

DIARY DATES FOR MARCH 2022

4 th	2.30 pm	World Day of Prayer at Ratley Church
5 th	1 pm Lunch 2 pm Talk	'The Restoration of Pear Tree Cottage' – an illustrated talk by Zanna McKale Tickets still available from Lilian 670767, or any REG member.
6 th	8.30 am	Holy Communion in St Peter's Church
7 th	7.30 pm	REG meeting in Village Hall
10 th		Prescription Rota – John Feilding 678390
12 th	Afternoon from approx. 2.30	Coventry Diocesan Guild of Bell Ringers 6 bell striking competition in the Church.
17 th	8pm	Parish Council Meeting in Village Hall All welcome.
20 th	10.30 am	Holy Communion in St Peter's Church
24 th		Prescription Rota – Julie Jackson 670747
28 th	7.30 pm	Garden Club in the Village Hall 'The National Gardens Scheme' - a talk by Dee Broguard All welcome
30 th	8 pm	Book Club : The Beekeeper of Aleppo by Christy Lefteri

Your Parish Councillors

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RADWAY VILLAGE NEWSLETTER**MARCH 2022****In Memory of Lloyd Welsby**

It is with great sadness that the village learnt that Lloyd Welsby died peacefully with his family around him on February 1st.

Many of you will know that Lloyd was born in the village at what is now no. 4 Grange Cottages, and lived there until he was 15, when he went to live in Lighthorne and learned the trade of a carpenter. At the age of 18 he was sent to Korea, where he endured unspeakable hardship.

Lloyd returned to Radway when he married Jean and worked tirelessly for the good of the village. He was on the Parish Council for eleven years (many of those as Chair), he helped renovate the Village Hall and was a Trustee of Tysoe School. His passion for his garden made him a staunch member of the Garden Club and his skill as a carpenter is apparent in the gates he made for the church.

Lloyd was chairman of the Cricket Club for many years during its early development and helped to create the current Cricket Field on the Tysoe Road. The site was formerly used for allotments and took a lot of hard work to get to a playable condition. Lloyd then took on the role of groundsman, spending many hours cutting the grass and preparing the pitches.

Editor

With thanks to Jean and to Phil Douthwaite for their help compiling this tribute.

Parish Council News**20's Plenty**

There has been overwhelming support to reduce the speed limit through the village to 20mph. The Parish Council will, at its next meeting, agree to lobby Warwickshire County Highways Authority to change the speed limit through the village.

Dangerous Foot bridge

A big thank you to the Fenny Compton volunteers who have repaired the foot bridge on the Tysoe Road.

Defibrillator

The defibrillator is now in place and is located to the side of the front porch of the village hall. Should you need to access it follow the instructions on

the front of the “defibsafes” by ringing either 999 or 112 who will give you the access code. It is planned that training on the use of the defibrillator will be provided by West Midlands Ambulance Services in the near future.

Forestry Work on Upton Estate 2022

Substantial forestry work on Sunrising Hill, due to widespread Ash Dieback, has now been completed and the re-planting is due to start imminently. A similar process will now begin in the woodland off Edgehill which will start with the construction of the infrastructure for the forestry machinery. The felling will then start in the summer. While still relatively extensive, the woodland will not need to be clear-felled as it was on Sunrising Hill; this will be more of a thinning process. It is our understanding that the existing bridleway which passes through the woodland should not be affected. Further information is available on the village notice boards.

Facing hardship

Warwickshire County Council and partners have made available the following links for anyone facing hardship.

- General information and support - www.warwickshire.gov.uk/facinghardship
- Food – www.warwickshire.gov.uk/foodsupport
- Crisis support from Local Welfare Scheme – www.warwickshire.gov.uk/localwelfarescheme
- Winter wellness – www.warwickshire.gov.uk/winterwellness

Church News

Easter Lilies

As in previous years the church flower arrangers will be using lilies in their window displays for Easter, which falls on April 17th this year. If you would like to buy lilies in memory of loved ones please contact Sandra on 07721 058044.

World Day of Prayer

This year it takes place on Friday 4th March at 2.30 pm at Ratley Church. The service was prepared by Christian women of England, Wales and Northern Ireland. This is an open occasion, and all are welcome.

Benefice Mothering Sunday Service

Mothering Sunday this year is on the 27th March, which is when we join with people from other local churches in our group to worship at Kineton Church at 10.30 am. There will be activities planned for the children and refreshments after the service.

Radway Events Group

Tickets are still available for Zanna’s talk about the restoration of Pear Tree Cottage (opposite the bus stop) It should be fascinating.

A soup and sandwich lunch is available at 1pm, the talk will be at 2pm and tea and cake will be served at 3.30. Prices are :

£7.50 for Lunch, Talk and Tea

£2.50 for the Talk only

£5 for the Talk and one Refreshment.

Book your place by calling Lilian on 670767, or contact her through the WhatsApp group.

The next **REG meeting** will take place on March 7th when, amongst other ideas we will be planning for the biggest party ever to mark the Queen’s Jubilee. Do join us. All ideas are welcome.

Radway Cricket Club

Our league matches start on Saturday 30th April and there will be some practices arranged for April.

U15's will also be playing but they will probably be changing to the Cotswold Hills league to reduce travel times to matches.

New players, junior or senior, are always welcome.

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Bell Ringing News

On Saturday the 12th of March the Coventry Diocesan Guild of Bell Ringers will hold their 6 bell striking competition at Radway. It is expected that about 10 teams from around the Diocese will ring during the afternoon and will be judged on their performance. This will involve about 70 or 80 people ringing and listening.

Do come along and listen or watch!