

Quinton and Preston Deanery Stop Press! (Dec '22)



1. *Events: in the Village Hall unless shown otherwise*

22 Nov (Tues) (usually every 4 th Tues)	Trefoil Guild: 2pm Making Christmas Cards with Carole Pearson Tues 13 Dec 2pm: Christmas lunch, Toby Carvery
3 Dec (Sat) (usually every 1 st Sat)	Coffee Morning: 10.30-12noon – in the Church All welcome to pop in for tea/coffee and cake (see p3)
5 Dec (Mon) (usually every 1 st Mon)	Monday Social Club: 2-4pm Everyone welcome for games and cup of tea and chat
6 Dec (Tues) (usually every 1 st Tues)	WI: 7.30pm Our party, and glass painting lead by Joan Adams Thurs 15 Dec: Christmas meal with Hackleton WI
18 Dec (Sun)	Carol singing at the Christmas Tree: 5pm (see p2)
24 Dec (Sat) Christmas Eve	Carols by Candlelight: 5.30pm in Quinton Church
24 Dec (Sat) Christmas Eve	Carols in Preston Deanery Church: 7pm All welcome 'Wrap up Warm'
25 Dec (Sun) Christmas Day	Holy Communion: 10am in Quinton Church
Every 1st Wed	Storytelling at the 'Feast of Fools': 7 for 7.30-10pm More info at www.storyfeast.uk All welcome
Every Mon	Yoga Group: 6-7pm (21st Nov – 5.15pm) (contact Hayley on 07488 233779 or Hayleyhendersonyoga@gmail.com)
Every Thurs until 15 Dec then January	*New* Pilates: 12 noon (see p3 for more details)
Every Thurs	Short Mat Bowls Club: 7-9pm All welcome (contact Ken Feakes or Val Core for more info)

2. Church News

Service times.

Date	Time	Service	Leader
27 Nov	10am	Holy Communion	Canon Ann Slater
11 Dec	10am	Holy Communion	Rev Dr Mousir-Harrison
24 Dec	5.30pm	Carols by Candlelight	Major Mike Crouch
25 Dec	10am	Holy Communion	Archdeacon Richard Ormston
8 Jan	10am	Holy Communion	Bishop John of Brixworth

House for Duty Post: we will be re-advertising for a House for Duty priest as soon as possible. In the meantime, we will continue to have visiting priests for our 2nd and 4th Sunday Holy Communions.

St John the Baptist, Quinton is open for private prayer/reflection **by appointment.** Please contact:

Andy Bailey (07905 202004) or Julia Javes (07903 506771)

3. Carol singing at the Christmas Tree: **Sun 18 Dec 5pm**

With the festive season almost upon us, we'd love it if you could reserve an hour in your diary for some carol singing at the Christmas Tree in the village.

We're planning torchlit carols from 5pm on Sunday 18th December. Carol sheets will be provided, we'll have some accompaniment to help keep us all in tune, and there'll be mulled wine, apple punch and mince pies available for a donation to add to the festive mood.

Do come along and join us if you can – all are very welcome.

Carol singing is always such an uplifting experience and even better if shared with friends and neighbours on what I'm promised will be a clear and frosty evening, with maybe even a sprinkling of snow 😊

All donations collected on the night will be given to Save the Children.

It would be really helpful if you could let me know if you're able to come along so I can ensure there are enough refreshments for everyone; you can email me on emma_wise100@hotmail.com and I'll also create an event in the village Facebook group if you'd prefer to let me know that way.

Emma

4. Quinton Coffee Morning: Sat 3 Dec, 10.30am-12noon

'Quinton Coffee Morning' will be held on Saturday 3 December 10.30am to 12noon in the Church.

The idea of the coffee morning is that this is a community event which will be held on the first Saturday of the month. The first one in November was much enjoyed (thank you for those who donated cake) and we will build on that.

Everyone is welcome to pop in for tea/coffee and cake, we will even have a soft drink and a biscuit for children.

Barbara Bentley

5. Pilates class, Thursdays, 12 noon, Quinton Village Hall

I'm very pleased to be able to offer an all-levels Pilates class in Quinton Village Hall on Thursdays at midday each week until 15 December - classes will then start again in the New Year.

