Lottery winners for June:
Richard & Sue Linley
(£50); Carla Gooch (£20).
Chequers voucher
unclaimed. Thank you for
all your support.

OR:



Kelmarsh is the perfect family day out this Summer!

There is plenty to explore, from the beautiful overflowing borders in the Walled Garden, to magnificent roses in the Fan Rose Garden, and pure elegance in the Sunken Garden.

For those who enjoy a longer walk, the lakeside walks and woodland walks are open, offering gorgeous views of the Northamptonshire countryside, the Kelmarsh lake, and backdrop of the historic Hall.

Take a stroll with your little ones through the woodland fairy walk and see what magical beings you can find. From tree trunk doors to creatures in the trees, there is lots to be discovered.

Visitors can explore the gardens for themselves on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Sundays from 10am – 4pm, with last entry at 3pm. Sweet Pea's Tearoom open for lunches, sweet treats and hot drinks.

For more information about the historic gardens or what's on at Kelmarsh, visit the website: www.kelmarsh.com

Kelmarsh Hall is a registered charity: no 295154



**National Garden
Scheme**
At Ravensthorpe Nursery

Thankfully the Village National Garden Scheme Open Day in June was blessed with good weather and we and the Village Hall had a very successful day raising funds for both the National Garden Scheme and the Hall. Many thanks to all who supported us or helped in any way.

The Nursery's next opening will be on Friday July 5th, Saturday 6th and Sunday 7th, 11 a.m. till 5 p.m.. Admission £6, children free, tea/coffee and home made cake and lots of plants for sale. Hope to see you there.

Jean Wiseman



Ravensthorpe Village Hall

INTERPRETING THE LANDSCAPE

For our autumn term we welcome landscape archaeologist Michael Curtis to present a 10 week course on Interpreting the Landscape. It will look at the development of the Northamptonshire landscape over time. During the course we will look at the changes that have taken place in both the countryside and towns and discuss the impact and evidence seen today. The course will include a mixture of archaeology, history, geography, geology and natural and social history.

Lecturer: Michael Curtis

Every Monday: 16th September to 25th November
 (half-term 28th October)

Time: 2-4pm

Fee: £60 for the 10 weeks / 55 places available

Venue: Ravensthorpe Village Hall

Book your place (from Thursday 1 August)

with either:

Mo Cobbe at mo@mikecobbe.com Tel: 01604 328822

Advanced booking and payment to reserve places is necessary.

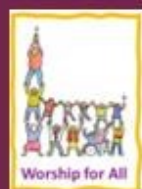
Online payment can be made using the link on the village hall website under ACE Courses

which will take you to the ticket source website. To pay by cash or cheque please use the above contact to confirm arrangements.

Registered charity no 278283



21 July: Summer Brunch@Church—
10am in Guilsborough churchyard for
outdoor activities & food.
18 August & 15 September—
11am Guilsborough Village Hall




11am Sundays
Ravensthorpe: 28 July; 25 August;
22 September.
Spratton: 4 August; 1 September.

RAVENSTHORPE VILLAGE HALL: WHAT'S ON IN JULY?

For more information visit

www.rvhallonline.co.uk

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| Monday 1 | 9.30am | Elizabeth Reader Pilates | 07810 235258 | Friday 19 | 2pm | Table Tennis & Juniors | 07710 813069 |
| | 7.00pm | Table Tennis | Call/bt 07710 813069 | Sunday 21 | 9.30am | Shotokan Karate Seniors | Andy 07891132675 |
| Tuesday 2 | 2pm | Bridge Club | Bernadette 770424 | Monday 22 | 9.30am | Elizabeth Reader Pilates | 07810 235258 |
| Wed 3 | 2pm | Short Mat Bowling | Lin 07557 396627 | | 7.00pm | Table Tennis | Call/bt 07710 813069 |
| Thursday 4 | ELECTION DAY | | | | | | |
| Friday 5 | 2pm | Table Tennis & Juniors | Call/bt 07710 813069 | Tuesday 23 | 2pm | Bridge Club | Bernadette 770424 |
| Sunday 7 | 9.30am | Shotokan Karate Seniors | Andy 07891132675 | Wed 24 | 2pm | Short Mat Bowling | Lin 07557 396627 |
| Monday 8 | 9.30am | Elizabeth Reader Pilates | 07810 235258 | Thursday 25 | 9.30am | Pilates with Sophie | 07764 586990 |
| | 7.00pm | Table Tennis | Call/bt 07710 813069 | | 6pm-7pm | Shotokan Karate Juniors | Andy 07891 132675 |
| Tuesday 9 | 2pm | Bridge Club | Bernadette 770424 | Friday 26 | 2pm | Table Tennis | Call/bt 07710 813069 |
| Wed 10 | 2pm | Short Mat Bowling | Lin 07557 396627 | Sunday 28 | 9.30am | Shotokan Karate Seniors | Andy 07891132675 |
| Thursday 11 | 9.30am | Pilates with Sophie | 07764 586990 | Monday 29 | 9.30am | Elizabeth Reader Pilates | 07810 235258 |
| | 2.15-4pm | "CRAFTERNOON" | Call Di 770482, Pauline 770634 | | 7.00pm | Table Tennis | Call/bt 07710 813069 |
| | 6pm-7pm | Shotokan Karate Juniors | Andy 07891 132675 | Tuesday 30 | 2pm | Bridge Club | Bernadette 770424 |
| Friday 12 | 2pm | Table Tennis | Call/bt 07710 813069 | Wed 31 | 2pm | Short Mat Bowling | Lin 07557 396627 |
| Sunday 14 | 9.30am | Shotokan Karate Seniors | Andy 07891132675 | <div><h2>Ravensthorpe Village Hall</h2><h3><u>Table Tennis</u></h3><p>Monday 7-9pm; Friday 2-4pm. Juniors: fortnightly Friday 4-5pm. Email: contact@rvhall.online Txt: 07710 813 069</p></div> | | | |
| Monday 15 | 9.30am | Elizabeth Reader Pilates | 07810 235258 | | | | |
| | 7.00pm | Table Tennis | Call/bt 07710 813069 | | | | |
| Tuesday 16 | 2pm | Bridge Club | Bernadette 770424 | | | | |
| Wed 17 | 2pm | Short Mat Bowling | Lin 07557 396627 | | | | |
| Thursday 18 | 9.30am | Pilates with Sophie | 07764 586990 | | | | |
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| | 7.45pm | W/ Asylum Seekers. Call Tricia 01604 770855. | | | | | |



