

## HINTS VILLAGE NEWSLETTER September 2020

### **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 54 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 84 "e-mailers" (the number is slowly increasing!). Please help by saving postage and printing costs.

To all the people who receive this newsletter by hand – Because of lockdown, I'm the only one delivering. I have to do all of School Lane, up to Canwell and all of Watling Street right up to Mile Oak. PLEASE consider having it by email in future. My contact details are on the back page. Please send me your name, email address and house number so I can keep track.

Most of the entries are "suspended due to COVID-19" so this newsletter will be a bit truncated!

### **Hints helpers (John Toogood)**

These people have volunteered to assist if needed

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### **Hints Walking Club (Deb Whittaker)**

Suspended, [debjmwhittaker@gmail.com](mailto:debjmwhittaker@gmail.com)

### **Pilates (Emma Wollaston)**

Suspended, [ewpilates@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:ewpilates@yahoo.co.uk) or 07974 145055.

### **Hints film club (Steve Bourne)**

Suspended, [steve.bourne@me.com](mailto:steve.bourne@me.com)

### **Art Classes (Graham Whittaker)**

The art class restarted on 27 August.

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

I hope to reconvene Art for St Bart on Monday evenings from 7.30 to 9.30 commencing 21 September. As before, each session will cost £4 - £3 for St Bart's and £1 for the Pathway Project. We'll start with one or two topics which were left unfinished when lockdown descended in March and will discuss and decide on a new theme thereafter. We will need to adhere to the Village Hall's COVID-19 conditions including following any one-way system in force, complying with hand sanitising procedures and observing social distancing,

wearing face masks, etc. I am working on a specific Art for St Bart "Covid Rule Book" ready for the first meeting. I'll sort the paraphernalia for refreshments – tea, coffee, milk etcetera - but would everyone bring their own mug (and sugar if they take it). New people always welcome! For further details contact me on 01543 480088 or [val.weardrive@btinternet.com](mailto:val.weardrive@btinternet.com).

### **Wagon Wheels Line dancing (Daphne Neill)**

Looking to restart on 8 September.

### **Hints Garden Guild (Maureen Casson)**

As we are still under pressure with the COVID-19 pandemic, but still hoping there will not be a 'spike' and recently many of our members will have spent more time tending the gardens but with the question – how does your garden grow – we will all have been aware of just how rapidly our gardens are growing and changing, Autumn is just around the corner, but just to keep on top of gardens can sometimes be difficult if or when the weather can often be against us, and although our members are not likely to be 'fair weather' gardeners things can change rapidly. At the end of August, we were bombarded with gale force winds with the simple title of Storm Francis which will I feel sure have done some damage in many places, and may have stopped us spending time outside especially as some of our trees may have been under threat. It is so good that the Village Hall is once again opening the doors but we have no plans for our Garden Guild to meet for the present although there have been several ideas put forward by members that perhaps it may be time to go back to basics with 'how to ideas'. Suggestions have included, how to take cuttings, the best way to thin out seedlings or how best to treat plants that are not looking too well in the positions where they have been planted, and we are only too pleased if any of our readers has any ideas they would contribute ready for the next time our committee will meet up, but in the meantime our members will all have received two Newsletters with a title of Garden Matters, helping us to keep us in touch with each other until we can once again meet in the Village Hall.

### **Football Pontoon (Graham Whittaker)**

Still suspended Graham Whittaker (see back page) for details.

### **St Bartholomew's Church Hints (Lloyd Ansermoz)**

As we come further out of the COVID-19 restrictions we are now able to physically see friends and loved ones and, in some cases, realise that those relationships previously lost or broken can be mended after the realisation of how important and precious that relationship was. This is all great news and in the midst of the lockdown many of us have been able to reflect on the blessings and the gifts in our lives and to be grateful for the lives that we all have and at the same time reflect on how precious and fragile life can be. We are all different and have different ways of living and going about our lives,

some with families and others without them and some who may feel alone and challenged by the world they live in. The bible reads at Colossians 3:13-14:

*13 bearing with one another and, if one has a complaint against another, forgiving each other; as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive.*

*14 And above all these put on love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony.*

Thoughtful words if you have felt challenged by others' actions and behaviours. Our shorter and "restricted" services for September are on the 6<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> at 6.30 p.m. Please feel free to attend, you will be made very welcome. Our Church also continues to be opened every Sunday for private prayers and everybody is welcome to enter with social distancing guidelines in mind and as set out. Our prayers and thoughts continue to be with all of you and those across the world. Be as safe and as well as you can, and we look forward to seeing you in the light and serenity of our Church.

Blessings

### **Village Hall (John Toogood)**

The Village Hall will be open again on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> September 6pm – 9:30pm. Turn up for a drink (or 2 or 3 or even more!)

### **Face masks (Cherilyn Jackson)**

I am making fabric face masks – if anyone wants some please contact me on 07525 014364. For every mask I sell I will be making a donation to St Bart's Church.

### **Parish Council (Geoff Kynaston)**

Nothing much is happening at the moment. All is quiet on Parish matters at present. The dead tree at Quinney Hall has still not been removed so the appointed tree surgeon is being chased. Our next meeting will be via Zoom and log on details will be available on the Parish Council web site nearer the date of 8<sup>th</sup> September. The public are invited to join the meeting. Questions can be raised by advance notification to the clerk on [clerk@hintswithcanwellpc.co.uk](mailto:clerk@hintswithcanwellpc.co.uk).

### **Street Meeting (Margaret Griffiths, PCSO)**

I'm sure you have all had a flyer regarding the Street Meeting in the Village Hall car park on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> September between 5pm and 7pm. Please try to attend!

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## St Bartholomew's Church Services September 2020

6<sup>th</sup> September - Said Eucharist 18:30 Fr Jason

20<sup>th</sup> September - Said Eucharist 18:30 Fr Jason