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Look out for more details of this village event, hosted by the Parish Council

(Don't worry - no cricket pitches will be harmed! The games will take place away from the square.)

Culworth Circular Walks



On the first Tuesday of the month there is a group walk around the Culworth footpaths. Each walk lasts about 2 hours and gives those who are not sure of the footpaths a chance to see the lovely countryside where we live and have a chat with fellow villagers at the same time. Walks start at 10am from The Green. Dogs are welcome as long as they can get over stiles. The next walks are on 4th June and 2nd July. Jenny Howse

Obituary: Richard John Jones – October 1953 to April 2024

Richard was the much-loved youngest child of the late, great Danny and Doreen Jones and lived with them and his siblings Mary and David at 21 Barley Hill here in Culworth. Richard was born with problems with his eyes and his vocal cords which necessitated regular hospital admissions and operations over a number of years at the Radcliffe Infirmary in Oxford in the barbaric days when parents could only visit for an hour at weekends. He needed speech therapy to learn how to speak. This would often involve Mary and David and his cousin Marian in continuing the exercises he had been given by the speech therapist.

It is not surprising that Richard was thoroughly spoiled by his parents as a result. He would happily sit in his seat (usually in front of the television) whilst everyone else was attending to his needs. He loved it! From an early age he developed a very keen interest in horse racing and football and was a big follower of Tottenham Hotspur. Richard attended Culworth school - though his attendance was infrequent, as he much preferred being at home with his Mum watching sport on tv! From there he went to Woodford Halse Secondary Modern and on leaving school joined many of the family working at Export Packing Services in Chipping Warden where he remained until he retired. He became a regular in the Red Lion enjoying several pints at the weekends, riding his bike down to the pub but, sensibly, choosing to walk home afterwards ! He also delivered the Sunday newspapers for many years, finishing his round just in time for the pub to open. Sadly both his parents died guite young and Richard moved into 25 Barley Hill, next door to his beloved Aunt 'Ma' (Mair) and Uncle Frank who kept a very close eye on him. Having not ventured too far from Culworth apart from visiting Mary in Gloucester, he decided that he wanted to visit Aunt Ma and Uncle Frank when they moved to Scotland. He became a seasoned traveller and negotiated Birmingham and Edinburgh airports without any difficulty and timed his visits to coincide with Perth Races.

Sadly 10 years ago Richard suffered a major head injury as a result of falling down the stairs. He spent a considerable period of time in hospital but returned home to Culworth. However, Mary and David realised that he needed more support and so he moved into supported living accommodation in Woodford Halse where David was living. He was a very popular neighbour and involved himself in the various activities that were provided. David was a very regular visitor, organising all aspects of Richard's life including frequent calls when Richard had 'mucked up' the remote control for the tv! David's death in 2022 was a huge loss for Richard; although he was a man of few words he missed him terribly. There was further disruption in the past year when Richard had to move from Woodford Halse to Daventry. He had also faced many health issues in the last two years often requiring hospital admission. He dealt with them as he had done with problems throughout his life, with good humour and without complaint. Richard was surrounded with love from his immediate and extended family throughout his life. It was very fitting that family

and friends gathered together to celebrate his life at St Mary's - Culworth holds a very special place in the hearts of Richard, Mary and their extended family.

Culworth Junior Cricket Club



We have had a great start to the new season, apart from the weather. All last season's regular children returned, and we have welcomed 9 new members to date. The club's first game of the season was supposed to be our adult friendly team – Culworth Casuals v Eydon. Unfortunately, Eydon were unable to field a team, so our team had a good net session instead. The Casuals then had their first match two weeks ago against Napton. This was a full 40 overs match, and we were matching them stride for stride until one of their batsmen played himself in and scored 92, which took the game away from us.

Our Under 13s got off to a flying start against Brackley Under 13s. Culworth were put in to bat and scored 77 without the loss of a wicket. We then bowled Brackley all out for 12. The following week we faced a stronger Silverstone team and narrowly lost by 7 runs. The Under 13s are currently joint first with Silverstone in the league. The Under 11s had their first match two weeks ago against Spencer Bruerne. Considering five out of the eight players had never played in a match before (one even struggled to be taller than the stumps!) we did very well, and only lost by again 7 runs. Unfortunately, all last week's matches were washed out along with the training session. We now have a run of two weeks with all home matches, so if you want to watch some cricket in a beautiful setting feel free to pitch up a folding chair. The ground is looking good, as I have just about got on top of the grass on the newly sown outfield. The reseeding worked well, and the ground plays better for it. There are two adult matches in June. On the 8th we welcome the Two Nunns cricket team, and Culworth Casuals play Eydon on the 16th.

I must say a big thank you to Jeremy Boyles of Culworth Garage for sourcing me a new vehicle to pull the gang mowers, and for continuing to sponsor the teams' playing shirts. More thanks go to Forge Coffee for sponsoring our new club hoodies which look amazing, and to our President Robert MacKenzie who also donated money for the hoodies. Also, a big thank you to all the Vice Presidents for donating to the club to keep it going.

