

50/50 lottery winners



Ashton Village Group

August DRAW

1st Prize £52.50 -Sandra Lemon
2nd Prize £31.50 -Pat Phillips
3rd Prize £10.50 - Martin Wilson
42 Ticket holders, £10.50 to the Xmas draw , now standing at £81.75
£102.50 donated to the Church

September DRAW

1st Prize £52.50 -Susan Parrington
2nd Prize £31.50 -Anne Sale
3rd Prize £10.50 - Delia Farrand
42 Ticket holders, £10.50 to the Xmas draw , now standing at £92.25
£102.50 donated to the Church

Wouldn't it be lovely to win?
You can if you join.
Contact Stephanie (01604 862 904)

Ashton Fields Charity

At this time of year, pensioners in Ashton receive a small sum of money towards their heating bills from the Ashton Fields Charity.

The funds are raised by renting two fields belonging to the charity.

If you are a pensioner living in Ashton, please call Delia Farrand on 863225 and your name will be added to the list.

Damage to the Millennium Garden

An Ashton resident has written in regarding the damage to one of the new seats in the Millennium garden.

These seats have only recently been put in place, to replace the previously vanalised ones.

If anyone has information regarding the person who did this, would they contact the Parish Council on 01604 862 383

Save money & Help Our Church !!!

www.easyfundraising.org.uk/stmichaelsallangels

All donations to Ashton's St Michael and All Angels Church Fund.

Useful Contacts

Parish Council Chairman - Bernard Day 862383
Parish Council Clerk - Felicity Gardiner
Ashton District Councillor - Martin Wilson 864254
Footpath Warden - Jeremy Roychoudhury 864306

Towcester Police Station Western Area 01327 300300
Police Community Support Officer - Tara Cooksammy
Direct line 01327 303228 Mobile 07919 043778
E-mail - tara.cooksammy@northants.police.uk
Village Internet Site - www.ashtonvillage.co.uk
Neighbourhood Watch - David Farrand 863225

Articles for A.V.N. to David Farrand, 20 Hartwell Road Telephone 863225 or david@farrand.co.uk

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ASHTON Village News

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Ashton School Parents Association, The Old Crown and Ashton Parish Council present:

Ashton Annual Bonfire Night

**Friday
5th November
The Old Crown
Ashton**

Raffle

Bonfire lit 6.15

Hot food!

Fireworks

Glowing novelties for sale!

7.00

Inside and outside bar!

Fantastic firework display!

Entrance
Adults: £2.50
Children £1.50

Entrance prices held for the 9th year in a row!

Saturday "Drop-in" Book Club

20th November 10-11.30 am
The Knights' Hall

It is friendly and informal, where you can meet up with friends and neighbours for a catch up and chat or meet new people from the village.

Tea and coffee are served. Cakes and jams are on sale and books are available for buying, browsing or swapping.

Everyone is welcome.



Cat Found

A black and white cat with a small black spot on its nostril arrived in our garden in the summer.

The cat is very affectionate though skinny.

If anyone knows who it belongs to please contact

Angie or Mike on 862415

Minutes from the Parish Council meeting held in July and September 2010

Full details of the minutes can be found on the Ashton Village web site at: <http://www.ashtonvillage.co.uk> They can also be viewed on the village notice boards.

Points discussed at the meetings were:

7th July - No response at all to the article in the AVN regarding dog bins. Millennium Wall Garden has now been fixed by Peter Gordelier. All village Playground information has been handed over to Sandra Lemon. Discussion on how the proceeds from the Hut Ground is to be spent. Discussions for a twin town in Germany. Chestnut tree on the Stoke Road village green reported as being diseased. Slow markings in the road asked to be repainted. Parking outside the old village green reported as dangerous. Andy Fowler advised that in the near future he would step down as parish councillor

8 September - Public time, there were 4 members of the public present – They were here to discuss the proposal of affordable housing. The public have also asked for a letter to be written to Mr Kevin Pickering regarding the speed of the traffic under the railway bridge. The stile near the "Jones" field has gone. It has been agreed that the Parish Council will again donate £100 towards the cost of the AVN. In March Dave Farrand was the only person to responded to the strategic plan. The bus company Meridian have changed their style bus and we have a disabled man in the village who is now unable to get on the bus Lack of bus shelters in the village
Date of next meeting Wednesday 10th November 7.15 pm in the school.

Coffee Morning - Friday 12th November



The winter, monthly coffee mornings have started again !!!
10.30 -12.00 noon at Broad Acres - Roade Hill.

Coffee, Cakes, Biscuits, Raffle, Bring and Buy

Proceeds in aid of paying our Parish Share

Everyone is welcome.
Contact Marion 864 254 for details

There is always the opportunity to repair to the pub for lunch afterwards and make a day of it !

The Old Crown, Ashton

Quiz Night - 7th November - Killer Question now standing at over £300
Bonfire Night - 5th November
Carols round the Christmas tree (TBA) & Christmas Menu

More information at
www.theoldcrownashton.co.uk

Bex Street 01604 862268
Email: bex@theoldcrownashton.co.uk



Ashton Pumpkin Festival 2010

On Sunday October 31st at 6pm, we will be holding our 2nd Pumpkin Festival.
We plan to hold on the Stoke Road Green again and invite all residents to join in.



We will have some food and something to drink and are hoping that people will bring their jack – o – lanterns to display. Like last year, the children will only visit the houses indicating they want to take part by putting up a jack-o-lantern or a poster.

