

New Buckenham Parish News



March 2022



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Queen's Platinum Jubilee

Does anyone have any events planned or ideas to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee? If you do and would like publicity or help with its organisation we would be happy to promote it in next month's edition of *Parish News*. The Parish Council would also be willing to investigate the possibility of any funding available for such events, so please do get in touch.

Parish News Committee

Parish News Needs You!

Each month the *Parish News* is edited, formatted and distributed to every house in the village by a group of volunteers. To help with this, we are looking for one or more people who would be willing to take on some of the more technical tasks, in particular the formatting and laying out of the magazine, uploading the PDF to the website and sending out the email version. The layout is currently done using Microsoft Publisher, so will be familiar to anyone with experience of Office, while the emailing is done through MailChimp.

If you would be interested and would like to find out more, please contact Richard Hoggett in the first instance (richard@richard-hoggett.co.uk / 01953 860136).

Parish News Committee

Cover Image: Storm Eunice hits Cuffer Lane! (Mike Boswell)

Village Hall News: March 2022

We are really pleased to announce that the village hall is busy at the moment as we are beginning to come out of Covid restrictions. But unfortunately just as we welcome our community back into the hall, after 25 years of service the boiler packed up.

We knew it had to be replaced and it was in the schedule of works for the coming summer months, but Trustees needed to act quickly on this one. We considered a like-for-like replacement oil-fired boiler. However, with the green agenda and our wish to future proof the hall we also considered the alternative of electric heating with an air source heat pump (ASHP). Whilst ASHP on its own would not meet the heating demands of the hall we have installed a hybrid unit combining both ASHP and oil fired boiler.

This future-proofs the hall and meets our agenda of reducing our carbon footprint. This solution will make the most of the solar power generated by the halls PV panels. It is a very new product made by Grant boilers and can be converted to use HVO (hydrogenated vegetable oil) in the future.

With help from our generous legacies and support from the Parish Council Community Fund we are pleased to let you know the new boiler is in and operational. We hope that this one will serve us well for the next 25 years.

For details of what's on check out our Facebook page or the website at <http://www.newbuckenhamvillagehall.co.uk/>.

Juliet Fulford

Snowdrops

Thanks to generous donations by village organisations and individuals, snowdrops were planted this time last year under the lime trees on the Market Place. We are now seeing the results of last year's efforts, and know that in coming years the snowdrops will gradually spread.

Kim Cutmore and Charles Oxley

Good Companions

February 17th was the first meeting of the year. Twenty-eight members attended the meeting, where we caught up with each other's news since our last meeting in December. Subs were collected and tea was served by committee members.

The next meeting is on 17th March in village hall at 2:30pm and new members are welcome.

Christine Wilby

An Apology

Last month I thanked Fiona and Debbie for organising the Carols round the tree before Christmas and I neglected to add Michelle and Margaret. I apologise to them and thank the whole team for not only raising £200.19 but also for their assistance in cleaning the church each week.

Jimps

New Number

Please note our new number, which is 01953 860000.

Sarah & Steve Highton

New Buckenham Art Exhibition

Opening Night Friday 15th April: 7:30pm

Saturday 16th / Sunday 17th / Monday 18th: 11am–4:30pm

We are well underway for a good exhibition this Easter, so I hope you will be able to support this long-standing event and save a space in your diary. Entries close on the 1st March and then the serious work commences!

I have included the Stewarding Rota again so that you can check when you are stewarding. Those spaces that are **not highlighted** still need to be confirmed with Clive or can be filled by someone else. So, yes, there are still some spaces we need to fill. Please phone us!

Our small café with coffee, tea and cakes is appreciated by everyone who visits or stewards. We do need cakes for this, so if you could bake a cake that would be great. They can be taken to the Village Hall on Sat. 16th or Sun. 17th April for 11am. Please contact Pauline to let her know the day you would like to deliver your cake. If you are unable to do this and would like to deliver it earlier please contact Pauline on 01953 860053 or email: psdynes@hotmail.com

Everyone likes a raffle and we usually have some really great prizes and of course this does bring in quite a bit of money. The proceeds of the exhibition go to the church and the Village Hall. If you would like to donate a prize, please bring it to Mill House or you can leave it in the Garage Office if there is no one at home.

There will be some of you that have not seen our Art Exhibition. It has been going for over 25 years and displays some 400 exhibits from watercolours to oil paintings drawing collage photos and some 3D work. There are professional artists and hobby painters showing great ideas and quality. Make sure you tell your friends and family to come and enjoy a visit this Easter.

Clive Rush , Art Exhibition Committee.

