



# CROUGHTON NEWS

October 2014

## Croughton Colts Football Club



The new season is well and truly underway with the club now fielding 6 teams; Under 9's, Under 13's x 2, Under 14's girls, Under 16's and Adult Men.

The under 9's lost their first ever league match to Brackley Athletic but bounced back the following week with a fine 3-2 victory of Brackley Town.

The under 13's Spitfires lost their first game 3-0 to Chipping Norton Town but followed up with a 3-3 draw against Combe Junior Sports and a 2-1 defeat v Tower Hill.

The under 13's Tornados sit proudly on top of the league with away wins, 5-2 at Chipping Norton Town and 9-2 at Combe Junior Sports. Next up Tornados v Spitfires in the league!

The under 14's 'Diamonds' have recorded 3 wins from 3 with 17-1 v Barton Utd, 7-1 v Chesham and 6-1 v Penn & Tyler Green.

The Under 16's also sit top of their league with 3 wins from, 5-2 v Heeland Rgrs, 5-2 v Mortonville 'B' and 4-0 at Deanshanger.

The newly formed mens' team have started the season well, they started with a 2-1 defeat to FC Langford, then 3 wins on the bounce, 2-1 v Bodicote, 3-0 v Deddington Town Reserves and a 4-2 win v Brill Utd in the cup.

Anyone interested in finding out more about Croughton Colts Football Club please contact Steve Connor on 07806 556057 or email me at [steve\\_connor@sky.com](mailto:steve_connor@sky.com).

## All Saints Church Croughton Cheese and Wine Social Party



Tickets £10 to include one glass of wine. on **Saturday 25th October 2014**, at 7.00pm, Croughton Village Hall

Tickets can be obtained from Angie Robbins 01869811445, Mary Marriott, 01869810267 Chris Tomlin 01869810124, Pam Robbins 01869810393. Proceeds from the evening go towards the upkeep of Croughton Church.

## Croughton Village Annual Show

The Village Show was a great success this year and once again you turned out to support the exhibitors and help us to raise a significant sum for The Alzheimer's Society. The figures have now been finalised and we are very pleased this year to be able to donate £500 to the charity. A big thank you to everyone concerned. We look forward to seeing you all again next year.

## British American Quiz Night

The ever popular British-American Quiz Night returns again on **Friday 10 October 2014**. It will take place at the Reading Room in the High Street; participants should arrive from 7:00pm for a 7.30pm start.

The evening, organised by the RAF Croughton British American Committee, will comprise a quiz played by teams of British and American players and will include a chilli and baked potato supper in the interval. The price is £5 per person. There will also be a cash bar available on the night.

This event is always a fun evening, so share your general knowledge (or not - it's only a game!) with members of your team and get to know them better in the process.

For tickets, please call or email Jenny Collyer on 07764 166079 or [jennifer.collyer.2.gb@us.af.mil](mailto:jennifer.collyer.2.gb@us.af.mil)

## Croughton School Open Day

**Friday 3rd October** 9:30 - 11:30am and **Saturday 4th October** 2-4pm. No appointment required; just turn up.

The school's harvest festival is in the church at 9.30 on **Monday 6th October**.

## What's On.

**Monday 13 October, 7.30 p.m.**

Parish Council meeting, Parish Room Croughton Village Hall

**Wednesday, 15 October, 7.30 p.m.**

WI meeting in the village hall,

**Thursday 23 October at 7.00 p.m. for start at 7.30 p.m.**

Whist at The Reading Room

**Friday 24 October, doors open at 7.30 p.m.**

Croughton Cinema showing of "Saving Mr. Banks", in Croughton Village Hall.

**Tuesday, 28 October, 7.30 p.m.**

History Group meeting in Croughton Village Hall

**Saturday, 8 November, 8 p.m.**

DellyWellyBoot Band at All Saints' Church, Croughton

**Monday 10 November, 7.30 p.m.**

Parish Council meeting, Parish Room Croughton Village Hall

**Friday 24 November**

Croughton Cinema, "Anna Karenina".

**Monday 8 December, 7.30 p.m.**

Parish Council meeting, Parish Room Croughton Village Hall

## Croughton Village Website

For all information on events, parish council meetings and general information etc., please go to the website: [www.croughton.org.uk](http://www.croughton.org.uk)

## Parish Council Meeting held on 8th September 2014

**Superfast Northamptonshire:** The aim is to secure superfast fibre-based broadband coverage across the county by the end of 2017.

The Parish Council has recently been informed that Croughton is now no longer eligible to receive any public money to fund the installation of superfast broadband. Delivery by a commercial company, with support from at least a third of the community, would appear to be the only available option. The Parish Council has held initial discussions with two providers of superfast fibre to explore the costs and possibilities of bringing this service to Croughton earlier than 2017.