In 2024 we are fielding three junior teams in the South Northants Junior Cricket League. These will be Under 9s, Under 11s and Under 13s. We also have more matches for our adult Culworth Casuals team. All fixtures can be found on our website <u>https://culworth.play-cricket.com/home</u>. If anyone is interested in either the children's cricket, or joining the adult team, or helping with the club in any way possible such as coaching, or mowing the ground, please get in touch with Jim Powell on 07860 6389557, or at jpowell@jspmanagement.co.uk.

Culworth Snappers

Culworth Snappers Camera Club has now entered its 10th year and to celebrate there will be an exhibition of members' photographs in September, which will run for 3 weeks at Forge Coffee. Our membership is growing, but it would be nice to have more members from Culworth, so why not come along to our next club night on Thursday 27th June and see what we do. The venue is Forge

Coffee starting at 7pm. We will be looking at members' images of the latest (intriguingly named) topic, "Intentional Camera Movement". The following month's topic will be "Wheels".

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The photograph on the left is from the "Water" topic. We have an extra meeting planned for Thursday 11th July, when a guest photographer, Mary McIntyre, is coming to give a talk about Star Trail photography. There is a small charge of £5 for non-members. Please contact John Emmett for more information and to check availability if you are interested in joining us as numbers are limited. For further information including details of planned photoshoots contact John on 07867 918960.

Culworth Village Café



There will be a village café on **Saturday 1st June** from 10 till 12. As there were so few plants ready at the café in May we will have another Bring and Buy plant sale on 1st June. All profits will go to the Village Hall and St Mary's Church.

This will be last one I will organise but I hope the village café will

continue and carry on being an opportunity for everyone in the village to meet each other, find out what is happening in the village without all the pitfalls of social media, and just maybe make friends. The following Village Café meeting should be on **6th July**. Please look out for information nearer the time. Jenny Howse



St Mary's Culworth

Revd Karen Jongman - Revd Karen will be retiring at the end of June. Her final service in the benefice will be a Benefice Holy Communion at 10 o'clock on Sunday 30th June at Moreton Pinkney.

We all wish her a long and happy retirement.

The current pattern of services in Culworth is as follows:

1st Sunday of the month 10am Benefice Holy Communion, 6pm Evensong Culworth

2nd Sunday of the month 11am Family Service

3rd Sunday 10am Mattins

- 4th Sunday 9.30am Holy Communion
- 5th Sunday 10am Benefice Communion

For baptisms, weddings and funerals please contact Revd Canon Karen Jongman, The Rectory. Queen's Street, Culworth, OX17 2AT. 07980 881252 or email <u>karenajongman@gmail.com</u>. From July onwards please contact Martin Rowling or Jenny Howse.



Help Needed - Our church and churchyard rely on volunteers to keep them clean and beautiful. Could you spare some time to help with the cleaning and/or churchyard mowing? Please fill in any times you could help (a list is available in the church) or contact me <u>jenny_howse@hotmail.com</u>, 01295 768110.

Sunday 19th May – Visit of the Bishop of Peterborough

On a beautiful sunny evening, with Culworth looking its very best and the church and churchyard looking spectacular, we welcomed the new Bishop of Peterborough, the Rt Revd Debbie Sellin, John (Bishop of Brixworth), Archdeacons, Deans and more clergy than have ever been seen in Culworth Church. This was the culmination of a pilgrimage undertaken between Ascension Day and Pentecost to celebrate an event called "Thy Kingdom Come Pilgrimage". It was such a joyous occasion and lovely to see our church packed with a congregation filling the whole church with lusty singing – a multitude of clergy create a magnificent sound!

We heard of some of the encounters of Archdeacon Allison and Charlie Nobbs on their 10-day walk; both groups found crossing HS2 a challenge with so many footpaths closed. The two routes met in Culworth where the walkers were welcomed by an expert band of bell ringers. An informal service was followed with welcome refreshments provided by all four churches in the benefice. Many thanks to everyone who made this such a successful event.

Culworth Benefice Services June & July 2024

Sunday 2nd June – 10am Benefice Holy Communion at Chipping Warden 6pm Evensong at Culworth

Sunday 9th June - 9.30am Morning Prayer at Moreton Pinkney

11am 80th Anniversary of D Day Celebrations including Holy Communion at Chipping Warden

11am Family Service at Culworth

Sunday 16th June - 9.30am Holy Communion at Moreton Pinkney

10am Mattins at Culworth 3pm Evensong at Chipping Warden

Sunday 23rd June - 9.30am Holy Communion at Culworth

10am Mattins at Chipping Warden 11am Holy Communion at Edgcote 5pm Evensong at Moreton Pinkney Sunday 30th June – 10am Benefice Holy Communion at Moreton Pinkney (Revd Karen's last service in the benefice)

