

## DIARY DATES FOR FEBRUARY 2023

2 <sup>nd</sup>	7.30 pm	Book Club: "Still Life" by Sarah Winman
5 <sup>th</sup>	8.30 am	Holy Communion in St Peter's Church
9 <sup>th</sup>		Prescription Rota – Lilian Smith Vincent 670767
10 <sup>th</sup>	7 pm	Beetle Drive in the Village Hall The first REG event of 2023!
11 <sup>th</sup>	1.15 pm	Bells to be rung by visiting team from Oxfordshire
14 <sup>th</sup>	12.25 pm	Mobile Library at the bus stop
19 <sup>th</sup>	10.30 am	Holy Communion in St Peter's Church
23 <sup>rd</sup>		Prescription Rota – Babs Grenet 670978

### Bus services.

There has been no more news from Warwickshire C.C regarding the reinstatement of our bus to Banbury though the service to Stratford is still running. The Dial a Bus system may become available , we are still awaiting news of this project. On a brighter note the VASA provide volunteer drivers to take passengers to medical appointments at hospitals, GP surgeries, chiropodists, opticians and dentists. And to social inclusive journeys to engage with groups and activities ,including brunch clubs and transport to day care.

The costs are very reasonable 45p per mile and £3 administration charge. To book telephone 01789 262889 between 9:30 am and 3:30 pm . Give plenty of notice please.

## RADWAY VILLAGE NEWSLETTER

FEBRUARY 2023

A Happy and Peaceful New Year to You All

### Parish Council News

#### Thank you

Various people are to be thanked for their help with the village Christmas tree. They are Karen and David Richards (Christmas tree lights) and Yve and Steve Freer (Electricity) and the Christmas tree elves from The Grange for erecting and removing the tree. The tree, from Hadsham Farm, Horley, was much enjoyed by over 50 carol singers on 23<sup>rd</sup> December.

#### New Parish Councillor

Sophie Stephens became a Parish Councillor in May 2019 but has now resigned. She has made a significant contribution to the Parish Council, particularly in respect of the redevelopment of the recreation ground. She spearheaded major fundraising for the recreation ground which has given the village a much-improved asset. We all wish her well in her new role at Compton Verney.

Simon Hooker has been co-opted on to the Council to replace Sophie. We welcome Simon to the Council and look forward to working with him.

### Planning

The planning application to change the use of the stable block on The Glebe Field, off the Tysoe Road, has been refused. The Parish Council had objected to the application.

### Gritting and grit bin

During the very cold spell a number of cars came off the road near the church, causing damage to walls, a BT box and the Tysoe Road sign. This road is not gritted and Warwickshire County Council (WCC) will not extend their gritting route. The Parish Council has agreed to purchase a further grit bin for the corner by Bleak Cottage which will be maintained by WCC. However, it will be up to residents to spread the grit on the road when icy. Stratford District Council have been asked to repair / replace the damaged road sign.

### **Blocked Drain**

The drain at the Norton's Lane is blocked which is causing the water to run down the road. This has been reported to County Highways but it is not a priority as properties are not in danger of flooding. The anticipated lead time is 8 to 12 weeks. Residents are reminded that they can report road faults directly via [www.fixmystreet.com](http://www.fixmystreet.com)

### **King John's Lane and Jacob's Ladder**

A meeting has taken place with Warwickshire County Council and the British Horse Society to assess the condition of King John's Lane (KJL) and Jacob's Ladder (JL). It is proposed to install a drainage system on the upper part of KJL and create extended steps down the slope. The cost of this work will be equally shared between the three agencies and will be undertaken in the Spring. Once the work is complete KJL will be closed for 3 months to allow it to dry out.

The handrail along JL is damaged or completely missing in places. WCC has agreed to reinstate the handrail along the length of JL. The Parish Council will organise a team of volunteers to clear the steps once the new handrail is installed.

### **Voter ID**

From 4<sup>th</sup> May 2023 onwards, electors wishing to vote at polling stations will have to show an acceptable form of photo ID. Full details of the new requirement are available on the SDC website here:-

<https://www.stratford.gov.uk/council-democracy/voter-id-at-polling-stations.cfm>

### **Priority Services Register**

Ofgem has set up a free support service that makes sure help is available to people in vulnerable situations. You can check if you are eligible by going to [ofgem.gov.uk](http://ofgem.gov.uk) and searching for "Priority Services Register", or simply ring your electricity supplier.

### **REG News**

The next REG event will take place on Friday 10th February when we are serving hot pulled pork rolls or a vegetarian option from 7pm with a Beetle Drive to follow. There will be a pop-up pub and tickets to include food cost £7.50. If you would just like to attend the Beetle Drive the cost will be £3.00 and this will commence at approximately 7.45pm. To book your place contact Rosamund on 01295 678384 or 07443422445.

### **Oil Syndicate**

Newcomers may not know of the village heating oil purchase syndicate. We combine with other villages to build a decent bulk order and usually manage to save a few pence on the direct single order purchase price. If you are interested, please email the Radway organiser, Paul Grenet, on [paul@pgcomputing.co.uk](mailto:paul@pgcomputing.co.uk) and he will send you some information.

### **Village Hall News**

**Kitchen Decoration:** We are looking for some volunteers to help paint the kitchen, during February. This could be on a Saturday or weekday, depending on what's convenient to those who volunteer. Please contact Mike Trotman (678384) if you would like to help.

**Film Club:** Many villagers paid a year's subscription to the new Film Club in 2019. Covid only allowed 4 films to be shown, and following a very low response to last year's questionnaire on its future, we have decided to close Film Club. A year's sub was paid, and following the expenses for 4 films, there is £6.50 reimbursement available for each member. Should you wish to claim this, please contact Jim Brown (678990). Any funds subsequently remaining will be considered as a donation towards the 2023 maintenance costs of the hall.

### **And Finally....**

As your monthly newsletter drops through your door, it seems a good time to say thank you to our distributors: Michele, Puffin, Jenny, Julie, Clare and Alison. We really appreciate your commitment to keeping everyone informed.