The Parish Council will be considering the situation and how to proceed at its next meeting. (See also update in this newsletter.)

**Dates of Meetings: Monday 13th October 2014; Monday 10th November 2014 and Monday 8th December 2014.**  
Time: 7.30 p.m. Venue: Parish Room Croughton Village Hall.

### South Northants Council: Housing Needs Survey

The survey will gather information on housing need across all tenures, including affordable housing, shared ownership, private rented and open market home ownership.

The survey will help SNC identify current and future housing needs for the next 5 years and help understand residents' needs.

The previous Housing Needs Survey for Croughton dates back to August 2007.

SNC is trialling the way it carries out its Housing Needs Survey by dispensing with its individual mail shots in favour of an online district-wide survey.

Visit: [www.surveymonkey.com/s/SNChousing](http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/SNChousing)

If you do not have access to the internet, arrangements can be made to enable you to take part.

Contact the Strategic Housing Team at SNC on 01327 322082 about this or for further information.

## The Reading Room

**Whist ...** next event on **Thursday 23 October at 7.00pm** for start at 7.30 p.m. This is a light-hearted and enjoyable evening - £3 per person including light refreshments. Please ring Jane on 01869 810004 to book a place.

**Coffee Mornings ...** every Tuesday from 9.00 to 11.00 a.m. Do come along with your friends and try some of Jane's delicious cakes.

The Reading Room is available for private hire for parties, meetings and other social events – please telephone 01869 810004 for details.



## Croughton History Group

We all know the traditional story of the Gunpowder Plot - 5th November and all that. But on **Tuesday, 28th October**, Paul Titchener will suggest that there are alternative theories about what actually happened and why.

Meeting 7.30pm in the Village Hall, £1 members, £3 non-members, incl refreshments. For further details contact 01869 810443, [caroline@redworks.co.uk](mailto:caroline@redworks.co.uk) or 01869 810545, [leo.coleman@btinternet.com](mailto:leo.coleman@btinternet.com).

### Parking Restrictions at Park End:

Limited Waiting Monday to Friday 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Max. stay 30 mins. (No return within 1 hour)

The signs have been in place for a few weeks and the yellow lines have been applied. The restrictions are now in force. Please observe them.

The new parking arrangements should help improve highway safety near the Co-Op by overcoming issues with visibility that previous parking was causing.

Thank you for your co-operation.

## Ultrafast Broadband for Croughton and Aynho

In July 2014 Northants County Council wrote to the Parish Councils of Croughton and Aynho, together with a dozen other rural Northants villages, concerning the superfast broadband plans for your communities. In summary, in the absence of any commercial or state funded plans for BT to bring those villages superfast broadband, an organisation by the name of Gigaclear has expressed their interest in deploying a commercially backed service to Croughton, and Aynho, an initiative which NCC are happy to support and endorse.

The Gigaclear proposition is to bring fibre optic cable to each and every dwelling and business in Croughton. Minimum Gigaclear download and upland speeds are 50Mbps, all of the way up to 1,000Mbps (1Gbps). As an estimate, Croughton may 'enjoy' speeds today of up to 5Mbps (download) and 0.5Mbps (upload). The Gigaclear service will bring all sorts of on-line applications to your finger-tips, which are to date barely useable with poor broadband speeds. All the evidence suggests that what may be adequate speeds today will rapidly, with the growth of broadband usage and applications, become insufficient in the future.

To be sure Gigaclear will get a return on their substantial investment, Gigaclear need at least 30% of the two villages signed-up and committed to the service before they start to dig in their fibre. As the local campaign gathers pace, it is envisaged that willing local residents will work with Gigaclear to spread the word, field questions and help drive to the magic 30% figure. Those local residents have no interest in Gigaclear, beyond recognising the opportunity this presents. At this point, Brian Tomlin, the Parish Council Chairman has agreed to the first point of contact. His details are [b.tomlin332@btinternet.com](mailto:b.tomlin332@btinternet.com).

Further information on Gigaclear, including customer references can be found at [www.gigaclear.com](http://www.gigaclear.com).

## Croughton Pre-School

### Rated OUTSTANDING by Ofsted

We offer a secure, welcoming and happy environment for your child in our purpose built facility within Croughton Village Hall.

Our well established team provides a high standard of play based learning activities linked to the Early Years Foundation Stage Curriculum.

We run various morning and afternoon sessions for children aged 2 ½ to pre-school.

For more information please call 01869 811968 or visit our website: [www.croughtonpreschool.org.uk](http://www.croughtonpreschool.org.uk)

## Forthcoming Concert For Church Funds

A concert by the DellyWellyBoot Band will be given in All Saints' Church, Croughton, on **Saturday, 8 November**, at 8 p.m. This promises to be a great evening of music; folk, traditional and contemporary. Nick Hooper is a well-established film and television composer with BAFTA awards to his credit. He also composed the film score for two of the Harry Potter films.