Sunday 7th July – 10am Benefice Holy Communion at Edgcote (led by Bishop Ed) 6pm Evensong at Culworth

Sunday 14th July - 9.30am Holy Communion at Chipping Warden 9.30am Morning Prayer at Moreton Pinkney 11am Family Service at Culworth

Sunday 21st July - 9.30am Holy Communion at Moreton Pinkney (led by Bishop Ed) 10am Morning Service at Chipping Warden 10am Mattins at Culworth

Sunday 28th July - 9.30am Holy Communion at Culworth (led by Revd Greg Shaw) 9.30am Informal Service at Moreton Pinkney

Dates for your Diary

Saturday 1st June - 10am – 12 noon - Village Café and Bring and Buy plants sale Village Hall Sunday 2nd June - 10am Benefice Holy Communion Chipping Warden 6pm Evensong -Sunday 2nd June – 3pm – 5pm Launch of Singe & Salvage Exhibition at Forge Coffee. Exhibition runs throughout June Tuesday 4th June - 10am Circular Walk from The Green Sunday 9th June - 11am Family Service Tuesday 11th June – 10am -12 noon Coffee and Chat Village Hall Sunday 16th June - 10am Mattins Sunday 23rd June - 9.3am Holy Communion Culworth Thursday 27th June – 7pm Culworth Snappers at Forge Coffee Sunday 30th June – 10am Benefice Holy Communion Moreton Pinkney (Rev Karen's final service in the benefice.) Tuesday 2nd July -10am Circular Walk from The Green Sunday 7th July - 10am Benefice Holy Communion Edgcote (Bishop Ed) Sunday 7th July – Village Gathering Tuesday 9th July - 10am - 12 noon Coffee and Chat Village Hall Sunday 14th July - 11am Family Service Sunday 21st July - 10am Mattins Thursday 25th July – 7pm Culworth Snappers at Forge Coffee Sunday 28th July - 9.30am Holy Communion (Rev Greg Shaw) Sunday 4th August - 10.00 Benefice Holy Communion Culworth (Bishop Ed)

NB. There will be no Film Nights over the Summer – they will return in September.



Ginny Staniford Exhibition at The Forge

Ginny is a textile artist living in Culworth and she has an exhibition and sale of her work running at Forge Coffee throughout June, with a launch event on Sunday 2nd June between 3pm and 5pm - with free cake! 50% of the proceeds from the entire monthly sales will go to the Ukrainian Orphans Appeal run by Steve, Landlord at The Star Inn, Sulgrave.

Location of Village Dog Bins

There are seven dog poo bins around Culworth. They are emptied weekly by the Parish Council at a cost to the council taxpayers of about £1000 annually. It therefore makes sense that responsible dog owners should make full use of the facility which is offered, rather than leaving mess uncollected or hanging it from the nearest bush for the Poo Fairy (who doesn't exist).

Just a reminder of the location of the dog poo bins:

- 1. The Banbury Lane end of the Cricket Field
- 2. The Concrete Road off Banbury Lane by the end of the Red Lion Footpath

3. Along the Concrete Road at the entrance to the footpath that goes through the "football" field to the High Street coming out at Paddocks Farm

- 4. In High Street by West Hill House, opposite Paddocks Farm
- 5. Off the Green at the back of the school by the allotment gate
- 6. At the corner of Sulgrave Road and Barley Hill
- 7. Along Sulgrave Road at the entrance to the footpath that goes across to Banbury Lane

Minutes of Parish Council Meetings

These are available on the Culworth Parish Council website (Hover over the link, Press CTRL & click): <u>Culworth Parish Council</u>

Hard copies can be obtained from the Parish Clerk on request.

Whilst the Parish Council funds the publication of the newsletter, the views expressed in it may not be those of the Parish Council. The editor reserves the right to make adjustments to the text and formatting for readability.

Please send items for the next newsletter to <u>clerk@culworthparishcouncil.gov.uk</u> or <u>wilbyjoanne@gmail.com</u>

If anyone would like to take on the role of Newsletter Editor, please do get in touch with the Parish Clerk or Joanne Wilby.

Want to know what is happening in the village?

The Parish Council's website (the Culworth Village website) as above

Or search for:

Culworth Facebook Culworth Community Facebook Nextdoor Culworth Red Lion website and Facebook Forge Coffee website



Mondays to Fridays 8:45am-4pm Saturdays 9am-4pm Sundays 9am-3pm

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Pilates Solutions: Julie Russell

Hi everyone - I am a Culworth resident, and I am excited to be returning to Sulgrave Village Hall to teach regular Pilates Classes from the week commencing 3rd June 2024.

For more information you can visit my website <u>www.pilates-solutions.co.uk</u>

If you are interested in joining or would like to ask me any questions my mobile number is 07778 673677. Email address julierussell007@gmail.com.

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