HELPERS' ROTA ART EXHIBITION 2022

Please phone to book your slot

TIME	TASK	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY
11–12:30	S	Mary Dowson Charles Wolfe	Carolyn Hupton David Hupton	Sandra Lester Rory Lester
	A	Gerry & Geoff Gildersleeve	Nancy Robertson Vivienne Walker	Mary Manning Mike Boswell
12:30–2:30	S	Karen Hobley	Hazel Rush Ed Dowling	Carolyn Hupton Audrey Dowling
	A	Pauline Dynes Alan Dynes	Ron Thompson Margaret Ward	John Frith Lou Frith
2:30–4:30	S	Richard Anderson Charles Wolfe	Clive Rush	Ann Gascoyne Karen Hobley
	A		Audrey Dowling Ed Dowling	Robert & Meryl St. John Cooper
11–2	R	Stevie Hobley Gill Goodwin	Bella Chirodian Janet Ovens	Juliet Fulford Andrew Bingham
2–4:30		Gill Goodwin Sue Cattermole	Linda Bryan Kathy Steel	Alice Cattermole Andrea Halfacree

Tasks: A = Admission; S = Sales; R = Refreshments

New Buckenham Parish Council

Our next Parish Council meeting will take place on 8th March at 7:30pm at the Village Hall. A warm invitation is extended to all parishioners.

A reminder that the agenda relevant to each meeting will be posted on the noticeboard on the Village Green and on the website (www.newbuckenhampc.info) where you will also find further information about the Parish Council.

Parish Council meetings take place on the second Tuesday of every month with the exception of August, when we don't usually meet. The remaining dates for 2022 are 12th April, 10th May, 14th June, 12th July, 13th September, 11th October, 8th November and 13th December.

Karen Hobley (860529 / karenhobley@hotmail.com), Parish Council Chair

Community Project Fund

On behalf of the Parish Council, I'd like to remind parishioners of our Project Fund. It's designed to consider the award of grants or loans for the benefit of the village community. We can consider awards from £50 to £5,000, and the assessment of applications is made jointly by councillors and two parishioners. The next closing date for applications is 31st March 2022, but we look at applications each quarter.

Full details of how the Fund works and how to apply, are on the Parish Council website. Please take a look. If you would like to discuss further, please give me a call.

Andrew Nettleton, Parish Councillor (860428)

Summary of Draft Minutes February 2022

Present: Andrew Bingham (AB Vice Chair), Mary Dowson (MD), Mary Manning (MM), Don Crossman (DC), Andrew Nettleton (AN), Angela Thornton (Clerk, AT).

1. Minutes of the January meeting agreed as correct with one minor correction.
2. Matters Arising
 - AN to write an article in *Parish News* to highlight the Community Project Fund.
 - Cuffer Lane potholes: no response from Highways.
 - County Broadband: Chair has re-established contact and is waiting for a response.
 - Marsh Lane: work ongoing.
 - Electric car: AB to write an article in *Parish News* and to be put on agenda at the Annual Parish Meeting.
3. Public Participation
 - District/County Cllr: Reported that the owner of Downmore Farm had contacted him to say that work had started on the mobile phone mast.
 - Parish Cllr Reports: MM noted the dog waste bin on the corner of the cricket pitch was over full. Schedule and frequency of collection to be investigated.
4. Parishioners' Comments and Questions
 - Sue Britton requested that a defibrillator be purchased.
 - PC explained that it had been investigated before and suggested if SB could bring a proposal including location, management and ongoing costs and maintenance they would consider its purchase.
5. Financial Matters
 - Financial report for January was noted.

Payments for February were approved.

Community Project Fund application from the village hall has been discussed by the Project Group. They recommended that PC contribute £5,000 towards the Village Hall project to reduce its carbon footprint by installing a hybrid air-source and oil boiler.

PC decided not to approve the quote (£400) to refurbish the old metal bench and it will instead be offered to the highest bidder.

6. Planning Applications

Corner Cottage, Market Place: Existing stair to be replaced and rotated 180 degrees within the existing stairwell. No objection.

Aviary House, King Street: Conversion of outbuilding to form a new dwelling. No objection, but requested the impact on car parking to be noted by Breckland.

Planning Decision: 8 Chapel Street: Permission.

7. Amenities

Closed Churchyard: grass has been raked and collected.

Quinquennial Report is under review with plan and costings to be prepared. AT to request a meeting with the PCC.

Cemetery: review of charges to be deferred until AN and MD have identified all available plots in the old part of the cemetery.

Allotments: one outstanding invoice and allocation of available plots progressing.

Play Area: the Bee Maze has been installed.

8. Queen's Platinum Jubilee

PC encourage events to celebrate and an article will go in *Parish News*.

9. Community Car Scheme

Grant application has been submitted to Breckland DC.

10. Neighbourhood Plan

Nothing to report. Plan still with Breckland DC.

Mary Dowson on behalf of Parish Council

New Buckenham Parish Council

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The Parish Council meets at 7:30pm on the second Tuesday of every month at the Village Hall. Further information can be found on our notice board on the Village Green or www.newbuckenhampc.info.

On the Move

Our family have lived in New Buckenham for 28 years and they have been very happy years. We are moving to Aylsham, so we would like to take this opportunity to say we will miss all our wonderful friends and neighbours. We have lots of happy memories of the people in this marvellous community, the many village fetes, the MacMillan coffee mornings, Village Hall parties, old and new, the magnificent firework displays, the Hair of the Dog walks, and I have much enjoyed doing the 100/200 Club and meeting you all.

