

DIARY DATES FOR JULY and AUGUST 2023

JULY

6 th	7.30 pm	Book Club : “Elizabeth Finch” by Julian Barnes
11 th	12.25 – 12.45	Mobile Library at the bus stop
13 th		Prescription Rota – Julie Jackson 670747
16 th	10.30 am	Holy Communion at St Peter’s Church
20 th	7.30 pm	Parish Council Meeting. All welcome.
22 nd	11 am – 2 pm	Table Top Sale on the Recreation Field.
27 th		Prescription Rota — Julia Douthwaite 670528

AUGUST

1 st	12.25 – 12.45	Mobile Library at the bus stop
3 rd	7.30 pm	Book Club “Act of Oblivion” by Robert Harris
10 th		Prescription Rota – John Feilding 07718 037132
20 th	10.30 am	Benefice Holy Communion at St Peter’s Church
22 nd	12.25 – 12.45	Mobile Library at the bus stop
24 th	11.45	Prescription Rota – Mish Dunne 670371 Bells to be rung by Stratford ringers for 45 mins.

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Parish Council News

Parish Assembly

It was good to welcome some residents to the Parish Assembly on the 21st June. Issues raised were as follows:

- Given the positive feedback from the “Big Help-Out”, it was suggested that we hold an annual, sponsored volunteer morning in the spring of each year.
- There was a request to consider replacing the old picnic benches on the Recreation Field with some similar to the ones bought last year.
- Concern was expressed about the speed of travel by large agricultural vehicles and horseboxes travelling through the village.

All these issues will be considered at the Parish Council meeting on 20th July.

Forestry Work on Upton Estate 2023

Substantial forestry work on Sunrising Hill was undertaken last year due to widespread Ash Dieback disease (Chalara) which has now been completed along with the replanting. A similar process in the woodland off Edgehill commenced on 19th June. The felling will not be as extensive as it was on Sunrising Hill and as on Sunrising Hill, we will be following a substantial replanting program following the felling.

We estimate that the work will take up to ten weeks and unfortunately, in order to maintain public safety, we are having to close the footpath through the woodland for this period of time. The road between Edgehill and the turning to Arlescote will also be closed for up to 5 days between 3rd and 7th July to remove trees along the roadside that are a risk to road users and to extract the timber. This is being done in conjunction with the Highways Agency and redirection signs will be in place.

A map outlining the footpath/bridleway closures is on the Parish Notice Board by the bus stop.

Westcote Ley Livery

The owners of this business have advised the Parish Council that it is their intention to submit a planning application to open a secure dog walking field subject to pre-planning advice. If an application is submitted, Tysoe Parish Council is the statutory consultee but Radway Parish Council will be able to comment. Please contact any Councillor if you would like more information or have a view on the proposal.

Defence Munitions (DM) Kineton

Every household should have received a letter from Lt Col Pickersgill, Commanding Officer, providing "information and emergency instructions for public information zone".

This contains important information to be used in the event of an emergency at the Munitions site and should be kept in a safe place for quick and easy reference. If you have not received a copy it can be obtained by contacting DM Kineton on 01869 257386.

Radway Green Group

The Table Top sale will be going ahead on Saturday 22nd July and hopefully will appeal to lots of you who fancy a good clear out and/or a good bargain hunt! It's not too late to book a table at the bargain price of just £5; just contact Lilian on 670767.

Church News

Radway Fête and Fun Dog Show

This will take place on the afternoon of Sunday September 10th this year, in the gardens at Ivy Lodge thanks to the generosity of Sir Martin and Lady Dunne. The dog show will run again and the usual stalls will be there as well as a few new ones. Nearer the time we will be looking for donations of cakes and home produce, bric a brac and books, a raffle and a tombola. Details of how to donate will be in the September newsletter.

A major factor in the success of the fête is the generous time and effort given by numerous volunteers. If you have helped with the fête before, someone will be in touch to ask if you are willing to help again. If you would like to volunteer for the first time, please contact Mike on 678384.

Photographs for the competition

After a successful April/May village photo competition, we have seen only a few entries for June. Therefore, we have decided to extend the competition until the end of July and choose the top 6 again. If you haven't seen the winners for April/May, do pop along to the bus shelter and have a look, they are all excellent photos.

Jim needs any photos you have that might be used for merchandise at the village fête as soon as possible, so he can prepare for the September event in plenty of time. Contact him at jimmccartan@hotmail.com

Radway Events Group (REG)

The Radway Events Group is made up of volunteers from the village who look to create a variety of different events through the year, which will appeal to fellow residents and their families. Some events are run at a small profit to benefit various organisations within the village, and some are run at cost as community building events. In other words, just for fun!

This year we have had a tea to celebrate the King's Coronation, held a beetle drive and had a talk from David Richards about his career in Motorsport. Future events planned for this year include a village walk and pub meal in August as well as Apple Pressing in October.

We are always looking for ideas for new events and welcome everyone to attend them and volunteers to help run them. We are already considering putting on various talks, a wine tasting event, a quiz, and a concert in the church.

If you have any other suggestions for future events, please contact Guy on 597284 or guywrichardson@hotmail.com.

Editor's note

Traditionally, there is no separate newsletter for August in order to give a holiday to your editor and the trusty distributors. We hope you all have a happy holiday too. When the holidays are over, it will be good to come home to this lovely place, with an active, caring and supportive village community. Happy summer everyone!