

The Ovington Oracle

September, 2013

Some time soon we will mark the start of autumn, but in our household there's discussion to when that might be? Many people think the beginning of September marks the season, whereas the editor says autumn is between the equinox (22nd September at 20:44) and the winter solstice. If anyone has the definitive answer, or an alternative definition we would like to know.

Whatever the actual date, the main harvest is upon us and after a difficult start to the year, things seem to have turned out better than originally expected with a combination of rain and high sunshine later in the growing season.

Diary Dates

All at Village Hall unless otherwise indicated

Mondays @ 10:30am	Coffee morning, until 11:30am
Mondays @ 1:45pm	Bowls
Mondays @ 6:00pm	Junior Choir
1st Sept @ 10:30am	Harvest Festival (Church)
4th Sept @ 11:00am	Crafters session, until 4:00pm
4th Sept @ 7:45pm	Gardening Club
5th Sept @ 7:30pm	Parish Council meeting
8th Sept @ 9:30am	Holy Communion (Church)
17th Sept @ 7:45pm	Ladies Group
5th Oct @ 7:00pm	Ovtoberfest

To book the village hall contact Lyndia Lewis 882222

More at: www.ovington-village.org.uk

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Ladies Group

Christine Hardy



It was a beautiful evening for the picnic at our August meeting so we were able to sit in the Village Hall grounds and enjoy the delicious dishes brought along by our members- all washed down with a glass of wine – a perfect end to the day.

We will be back inside again this month with a talk on bees and bee-keeping by Paul Metcalf. Competition is something beginning with 'R'.

As always everyone is very welcome to come along on the 17th September at 7:45pm.

Advanced date for your diaries – 26th October Hot Supper Evening at the home of Joyce and Jeremy Woods

British Heart Foundation

Jane Lambert

A big thank you to everyone who supported my coffee morning and who kindly gave us donations, thanks also to the ladies who made the cakes.

£480 was raised for the British Heart Foundation at the Saturday coffee morning with the two hour Zumba on the Sunday bringing the grand total to **£1650**.

Many thanks from Jane Lambert and family.

Welcome

The Village

Welcome to the new residents at 32A The Street, we hope to see you at village events.

What's On locally

Susan Hollingworth (01953 880205)

The Dragonfly Gallery presents a mixed media art exhibition

From Plough to Plate

Saturday 7th September– Saturday 14th September
Preview Evening, Friday 6th September 7:00 – 8:30pm.

A limited number of free tickets available.

September is the month for food festivals both in Norfolk and the Brecks, and the Wayland Partnership and the Town Team will be celebrating food and healthy eating. In support of the many events that will take place, our exhibition will also be about food – from scenes of sugar beet harvesting in winter, to grape picking in the south of France to cook-book illustrations, to country gardening, to cows and sheep in the fields – anything in any media connected in any way with healthy, locally produced food.

Wayland House, High St, Watton.

Opening Times: Weekdays 10:00 – 4:00pm,
Except Wednesday 4:00 – 7:00pm
Saturdays 10:00 – 1:00pm

Watton Festival 2013

Festival Committee

Saturday 26 October to Saturday 2 November 2013.

See information on all thirteen events in the full programme available from the beginning of September in the Tourist Information Centre, Adcocks, Edwards, Watton Library and other locations in Watton and surrounding villages.

Tickets will be available from the 7th September on our website – www.wattonfestival.org.uk – and the TIC, by post via the Wayland Hall using the order form in the programme, and Festival ticket stalls in Chaston Place on Wednesdays from 25th September. Contact numbers for tickets are 881792 and 884044.

Church

Ann Johnson

A big thank you to all the men who have cut the churchyard grass and kept it so tidy this year. Your work is really appreciated

On Sunday 1st September we shall be celebrating our Harvest Festival as a Benefice Service at 10:30am. After the service produce will be auctioned.

2:00pm Monday 2nd September –church cleaning

9:30am Sunday 8th September – Holy Communion

On Saturday 14th September the Norfolk Church bicycle Ride will take place from 9-5. This involves getting sponsorship and calling in at churches and chapels in Norfolk. Any money raised will be divided equally between St John's Church Ovington and the Norfolk Churches Trust. If anyone would like to take part in this event please ring Ann on 885455 or pick up a form from the church. Our church will be manned for visiting cyclists and thank you to all who have volunteered to sit in the church and welcome the cyclists and sign their forms

Flower Festival 2014

Jane Lambert

We are holding a meeting in Ovington Church on **Wednesday 4th September at 7:00pm** to plan for a flower festival next year. Anyone interested in doing a flower arrangement for the festival please do come along. If you are interested but not able to attend please contact me on 882232 many thanks.

SATURDAY 5th OCTOBER

Oytoberfest

OVINGTON VILLAGE HALL

7.00PM to 11.00PM

Live Music from

'The Backdrafts'

Plus **Buffet & Raffle**

AND

Local Real Ales on Sale

Tickets on Sale Now £8 each

Ticket includes music and buffet / Children under 12 £4.00

CALL MATT on 07730 880111 / 885244

Profits towards Community Defibrillator Project

Coming Soon at the Village Hall

Curry Evening
Christmas Bazaar

Saturday 9th November
Saturday 7th December

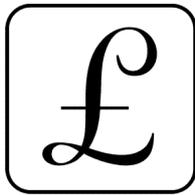
Crafters

Come and join in any time from 11:00am – any craft which takes your fancy! It is time to start thinking along the lines of presents/decorations etc. for the festive season (only 98 days until the Bazaar!).

Editor: My diary indicates PCSO Tonya Winsley will be at the Monday coffee morning on 16th September. Any information / suggestions / queries about local policing matters could be discussed informally.

Village Lottery

Christine Reilly



Congratulations to the August winners:

First Prize (£10) Rod Rumsby

Second Prize (£5) Paula Paterson

Found ...

Messages to Editors

A slightly damaged ring has been found on Church Rd. If this is yours please contact Christine Reilly (885848)

Gardening Club

Ed Reilly



There was no meeting in August, so the next meeting is on Wednesday 4 September at 7:45pm when Trevor Illesley will give a talk on 'Annuals and Perennials in Colour and Cultivation'. This meeting will be held in the village hall and we would welcome any interest from the village. Please contact Ed on 01953 885848 or Carole on 01760 440719 for further details.

Parish Council

Timothy Birt

Next meeting is 5th September at 7.30pm, as usual Councillors tend to arrive 15 minutes early to discuss any matters arising before the official meeting.

We hope to have updates on the Trod, speed sign and potential sports equipment.

And finally ...

Tim

What kind of bird lays electric eggs?
A battery hen!

Why can't you tell secrets in the wheat field?
The wheat has ears

What do you call a crate of ducks?
A box of quackers!

Why did the bull rush?
Because it saw the cow slip!

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