NEWSLETTER

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CHURCH FETE

FOR THE MAINTENANCE AND IMPROVEMENT OF ST. DENYS' CHURCH SUNDAY, 8TH AUGUST at TORCH HILL FARM 23 HIGH STREET, RAVENSTHORPE from 12 noon to 4pm

Hosted by Colin and Emma Mold

Come and enjoy this great event

The gates will open at 12 noon and the official opening will be 20 minutes or so later by Johnny Amos of BBC Northampton's "Green Welly Show" which will be broadcasting live from the Fete. Ploughman's Lunches (Cheese based only) from £2.50 will be served from noon until they run out. Refreshments will include Teas and cakes and ice cream.

FEATURES OF THE FETE will include: Entertainment by Lincoln Noel Jazz pianist, and The Lutterworth Brass Band, Bric-a-Brac, Tombola, Bouncy Castle, Raffle, Book Stall, Herb Man, Golf Competition, Coconut Shy, Giant Skittles, Fudge Man, Ring the Bell, Clothes Peg Challenge, Balloon Race, West Haddon Bees, Ladder Experience, Bottle of Wine Game, Jewellery, Candy Floss and Cuddly Toy Stalls, Model Aircraft Flying Display, Spinning Jenny, Walking Stick Maker, Jam Lady, Lucky Dip, AND MORE!

WANTED:- Books for the Book Stall to David and Mavis Johnstone, 1 Coton Road. Raffle and other prizes and offers of help manning stalls and games as well as setting-up and taking down. Contact Colin Mold on 770667.

YELLOW BOOK GARDENS OPEN – SUNDAY, JULY 11TH From 2 until 6 pm

Admission is £4 with children free. The National Gardens Scheme distributes the funds raised between Macmillan and Marie Curie Cancer Support and Care (for Macmillan the NGS is their biggest donor), Crossroads Care for Carers, Help the Hospices, The Queen's Nursing Institute, The Royal Fund for Gardeners' Children, Perennial (helping retired horticultural workers) and the National Trust.

The following gardens will be open:- **Mill House, Long Lane** (at the A428 end – Gill and Ken Pawson) – **The Old Forge, High Street** (Bryan and Anna Guest) – **Quiet Ways, Teeton Road** (Sally and Russ Barringer) – **Torch Hill Bungalow, High Street** Bill Saunders) – **The Display Gardens of Ravensthorpe Nursery, East Haddon Road** (Richard and Jean Wiseman).

Teas will be served in the Village Hall and funds raised will go towards the Refurbishment Fund.

AFTERNOON TEA IN AID OF THE CHILDREN'S SOCIETY – Thursday 5th August 4pm at 2 The Orchards Tickets £5 from Tricia Freeman Tel. 770855

News from the Memorial Playing Field - This September sees the 10th anniversaries of both the Memorial Playing Field Pavilion and the opening of the Woodland Trust's Top Ardles Wood. To celebrate there will be a joint event at the playing field on 4th September where from 2.00pm to 5.00pm there will be a number of fun games for all the family to join in as well as entertainment from local band 'Naseby Crossing'. Tea & cakes, bar & BBQ will be available all afternoon with all proceeds going to support the Memorial Playing Field. In the evening (7.30pm 'til late) guests will be entertained by another band called 'Anybody Out There'. Tickets for the evening session, which cost just £7.50 and include a BBQ, are available from Becky Wallingford and the Post Office.



The winner – The Tortoise by Trevor Fosse



The showroom at Batten's workshop



Pirate Ship by Bob Miles of East Haddon

GARDENS AND VILLAGE OPEN DAY

Trevor Foss, Chairman of the Village Hall Committee writes:-

We did lose out to the football and other events on the day, plus the extremely hot weather may have stopped some people from coming. As a result most takings were down from last year but over all we are very pleased to add around £3000 to our funds.

We had tremendous support both in help on the day and contributions of both food and prizes. On behalf of the VH committee I would like to offer a very big thank you. Thanks also to those who opened their gardens or prepared other displays such as Horace Batten's work shop, the Guilsborough Junior School Dance Troupe and the Scrap Sculpture Challenge.

We would like to contact a lad called Ollie who doesn't know he has won £5 with the highest junior score at the skittles. Any help to contact him will be appreciated.

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Trevor Foss was the fitting winner of the Scrap Sculpture Challenge with the junior prize going to Hayley Lowther-Smith.

More, and better, photographs are posted on the village website thanks to Martin Wilkes.



The Throckmorton Coat from 1982 Wool Festival



Eddie Edwards from Newnham and his four exhibits



Visitors in Bill Saunders' Garden

DUMPING OF GARDEN WASTE ON THE ALLOTMENTS

It has been brought to the attention of the Parish Council that a person from the direction of Bettycroft and another from the direction of Church Gardens were seen dumping their garden waste on our allotments. We are proud of our allotments and the holders' work very hard keeping them tidy and productive. This is **not** a dumping ground and we would politely ask that it is not used as such.

NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

Iain Baverstock has recently taken over as coordinator for the Watch Scheme from Rosemary Partridge. He receives emails from the Police which he sends on to interested people in the village. If you would like to be included on this list then contact Iain at iainbirthe@gmail.com and he will ensure that you are included in mailings and information. The intention is that if you receive email updates then you relate this information to your neighbours. **Please see the village website for more information and also information on the use of "Smart Water"** to protect valuables.

THE PCC cannot thank MARJORIE ATKINSON enough for cleaning St Denys' Church for well over 30 years

CHURCH SERVICES		ALTAR FLOWERS & BRASS ROTA
Sunday 4 th July	8.30am Holy Communion	Yvonne Childs
Sunday 11 th July	11.00am Holy Communion	Anne Smith
Sunday 18 th July	11.00am Morning Service	Anne Smith
Sunday 25 th July	11.00am Holy Communion	Beryl Mott
Sunday 1st August	8.30am Holy Communion	Beryl Mott
Sunday 8 th August	NO SERVICE _ Church Fete	Thalia Pike
Sunday 15 th August	11.00am Morning Prayer	Thalia Pike
Sunday 22 nd August	11.00am Holy Communion	Barbara Ward
Sunday 29 th August	10.00am Group Service at Spratton	Barbara Ward
Sunday 5 th September 8.30am Holy Communion		Pauline Reeve