

## 50/50 lottery winners



Ashton Village Group

### December 2013

First - Alan & Rosie Sharp £72.50

Second - Nigel Prescott £43.50

Third - Marion O'Mera £14.50

### Christmas Bonus Draw

- Antjie Learoyd £ 140

### January 2014

First - Sue Wilson £72.50

Second - Barry Jolly £43.50

Third - Vera Webster £14.50

58 members - Church donation £145.00

Christmas bonus stands at £14.50

For more information, Contact

Bron Kenny (01604 864914)

67 Stoke Road, bronkenny@gmail.com

## Ashton Mums and Tots group

Come and join our Mums and Tots group held in the school on

Thursday afternoons 13.30-15.15.

contact Lynne Turnbull 075454 62892.

## Saturday Drop In

We meet -

Every 3rd Saturday of the month  
10.30-12 noon.

( Next one February 15th )

Why not call in for a coffee, a chat and a chance to buy a homemade cake and browse the new book stock?

Please come along especially if you have not dropped in for a while - we look forward to your visit!

Wendy Turvey. 01604 863 627

### \*PILATES\*\*

All abilities welcomed

Tuesday 7pm-8pm

Willison Centre, Roade

Friday 9.30am

Roade Methodist Church Hall

### \*\*KEEP FIT\*\*

Ideal for beginners and active seniors

Wednesday 10-11am

Roade Methodist Church Hall

Tel Sue  
07587155018



## Useful Contacts

Parish Council Chairman - Terry Turvey 863627  
Parish Council Clerk - John Marshall 07505 139832  
Ashton District Councillor - Martin Wilson 864254  
County Councillor - Allen Walker 01908 260302  
Footpath Warden - Terry Turvey 863627  
Neighbourhood Watch - Carl Johnson 861429

Village Internet Site - [www.ashtonvillage.co.uk](http://www.ashtonvillage.co.uk)

Police 101 or (999 in an emergency)  
Police <http://www.northants.police.uk>  
Police Community Support Officer 7012 - Tara Cooksammy:  
Tel: 101 ext 343642  
E-mail - [tara.cooksammy@northants.police.uk](mailto:tara.cooksammy@northants.police.uk)

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# ASHTON Village News

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## “The Village Plan Group needs you”



Whats the Village Plan group you ask? We are a small group of Ashton residents who have volunteered to formulate a community 'Master Plan' for future development within the village boundary to avoid unwanted and inappropriate developments.

The County Council have to take account of local preferences, but can only do this when a village or neighbourhood have a plan in place. This is your opportunity to influence any future developments in Ashton. We are looking for anyone interested to join this group and help make postive changes.

Please contact our secretary Mrs I Lane on 01604 861350 or email on [isabel.lanelane@btinternet.com](mailto:isabel.lanelane@btinternet.com)

Our next meetings are being held on

**Monday 27<sup>th</sup> January, and Monday 17<sup>th</sup> February,**  
**both meetings are at 7.30pm at Komcept Solutions, Ridgeway Farm, Hartwell Road, Ashton.**

**We look forward to seeing you there!**



## Towcester Food Bank

A **BIG Thank you Ashton Village** for supporting Towcester foodbank. Your donations make a big difference to local people in crisis.

*Towcester foodbank is part of the Trussell Trust's UK wide foodbank network.*

### THE OLD CROWN - EVENTS

- **30th January: Pie Night.**
- **2nd February: Quiz night 8pm.**
- **First Sunday every month: Quiz night.**
- **Every 3rd Tuesday: 12 o'clock club.**
- **14th February: Valentines Evening £60 per couple.**
- **From 11.30am on Saturday mornings: BRUNCH.**



### MUSIC FESTIVAL:

In the Summer, The Old Crown will be hosting a music festival in aid of Cynthia Spencer. It will take place on **July 12<sup>th</sup>**. Not only will there be lots of music acts to listen too, there will be lots of great stalls to visit. If anyone is interested in having a stall please contact Kelli by email for more details at [kelli@bofest.org.uk](mailto:kelli@bofest.org.uk).

For more information - please call THE OLD CROWN on, Tel: 01604862268  
Mobile:07533195001 or Email: [bex@theoldcrownashton.co.uk](mailto:bex@theoldcrownashton.co.uk) or **POP IN & SEE US!**

### Ashton Church events



**Coffee Morning Tuesday February 18<sup>th</sup>** at Kassen, Stoke Road, 10.30-12 o'clock. Cakes, Bring and Buy, Raffle. Everybody welcome. What better way of preparing for the Lunch Club? Just a stroll over the road!

There will also be a **Coffee Morning** at Bron's 67 Stoke Road on **Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> March**. Same time, same format but no lunch!

