

## DIARY DATES FOR MARCH 2021

5 <sup>th</sup>	7.30 pm	World Day of Prayer by Zoom from Kineton Church
11 <sup>th</sup>		Prescription Rota – Julia Douthwaite 670528
21 <sup>st</sup>		2021 National Census Day
25 <sup>th</sup>		Prescription Rota – Julie Jackson 670747
31 <sup>st</sup>		Book Club by Teams : The Sealwoman's Gift by Sally Magnusson

A reduced Mobile Library Service is currently in operation. Staff can select up to 4 books per customer to be collected from designated locations around Warwickshire. To arrange a collection of books, contact the Mobile Library Team on 01926 851031  
[or mobilelibraryservice@warwickshire.gov.uk](mailto:mobilelibraryservice@warwickshire.gov.uk).

### Ways of keeping in Touch

1. The village Facebook page , "Radway Village Community". Contact Sophie on [sophiestephens@radwayparishcouncil.org.uk](mailto:sophiestephens@radwayparishcouncil.org.uk) to get something posted.
2. An email circulation list, used by the Parish Council to circulate useful bits of information. Contact Sophie on the address above and ask her to add your email to the list. (We promise not to bombard you with marketing or sell your details on!)
3. For those of you with smartphones and the 'WhatsApp' app there is a village "info and support group". Contact Lilian on 670767 to be added.
4. Notices will be added to the notice board on the bus shelter.

### Your Parish Councillors

Tim Smith-Vincent, Chair 670767

Peter Wilkins, Vice Chair 670229

Sophie Stephens 07880 528004

Clare Rankin 670703

Penny Gardner 07976 179834

Ian Wilson, Parish Clerk : [radwaypcclerk@gmail.com](mailto:radwaypcclerk@gmail.com).

## RADWAY VILLAGE NEWSLETTER MARCH 2021

### STAY ALERT > CONTROL THE VIRUS > SAVE LIVES

#### Outdoor table tennis

A black lockable box is now sited at the back of the village hall where four bats and balls are stored. Please contact any Parish Councillor for the code for the lock to access the bats and balls and disinfectant wipes. Please wipe the bats and balls before you use them and when you return them after you've had a game.

#### A Radway Community Allotment?

Thank you all for the responses to the Community Allotment Survey. 26 surveys were returned, with 84% answering "Would Radway Benefit from a Community Allotment?" either "Strongly Agree" or "Agree". We had 11 responses saying they would like to be part of a team to garden the allotment, with a further 7 responding "maybe", and an additional 3 not wishing to garden, but being willing to help run the project. This has therefore shown that there is sufficient interest to consider how the project can be progressed.

So, if you are at all interested in a Community Allotment, either as a gardener, or willing to help run the project, please contact Tim ([timsmithvincent@radwayparishcouncil.org.uk](mailto:timsmithvincent@radwayparishcouncil.org.uk)), who will then set up a zoom meeting to move things forward.

#### Climate Change

A group of six volunteers has now been formed. This group will keep the village informed of projects through the newsletter and email. Watch this space for how we can help our planet. For further information please contact Penny on 07976 179834 or email [pennygardner@radwayparishcouncil.org.uk](mailto:pennygardner@radwayparishcouncil.org.uk)

#### Chestnut paling fencing on the recreation ground

New fencing will be erected in March around most of the hard-standing area of the recreation ground. It will run the length of the hard-standing area facing onto Langdon Lane and will terminate at

the salt box. This will help prevent children running onto the road and will improve the appearance of the lane. The existing concrete and metal barrier will remain in situ. It is also intended that a pedestrian access to the hard-standing area will soon be provided.

### National Census Day

The census is a survey that happens every ten years and gives a picture of all the people and households in England and Wales. This year, as many people as possible should fill in the census online and details will be sent out by the Office for National Statistics.

### Calling All Dog Owners and Dog Walkers

Last week, one of our elderly residents, whilst walking in the churchyard, was knocked over by two dogs who were running off the lead and out of sight of their owners. Fortunately, she was not physically hurt, but was understandably shaken.

Please be aware that, even under current restrictions, there are people of all ages walking in the village, and it would be tragic if someone were to be badly hurt. Please keep dogs on leads at all times whilst in the boundaries of the village, or around livestock.

This seems a good time to remind dog owners and walkers that there are signs around the Recreation Field reminding you that dogs are not allowed on the grass. This is a children's play area and must be kept clean and safe.

### Church News

Following the latest announcements, our vicar Barry met with leaders from across the benefice to explore various options for how we might continue. Having discussed it carefully, we decided that we would aim to re-open for public worship from 29<sup>th</sup> March, which will allow us all to be in church together on Easter Sunday.

In the meantime, services are still offered online and the church building here in Radway will continue to be open between 8am and 8pm daily.

### Easter Lilies

As in previous years the church flower arrangers will be using lilies in their window displays for Easter, which falls on April 4<sup>th</sup> this year. If you would like to buy lilies in memory of loved ones please contact Sandra on 01295 670229 or 07721 058044.

### World Day of Prayer

This year it takes place on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> March at 7.30 pm by Zoom. The service was prepared by the people of the islands of Vanuatu in the South Pacific. This is an open occasion, and all are welcome: Call Julie Jackson (670747) if you want access to the Zoom meeting.

### Radway Events Group News

**Easter Egg Trail** The REG group thought it might be fun to arrange an Easter Egg trail around the village. The idea is decorate our windows or front gardens the week before Easter (March 29<sup>th</sup> to April 2<sup>nd</sup>) and add some chocolate treats for the Easter weekend. If you would like to get involved, please let Clare (670703) or Alison (678321) know.

The next **REG meeting** by Zoom will take place on April 7<sup>th</sup> when, amongst other ideas, Radway's contribution to community dancing (Jerusalema shuffle or ABBA) will be discussed. Everyone is welcome, just let Lilian know on 670767 and she'll send you the link. We will also be planning for the biggest party ever to mark the end of lockdown, whenever that is! Do join us.

### Radway Cricket Club

Members hope to see a more normal cricket season this summer. Saturday league fixtures in Div 1 of South Northants cricket league are organised to start on 1st May, although we will have to wait and see if that start date is feasible and what Covid-19 procedures are required. U13's are entered into the Junior league who are organizing fixtures although the start of the season may be slightly delayed. New players, young or older, are very welcome, please get in contact. Phil Douthwaite 07767641362.