

Quinton and Preston Deanery Stop Press! (Jan '23)

*Lots to look forward to over the next few weeks
Happy Christmas everyone and may 2023 be kind to us all!*

1. Events: in the Village Hall unless shown otherwise

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
3 Jan (Tues) (usually every 1 st Tues)	WI: 7.30pm Come and join us for our games evening
4 Jan (Wed)	Open House: anytime 7-10pm at White Gables Come and help us mark 'the end of Christmas 2022'
7 Jan (Sat) (usually every 1 st Sat)	Coffee Morning: 10.30-12noon – in the Church All welcome to pop in for tea/coffee and cake
17 Jan (Tues)	Parish Council meeting: 7pm
24 Jan (Tues) (usually every 4 th Tues)	Trefoil Guild: 2pm Join us for our New Year's Party!
6 Feb (Mon) (usually every 1 st Mon)	Monday Social Club: 2-4pm **no meeting in Jan** please note next meeting is Mon 6 Feb All welcome for games and cup of tea and chat
Every Mon	Yoga Group: 6-7pm (contact Hayley on 07488 233779 or Hayleyhendersonyoga@gmail.com)
Every Thurs	Short Mat Bowls Club: 7-9pm All welcome (contact Ken Feakes or Val Core for more info)
Dates and time being agreed with the group	Pilates: classes are restarting in the new year – please contact Anna (Krivenko.pam@gmail.com)

2. Church News

Service times.

Date	Time	Service	Leader
24 Dec	5.30pm	Carols by Candlelight	Major Mike Crouch
25 Dec	10am	Holy Communion	Archdeacon Richard Ormston
8 Jan	10am	Holy Communion	Rev Doug Spencerley
22 Jan	10am	Holy Communion	Rev Dr Stuart Mousir-Harrison

St John the Baptist, Quinton is open for private prayer/reflection **by appointment**. Please contact:
Andy Bailey (07905 202004) or Julia Javes (07903 506771)

After two years of gloom, come and join us on Christmas Eve in the beautifully candle lit church at 5.30 pm for some rousing carols.

Followed on Christmas Morning at 10.00 am with Holy Communion led by the Archdeacon of Northampton.



3. Quinton Coffee Morning: **Sat 7 Jan, 10.30am-12noon**

This is becoming a regular feature, always on the first Saturday in the month. It is an 'open to all' get together in the church from 10.30am until 12 noon.

The third coffee morning will be on Saturday 7 January 2023. It is all about a chance to chat over tea or coffee and 'exceedingly good cakes'. A small donation is all that is required - and the heaters will be on!
See you then!

Barbara and Julia

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

We're having an Open House to mark the 'end of the Christmas festivities' on Wednesday 4th Jan – do come and join us.

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

5. Food Aid Far Cotton: next delivery *Thurs 5 Jan*

I have taken another car boot full of your wonderful donations to Food Aid Far Cotton. The lovely people there were amazed at seeing me twice in a month. They were so grateful for everything that you donated - the food and personal hygiene items and especially the very thoughtful little gifts that were included. I know that a number of monetary/voucher donations were made too, so thank you for those.

Your generosity and compassion is overwhelming at a time when we are all tightening our belts. To say thank you for thinking of others is not really enough but really it is all I can say.

I shall be delivering again on Thursday 5 January 2023 so if you have anything going spare in your food cupboards or if you can put something on your New Year's shopping list, it would be very much appreciated.

Suggested items:

- Tins of meat/fish/vegetables/fruit/soup
- packets of pasta/rice/noodles with or without sauce
- jars of pasta sauce; coffee/tea/sugar/UHT milk
- boxes of cereals
- items of personal/household hygiene

On behalf of FAFC THANK YOU

May God bless you and all you love at this special time.

Julia

6. *Carol singing at the Christmas Tree*

Thank you to all who joined Saturday evening's Carol singing at the Christmas tree. It was a seasonally chilly evening just right for carolling! We collected £40 of donations on the evening at our mulled wine and mince pie station, with all profits going to Save the Children.

A big thank you as well to Andrew Bailey and Graham Saunders for lighting the tree; it makes a lovely feature for anyone coming into the village.

Emma

7. *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)

8. Quinton Parish Council

Walnut Tree

During the summer it was noted that people from outside the village were harvesting the walnuts from the tree on the green by climbing and shaking the tree. The council will be putting up a sign to try and deter this in the new year.

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. There will be a further discussion at the January meeting of the council.

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.

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 17 January 2022

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 of the meeting if you want it on the agenda.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

Stay safe

John Scott

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9. 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)

10. 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).

11. Roade and Quinton Old Folks Fund

Tote results

Date Drawn: Friday 9th December 2022

Drawn By: Sally Merrett and Terry Armstrong at Roade Bowls Club

Winning numbers	Name & Village	Prize
12 12 09	Mr Chapman - Roade	£150.00
02 13 04	D Reynolds - Roade	£90.00
11 13 03	J Pretamus - Roade	£70.00
04 10 11	Mrs C Hancock - Roade	£65.00
05 00 03	Christine Harris - Roade	£60.00
07 07 11	T Lyons - Roade	£55.00
02 01 10	C J Rooks - Quinton	£45.00
00 08 00	Mr & Mrs Kitchener - Roade	£35.00
09 10 02	Dana Roberts- Roade	£12.00
13 00 10	I Summerling - Roade	£12.00

Total raised £1190.00

Total prize money £594.00

Total paid to fund £596.00

Money to Promotor: **Tuesday 10th January 2023**

Date of next Draw: Friday 13th January 2023

Time & Location: 12.30pm Roade House Cafe

12. Websites

Quinton Parish Council

www.quintonparishcouncil.org.uk

Covers a lot of information about our village, its societies and groups, the council's work, how to access government info and services, and things that are going on.

Living Brook

www.livingbrookbenefice.blogspot.com

Information about our churches including service times, history and social events.

West Northamptonshire Council

www.westnorthants.gov.uk

For all council information and services

Deadline for items for the next Stop Press

Friday 20 January

to 'kathey.bailey@outlook.com'

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