Do you know any young people (aged 10/11-16 years old) who have nowhere to go in the village where they can just "hang out", chat, listen to music or play table games while they have a drink and bag of crisps? The Knights' Hall is available for them if you feel you could commit to supervising their activities. You must be an adult, or group of adults, and would need to be CRB checked, but it could be very rewarding for any volunteers.

Contact the Rector, **Mike on 862284** or **Marion on 864254** if you might be interested.

## A BIG THANK YOU - Ashton School

Ashton Primary School Children and A.S.P.A would like to thank everyone who helped and supported us to raise £155 in aid of the Hope Centre Northampton with our Carol Singing round the village. We hope you all enjoyed it as much as we did. We would also like to thank Bex and Ian at The Old Crown for the mince pies and hot chocolate afterwards.



### WATCH OUT FOR 'PHIL THE BAG'

Ashton Primary School will be posting round the village very soon 'Phil the Bag'. We are asking people to fill the bags with clothes, shoes, bags, belts etc and this will help to raise funds for the school. The more we fill the more we raise so watch out for yours....(**COLLECTION DAY IS TUESDAY 11TH FEBRUARY**)



### Bozenham Mill road - Road closure 29th January - 1 February 2014

Anglian Water are requiring to install a new supply to a property off Bozenham Mill Road in Ashton. Unfortunately to undertake the works will require that the road is closed for up to three days from the 29th January 2014

I have attached a plan showing the extent of the closure and diversion route for your information. If you require more information about the works please contact **Vicky Newton on 01522 341247**

### Stoke Road - Road closure 24 - 31 February 2014 (08.00 - 15.30)

Northamptonshire Highways are requiring to carry out carriageway patching along the centre of the above road between the A508 junction and the entrance to the Rugby Club. To allow for the works to be undertaken safely for both the public and workforce the road will be closed to through traffic. The closure will commence on the 24th February 2014 and take up to five days between 08.00 and 15.30.



I have attached a plan showing the extent of the closure and diversion route for your information. If you require more information about the works please contact Stuart Mann on 01604 883400.

## What's On in Ashton ? Kindly compiled by Sandra Lemon

**January 27<sup>th</sup> - Village Plan Group meeting at 7.30 p.m.** Call Isabel on 01604 861350 for more information

**January 28<sup>th</sup> - Old Crown Book Club meeting at 8 p.m.** This month we read The Other Side of You by Salley Vickers

**January 30<sup>th</sup> – Mums & Tots in the School at 1:30 p.m.** A good way to introduce your little one to other children and to meet other parents or even grandparents.

**January 30<sup>th</sup> – Pie Night at The Old Crown –** book now to avoid disappointment

**February 1<sup>st</sup> – Saturday Brunch at The Old Crown – 11:30 to 2 p.m.** A great way to start your weekend.

**February 2<sup>nd</sup> – Quiz Night at The Old Crown 8 p.m.**

**February 4<sup>th</sup> – Bell Ringing at the Church.** This is fortnightly between Ashton and Roade. Come and learn to bell ring, it is sociable, great fun and wonderful exercise.

**February 6<sup>th</sup> – Mums & Tots in the School at 1:30 p.m.**

**February 8<sup>th</sup> – Saturday Brunch at The Old Crown – 11:30 to 2 p.m.**

**February 9<sup>th</sup> – Sunday School at St Michael's and All Angels Church, Ashton at 10:30 a.m.**

**February 13<sup>th</sup> – Mums & Tots in the School at 1:30 p.m.**

**February 14<sup>th</sup> – Valentines Night at The Old Crown –** Special menu for Romantic people

**February 15<sup>th</sup> – Drop in and Book Exchange in St Michael's and All Angels Church Hall at 10:30 a.m.** This takes place monthly and is a great way to meet people, have a coffee or tea and a chat and pick up books from our vast selection.

**February 15<sup>th</sup> – Saturday Brunch at The Old Crown – 11:30 to 2 p.m.**

**February 16<sup>th</sup> – Family Service at St Michael's and All Angels Church Ashton at 10:30 a.m.** A monthly church service for all the family Everyone welcome.

**February 17<sup>th</sup> - Village Plan Group meeting at 7.30 p.m.** Call Isabel on 01604 861350 for more information

## What's On in Ashton ? (Continued ) Kindly compiled by Sandra Lemon

**February 18<sup>th</sup> – Coffee Morning** coffee mornings are held in different locations once a month in aid of St Michaels and All Angels Church. This month it is at **Kassen , 8 Stoke Road** between 10:30 and 12:00. These friendly events are a lovely way to meet people and enjoy a chat and a cup of coffee.

