

# Quinton and Preston Deanery Stop Press! (May '23)

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

<b>29 April (Sat)</b>	<b>Litter Pick: PD to Quinton from 9.30am</b>
<b>2 May (Tues)</b> (usually every 1 <sup>st</sup> Tues)	<b>WI: 7.30pm</b> Resolutions, plus Heather Smith will show how to make Wax Wraps. (Small charge for material unless you bring your own.) To celebrate the Coronation we will wear red/white/blue and crowns/tiaras (not compulsory!)
<b>7 May (Sun)</b>	<b>Coronation Picnic and games from 1pm:</b> why not join us on the Green – just bring a picnic and something to sit on (see p2)
<b>13 May (Sat)</b>	<b>Village Hall Gardening Afternoon: from 2pm</b>
<b>16 May (Tues)</b>	<b>Parish Council Meeting: 7pm</b>
<b>27 May (Sat)</b> (usually every 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sat)	<b>Book Swap: 10am-11.30am</b>
<b>3, 10, 17 &amp; 24 May (Weds)</b>	<b>May Day practices: 6-7pm</b>
<b>23 May (Tues)</b> (usually every 4 <sup>th</sup> Tues)	<b>Trefoil Guild: 2pm</b> A craft session with Deborah (materials provided)
<b>29 May (Mon)</b>	<b>May Day: Village Green 2-4pm</b> (children meet at Village Hall <b>1.30pm</b> )
<b>Usually every Mon</b> (check with Hayley first)	<b>Yoga Group: 6-7pm</b> (Drop in, or contact Hayley on 07488 233779 <a href="mailto:Hayleyhendersonyoga@gmail.com">Hayleyhendersonyoga@gmail.com</a> )
<b>Every Mon</b> <b>Every Wed</b>	<b>Power Pilates: 11am</b> <b>Flow Pilates: 5pm</b> (Drop in, or contact Anna: <a href="mailto:krivenko.pam@gmail.com">krivenko.pam@gmail.com</a> )
<b>Every Thurs</b>	<b>Short Mat Bowls Club: 7-9pm</b> All welcome (contact Ken Feakes or Val Core for more info)
Please note: No Open Church coffee morning on Coronation Day, Saturday 6 May, but looking forward to getting together again on <b>Saturday 3 June, 10.30am to 12 noon.</b>	

## 2. Church News

Service times

Date	Time	Service	Leader
<b>30 April</b>	10am	Holy Communion - Benefice Service	Rev Canon Dr Andrew Coleby
<b>7 May</b>	10am	<b>Coronation Holy Communion</b>	Rev Peter Heffron
<b>14 May</b>	10am	Holy Communion	Rev Dr Stuart Mousir-Harrison
<b>28 May</b>	10am	Songs and Prayers for Pentecost <b>in Preston Deanery Churchyard</b> (bring a chair!)	Julia Javes & Steve Watson

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. Food Aid Far Cotton: next delivery **Thurs 4 May**

Thank you to everyone who donated last time, a car boot of your essentials and goodies was taken to FAFC on 6th April. All of your donations are gratefully received by the lovely people at St Mary's because it enables them to reach so many people in need.

Do you have a couple of items from your food cupboards, or could you add a couple of items to your shopping list, to donate to this much needed initiative?

3 Church View is the place to drop off your donation.

THANK YOU

Julia

## 4. A thought for the Coronation – picnic on the green

Andy and I will be on the green with a picnic at **1pm on Sunday 7 May** - why not join us?

...but 'no glass on the green' please, except bottles

– the children (and adults?) may decide to play some sports and games in the afternoon – we'll get the things out from the storage unit.

**5. *Quinton & Preston Deanery May Day Celebration:***  
***Monday 29 May 2-4pm on Quinton Village Green***

We hope you can join us for traditional dancing, games and refreshments. Children to meet at the Village Hall at 1.30pm on the day.

If you would like to take part in the dancing or have any queries, please contact:  
Julie Austin 07786 231598.

Dance practice will be held at the Village Hall on:  
**May 3, 10, 17 and 24 between 6 and 7pm.**

Any volunteer of help will be very much appreciated.