Tickets can be obtained from Pam Robbins – 01869 810393 – and Chris Tomlin – 01869 810124, available from 21 October.

The band has sent the following details about themselves.

“The DellyWellyBoot Band started off life as ‘Nick Hooper We are Nick Hooper (guitarist, banjo, ukulele, violin [when Judith lets him], vocalist), Tom Dyson (mandolin, piano and vocalist), Susanna Starling (double bass, vocalist) and Judith Hendersson or Hooper depending on her mood (violin, octave violin, vocalist). Together we have supported Martin Carthy, and as well performing at the monthly folk nights in Stonesfield, we have entertained the crowds at a Combe Mill steam day and at Stonesfield Beer Festival with members of Gifford’s Circus band. Our repertoire is an eclectic mix of traditional songs as well as those original compositions we have stolen from Bruce Springsteen, Leonard Cohen, Bob Dylan and others, traditional tunes and new ones borrowed from the likes of fiddler John Dipper and Cornish band Dalla.”

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## Croughton WI

Our September speaker, Denise Dew-Hughes, gave us an informative and fascinating insight into the workings of the magistrates’ court and the legal system surrounding it. She had the ability to involve us all in an interactive way which was very much appreciated. In turn, she was delighted with the questions that members asked.

The next meeting, on **Wednesday, 15 October** at 7.30 in the village hall, is the AGM which will be accompanied by cheese and wine. We hope to see as many members as possible, plus anyone wanting to find out more about the WI and our village group, which is very friendly and relaxed. It is an excellent way of meeting women in the village. We have interesting speakers on a variety of subjects and trips out – it’s not all jam and Jerusalem!

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## Croughton Cinema

Croughton Cinema begins its’ new season on **Friday October 24th** with a showing of “Saving Mr. Banks” starring Emma Thompson, Tom Hanks and Colin Farrell, in Croughton Village Hall at 8pm.

**Synopsis:** When Walt Disney's daughters begged him to make a movie of their favorite book, P.L. Travers' Mary Poppins (1964), he made them a promise - one that he didn't realize would take 20 years to keep. In his quest to obtain the rights, Walt comes up against a curmudgeonly, uncompromising writer who has absolutely no intention of letting her beloved magical nanny get mauled by the Hollywood machine. But, as the books stop selling and money grows short, Travers reluctantly agrees to go to Los Angeles to hear Disney's plans

Doors open 7.30pm; Licensed Bar; Box Office - CFC Members: £3.00 Non-Members: £5.00 Under16s: £3.00 Annual Membership £10.

Our second film will be “Anna Karenina” on **Friday November 14th**.

## August Church Services

Details at [www.astwickvale.co.uk](http://www.astwickvale.co.uk)

St. Michael Aynho • All Saints Croughton, • St. George Evenley • St. Michael and All Angles Farthinghoe • Most Holy Trinity Hinton-in-the-Hedges

### Sunday, 5th October

09:30 FARTHINGHOE ~ Communion BCP  
10:00 CROUGHTON ~ Family Harvest Festival  
11:00 AYNHO ~ Communion & Baptism  
11:00 HINTON ~ Family Harvest Festival  
6pm EVENLEY ~ Taize Worship

### Tuesday, 7 October

10:00 CROUGHTON Home Communion

### Sunday, 12 October

09:30 AYNHO Communion  
09:30 CROUGHTON ~ Communion  
10:00 FARTHINGHOE ~ Family Service  
11:00 EVENLEY ~ Communion  
18:00 HINTON ~ Evensong BCP

### Sunday, 19 October

10:00 BENEFICE ~ Communion Evenley  
4:0pm Pet Service ~ EVENLEY

### Monday, 20 October

10:45 EVENLEY ~ Home Communion

### Sunday, 26 October

09:30 CROUGHTON ~ Communion  
11:00 AYNHO ~ BCP Matins  
11:00 EVENLEY ~ Family Harvest Service  
11:00 HINTON ~ Communion  
4:00pm FARTHINGHOE ~ Songs of Praise

### Monday, 27 October

11:00 AYNHO ~ Home Communion

### Pet Praise Service-For October

Come and celebrate and give thanks for our pets, real, imaginary or cuddly toys. As part of our celebrating creation season, we remember the creatures that God has given us to help and comfort us and also to work for us. Everybody is invited to our service on Sunday 19th October at 4:00pm at St. George’s Evenley to bring your pet large or small, please take great care of your pet and make sure other people’s pets are safe as well. If the weather is dry we will be outside church, but if wet we will go inside. Suitable for all ages and pets. Hope to see you there rev. Simon Dommatt 01869 810903

### Photography competition win £150

Do you have a photo that shows the ‘Life and Soul’ of your local church then the Church Times newspaper is holding a photographic competition. See link <http://www.churchtimes.co.uk/articles/2014/15-august/features/features/photography-competition> or google church times.