**February 18<sup>th</sup> – Bell Ringing at the Church.**

**February 20<sup>th</sup> – Mums & Tots in the School at 1:30 p.m.**

**February 22<sup>nd</sup> – Saturday Brunch at The Old Crown – 11:30 to 2 p.m.**

**February 27<sup>th</sup> – Mums & Tots in the School at 1:30 p.m.**

**March 1<sup>st</sup> – Saturday Brunch at The Old Crown – 11:30 to 2 p.m.**

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**If you have items for the AVN and would like them included on the calendar would you cc them to me at [Sandra lemon uk@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:Sandra.lemon.uk@yahoo.co.uk).**

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### Ashton Yoga

Ashton Yoga at Roade Community Centre,  
Bailey Brook Lane, Roade.

**Tuesday Evenings: 7.30p.m to 9.00 p.m.**

£25.00 for a block of 5 classes or £7.00 for drop in .

**Please contact Pauline Green on 01604 863641 for more information.**



## Road Surgery Patients Participation

Would you like to have your say about the services we provide?

Road surgery has 2 representatives on The Parks Medical Practice Patient Participation Group which meets every 2 months with practice staff to decide ways of making positive contributions to the service offered by the Practice to the patients. If you are interested in getting involved you will find all the information on the surgery website [www.theparksmedicalpractice.co.uk](http://www.theparksmedicalpractice.co.uk) or on our notice board just inside door at the surgery.

The Practice together with the PPG is forming a virtual reference group to encourage patients to give their views about the practice and the services it offers. From time to time we would like to ask the members of the group some questions such as what do you think about opening times or the quality of care or services you received. We will contact you via e-mail and keep the surveys succinct. We aim to gather as many interested patients as possible from as broad a spectrum as possible to get a true representative sample.

We need young people, workers, retirees, people with long term conditions and all ethnic groups. If you would like to influence the decisions the practice makes and are happy for us to contact you occasionally by e-mail please call Vivienne Rust on 01604862320 or e-mail her at [vivienne.rust@btinternet.com](mailto:vivienne.rust@btinternet.com) for more details

The PPG together with the surgery held a series of friendly and informal Carers café's at the surgery to give carers the opportunity to air their thoughts and get advice and information about the support that is available from the various organisations who came to speak. It is our intention to hold more of these Café's in the spring so please watch the notice boards in the surgery and around the village alternatively contact the above to register your interest.

It is essential that the surgery has up to date information such as your address and telephone number to enable it to quickly and accurately identify you, please let our reception staff know if any of your contact details have changed.

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### Ashton Parish Council Meeting

The next monthly meeting, Wednesday February 12th  
7.15pm at Ashton School

There is a public session and anyone can attend the meetings.

If there are any village problems that the Parish Council can deal with or if you wish to add anything to the agenda, please contact the Parish Council Clerk,  
**John Marshall on 07505 139832**  
**Ryan's Glen, 31 B Hartwell Road, Roade, Northampton, NN7 2NU**  
or email at [ashtonparishcouncil@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:ashtonparishcouncil@yahoo.co.uk)

## Howling Dogs - unhappy neighbours

Howling Dogs can be extremely annoying to neighbours, and in 2012 / 2013 South Northamptonshire Council received 77 dog noise complaints which accounted for 19 per cent of all noise complaints, and since April 2013 so far there have been 64.



It is worth talking to the owner of the dog in the first instance who may not be aware of the problem if they are out at work all day. If this does not help then you can contact a member of SNC's Environmental Protection Team for advice and support.

"It is always best to try and sort out the problem amicably, but where a dog owner continues to blatantly allow their dog to cause a noise nuisance you should contact our environmental protection team. If, unfortunately, they are unable to resolve the problem then prosecution will be considered as a last resort."

If you want to report a persistent barking dog you should contact the Environmental Protection Team on 01327 322323 during office hours or report it online at [www.southnorthants.gov.uk](http://www.southnorthants.gov.uk)

Information for dog owners on how to reduce the risk of their dog causing a noise nuisance can be found at [www.southnorthants.gov.uk/2296](http://www.southnorthants.gov.uk/2296)

- If the dog owner doesn't take steps to solve the problem, and the Council receives complaints about the noise your dog is making, it will investigate the complaint. If the noise amounts to a statutory nuisance, we will serve the owner with an abatement notice requiring the noise to be reduced to an acceptable level
- If the owner fails to comply with an abatement notice, they could face prosecution and, if convicted, a fine of up to £5000 (and possibly further daily fines of up to £500 for each day on which the offence continues after conviction)
- Dog barking can be a statutory noise nuisance under the Environmental Protection Act 1990
- In 2011/2012 SNC received 95 complaints about noisy dogs, 90 in 2010/11 and 85 in 2009/10.



### Welcome to Ashton pack

Lots of information about Ashton for new  
( and not so new people in the village )

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