

Stoke Orchard and Tredington Newsletter



September 2021

It is a late Harvest!! (Page 8.)

The Monthly Message

September is one of my favourite months. We often have a spell of warm weather, and although the days are shortening it can feel like summer with golden sunlight and some wonderful sunrises and sunsets. For many people it's the end of the summer holidays, and the return to work, school, college or university. And for us, it's usually the time we go on holiday, but not this year. This year we've delayed our holiday till November, in the hope that we might then be able to travel to The Netherlands to see my family whom we haven't seen since March 2019. Fingers crossed!

Due to travel restrictions, many of us may have had 'staycations' this year i.e. spending the holidays at home, or have stayed in the UK. And I often reflect on how fortunate I feel to live in a country where the landscape is varied and where a beach or mountain or moor or wood are never more than a few hours away. Or, if we are really fortunate, only a few footsteps from the front door: we enjoy walking and there are footpaths galore almost on our doorstep. But I also know it's not easy to have a proper full rest by staying at home. The temptation is to 'just quickly' check work emails, or do 'a tiny bit of work only so it won't be piling up'... Does this sound familiar? Certainly now many of us have got used to working from home, the boundaries between 'home' and 'work' and working hours and time off have become blurred. And in these cases, time off or a period of rest is more important than ever. Even God took time to rest. '... and he [God] rested on the seventh day from all the work that he had done' (Genesis 2.2).

So before we get swept up in the demands of work, school, college, uni, and everything else that is going on in life, before we fill our diaries with appointments and events, perhaps we can take a moment to sit down and also mark out our resting time, our time off, making that just as important as the other things that need doing. Time off also needs 'doing' – even though we can of course choose to spend our time off not literally resting but doing something that restores us, like a hobby, or walking, or swimming, or painting, or going to an art gallery or museum or park.

I wish you all a good start to the new academic or school year, and hope to see you at a service in church or at one of the many events and activities that are starting up again!

Peace and blessings to you all,

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Stoke Orchard and Tredington Church Services September 2021.

- Sun 5th Sept 9.30am morning worship at Tredington
- Sun 12th Sept 9.30am Holy Communion at Stoke Orchard
- Sun 19th Sept 11am benefice service at Tredington .
(please note different time from usual!)
- Sun 26th Sept 9.30am Holy Communion at Stoke Orchard

Benefice services for 2021:

19th September: 9.30 a.m. at Tredington
31st October: 9.30 a.m. at Stoke Orchard
28th November: 9.30 a.m. at Forthampton

In addition to the services mentioned above, the churches will also be open for individual private prayer as follows:

Will everyone please note that with thanks to the continued support of local volunteers that both **Tredington Church and Stoke Orchard Church will be** open during daylight hours—

Deerhurst Church Apperley Church, Forthampton Church, and Chaceley Church will return to their normal opening times.

A Request for help and Donations. Please.-

TRUSSELL TRUST TEWKESBURY shopping list for food bank:

We urgently need: Tinned Fruit, Tinned tomatoes, Instant Mash, Shampoo, Deodorants, Small jars of instant coffee, Tomato and Brown Ketchup.

As we are able to shop at places like Bookers, a monetary donation would be much appreciated right now. BACS details are as follows:

Tewkesbury Foodbank, sort code 30-91-87, account no 52870560

The Tredington News Pages

TREDINGTON NEWS FOR SEPTEMBER 2021

TREDINGTON & STOKE ORCHARD WI held their last meeting in York Barn where our President, Joy gave an impressive Power point presentation of Coco Chanel. This was followed by Joy & our secretary, Gill giving a wonderful fashion show of their own Chanel clothes that they had made over the years. After this we all enjoyed a most delicious tea in honour of our oldest member's 90th birthday. A beautiful cake, bouquet of flowers & a "90" balloon were all presented to her & the afternoon voted a great success.

Our next meeting will take place (at last) in Tredington Village Hall on Tuesday, September 14th at 7:30pm when members are asked to bring & share their best & most useful household tips & tricks. Visitors & new members are always welcome.

TREDINGTON & STOKE ORCHARD GARDENING CLUB. By the time you read this we will have held our annual fund-raising Strawberry Tea. We are expecting almost 50 people & praying for a fine day!

As we have missed so many outings this summer, we are extending our season, & our September meeting is on Monday, September 20th at 6pm in a member's garden in Stoke Orchard. Please would members ring Diana on 01242 681255 if they would like to attend, & they will be given directions. Light Refreshments will be served during the evening.