Please come along and join us.

You'll need to bring a yoga mat and wear comfortable clothes ready for a good stretch 😊.

We have a friendly group and all are welcome.

The classes cost £5 per person

...and if you have any questions or would like to chat about suitability of the classes for you, please email me: Krivenko.pam@gmail.com

Thanks, Anna

6. Open House: Wed 4 Jan, 7-10pm, White Gables

We were pleased that 13 people could join us in October for a good social evening – our first indoor Open House for a long time!

As usual, we hope to have one to mark the 'end of the Christmas festivities' – so do join us on Wednesday 4th Jan.

We'll provide plates, cutlery and napkins – you just need to bring your own drinks and glasses, and food to share if you would like to.

It would be helpful to know if you are coming but don't worry if you need to change your mind.

We look forward to seeing you!

Kathey

7. Food Aid Far Cotton: next deliveries 1 and 15 December

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the Food Bank during November. Your kindness and compassion is amazing.

I know that FAFC are so grateful for all our donations which enable them to help up to 100 people every week.

Donations of the following are always required:

- UHT Milk, tea/coffee/sugar/squash
- jars of pasta sauces
- packets of noodles/pasta/rice
- tinned meat/fish/vegetables/fruit

Items of personal hygiene and boxes of cereals are especially needed at this time.

I am aiming to deliver twice in December, 1st and 15th and **if you were thinking of donating Christmas fayre, FAFC are asking for small items rather than large ones so that more people can be given a gift.**

Thank you on behalf of FAFC and the people who visit St Mary's for help to feed and look after their families and themselves.

Donations gratefully received at 3 Church View, Quinton.

Julia x

8. Can you offer a home for a 16-year-old cat?

Poppy is an all-black, DSH (domestic short hair) cat needing to be rehomed.

- She is 16, in very good health with a healthy appetite.
- She is happy both in and outdoors and fully house trained to litter-tray,
- Whilst she tolerates the presence of a dog, she would prefer a cat-only residence.
- She is chipped and inoculated.
- Although a little nervous, she is human-loving and would be a particularly good companion for mature owners.

We are prepared to support her new owners financially with any vet bills and her general up-keep and well-being.

With thanks & kind regards,

Tim & Ann Bull

Dinas, School Lane

(07973 136412)

9. Quinton Parish Council

Parking on the Village Green

The green is maintained by the council and is in regular use by children, this is considered a safe area. Could residents and their guests please refrain from parking vehicles on the green, this will ensure safety and will keep the grass in good order and condition.

Refuse Bins

It has been noted that some bins have been left in an awkward position by the collection service, in some locations. The council will be in discussion with the collection service to see what, if anything, can be done. Also, some comments about bins being left out for a long period of time after being emptied. There is no limit to how long bins can be left out and, in most circumstances, there is a very good reason for this but if residents could please remove bins as soon as practicable.

Queen's Green Canopy Tree.

The council is still considering planting a cherry tree to mark the Queen's Jubilee, if anyone has any other ideas and where the tree should be placed, please contact the Clerk. We have also had a suggestion for a Great Oak which is also being considered. This will be the last time this item appears.

Bus Shelter

The council is revisiting this issue with a view to repairing the existing shelter. If you have any views please let me know.

Playground Equipment

The old frame has now been removed and the final inspection has been concluded, the new swing will be installed in January.

Parish Council Budget for 2023/24

At the January council meeting the budget for next year will be discussed, so if you have any ideas on what the council should spend its budget on, please let me know. Some of the ideas under discussion are:

- Quintonfest 2023 / Coronationfest 2023
- Replacement of streetlights for more efficient and cost-effective units.
- Quinton Photo Album
- Village Hall Club funding
- New Notice Board
- Creating a "Warm Space"

Next Council Meeting Tuesday 17 January

This will be a face-to-face meeting and will start at 7:00pm. If you plan to attend, please ensure you consider the Covid regulations that may be in place at the time. If you have any items you wish to be discussed at the meeting, please let me know 4 days in advance if you want it on the agenda.

Stay safe

John Scott

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10. Quinton History Project

This is progressing well and we hope to start putting some documents onto the village website soon.

