# HINTS VILLAGE NEWSLETTER August 2016

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#### **Editor's notes (Peter Edwards)**

Please remember that the deadline for inclusion of items in the Newsletter is the 25<sup>th</sup> of each month. I need to print 68 copies of the newsletter. If you are willing to receive it by e-mail, send me an e-mail saying so. So far I've had 70 "e-mailers" (the number is slowly increasing!). Please help by saving postage and printing costs!

## Rock Choir (Sally Shepherd)

A big thank you to all who supported this event at St Bart's on what was a glorious summers evening. We raised just under £800 which is a fantastic achievement and will help towards the annual running costs of the church. Thank you to all members of the PCC and villagers that helped prepare food etc and to Manor Farm Fruits for the donation of Strawberries and Raspberries. Also to Stu Baker and David Fifield for keeping the liquid refreshments flowing throughout the evening. Once again the Rock Choir performed a selection of solos and popular music which was appreciated by all. They are keen to play this venue again as it is extremely popular with their choir members (due to the fabulous acoustics). So watch this space for a date in 2017.



## Hints Scarecrow Festival (Peter Edwards)

This will take place on Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> September. More details to follow. The next meeting will be on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> August at 8 pm in the Village Hall.

## **Breakfast Club (Graham Whittaker)**

This month's breakfast will be on Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> August. Please contact Graham Whittaker on 01543 480090 or <a href="mailto:grahamawhittaker@gmail.com">grahamawhittaker@gmail.com</a> for details and to book.

#### Hints Walking Club (Deb Whittaker)

Hints Fortnightly Walk start at the Village Hall at 10.00. It is FREE and you even get FREE refreshments! The walks are around 3 to 5 miles and you need to climb stiles. For more information contact debimwhittaker@gmail.com

## Parish Council (Geoff Kynaston)

At our last Parish Council meeting on 12<sup>th</sup> July it was confirmed that the council have been granted a substantial grant from central government to purchase a computer, printer and all the necessary hardware to set up a dedicated web site for Hints with Canwell Parish Council. This is because central government now require all parish councils to publicly display loads of regularly updated information about who and what the council is doing. Further information will be distributed when the clerk has set up the new web site. The Parish field in Canwell has recently been mowed and is now available to all parishioners to use. It is situated behind Footsteps nursery school in Slade Road. There is limited parking at the rear of the school with sufficient room to turn round and exit back on to Slade Road forward, although the gate is closed it is unlocked during daylight hours and there is sufficient room to draw off Slade Road to open it. Next meeting is October 11<sup>th</sup> in Hints Village Hall. The public are welcome to attend and there is a 15 minute period allowed for them to raise relevant points.

### Hints BBQ (Kevin Caine)

Village BBQ Sunday 4th Sept. This annual BBQ is always a popular occasion to chat with other villagers and to bring friends, or just to eat a delicious BBQ accompanied by liquid refreshments from the village's very own licenced bar. The bar will be open from 12 noon, with food served from 1pm to 2.30. Tickets are £5 (children 5 and under free) and available from the bar, or Kevin/Helen on 481233, or Graham/Deb on 480090, or email info@hints-village.com. Please get your tickets as soon as possible before the weekend.

#### **Tombola for Scarecrow Festival (Graham Whittaker)**

Please take any prizes you can contribute to the village hall or the Vicarage.

## Gardener wanted (Tony Lockley)

We are looking for a gardener at Hints Hall on Rookery lane, if anyone is interested please contact Tony Lockley, 01543 483020.

#### Art for St Bart's (Val Edwards)

We are in recess for the summer. We will reconvene on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> September to start looking at aspects of British art. Monday evenings, 7:30 in the Village hall, £3 to include refreshments, all proceeds to St Bartholomew's Church.

## **Annual Boules competition (Graham Whittaker)**

Unfortunately this had to be cancelled, but a lot of people attended the Reock Choir instead!

### Garden Guild (Maureen Casson)

Our July meeting found members and friends out and about on a fine summer evening when twenty one of us met at Elford to visit the Walled Garden. There was much to see and learn about how the project started and we were surprised to find that the volunteers who help to maintain the garden and allotments were not just local people from Lichfield and Tamworth some came from Cannock and Birmingham and many other places to offer their help. We first walked around the outside of the wall and then viewed the inner area which included large allotments, some of them being subdivided up and shared with friends and relatives. An interesting evening. We will be looking forward to being out and about again in August as we will be visiting the garden of one of our members.

#### Pilates (Deb Whittaker)

Body Control Pilates classes held at Hints Village Hall every Wednesday evening. Experienced teacher with 14 years' experience, beginners class at 6:30, intermediate at 7:40. All abilities welcome( all equipment supplied except a mat). For more info, or if you would like to come and try a class feel free to contact Emma Wollaston on: 07974145055 or ewpilates@yahoo.co.uk.

## Hints Golf Society (David Fifield)

Hints Golf Society go to Atherstone!

John Taylor, who is a member of HGS, kindly invited the Society to play at his home course –Atherstone Golf Club. The Club is located in beautiful countryside just outside Atherstone, and the course presents a very testing challenge for all levels of golfer. Nine members of the Society took part in the game on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> July. The weather was scorching hot, which is more than can be said for my golf! The course is very hilly, which makes it important to have course knowledge, (that's my excuse anyway!) as well as a good deal of physical stamina. I played with Stuart and Aran, and the other three balls were Elaine, John and Stuart (Baker), Jez, Johnny, and Charlie. We all had a great day and retired to the Café Simla for a delicious curry and prize giving. The yellow ball competition was won by Stuart, Aran and David, and the overall winner (for the second time – bandit) was Johnny who won on countback putting Charlie into a very close second. Many thanks to John for letting us play at his course and to Simon and Elaine who so consistently organise the Society for us.

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## St. Bartholomew's Church Services August 2016

Sun 14 August 10:30 Parish Eucharist

Fr. Jason

Readings: Isiah 5:1-7

Hebrews 11:29 - 12:2

Luke 12:29-46

Sun 21 August 10:30 Patronal Eucharist

Fr. Jason

Readings: Isiah 43:8-13

Acts 5:12-16 Luke 22:24-30

Sun 28 August Parish Eucharist

Fr. Jason

Readings: Jeremiah 2:4-13

Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16

Luke 14:1, 7-14