Our **October Meeting** is going to be during the day & is on Tuesday, October 19th with a visit to Batsford Arboretum. (Please note ,not Monday). More details next time , but please make a note in your diary as numbers will be needed at the September meeting,

STOKE ORCHARD & TREDINGTON PARISH COUNCIL



Parish Councillors from 6th March 2021 are:-

CLlr Richard Chatham, Cllr Andrew Troughton, Cllr James Gilder,
Cllr Alan McDonald, Cllr Phil Ternouth, Cllr John Newton, Cllr Tim Jukes

Contact Details – through the Clerk - Mrs Jules Owen

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Minutes of Past Meetings are to be found on the Parish Council Website.

Notice of Stoke Orchard and Tredington Parish Council Meeting

Due to Covid-19, following Government Guidance and changes in restrictions the next Parish Council Meeting will be our first since Covid restrictions were lifted and will be Tuesday September 7th at the Community Centre, Stoke Orchard and will be held according to standard Parish Council Meeting regulations. The Council will continue the Clerks special Powers Facility invoked for Covid Regulations until all restrictions are lifted.

The Full Minutes of the August Parish Council Meeting will be available on the website www.stokeorchardandtredington.org.uk .

Chairman's Notes.

Over the past few weeks we have received a considerable number of enquiries, requests, complaints and observations. These are in addition the normal day to day procedures of responding to planning applications and other weekly Parish Council Work.

So - F.Y.I.

Speeding issues. This is an ongoing subject and we have received a considerable number of emails. I personally have been attempting bringing Highways, County and Borough Councillors, Police, PCSO Pip-pa all together on one evening. This is just impossible, So there will be chance to discuss at the **Community Action Evening on October 15th** and we hope a 30 minute discussion.

So far I can report the following

1. The Tewkesbury Police have agreed to step up surveillance and intervention.
2. Our County Councillor has offered to be involved with the Evening and help us get support with the authorities.

3. We have received several Video reports and photos of Road Traffic accidents.as physical evidence.
- 4 We are suggesting Double white lines in dangerous areas.
5. We hope and trust that members of the public and also members of the Community Speed awareness group will come forward to help support and run this part of the evening.

Other Parish Council Matters for information.

- A. As the Parish has an amount of unused S106 monies destined for sports facilities at the Muga, the Parish Council is pursuing the idea of a combined pump track and skateboard area. To support our application for the money (If it is not used by us it will go to Bishops Cleeve or Tewkesbury) The Council will be circulating a Questionnaire . Please complete the form and return it as requested. This is vitally important to enable the P.C. To provide further facilities.
- B. Pennycress Estate Public Open Space. Following several enquiries we have contacted The Borough Council who inform us that they will be taking over the responsibility for maintenance of the that are as soon as they have taken responsibility from the Developers. They are awaiting completion of several matters.
- C. Also on the Pennycress estate the land known as the Perry Pear tree area will we hope soon be the property of the Parish Council and will provide—we hope a pleasant area of respite with a couple of benches for people to sit and relax. The legal paperwork is finally being completed.
- D. While in this area, The Parish Council still pursue the handover of the land by the Old Chapel at the end of Banady Lane. This was part on an S106 agreement in 2007 that it would be handed to the Parish Council as Public Open Space after approval by the Borough Council. Sadly we still await the handover from Mr Duncliffe the original developer.
- E. Planning Matters. The Council have objected strongly to an extension of operating hours and conditions At Grundons due to the potential of extra odour pollution and an increase of heavy traffic at weekends on Stoke Road.

- E. Also on Planning the Council have sent in a strong letter of concern over the proposed extension to Junction 10 at Piffs Elm on the M5 as no improvements are proposed for reduction of traffic through the villages. The lack of information on the proposed Junction 9 improvements which may include extra roads within the Parish has been noted and letters of concern submitted.
- F. Promises of improvement to storm water drainage in Tredington and Stoke Orchard have still to be forthcoming. County Highways have promised to jet, cleanse and camera their drains by the entrance to St John's Court and The Village Hall in Tredington and at the end of Archers Lane in Stoke Orchard as well as comprehensive work by the Airfield entrance at the opposite end of the village. Despite continuous emails phone calls and messages to Severn Trent the remedial improvement to both the Storm Water drain and the rising Main in Tredington continue to cause serious concern. The storm Pipe is running at the moment.
However, I received notification this afternoon that Severn Trent intend re-evaluation of the pipe later this week.
- E. The exit of the Dean Brook from the Orchard Estate continues to cause concern and a proposed visit by the Borough Drainage Officer is still awaited. This is to confirm his original agreed work from February 2020 to improve the flow.