**6. *A reminder of three upcoming events that have been advertised recently:***

**Preston Deanery to Quinton Litter Pick: **Sat 29 April****

Meet at Grain Mill in Preston Deanery for breakfast rolls at **9.30am** and up to Old Rectory for coffee and cake. Please bring along a rubbish bag. All are welcome - the verges are in dire need of help!

**Village Hall Gardening Afternoon: **Sat 13 May, from 2pm****

Free refreshments for all volunteers who come and help maintain the generous-sized garden - we really would appreciate any help you can offer.

Previous supporters of our gardening afternoons know this is a really fun and satisfying way to get involved in the village community.

Please bring your own gardening tools if you have them, and rest assured no gardening experience is required!

**Book Swap: **Sat 27 May, 10-11.30am****

There is now a well-stocked bookshelf in the village hall and the next monthly book swap will be on Sat 27 May. Books will be available to take home with you in exchange for a donation of either a book or £1. So take this opportunity to mix with neighbours, recycle your pre-loved books and support the village hall (the energy price increases have quite an impact on our running costs so we'd really appreciate this!). Outside of this monthly session, we encourage hall users to make use of the book-swap whenever they're in the hall.

## **7. Quinton Parish Council**

### **Manor Oak Homes**

Things are moving forward at a pace; Manor Oak will probably submit their application at the end of April. The council is working with other local parishes to coordinate a response to the application.

**Your support is needed to the council's idea to spend some of its reserves on acquiring the services of a planning expert to assist us in compiling a response to the application.** This will cost in the region of £3000 so it is important that you let us know if you agree to this expenditure.

We have set up a simple Poll on the website, please visit the site and let us have your views. Follow this link. It is important that we understand the general feeling of the residents so that we can challenge the developer with the confidence that the majority support our objections, your help would be appreciated. The poll is at the bottom of the home page: [www.quintonparishcouncil.org.uk](http://www.quintonparishcouncil.org.uk)

### **Road Closures - Washbrook Lane 27 April - 5 June**

Winvic will be closing the Road to Courteenhall from the 27th April until the 5th June 2023 (under the Development Consent Order for Northampton Gateway).

There is a link to a .pdf showing the intended closure and diversion route on the home page of the Parish Council website (link above).

### **West Northants Council Consultation**

West Northamptonshire Council (WNC) is seeking to vary the Public Spaces Protection Order (Dog Control and Prohibition of Smoking in Public Places) 2022.

We want to continue to promote responsible dog ownership and also to prohibit smoking in certain public spaces in the West Northamptonshire area. The council is now seeking to vary the Order to cover the Northampton Area and include the requirement to keep dogs on leads in Northampton town centre and also at Upton Country Park Phase 2 and exclude dogs from certain public open spaces such as play areas and schools. We are inviting you to read further information about the measures and proposals and complete an online consultation questionnaire to give your views.

Please visit the [https://westnorthants.citizenspace.com/place/pspo-dog-ownership-smoking-prohibition\\_2023](https://westnorthants.citizenspace.com/place/pspo-dog-ownership-smoking-prohibition_2023)

## **Bus Shelter**

Repair work is under way, it has a new roof and soon it will have a new internal skin to hold together the older framework. A small Perspex window will be installed so that anyone using the shelter will be able to see buses arriving.

## **Defibrillator**

For those new residents to the village, you may not be aware that we have a defibrillator in the Village Hall. If it is needed in an emergency there is information outside the Hall giving instructions on how to get access. Please make yourself aware of the process just in case.

The council will also be organising some training on how to use the unit, watch this space for further information.

## **Waste Bins**

The black waste bins around the village are emptied by volunteers and it has been noticed that there is a lot of dog waste being placed in the bins, as well as baby nappies. It would be much appreciated if this waste could be taken home and disposed of in your own bins.

## **Coronation**

The date is drawing near and so far, we have had no response for volunteers to form a working party for the event. The council will fund some of the activities for this so please get in touch urgently if you feel you can help.