We hope that Katie, Dave and Baby Hupton-White have as many happy years as we have and know they will be welcomed by you all.

Love to you all!

Susan, Paul, Pamela and John Madden

200 Club Lucky Winners

Thank you for your continued support of the Village Hall. Here are the lucky winners for the latest draw.

£20

Chris Marsh, Sharon & Robert Van Duin-Toms,
Sue Britton

£10

Tony Lister, Mark Quinton, Claire Heasman,
Ann-Marie Shepherd, Rosemary Winsor

200 Club

We will be very sorry to see Paul and Sue Madden leave the village and we wish them well and hope they enjoy their new home.

I must thank Paul for his amazing support with the 100 Club, raising funds for the Village Hall. The 100 Club started back in the early 1980s, an idea between Clive Rush and Brian Hill. Much later I took it over with Ken Gee as my collector/distributor of prizes and we ran it for many years until Ken died. At which point Paul stepped forward and things started to happen!

Paul has always been a bit of a salesman and very persuasive. He was determined to change it from a 100 Club to a 200 Club. When he joined in June 2017 we had 130 members and it had been static for many years. Within four months we had 218 members and the average since then has been 225. This has meant an additional £450 a year for the Village Hall. Thank you, Paul, and thank you members of the 200 Club!

Jan Ovens is taking over Paul's collecting duties and I thank her for volunteering. You will be seeing her at some point, if you haven't already, to collect your subscriptions and also to dispense the monthly prizes.

Thank you all for your support.

Jimpy Casson

200 Club Administrator

News from the Pews

Services

As we await the appointment of a new rector for the Quidenham Group of Parishes, we have a slightly different monthly schedule. The first Sunday of the month will be a group service starting at Kenninghall on 6th March; the second Sunday will still be Evensong here with the choir; the third Sunday we will welcome Rev. Andrew Slater from Attleborough for Holy Communion; the fourth Sunday will be the usual Morning Worship and where there's a fifth Sunday we'll alternate with Old Buckenham for Morning Prayer.

Coffee Mornings

Village & Vestry are holding a Spring-themed Coffee Morning on Saturday 19th March with stalls and children's activities, then CoffeeMates! starts again on 9th April, and then on the 2nd Saturday of the each month through to Harvest. The charities to be supported are yet to be decided, but as our new treasurer Jimpy Casson has worked out that it costs **£35 A DAY** just to keep St Martin's open, one event will be for our own maintenance funds.

Bookstall

One vital source of income is our second hand bookstall, but only if people BUY as well as BRING! Thanks to your generosity, we are absolutely full at the moment, so no more donations until further notice, thank you. Do come and look, we have a huge selection of paperbacks and all children's books are FREE.

Mothering Sunday

There will be a service here at 11am on 27th March, suitable for all ages and with posies to take home.

Holy Week and Easter

The group Palm Sunday service on 10th April will be here again this year, and we have interesting plans for the week running up to Easter Day. Watch out in next month's *Parish News*!

Susan Jowett for the PCC (860929)

St Martin's Church Services – March 2022			
Sun 6th	10:00am	Group Service at Kenninghall	Lent 1
Sun 13th	6:30pm	Sung Evensong with the choir	Lent 2
Sun 20th	11:00am	Holy Communion	Lent 3
Sun 27th	11:00am	Family Service with distribution of posies	Mothering Sunday

Parish News

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Open Gardens

You should already have a note in your calendar that Open Gardens is on Sunday 19th June. I have been round with flyers looking for volunteers to open their gardens on the 19th, but if I have missed you and you would like to take part please call me on 860191 for further details. The gardens are open from 1pm until 6pm for one day only with refreshments available at the Village Hall.

We also plan to have plant sales on the day and one of our number, Lynn, has purchased a selection of plants that she will bring on to saleable state. We ask if there is anyone who could also grow plants that we could sell on the day to get in touch with us. Call me on 860191.

Also, advance warning that we will need cakes for both Open Gardens and the Village Show in July. Some way off, I know, but better to be warned well in advance. I think the Fete may also want cakes so start now and freeze them.

More next month!

Jimpy, Gardening Group

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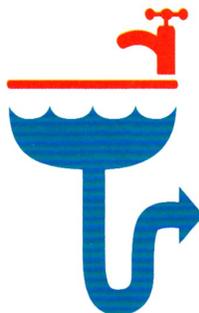
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March 2022

March 2022	
Tues 8th	Parish Council Meeting, 7:30pm, Village Hall
Thurs 17th	Good Companions, 2:30pm, Village Hall
Sat 19th	Village&Vestry Coffee Morning, 10:30am, St Martin's
Sun 27th	Mothering Sunday Service, 11am, St Martin's
Thurs 31st	Community Project Fund Application Deadline

The Village Hall Bookings Administrator is Stevie Hopley

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