

Stoneleigh & Ashow News



February 2020



“The Heart of Stoneleigh Defibrillator”

In the phone box on The Green

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Remember: Always ring 999 first!

HS2 UPDATE

A lot has happened on the political front since the last edition of the News but the Oakervee Report regarding the future of HS2 has yet to be published. Speculation about the contents has been rife, fuelled in particular by an alternative report by the Deputy Chair, Lord Berkeley, who is very critical of the project. Media coverage of these alternative views has been extensive which has meant somewhat wider scrutiny of costs etc. than occurred previously. So....we continue to watch this space!

Meanwhile, 'enabling works' have continued apace, including destruction of ancient woodland (which was supposed to be held until a decision had been made). Stoneleigh and Ashow residents have become increasingly aware of preparations – removal of trees and hedges, weekend deliveries of materials required for the construction site off the B4115, and work around the Stoneleigh Road junction with the A46, as well as noticeable works in the surrounding area.

Any queries/complaints – email hs2enquiries@hs2.or.uk or phone 08081 434434.

On 7th January 2020 apparently the Prime Minister was pushed to 'pause, reflect and cancel HS2' by both North and South Warwickshire MPs. HS2 has launched a consultation on generic aspects of the design of it. This includes viaducts and piers. The material to be used is concrete and ideally these components will be fabricated off site and then delivered.

The link to the survey is below:

https://assets.hs2.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2019/12/19094747/Common-Design-Elements_digital421.pdf

and this will access the booklet with material, but there is an online survey too:

<https://www.smartsurvey.co.uk/s/HS2CDEs>.

The closing date for any responses is 31st January 2020.

Margaret Wallis

(on behalf of the Stoneleigh & Ashow Action Group against HS2)



Stoneleigh Male Voice Choir March Show

Around the World in 80 Days

When:- 19th to 22nd March 2020

Where:- Stoneleigh Village Hall

**Tickets:- from Philip Jones 01926 853511 or
by email kathryngjones@hotmail.co.uk
or from any other choir member.**

**More details:- Thursday 19th March – 7.30pm
Preview evening.**

Tickets £5 to include tea / coffee and biscuits.
(Tickets are free to senior citizens living in Stoneleigh)

Friday 20th March & Saturday 21st March – 7.30pm

Sunday 22nd March – 5.00pm

Tickets £20 to include a 2 course meal (with a vegetarian option).
Please bring your own drinks and glasses



Stoneleigh History Society

It seems a long time since our November meeting, when we were given a talk by local historian Anne Langley about the Warwick County Asylum, an early reformatory for boys. It was striking to learn about the Victorians' attempts to rehabilitate rather than punish youngsters who might have taken a wrong path.

Our December Christmas Social was a very enjoyable occasion and we now begin 2020 with a new venture: we shall be meeting in January for the first time in our history. On January 28th at 7.30pm in the Village Hall Pete James will be giving a talk on "Salvation and Stoneleigh" –the story of two different branches of the Fardon family. It should prove very interesting.

Current members are asked to renew membership by the end of the month, and we welcome new members - or why not come along as a visitor to any of our meetings and see whether the History Society is for you? Our complete programme for 2020 can be viewed on our website

www.stoneleighhistorysociety.org.uk

Sheila Woolf

“THANK YOU”

I have received the following note from Myton Hospice:

*Dear Robin, Friends and Neighbours in Stoneleigh,
Thank you so much for your very kind donation of £706, raised
in lieu of sending Christmas Cards to each other.*

Your support is really appreciated.

*Wishing you all a very Happy New Year and Best Wishes from
Lou and the Fundraising Team at Myton Hospice.*

I thank you all too.

Robin Bussell



Stoneleigh WI

A very good start to the new year with our speaker from Bubbenhall. Jill Green gave a very amusing talk about her life with the many different jobs that she has fulfilled. It was a very lively start to our year and good to have so many visitors.

Next month we have Nick Martin talking about British Mammals - are we some of them? Again we welcome visitors – so it would be good to see you.

One of our members – Shel Whitfield has over the past year produced many preserves and knitted items that she has sold at various events in the village. We want to thank her as she has raised over £700 for various charities! Thank you Shel. We will continue to support you.

The craft group are reconvening after a short break. In February there will be a felting workshop on the 24th. If you would be interested please contact me – it is £15 per person.