11. Our People

Doreen Hambidge (nee Raine)

Doreen was born at No.3 School Lane and then moved to Manor Cottages where she lived until her marriage. After her wedding in Quinton Church she moved to Northampton, but came back to Quinton every Saturday evening to spend time with her parents and us, and later to play scrabble with both of us for many years.

Doreen started school with Connie when they reached five years of age, biking to Wootton on small two/three wheeler cycles, Mrs Raine escorting. With five year old legs and hard tyres on your bike Wootton seemed a long way away!

Doreen was a Guider and ran the Wootton Brownie Pack as Brown Owl for over thirty years and remained a Guide Member with the Trefoil Guild all her life.

With Doreen, our brother Syd and sister Ann we spent our childhood years here in wartime Quinton, enjoying the fields, the forest, and the hedgerows to play among. We have over eighty years of very happy memories of our lifetime friendship with Doreen. She is much missed.
Connie Rooks and Frances Piercy.

...and I'm pleased to add that the funeral on Thursday went well and that the Trefoil Guild and Guide Leaders were there to say their final farewells.
Kathey

12. Roade and Quinton Old Folks Fund

An update from Brenda Rainbow:

“A note has been sent out to all members concerning the holiday for next year to Llandudno. We have had a good response back and there are still a few twin-bedded rooms available if anyone is interested. If so, please contact the Secretary Brenda Rainbow on 01604 862866.

We are pleased to inform you that the Christmas Concert this year will be on the 6 Dec at the village hall. The invitations for this will have been sent out before you read this so if anyone has not sent their slip back, now is the time. The note will also state that the Christmas Parcels will be delivered on Saturday the 3 Dec, so please be in to receive this.

...On a final note, once again a huge thank you to all members and supporters for your continued support to the Fund throughout the year and on behalf of your Committee, may we wish you all a Happy Christmas and a Peaceful New Year.”

(There is more info about this fund's eligibility and benefits in the October Stop Press, or contact Wendy Kirton on 07838 433636 or Brenda Rainbow brendarainbow@mypostoffice.co.uk / 01604 862866. Wendy can also help with info on the tote)

Tote results

Date Drawn: Friday 4th November 2022
Drawn By: Sally Merrett & Paul Smith at Roade House cafe

Winning numbers	Name & Village	Prize
01 13 05	P Miles - Roade	£150.00
12 08 02	J Metherell - Roade	£90.00
08 12 02	H Duncan - Roade	£70.00
05 00 10	G Warren - Roade	£65.00
12 09 06	Roade Surgery	£60.00
11 07 12	R Johnson - Roade	£55.00
02 11 02	J Adams - Quinton	£45.00
05 07 10	M McCafferty - Roade	£37.00
13 06 07	Mrs Moore - Roade	£12.00
00 12 08	Raise & Sons	£12.00

Total raised	£1,192.50
Total prize money	£596.00
Total paid to fund	£596.50

Money to Promotor: **Tuesday 6th December**

Date of next Draw: Friday 9th December

Time & Location: 6.30pm, Roade Bowls Club with Short Mat Bowls Group

13. Updates from our West Northamptonshire Councillors

The WNC Councillors' reports are posted on the Parish Council website under 'Documents' <https://www.quintonparishcouncil.org.uk/documents>

There are two versions:

- 1) Ward Councillor Update (Full Version)
- 2) Ward Councillor Update (Short Version)

14. Our villages' Facebook Group

Keep up-to-date with all the latest news in the villages on our own Facebook site.

This group is:

- open to all residents in Quinton and Preston Deanery (or a nominated representative if they cannot join Facebook).
- 'private' and 'hidden' – so you won't find it on Facebook and you need to be invited by an existing member.

If you'd like to join, just ask 'Andy Quinton' on Facebook to be a friend and he can then invite you onto the site (this profile was set up purely for this purpose).

Deadline for items for the next Stop Press

Monday 19 December

to 'kathey.bailey@outlook.com'

...and remember that Stop Press is also available by email

- You'll get it quicker
- You'll be able to access website links easily
- You'll have it with you on your smart phone!

...and you can always change back to having a delivered 'hard copy'.