Update from Buckby Library & Hub

There's a lot going on at the moment. Here are some things to look forward to in July and August!

Wednesday, July 24th, 7.30 pm: **Thomas Hardy: His Life, Music, and Writing - An Entertainment**. Come to a talk with members of the Cut-a-Caper country dance band. Listen (sing and dance a little if you want!) to Hardy's Folk Music, his poetry and to how his life unfolded. Doors open at 7pm for a 7.30 start; tickets £7 from the library and Peephole; refreshments available.

In July, there will be a new **art exhibition** from **Michelle Kilby & Mary Fowler**. Come along during opening hours and have a browse.

Are you keen to develop your digital skills, from emails to online shopping? During July, with Northamptonshire Family Learning Services, we'll be offering support to residents. Please bring along the devices you normally use. Sessions are free and will be 4th, 11th and 18th July, from 2.00-3.30pm.

An All New Magic Show! This will be Monday 29th July at 2.30pm. Tickets, from the library, are £5/child, £1 per accompanying adult.

The Summer Reading Challenge: Marvellous Makers! Encourage your children or grandchildren (4-11 years) to keep reading during the summer holidays. It's free entry and starts 6th July. It helps prepare children to get back to the classroom in the autumn, especially if moving into a new year group or key stage; boosts their confidence; and provides free access to books. There will be reading goals and rewards. This year we are also running a **pre-school challenge** for anyone under the age of 4.

More for children during the summer holidays: our **make your own sessions**, every Tuesday of the school holidays, 2.30-3.30pm. July 30th: make your own board game; August 6th: make your own fishing game; August 13th: make your own skittles; August 20th: make your own puppet scenes; August 27th: make your own colour-changing chameleon! All sessions include a story, a craft and a library hunt. £2.50 per session. Everyone who completes the hunt gets a free gift. Book early as numbers will be limited.

Buckby Library & Hub at the **Buckby Feast**: we'll be having a **book sale** and a **tombola** at the Feast, on Feast Day, Monday August 26th. Come along for your bargain books and the chance of winning a small prize!

For all our regular activities, please go to our website, where you can find our calendar as well as information about our special events: <https://buckbylibraryhub.org>. Email: info@buckbylibraryhub.org; Tel: 01327 842591

ELECTION DAY: THURSDAY 4th JULY.

The Village Hall will be open from 7am to 10pm. Don't forget your photo ID!



Pub & Shop Opening times:

Monday: closed.

Tuesday—Thursday: 12-3pm; 6-10pm.

Friday: 12-3pm; 6-11pm;

Saturday: 12-11pm. Sunday: 12—4pm.

For food / meals: Tuesday-Friday 12-2pm; 6-9pm.

Saturday: 12-3pm; 6-9pm.

Sunday lunch: 12-4pm.

RAVENSTHORPE & COTON PARISH COUNCIL

News From the Parish Council:

Dog Poo

There have been a number of reports of dog poo being left on paths and grassy areas and even on people's drives. Just to remind everyone that anyone who fails to clear up after their dog can be issued with a £100 Fixed Penalty Notice. If it goes to court, it could cost up to £1000. The law states that being unaware a dog has fouled or not having a suitable bag is not a reasonable excuse. The Parish Council has provided suitable bins and has a contract to have them emptied.

Please clean up after your dog and make sure children in charge of dogs know that they must do this too.

Memorials

Over the years several memorials have been placed in and around the village. Trees and benches are the most common memorials. The Parish Council is going to produce a register so that memorials are listed. The register can be consulted if there is any doubt in future about a particular tree or whatever it may be.

Please email the Clerk to the Parish Council with details of any memorials you would like to ensure are listed the email address is ravensthorpepc@yahoo.co.uk

Diane Hayes Chair of the Parish Council 01604 770482

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

The Tuesday bus from West Haddon to Daventry via Gillsborough, Coton and Long Buckby is No 52. It will pick up in Ravensthorpe at the bus shelter and at the bottom of the West Haddon Rd at 9.45. It will run every Tuesday.

The Haddon Hopper will run to Rugby (Elliott's Field or town centre) on Thursday 25th July departing from village at 9.30. For all trips the bus returns after approximately 2 hours. This service is run by a social enterprise - CommMiniBus and administered by volunteers.

The service is free to anyone with a bus pass. It costs £2 per single journey for anyone without a pass. Passengers need to register to use the service - ring 0333 188 0591 or email bookings@cmbus.org

If you want to use the service you must also book for each trip. Ravensthorpe contact Di Hayes 01604 770482

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

GRAVEL ON PAVEMENTS:

A polite request from a concerned resident:

"Please can residents with gravel driveways ensure (as far as possible) that the gravel doesn't spread onto the pavement. There are several places where this is happening extensively, making a difficult walking surface for those with mobility and balance issues". Thank you.

SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER: There is no August Newsletter. The deadline for contributions to the September Newsletter is Friday 23 September. Queries to Alan Worthington (07801 051 402).