And FINALLY!!!!!! Some good news. For several years now, I have been trying to get flood level monitors for the Swilgate and Dean brooks so we can start to build up a picture of potential flood levels. We have been using the level monitors at Wyman's Brook in Cheltenham to give us warning. I have just received a message from James Blockley of Gloucestershire County Council Flood Department that they are providing for us two monitors and will pay for their maintenance for two years and after that they will be our responsibility. This is a massive leap forward as it will provide evidence for flood alleviation in the Parish. My personal thanks and those of the Parish to James and Helen Richards of GRCC our Flood Warden organizer for supporting us.

Richard's Ramblings— The Vintage Tractor Show.

Covid has robbed all of us of so many things—holidays, freedom , but has also given us an opportunity to connect with nature. I was sitting in the garden yesterday reading a book when I glanced up at the buddleia



by the garden shed. Earlier I had noted a bee collecting pollen from the flowers, Later in the afternoon I counted eight red admiral and four cabbage white butterflies systematically going through the flowers which this year, I must admit, are superb.

Another annual event we have missed this year has been the Severn Vale Vintage Tractor club show. My Facebook page reminded me two weeks ago that it had been two years since we held the last one and I am assured that the preparations for next year are already under way. Organising these events takes a lot of “doing” and booking the Heavy Horse teams must be done long in advance.as they get booked up for other County Shows. I thought a few photos of 2016/17/18 and 19 would jog a few memories.



Few people will know that we have our own Horse Whisperer on the Parish Council, These two photos from 2018 were a happy alliance between Mr P—(in harness) and our own Coun-



cillor James Gilder. Mr P enjoyed a drop of real ale. The Heavy horses weren't the only point of interest in 1018, it rained quite heavily and it

wasn't possible to complete the binding of the corn. The picture on the front cover of the newsletter is of a combine form the early 1960's,

owned by the Lewis family of Elmstone Hardwick which was brought in later to complete the job. The Claas Matador was considered a giant of its time and was built between 1962 and 1968. it had a 10ft cutting head. Today's leviathans have up to a 40ft cutting head. The rain made it quite difficult and several of the exhibits had



to be helped to leave the show field. Here a single cylinder Field Marshall gives the traction engine a bit of a pull over the slippery field entrance. But not all was lost , and another Marshall was used to power the Ransomes



Sims and Jeffries thrashing Drum. At the end of the week end there were a few sore heads from Saturday night in the marquee. A few bruises slipping on the wet ground and a bit of work to do clear-



ing up afterwards. I took this photo as we moved everything out of the field. Next year, with the luck of the rainbow , the show will be back . 2nd Weekend in August!!

Stoke Orchard and Tredington Neighbourhood Watch.

Co-ordinators John Newton - S.O.
Richard Chatham - Tred.



We wanted to concentrate this month on the latest range of Scams online and in your emails. I have had so many this week purporting to be from the NHS trying to sell me a an NHS PassPort on my phone. Yes there may be genuine ones but it is easy to check by the return email address. The second one is—as usuall, a repayment from HMRC—Oh I wish. Again the return email address is the give away.



If you are enrolled with this site—you will get the best advice. <https://www.yourcommunityalerts.co.uk/> If you go on this site and complete the enrolment you will receive information about local Neighbourhood watch actions including local promotions and warnings about all the latest SCAMS which we have been publicising on this page since the Pandemic started which has brought such a sharp increase in online fraud. If you get stung tell others—I have fallen foul twice so far of fraudsters — Two products bought on Ebay never arrived.

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TREDINGTON & STOKE ORCHARD GARDENING CLUB.

Each year the Gardening Club hold their Strawberry Tea and it was advertised in last month's Newsletter. It was held last Saturday August 21st at York Barn, Tredington by kind permission of Roger and Paddy Grimshaw. A very successful event by all accounts with profits going towards the running costs of the Club.



The club runs monthly meetings through the year with out visits in the Summer. and new members are always welcome. From the Tredington News Page you can see the details for the next meeting. Please speak to a member of the Club or Committee to find out more about joining.

The Orchard Stores and Amy's Coffee Shop.

Well the Building work is complete, a few more shelves and bits and pieces and of course the chairs and tables for the Coffee Shop to re-arrange.