## **Next Council Meeting: **Tues 16 May 2023****

This will be a face-to-face meeting and will start at 7:00pm. If you plan to attend and have any items you wish to be discussed at the meeting and want on the agenda, please let me know at least 4 days before.

Stay safe

John Scott

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## **8. Historical Quinton – our memories, photos and records are now on-line!**

I'm delighted to say that the Historical Quinton section of the Parish Council website is now live. Go to the PC website at <https://www.quintonparishcouncil.org.uk/> and you'll see the big green button (if you're on your phone you may need to go via the 'site map', or choose the 'desktop version' link at the bottom of the Home Page).



You'll find:

- memories of Fran and family of their early life in Quinton (and we're hoping to add a 'Coronation Conversation' soon with their memories of how Quinton celebrated Queen Elizabeth II's Coronation)
- pictures of village events (you may recognise some of the people)
- nostalgic photographs of village residents and cottages
- the Methodist Chapel (a hut on wheels!)
- the School (including some fascinating logs from the Record Office) and much much more!

Feedback has included:

"It's a fantastic, fascinating insight into the village's life over many decades."

"Really enjoyed reading the site and seeing all those old pictures."

"Do take a browse at what is a really interesting and fascinating portrayal of life in Quinton over many years."

Thank you to Graham Saunders, Lesley Rooks and Andy Bailey for their help with this project (either with gathering the Piercy Family memories or helping identify any early 'issues') and a massive thank you to John Scott, our Parish Clerk, for the huge amount of time and help that he's given to this – I really do appreciate it.

...if you have documents or memories that you would like to add, just contact me and I'll let you know what format they need to be in for them to be uploaded.

In the meantime – Happy Reading!

Kathey

## 9. *Our People*

### **Chris Harris**

Firstly, thank you to Chris who has volunteered to be the back-up for Sam Mackaness to help with delivering Stop Press in Preston Deanery when needed (see my request in last month's SP).

It's much appreciated.

### **Brave the Shave 24 May**

...and Chris is also preparing to 'Brave the Shave' for Macmillan.

The site gives his story as:

"I'm taking part in Brave the Shave to raise money for Macmillan Cancer Support; a full head shave not a beard trim.

Nick Hewer (star of The Apprentice Countdown and other TV shows) has agreed to wield the clippers and cut all my hair off. Nick is truly a multi-talented guy, but I'm not sure he has done the Vidal Sassoon training course. 🙄.

Please support me and check out my shave page by scanning the QR code or using the link below

<https://bravetheshave.macmillan.org.uk/shavers/chris-harris3>

Thanks for your support.  
Chris Harris"



## 10. *Our villages' Facebook Group*

Keep up-to-date with all the latest news (including Manor Oak and the Coronation) 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 4<sup>th</sup> April 2023  
Drawn By: Sally Merrett & Allan Huddart at  
Roade House Cafe

<b>Winning numbers</b>	<b>Name &amp; Village</b>	<b>Prize</b>
00 01 04	J Farlow - Roade	£150.00
01 02 08	Mrs K White - Roade	£90.00
11 05 07	Mrs K Ward - Roade	£70.00
07 08 13	P & L Smith - Roade	£65.00
01 00 11	Mrs L Leeson - Roade	£60.00
03 13 06	Mrs V Blythe - Roade	£55.00
13 10 08	L Lotman - Roade	£45.00
05 02 07	A Hopper - Roade	£15.00
05 01 03	A Whitlock - Roade	£12.00
05 05 07	C Pearce - Roade	£12.00

Total raised	£1149.00
Total prize money	£574.00
Total paid to fund	£575.00

Money to Promotor: **2<sup>nd</sup> May 2023**  
Date of next Draw: 5<sup>th</sup> May 2023  
Time & Location: 6.30pm Roade Bowls Club

## **12. Future dates**

**3 June (Sat)** Open Church coffee morning 10.30-12noon  
**23 Sept (Sat)** Village Hall Gardening Day, 2pm

***Deadline for items for the next Stop Press***

**Sunday 28 May**

to 'kathey.bailey@outlook.com'

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- You'll be able to access website links easily
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