If you would like to donate anything to eat or drink just bring it along. Dressing up is an option for all. For offers of help or further information or a poster, please contact *Sandra Lemon* 863634 or 07870588657





DAMZELS OPEN EVENING

MONDAY 8TH NOVEMBER 2010

8pm till 10pm

Enjoy an evening with the DamZels
The ladies group for leisure activities

AT VALE FARM HOUSE, STOKE ROAD, ASHTON

REFRESHMENTS AVAILABLE

Opportunities to purchase Christmas Gifts

From Claire Seely stained glass designs. Forever Living.
Phoenix cards. Mel's Beauty & lots more

Want to meet other women & just CHAT!

Share ideas & learn something NEW!

Conquer new frontiers

FOR WOMEN OF ALL AGES

For more information about DamZels

Or ***Be our guest*** & promote your product

Contact Yvonne Hardman 07908 031434

Or Julie James 07970 674841

RACE NIGHT

We're holding a race night at **ROADE SCHOOL SPORTS COLLEGE**

Raising funds for **FORS (Friends of Roade School)**

First race at **7pm** CONTACT **01604 862125**
To BUY TICKETS
Race Night Services Ltd
Tel: 01744 753770
www.racenightservices.co.uk

Date **Friday 19th November**

Race Night

At Roade School
Sports College

Friday 19th
November

contact :
01604 862125
to buy tickets

Ashton Church of England Primary School

Term has started well with 36 children in the school. We have welcomed two children into the Reception class and four children into years two, three and four. We are delighted to welcome back Diane Shadforth after her unfortunate accident and Laura Wilson (nee Higginbottom) who married in August. We are missing the six children who left us last summer for NSB, NSG and Roade Sports College but are pleased to report that they have all settled well into their new schools.

The Junior class are studying the Ancient Greeks and have enjoyed visits by train to the National Gallery in London to look at pictures of Greek myths and to the Ashmolean in Oxford. There the children experienced life in the Agora (Greek market) and were able to handle authentic coins and artefacts.

An architecture workshop enabled the children to design and build their own Greek temple. The Infant topic is 'Pirates' and they have designed and built a pirate ship and are due to visit a pirate play area in Wellingborough. The outside play area has been turned into a pirate ship and term will end with a pirate tea party.

The Infants have also been to see Room on the Broom at the Derngate as part of their literacy.

Fund raising this term has benefited the Pakistan flood appeal when over £100 was raised with a mufti day, bring and buy and a coffee afternoon.

A Church assembly was well attended in September and many children and their parents attended the Harvest Service in Ashton church.

The new term will start with the annual Pumpkin competition on Monday 1 November, with Ian Street judging the winners.

The main fundraising event of 2010 will again be the annual firework display on Friday 5 November. The bonfire will be lit at 6.15pm with fireworks at 7pm. Prices have been held for yet another year and ASPA have worked hard to ensure that this will again be a hugely successful event.

Sue Campbell

House to house visits across South Northamptonshire

As the Electoral Services Officer for South Northamptonshire Council, I would like to inform you that we are currently undertaking our annual canvass of properties for updating the Electoral Roll and will shortly be sending out people door to door.

From Friday 29th October to Sunday 21st November inclusive our staff will be visiting non-responding properties across the district. Our staff will all have photographic ID badges and should be wearing high-viz jackets. They have been instructed to only visit between 09:00 and 20:00.

Please let me know if you would like any further information

Regards

Gareth Cook
Electoral Services Officer, South Northamptonshire Council
(01327) 322121

Betta's Ashton Pasta Evening



A date for your diary ! Saturday December 11th from 7.30 at "The Barn" - Vale Farm House, Stoke Road.

It was a really good evening last year, so the tickets will sell quickly. There will be limited numbers and entry only by ticket, for catering purposes.

Tickets £12.50 for a three course meal with a glass of wine. There will be NO buying tickets on the door.

Contact Marion Wilson 864254 or Bron Kenny 864914

Ashton Book Launch

**'VILLAGE SNAPSHOT -
A WALK THROUGH ASHTON'S PAST'**

To celebrate the completion of the 10 year project to re-order our Church, we have written a new book about Ashton.

The book, titled VILLAGE SNAPSHOT - A WALK THROUGH ASHTON'S PAST will be launched on Sunday 5th December, 12 noon to 4 pm in the Knights' Hall at the Church.



There will be drinks and refreshments available. For more information, contact Marion Wilson on 864 254

Harvest Supper - Thank you

Ashton Harvest Supper -- Thank you to everyone for making our first Harvest Supper such a success. We managed to raise over £300 towards much needed church funds to keep our lovely old church in good repair.



Everybody really enjoyed the evening with plenty to eat and lots of chatter going on. There were harvest connected quizzes for those that wanted to stretch their brain cells and hidden harvest mice for the children to find.

For the first time in recent Ashton history the event was sold out before the evening so maybe there is a message to be learnt. Next time you see an event being advertised in Ashton get your tickets early. Not only does it help with the catering it will also guarantee that you will be able to attend!

Bron Kenny

Litter Picking in Ashton -- Help Needed



The very popular Ashton Litter Picking will next take place on **Saturday November 6th 2010.**

We will meet up at the Old Crown at 11:00 and pick for about an hour, before retiring to the Old Crown again.

This is a great way to meet people in the village for a chat while doing something useful and learning what people throw away while in the village.

Do come and join us.

for more information **Contact Bernard Day on 07766 664211
or Sandra Lemon 01604 863634**



Ashton Bonfire - November 5th

If you have any materials for the bonfire please deliver them to the Playing field (behind the Old Crown) **BEFORE** Tuesday 2nd November.
NO nasty materials please - plastic, rubber, wet leaves or grass

Bernard Day 077 6666 4211