The next lunch is on Tuesday February 4th 2020. Again, please let me know whether or not you will coming. I am very short of helpers but I'm sure that we will cope!! You may just have to wait a bit longer for your lunch.

Next coffee morning will be on February 17th 2020 – come along for a chat – 10:30am in the club. Only £1, with refills! Look forward to seeing you.

Liz Sykes

Stoneleigh Village Club

Est. 1856

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stoneleigh.villageclub@gmail.com



Stoneleigh Village Club Update

At last, January is almost over. We hope you had a fabulous break and enjoyed some of our events over the festive period. It's the first time we've seen Father Christmas arrive on the back of a pickup truck!



A few of us also took an impromptu walk on New Year's Day to burn off a few of the mince pies and blow some cobwebs away! We are looking to do this once a month, as soon as the weather improves, so do keep an eye on our notice board and Facebook Page for more details.



Back by popular demand is our meat raffle which for just £2 you have a chance of winning:

- 2 x 8oz Rump steaks
- 1lb Chicken cubes
- 2 x Lamb burgers
- 1lb Minced beef
- 12 Pork sausages
- 1lb Bacon

Draw will be at 7pm, every Friday, tickets on sale all week, if you won't be in the club please leave a contact number. The meat is all top quality collected on Fridays from local award winning butchers Bosworth and refrigerated.

Upcoming Club Events 2020

Friday 31st January, from 7pm
PAYDAY FRIDAY

Featuring the one and only Spice Truck
Pre-orders taken at the club or on our Facebook Page

Wednesday 5th February - Knit and Natter, from 7:30pm
All abilities welcome, or just come along for a natter 😊

Thursday 13th February - Book Club, from 7:45pm
The Flat Share by Beth O'Leary
A funny and uplifting book

Wednesday 19th February - Knit and Natter, from 7:30pm

The Guinness Six Nations

Saturday 1st and Sunday 2nd February

Saturday 8th and Sunday 9th February

Saturday 22nd and Sunday 23rd February

Don't forget, we have Sky Sports showing all the latest sports fixtures!

Mondays, from 7:30pm Darts Team
Tuesdays, from 7:30pm Pool Team
Thursdays, from 7:30pm Crib and Dominos Team
Please check notice board for fixtures list

STONELEIGH LADIES CHOIR

As the choir prepares for its Spring concert, it is still worthwhile reflecting on the three performances given over the Christmas period.



The festive spirit was first generated when the ladies sang in the foyer at the University Hospital at Walsgrave. Both patients and staff alike paused to listen and join in and over £170 was collected in the 45-minute performance. It was agreed that it was a most enjoyable experience and one hopefully to be repeated this year.

The choir was also welcomed at the Rotary Club dinner where they sang a selection of carols from around the world. The season was rounded off with their participation in the carol service at Stoneleigh Church which is always a joyous occasion.

As we go to print, a date has not been fixed for our charity concert 'Music to Inspire'. This year's chosen charity is Safeline, supporting victims of abuse during their recovery. Tickets for this event will be £10, including afternoon tea.

The choir meets every Thursday in term time from 1.30pm to 3pm. If you are interested in joining please contact our Secretary at 024 7633 7535.

Pat Wightman

Film Night

For our next film night, we will be showing:



Downton Abbey

**Friday March 13th 2020 in
Stoneleigh Village Hall
Meet 6.45pm for a
7pm showing**

Downton Abbey, the film, sees the Crawleys and their staff preparing for the most important moment of their lives. A royal visit from the King and Queen unleashes scandal, romance and intrigue that leaves the future of Downton hanging in the balance.

Written by Julian Fellowes and starring the original cast.

Make yourself feel at home, bring your own wine, cushions or a comfy chair. Coffee and pastry in the interval.

Tickets: £3.00, to cover the cost of refreshments and room hire.
To reserve a place and a pastry call Jane on 01926 858315
by Wednesday March 11th 2020

Dates for film nights in 2020:

May 8th, July 10th, September 11th, November 13th

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Stoneleigh Male Voice Choir News

The November concert in Stoneleigh Church, with a choir from South Wales – The Cwmdare Voices, raised £1,200 for Stoneleigh Church. It was a wonderful evening featuring a wide variety of songs from both choirs, including a trumpet solo.