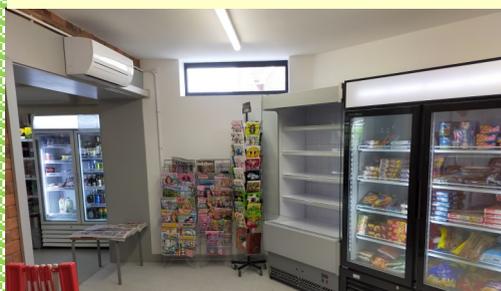
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Stoke Orchard Community Centre

WE ARE OPEN FOR PRIVATE HIRES

Following the lifting of restrictions.

Please contact booking@stokeorchard.org or go to the website www.stokeorchard.org to book the hall for a birthday party, christening or even a business meeting!

CLASSES ARE BACK ALREADY AND IF YOU WANT TO BOOK A PLACE AT A CLASS, PLEASE CONTACT THE INSTRUCTOR DIRECT – DETAILS ARE ON THE CLASS TIMETABLE.

Thank you so much for continually supporting the hall.
booking@stokeorchard.org or visit www.stokeorchard.org

Community Action Evening—Friday Oct 15th.

Class timetable and events

Please see below our class timetable with dates of classes returning. Please contact the supplier directly on the email provided.

Monday	Zumba 09:30-10:30am michele.darnell@btinternet.com	Pilates 10:40-11:40am GravityFitness@live.com (no classes in August)		Yoga 7:30pm – 8:30pm info@greentreeyoga.co.uk
Tuesday	Pilates 09:30-10:30am pilatesbycharlotte@gmail.com		Kettlercise 6:30pm-7.15pm Pilates 7.30-8.15pm redtraining@outlook.com	
Wednesday	Teddies parent & toddler 09:30 – 11:00am https://outlook.office365.com/owa/calendar/TredingtonteddiesBabyandToddlers@tredingtonteddies.org/uk/bookings/ (No classes in August)			Zumba 7.00pm-8.00pm michele.darnell@btinternet.com
Thursday				Hatha Yoga 7.30-9pm sadiehawson@gmail.com FROM 20 TH MAY
Friday	Pilates 09:30-10:30am GravityFitness@live.com	Yoga 12pm to 1pm nfo@greentreeyoga.co.uk from 27 th August		
Saturday	Didi-Rugby Keith Smith keith.smith@didirugby.com 09.00 – 10.00am	Zumba 10:30–11:30am michele.darnell@btinternet.com		
Sunday	Kettlercise 09:00-10:00am redtraining@outlook.com			

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Priest in Charge	Revd Ilse Ferwerda	01452 780880	apperleypriest@gmail.com
Church Warden	Tessa Mills	01684 216563	
Hon Associate Minister	Rev. Tom Curtis, Stonehills Tewkesbury, GL20 5FB	01684 295298	
Readers	Mrs Vivienne Troughton Tredington, Tewkesbury GL20 7BW 01684 293540	01684 293540	
Children & Young People's Church	Vivienne Troughton	01684 293540	
Tredington Primary School	Liz White. Head Teacher	01684 293617	Head@tredingtonprimary.org.uk www.tredington.gloucs.sch.uk
Tredington Teddies Playgroup & Tredington Teddies Baby & Toddler	Tina Taylor – Play leader/Manager Children aged 2 years to school age Monday to Friday 9am – 3pm Morning sessions 9am – 12.30pm	01684 293617	info@tredingtonteddies.org.uk www.tredingtonteddies.org.uk Stoke Orchard Community Centre Wednesdays, 9.30am – 11.00am £1.50 entry, no need to book
Village Hall	Frank Jukes	01684 294053	tredingtonvillagehall@gmail.com
Stoke Orchard Community Cen-	Helen	07437 533 132	info@stokeorchard.org
<p>Recycling and Waste Collection Dates for September Stoke Orchard and Tredington.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Blue - Thursday 9th Thursday 23rd</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Green. Friday 3rd Thursday July 16th , Thursday 30th</p>			

FLOWER Volunteers are needed to help with flowers and decorating Stoke Orchard Church, especially at Christmas, Easter and Harvest. No skill is required - just a love of flowers! Please contact Tessa Mills (Churchwarden) if you can help. Thanks! Tessa's contact number: 01452 780434

Tredington Flower Rota. Sept 5th Lesley Wilkes—

Sept 12th /19th Lyn Stagg Sept 26th /Oct 3rd Margaret Mitchell



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