They are looking for images which reveal any kind of human interaction within church spaces in three categories: 1 Worship and prayer, 2 Community activities. 3 “Chelfie” (you, your church and its people). This is for all ages.

Entrants may submit a maximum of three images in each category which should be submitted via email to [photocompetition@churchofengland.org](mailto:photocompetition@churchofengland.org). The deadline for entries will be 31 October 2014. Full terms and conditions can be found at the webaddress above.

Entries will ultimately be uploaded onto [www.flickr.com](http://www.flickr.com) and may be used for a travelling exhibition in 2015.

**I'm Adam Simmonds,  
your Police and Crime  
Commissioner.**



It is my role to work with the Chief Constable and Northamptonshire Police, to cut crime and make our communities safer.

A large part of my role is setting the strategic priorities of the Northamptonshire Police for which the Chief Constable has responsibility to ensure their successful implementation. To do this effectively, it is vital that local communities are involved wherever possible.

I want Northamptonshire to be the safest Place in the country and I am confident that we can achieve this. When I was elected as the Police and Crime Commissioner for Northamptonshire in November 2012, I set out the strategic priorities in my Police and Crime Plan. These included a 40% reduction in violent crime; making Northamptonshire's roads safer; addressing the complex issues of rural crime; and a large expansion of the Force's Special Constabulary. My full plan can be viewed at: <http://www.northantspcc.org.uk>.

Since November 2012, the Force has made great strides in achieving the ambitious targets that I set out in my Police and Crime Plan. However, to build on this success, it is important that communities such as Croughton are involved and able to have their say and provide feedback to enable us to improve further and make progress.

I will continue to engage with communities across the county, updating you with information relevant to your area. I invite you to contact me with any concerns or share your feedback on the policing of Croughton, or the wider county. Please contact me on [commissioner@northantspcc.pnn.police.uk](mailto:commissioner@northantspcc.pnn.police.uk).

I am your Police and Crime Commissioner and I am here to serve you and I look forward to hearing from you.

Are you or anyone you know interested in becoming a Special Constable based in Croughton? Contact me at [commissioner@northantspcc.pnn.police.uk](mailto:commissioner@northantspcc.pnn.police.uk).

If you would like to receive regular updates via my newsletter, please sign up using the following link:

<http://www.northantspcc.org.uk/signup.aspx>

## Croughton Village Hall Regular Activities

You are welcome to join any of the groups,  
just call the contact or drop in...

**Croughton Pre-school** 01869 811968

Monday 9-1pm (including lunch club)  
and Tuesday to Friday 9.00-3.00pm

**Parent & Toddler Group** Michelle 07715 464694

Monday 1.15-3.00pm, term time

**Art Class** Kathleen Bartlett 01295 780493

Monday 2.00-4.00pm

**Short Mat Bowls** Cyril 01869 810207

Monday 7.30-10.00pm

**Gym Dodgers Class** Wendy 07775 661365

Tuesday 5.45-7.15pm

**Karate** Tracy 07779 760006

Wednesday 7.00-9.00pm, beginners welcome

**Badminton** Heather 01869 811104,

Paul 01869 819734, Julian 01869 8116326

Thursdays 6.00-7.00pm

**W.I.** Pam 01869 810393

3rd Wednesday in the month 7.30-9.30pm

**History Group** Leo 01869 810545

4th Tuesday in the month 7.30-10.00pm

**Cinema** - see newsletter for dates of films

**Croughton Wine Appreciation Group**

meet alternate months, Claire 01869 810987

For further information on **Village Hall bookings**

contact Sally Ward on 07923 449202 or email  
[croughtonvillagehall@gmail.com](mailto:croughtonvillagehall@gmail.com)

### Body Sculpture Fitness & Training Studio at Aynhoe Park



The new **Fitness & Training Studio** provides a uniquely personal service to help you achieve your fitness and wellness goals.

Join us for **Personal Training, Monthly Memberships & Drop-in** sessions for gym & group training. Well-equipped **functional gym** and **group training** sessions to include **Kettlebells, Core, Circuits, Boxercise** and more coming soon!

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Email: [info@bodysculpturefitness.com](mailto:info@bodysculpturefitness.com) Call: 07714 248 177



### Peppa pig outfit for hire

Ideal for children's parties £20.00  
Proceeds all to Croughton Pre-School.  
Please contact Angela 07854 209271.

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