

COLLINGTREE NEWS

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Carry On Cooking!



Weather forecasters like opinion pollsters deal in theory not facts - and are usually wrong! Despite a brief but unexpected downpour, the Village BBQ on 6th September sailed gaily on with an afternoon of music, entertainment and good food – all to raise funds for the fabric of St Columba's Church. Around 200 visitors, including children of all ages, enjoyed American burgers, chicken wings, sausage rings all donated by local firm Central Foods who are based at Maple Court, Collingtree. The Wooden Walls pub generously loaned their garden for the event and local band 'Error 404' entertained both adults and children until it became dark. Congratulations to all who made the event possible and a special mention for the cooking and serving team who carried on regardless of the weather.

Which way to Tipperary?

St Columba's Church has hosted many events in its 900 year history but seldom, a concert quite like the one held on 13th September. Its ancient walls echoed to the strains of 'Pack up your troubles', 'Keep the home fires burning', 'It's a long way to Tipperary' and other favourites from the WW1 period. The concert featured the Watling Singers Choir conducted by Hilary Dolan and highlights included a moving poem read by our own Baroness (Jill) Knight who also sang the old ballad 'When you and I

were young Maggie' and a lovely rendition of 'Roses of Picardy' by the choir's guest soloist.

The evening ended with choir, soloists and audience all joining together to sing 'Danny Boy' The concert, to raise funds for St Columba's fabric fund was particularly enjoyed by visitors from Collingtree Park Care Home, who were still singing along in the coach taking them home. (See back page)



ST COLUMBA'S +

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 * Harvest Festival *
 * Service *
 * 10.30am *
 * Sunday 5th October *
 * Harvest Supper *
 * 7.30pm *
 * Monday 6th October *
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 * *In the Village Room we will be* *
 * *servng baked potato, sausage* *
 * *& beans, followed by Apple Pie* *
 * *& cream plus coffee. - all for* *
 * *£8.* *
 * *Tickets from Irene Skinner* *
 * *(768394) and Ann Marsh* *
 * *(766060)* *
 * *Places are limited so book early.* *
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Church Wardens

John Green 6 Watering Lane 763468
 Peter Skinner 'Lynton' Barn Corner 768394

Deputy Warden

Chris Wright 8 Watering Lane 761930

Services for October

5th October
 10.30am Harvest Festival
12th October
 9am Parish Communion
19th October
 10am Morning Praise
26th October
 10 30 am Family Service

Collingtree Church Flowers

4th October - 11th October

Mrs J Edmunds (A) Mrs A Marsh(M)

Church open Friday 3rd 2.30pm & Saturday 4th 10am

18th October - 25th October

Mrs A Marsh(A) Mrs K Godfrey(M)

Queries to Joanna 761759 or Ann 766060

SALCEY BENEFICE SERVICES MINISTER: REVEREND MIKE BURTON 862284

Ashton 5th October 9.30am Morning Prayer—12th October 10.30 am All Sunday School—19th October 10.30am Harvest All Age Service - 26th October 8.15am Holy Communion

Courteenhall 5th October 9.15 Communion—12th October 10.30am Morning Prayer—26th October 10.30 am Informal Service

Hartwell 5th October 10.30am All Age Service—12th October 10am Morning Praise—19th October 9.15am Parish Communion— 26th October 10am Morning Praise

Road 5th October 10.30am Lighthouse—12th October 10.30am Harvest All Age Service 6.30 Benefice Youth Group – 19th October 10.30am Morning Praise & Sunday School Club— 26th October 9.15 Parish Communion



Collingtree CEVA Primary School

Collingtree is a welcoming school, with Christian foundations, where your child will be inspired and motivated to learn, develop and achieve through commitment, team work and a sense of belonging to a caring school community.

We would warmly welcome RECEPTION ENTRY 2015 parents to an open event on the following dates:

22nd October 2014 10–11am
 20th November 2014 10-11am
 9th December 2014 2-3pm

Collingtree CEVA Primary School,
 South Lawn, Lodge Avenue,
 Collingtree, Northampton, NN4 0NQ
TEL:01604 761469
www.collingtreeprimary.co.uk



The Daisy Garland

'A journey of hope...for children with epilepsy'

An Afternoon Christmas Tea

1 - 5pm Sunday 16th November

11 Spinney Drive, Collingtree

Enjoy festive treats, mulled wine, mince pies and cake. There will be stalls to treat yourselves family and friends and also a raffle. We are raising money for the Daisy Garland which is a family run Charity. They do not receive government funding and rely purely on grants and donations. The Charity has helped our 8 year old son enormously over the years - Ross suffers from intractable epilepsy and requires round the clock care.

We would love you to join us. Come and enjoy a festive tippie with friends and neighbours

Details from Keri Platt 07734107269 keri_platt@yahoo.co.uk

VILLAGE ASSOCIATIONS & SOCIAL GROUPS

Collingtree Allotment Association

Home grown food always tastes better and growing it yourself helps to keep you fit.

Collingtree Allotments are just off Watering Lane and membership is open to all keen gardeners who are residents of Collingtree Parish (which includes parts of Collingtree Park)

The AGM of the Association will be held in the Village Room on Thursday 23rd October at 7.30pm

For details of plot availability, contact Graeme Joll 767277

Milton & Collingtree Women's Institute

The next meeting of the Branch is on October 9th at 7.30pm in Milton Manor Village Hall when we will be holding our Annual Meeting.

