

DIARY DATES FOR SEPTEMBER 2022

4 th	8.30 am	Holy Communion at St Peter's Church
8 th		Prescription Rota – Clare Rankin 670703
10 th	6.30 meet in the Hall	Radway Progressive Supper
18 th	10.30 am	Holy Communion at St Peter's Church
22 nd	7.30 pm	Prescription Rota – John Fielding 07718 037142 Parish Council meeting in the Village Hall.
24 th		South Midlands District of the Ladies' Guild will ring the church bells for an hour in the afternoon.
26 th	7.30 pm	Garden Club – Plants for Problem Places by Geoff Hodge

Harvest Festival and Supper – Save the Date!

The Harvest Festival service at St Peter's Church will be held on Sunday October 2nd at 3pm. This will be followed on the Monday evening by the popular Harvest Supper and auction of produce in the Village Hall at 7pm. Tickets for the supper and auction are available from Clare (670703) or Puffin (678682).

Save this date too!

The next REG meeting will be in the Village Hall on Wednesday October 5th at 7.30 pm. Do come along with ideas for future village events.

Your Parish Council

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RADWAY VILLAGE NEWSLETTER SEPTEMBER 2022

Parish Council News

Acorn Bioenergy Anaerobic Digestion

Every household should have received a letter about the proposed anaerobic digestion plant near Hardwick Farm off Tysoe Road near the A422 and Lower Tysoe.

A public consultation event was held on 23 August at Oxhill Village Hall which was attended by Parish Councillors. Unfortunately, their feedback could not be included in this newsletter, due to the copy deadline, but will appear in the next one. You can view information about the proposal and send them your feedback via the project's website www.hardwickenergy.com. There is also a dedicated Facebook page called **Acorn Bioenergy**.

Following the consultation process a planning application will be submitted to Stratford-on-Avon District Council. The Parish Council will be formally consulted at that stage, and any resident's views are always welcomed by the Parish Council.

New picnic benches

Two new picnic benches are now installed at the rear of the village hall. One has wheelchair accessibility and other can be more easily used by older residents.

Recreation Ground

Phase 2 of the playground project is now complete. The concrete was due to be re-surfaced with a mixture of black and green wet-pour on Wednesday 24th August, a basket ball goal is being installed later in September, and two new, more accessible, picnic benches have already been bought and assembled.

The total money raised was: **£19,923.40**. The breakdown of this is as follows.

- £250 - Private donation
- £500 - Donation from The Chambers Trust Endowment Fund
- £1,760 – Warwickshire County Council Grant
- £7,413.40 - The Grange Open Gardens Fundraising Event
- £10,000 - National Lottery Community Fund

Thank you to all involved who have helped to make this possible.

Parish Clerk

Our Parish Clerk was involved in a serious car accident in July and has been in hospital since. Thankfully, she is making steady progress and is determined to get back to work as soon as she is able. We wish her well and a speedy recovery.

Next Parish Council Meeting

Thursday 22nd September at 7.30 in the Village Hall.

Congratulations!

It's a good time to recognize all our young people who have received their results in assessments this summer, including our sixth formers who have gained places at the Universities of their choice.

So whether you are starting a new school year, or setting out on the next step in your educational journey, your community congratulates you and wishes you well.

Church News, Tea, Chat and Play

This popular event continues to run every Wednesday afternoon in the Village Hall from 3 to 4.30 pm.

Whether you are already a regular visitor, or this would be a new experience for you, do please pop along and say hello. We are now able to accept home made cakes and biscuits again, and shop-bought ones will also be provided.

When we began TCP in February 2019, we were fortunate to be given a grant from the Coventry Diocese which enabled us to offer all refreshments for free to everyone who came along. That grant is now fully spent.

The Parish Council kindly helps with the cost of hiring the Village Hall every week, and we are now at the point where we would welcome a small contribution towards our costs from those who come and enjoy this weekly get-together. We will leave a pot on the counter in the kitchen where you can give a donation at your discretion. Thank you for your support.

Twitchers please note

The RSPB has partnered with churches across the country in a bird box project to encourage a wider range of nesting bird to our churchyards. St Peter's Radway was gifted five boxes, all of different designs, which have now been installed. Some are so deeply buried in the bushes/trees that they are difficult to spot, but easier to see are the one in the tree by the lychgate

which can be spotted from the road, and the one in the holly tree near the church door.

It was quite complicated in the end and we are really grateful to the two volunteers who undertook the task. The RSPB sent very comprehensive details of what sort of site and style of box was favoured by certain birds, so we have fully complied and await the spring with eager anticipation!

Radway Gardening Club

Meetings in Radway village hall re-start on Monday 26th at 7.30pm. It will be good to meet our Club members again, and equally good to welcome new people. We are a friendly bunch and you will be warmly welcomed.

The speaker on this occasion is Geoff Hodge who will be talking about "Plants for problem places", which no doubt be of great interest to those of us who garden on heavy clay!

Contact Chairman Brian Douthwaite 01926 640314 for more details.

REG (Radway Events Group)

In partnership with the Village Hall Trustees, the REG group applied for a lottery grant of £605 for the funding to buy an apple press along with smaller equipment such as gloves and filter bags.

We are delighted to say that our bid, which was put together by Rosamund, has been successful so we are hoping to hold an apple-pressing day with a bring-your-own barbecue this autumn. This will be in October, probably on the 15th, so look out for final confirmation in the next newsletter.

Thank you Rosamund for giving your time and effort to achieve this grant funding.

Radway Book Club

Despite the sterling efforts of Jim Brown in organising meetings by zoom, like many community activities, Radway Book Club eventually became a victim of the pandemic and members have not met for some months now.

As restrictions were lifted, conversations were taking place between members who were keen to see the book club rise like a phoenix, and this will hopefully happen in the next month or so. In next month's newsletter it is hoped to give a date for a meeting to decide a permanent way forward.