Our year ended with two carol concerts in the Chapel at Stoneleigh Abbey and the carol service at Stoneleigh Church. At the Abbey concerts the two collections raised an amazing £1,000 for the Safeline Charity which we were supporting.

If anyone is interested in joining the choir please come along on a Wednesday evening at 7.30pm to the village hall in Stoneleigh.

Forthcoming events:-

March 19th – 22nd 2020 show – Around the World in 80 days (please see the advert for further details)

April 18th 2020 Stoneleigh Church – a joint concert with Bois Goetre Hen A'R Cylch (a Welsh Male Voice Choir from Bridgend) in aid of Cancer Research (Kenilworth branch). Further details in next month's magazine.

Robin Moore

Don't forget: Shrove Tuesday, or Pancake Day, is the last day before the period Christians call Lent.

This year it is on February 25th.
Enjoy your pancakes!



PARISH COUNCIL NOTES

Meetings

The **February Ordinary Parish Council meeting** will be held at Ashow Village Club on **Thursday 13th February 2020** at 7.00pm. We are hoping to be joined by an Officer from Warwickshire County Council to talk about the cycling strategy for the local area. Check the agenda (on the village notice boards and on our website) for more details.

Members of the public are invited to attend all Parish Council meetings.

To view the full details of these and other meetings, including upcoming planning applications, please visit the Parish Council website:

<http://stoneleighashowparishcouncil.btck.co.uk/CouncilMeetings>

December and January meetings update:

At the meeting in December, the Parish Council received a presentation from Charles Barlow of Warwickshire County Council about the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment, an assessment of the needs of the local population, which will help to determine funding for services. A copy of the presentation can be found on the Parish Council website.

Councillors have started work on the Neighbourhood Plan for Stoneleigh and Ashow. If you would like to assist in the development of the plan, please get in touch with the Clerk.

Have your say on local bus services

The Parish Council has been contacted by Bubbenhall Parish who are carrying out a survey to find out what their residents think of the local bus services and what changes, if any, they would like to see. The feedback will be passed to Warwickshire County Council. We would like the residents of Stoneleigh and Ashow to have the opportunity to contribute their views. The short online survey is available from the Parish Council website (<http://stoneleighshowparishcouncil.btck.co.uk/>) and our Facebook page. You can also print off a copy of the survey and send it to the Clerk. We really hope that you will take the time to share your views.

Don't forget to check out the **Parish Council website** which is regularly updated with local information such as road and traffic issues, HS2 updates, regular Safer Neighbourhood Policing Team surgeries, information drop in sessions and local consultations. It's a great way to find out what's going on locally and get involved. You can find us at:
<http://stoneleighshowparishcouncil.btck.co.uk/>

Hannah Watts, Parish Clerk





The United Benefice of
The Assumption of our Lady, Ashow
and
St Mary the Virgin, Stoneleigh



SERVICES FOR FEBRUARY 2020

Sunday 2 nd	10.00 am United Holy Communion at Ashow
Sunday 9 th	9.30 am Holy Communion at Ashow 11.00 am All Age Worship at Stoneleigh
Wednesday 12 th	10.30 am Midweek Ecumenical Communion at Stoneleigh
Sunday 16 th	9.30 am Holy Communion at Ashow 11.00 am Fellowship Holy Communion at Stoneleigh
Sunday 23 rd	9.30 am Village Service at Ashow 11.00 am Sung Holy Communion Service at Stoneleigh

From the Registers

Funerals:

Thursday 21st November 2019 – Philip Healey – Interment at Ashow
Monday 25th November 2019 – Oswald Leonard Hulcoop – Interment at Stoneleigh
Thursday 19th December 2019 – Ian Newell Smith – Funeral Service at Stoneleigh
Saturday 4th January 2020 – Eileen Mary Clarke – Interment at Ashow

Contacts:

Churchwardens :

Ashow: Kate Jones 01926 853511

Deputy Wardens: Anne Gregory 01926 717084,
Peter Shrimpton 01926 859404

Stoneleigh: June Burr 02476 227726 and Gordon Gatward 01926 512528
Deputy Warden: Richard Ashley 01926 427729

Or please contact the Parish Administrator,

Jackie Cubitt, 02476 415506 email: admin@stoneleighchurch.co.uk

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