The Competition for the evening is 'Preparing for Hibernation'

More details from Ann Marsh 766060

Medicine Collection Rota**W/C 29th September**

Shirley Flight 764433

W/C 6th & 13th October

Ann Marsh 766060

W/C 20th & 27th October

Irene Skinner 768394

For anyone in Collingtree who has difficulty in getting to Roade or Blisworth Surgeries, help with collecting prescriptions can be a lifeline. If you can help contact: Coordinator: Shirley Flight 764433

SPORTS CLUBS

Pub Skittles

To get involved call Mark Underwood 07864 51876

Cricket Club

For details of how to get involved contact Karen Hopkins 07787786094 or Mark Underwood 0786451876

Tennis Club

As the Northampton Summer League has drawn to a close it has been a great few months of competitive tennis. The A team captained by Matt Joyce has had a phenomenal first season in the 1st Division finishing 8th out of 13 teams. The B team captained by Nick McConnell were outstanding in the 4th Division finishing 3rd out of 15 teams, with the team captained by Geoff Kershaw coming a very creditable 9th in the same Division. Collingtree can be proud of such great results from a small club

www.collingtreetennis.co.uk



Every 3rd Sunday in the month is

Pub Quiz Night

£5 per table of 4 to enter with cash prizes.

Book early Call Sue & the team

01 604 760641

PARISH COUNCIL NEWS PARISH CLERK: TESS TAYLOR 07729784653 E: collingtreeparishcouncil@gmail.com

Parish Council Meeting Minutes

The draft minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 10th September 2014 should be in the notice-boards by the end of September.

Ash Lane Traffic Calming

The scheme was discussed further at the Parish Council meeting on 10th September and a proposal has been put to Northamptonshire Highways for a 20mph limit in Ash Lane, ideally without road humps, and the possibility of an additional flashing speed sign. A request for a pedestrian crossing with protective railings for the east of the crossroads has also been included.

Financial matters

Following discussion, it was agreed that the funds given to provide additional presence by Police Community Support Officers (PCSOs) in the parish are not proving to be value for money. The re-

quired six months notice will be given that the Parish Council will not continue with this contractual arrangement after this financial year

PLANNING MATTERS**Golf Course development**

No further information has been gained but the Parish Council decided that with regard to this and the Howden proposal, it would be helpful to know the level of air pollution affecting the area. It was agreed that independent information would be sought and paid for if necessary.

Howden proposals for just south of M1 Junction 15

The comments already made by the Parish Council to Howden's about this proposal were read to the meeting and some further points and suggestions were discussed and noted. As mentioned above, it was agreed to check on

current air pollution readings in the area.

Silverstone Park & Ride Proposal

It has now been confirmed that the County Council land on Watering Lane has now been leased to a different, more local farmer.

Please make any contact with the Parish Council through the Clerk (details above)

Minutes of all meetings are placed in the Parish Council notice - boards and email versions can be gained from the Clerk.

The next meeting will be on 12th November at 7.30pm in Collingtree Village Room

Collingtree News is produced and delivered to every household each month, at no cost to the parish.

The support of the Parish Council and the Women's Institute is gratefully acknowledged. We also appreciate the support of our regular Sponsor, Central Foods.

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Every one should visit at least once!

Coach Visit to the National Memorial Arboretum

Saturday 4th October

A chance to visit the inspiring national centre near Lichfield containing around 400 separate memorials and tributes all set in landscaped grounds with over 50,000 trees. There is a shuttle train with narrated tours and a restaurant and picnic areas.

The coach, donated by Collingtree Coaches, leaves the Village crossroads at 9am—returning at around 5.30pm

Tickets £10 - Call 769407



Christmas Arts & Crafts Fair

Saturday 29th November

10.30am until 4.30pm

A wide selection of traditional and contemporary items with a Christmas theme will be available at Milton Malsor Village Hall.

For details visit; fair2014@miltonmalsor.info

Parish Notices

- Winter Flu injections - Once again, Nurse Geraldine Parish will hold a 'Flu Clinic' in Collingtree for eligible patients of Roade and Blisworth Surgeries. As in previous years, this will be at the home of Joanna Edmunds at 4 Barn Mews and will be from 3pm until 5.30pm on Wednesday 8th October. No appointment is necessary and it will be on a 'first come, first served' based.

Volunteering Opportunities at Collingtree Park Care Home

Your time could make a real difference and brighten someone's day

As a volunteer there are a number of activities you could help us with:

- Assist our dedicated Activities Co-ordinators
- Talk and reminisce with residents
- Assist with trips and outings
- Help at home events

If you are interested in becoming a volunteer, please give us a call on 01604 763623 or pop in for a chat

Planning Roundup

There are many current planning proposals in the area that impact upon Collingtree and space does not allow a detailed description of each:

- The Bovis application to build 1000 houses has been with NBC for 12 months while they await the Planning Inspectors strategic report.
- In the short term, the NCC land on Watering Lane will return to agricultural use now that Silverstone has decided against using it as a Park & Ride.
- A planning application has yet to be put to SNC planners for the proposed 2m sq. ft Distribution Centre for Howden's, next to Junction 15

The common factor with all these proposals is the effect of traffic growth on air quality standards in the whole of the region and the need for independent and up to date measurement data. The Hunsbury and Collingtree Residents Alliance (HCRA) is seeking this data from NBC under Freedom of Information legislation. www.HCRA2013.co.uk

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