

HINTS VILLAGE NEWSLETTER September 2021

Editor's notes (Peter Edwards)

Please remember that the deadline for inclusion of items in the Newsletter is the 25th of each month. I need to print 43 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 92 "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 address so I can keep track.

Hints Garden Guild (Maureen Casson)

We are pleased to announce that our meetings are once again 'up and running' starting with late July when we enjoyed a fine evening at our chairman's garden starting with the delayed AGM but then we enjoyed our supper including strawberries and cream with one or two new members joining us for the remainder of the year. On 12th August our members gathered in a beautiful garden of one of our members who was pleased to show us her garden as she will soon be moving house. Such a very pleasant and enjoyable evening with our hosts feeding us coffee, tea and refreshments including my favourite coffee cake, and for which we all say a grateful thank you. Subs for the year are now due although many members have already paid. The committee have now met for discussions on speakers and the way ahead for the remainder of this year and now we have plans right through to the AGM in April 2022. On 9th September at 7.30pm in the Village Hall we will be welcoming Graham and Jane Wagstaff who will be talking to us about Spring Flowers. They have been exhibitors at Chelsea and Malvern exhibitions so we will all be looking forward to our evening together with great expectations. Everyone welcome, why not come along and enjoy a time of looking forward to spring flowers. Tea coffee and biscuits are served as we relax and chat after the speaker.

Wagon Wheels Line Dancing (Daphne Neill)

Tuesday mornings, contact neilldaphne@yahoo.com.

Hints film club (Steve Bourne)

Suspended, steve.bourne@me.com

Art Classes (Graham Whittaker)

Thursday mornings, contact Gill Smith (see back page)

Hints Walking Club (Deb Whittaker)

The first walk will be on 5th September and then 17th September.

Walks start 11.00 at Hints Village Hall

Average walk 3/4 miles, the village hall will be open for usual refreshments.

Please let me know if you are interested in attending, so we may stock the bar accordingly. Debjmwhittaker@gmail.com.

Parish Council (Geoff Kynaston)

After discussing the state of the grass verges in the parish at our last meeting, the council came and did them. We need to clarify the situation with the district council before attempting to take on this task ourselves. Because of the ongoing situation with covid, anyone wishing to attend the next parish council meeting needs to register with the parish clerk so that social distancing can be adequately arranged. We understand that we will be able to use the main hall as it would appear that the regular booking has not started. This may alter by the 14th September when our meeting will start at 7.30pm. Clerk can be contacted on clerk@hintswithcanwellpc.co.uk

Pilates (Emma Wollaston)

No longer available, ewpilates@yahoo.co.uk or 07974 145055.

Village Hall reopening (John Toogood)

Friday 17th September, 7 pm. Snacks will be provided but it would help if you will let me know if you will be there. jctoogood@gmail.com 07920510778

St Bartholomew's Church Hints (Jane Boyle)

Lloyd is unable to provide his usual entry for the newsletter so I've done it.

Calling all villagers and residents of Hints. We would like to raise the profile of our beautiful church and help it to become the beating heart of our community once again. We need your help to ensure we keep this valuable and beloved building and essential services alive and thriving. To encourage new members to the congregation, Canon Stephen Mayes has expressed willingness to have an Evening Prayer service on the first Sunday of the month, with the third Sunday reserved for the Eucharist service. Why not come along and experience these for yourself?

To maintain the church building and to make sure that regular services are made available, St Barts relies on the generosity of villagers and friends of the church to support us through donations and fundraising events. Some of you may have noticed the tree which has come down in the church yard which needs to be removed. Since the pandemic funds have dwindled but we are now looking forward to planning new social events in the coming months to boost funding. If you have any ideas for these then do let me know and we will certainly investigate them, janeboyle@hotmail.com. It would be great to see us all socialising as a community again.

We will be conducting a Harvest Festival service on Sunday 3rd of October and it would be wonderful to see some of you there to help celebrate this important

time of year. Hopefully there will be refreshments provided after the service. We are also looking to repeat the very successful Voices Entwined Choir Evening from 2 years ago around Christmas time, details to follow.

Another important role for St Barts is supporting local charities and we regularly support the Lichfield Food Bank and the Pathways project. If you would like to help with these please contact Val on 01543 480088 who can advise. There will also be a MacMillan Coffee Morning on Friday 24th September so why not pop in and say hello and help support this amazing charity. If you would like to help support the Church please contact Jeanette on 01543 480066.

Macmillan Coffee Morning (Val Edwards)

we are planning to hold our fourth coffee morning after missing out in 2020. The scheduled date is Friday 24 September, 11am onwards. So please do come and support the event if you can. For further details contact Val Edwards on 01543 480088 or val.weardrive@btinternet.com.

Flowers (Val Edwards)

The services this month are on September 5 and 19, at 6.30 pm, for which altar flowers would be much appreciated of course, but the really important service in terms of flowers will be the Harvest Service at 6.30 on Sunday October 3: it would be wonderful to have floral decorations in the windows and elsewhere in the church as well as on the altar for this special occasion. For further details contact Val Edwards on 01543 480088 or val.weardrive@btinternet.com.

Art for St Barts (Val Edwards)

The consensus from existing Art-for-St-Barters is that we leave resuming sessions until the new year – quite apart from continuing Covid issues (Delta variant, possible fourth wave etc) everyone apart from me comes from outside the village so driving to and fro in the dark is another consideration. So hopefully we'll get going again in 2022!

Yoga and meditation (Alison Burt)

A yoga class suitable for all levels, beginners or those with some experience. Aimed at increasing flexibility and relaxation. During these sessions we will explore patanjalis eight limbs of yoga, using different themes specific to areas of the body. The classes will commence in June, I will post the events on the meetup page, so please join the meetup page to book and for information. The class will be around one hour, please wear loose comfortable clothing, bring a mat/something to sit on and something warm or a blanket. It is best to eat lightly and avoid caffeine/sugar for at least two hours before the class if possible. Meetup group page:

<https://www.meetup.com/hints-mindfulness-meditation-meetup-group/>

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St Bartholomew's Church Services September 2021

Sun 5 Sept 18:30 Evening Service Rev Canon Stephen Mayes
Proverbs 22: 1-2, 8-9, 22-23
James 2: 1-10, 14-17
Mark 7: 24-end

Sun 19 Sept 18:30 Said Eucharist Rev Canon Stephen Mayes
Proverbs 31: 1-end
James 3: 13-14; 3: 7- 8a
Mark 9: 30-37

The Church is open every Sunday for private prayer.