

## 50/50 lottery winners



Ashton Village Group

September 2014

1st prize - Yvonne Hardman £77.50  
2nd prize - Diane Shadforth £46.50  
3rd prize - Carl Johnson £15.50

62 members - Church donation.  
£155.00 Christmas bonus. £ 136.50

For more information, Contact  
Bron Kenny (01604 864914)  
67 Stoke Road, bronkenny@gmail.com

## Work Wanted

My name is Josiah Whyte and I am visiting Europe from Australia and will be based in Ashton on and off over the next two years,

While here I am looking for work to do to earn a bit of money. I am an experienced horticulturist and I am looking for any gardening maintenance or any odd jobs around the house.

My number is +44 7879815492. My email address is josiahwhyte@gmail.com

## Burglary in Ashton

An Ashton resident has informed us that there has recently been a burglary where items were stolen from an outbuilding.

It is wise to keep these buildings as secure as possible.

## Glasses Found

A pair of brown rimmed glasses were found in a field past the rugby club. The owner can ring Lynne on 07545462892.

## PILATES

All abilities welcomed  
New Times / Classes  
**Mondays 6-7pm**  
**Tuesdays 7-8pm**  
Willison Centre, Roade

## KEEP FIT / PILATES

"Best of Both"  
**Friday 9.30am**  
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

Parish Council [www.ashtonpc.org.uk](http://www.ashtonpc.org.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)

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

Articles for A.V.N. to David Farrand, 20 Hartwell Road Telephone 863225 or [david@farrand.co.uk](mailto:david@farrand.co.uk)

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# ASHTON Village News

Issue 142

October 2014

ASHTON SCHOOL PARENTS ASSOCIATION - MENS OWN RFC &  
ASHTON PARISH COUNCIL PRESENT



NEW LOCATION - MENS OWN RUGBY FOOTBALL CLUB, ASHTON

BONFIRE LIT 6:15 FIREWORKS 7:00

£3 PER ADULT £2 PER CHILD

RAFFLE, RIDES, BBQ, STALLS AND MORE

Proceeds raised for Ashton Primary School.  
Contact 07738965842 to purchase tickets to avoid queuing at the gate.

Parish Council [www.ashtonpc.org.uk](http://www.ashtonpc.org.uk) | Village Internet Site - [www.ashtonvillage.co.uk](http://www.ashtonvillage.co.uk)

## Ashton and Local Trades & Business Directory

Dave Farrand and I would like to publish around the village a list of local tradesmen and business people have used and found helpful. We already have an electrician a plumber, a tiler, a chimney sweep and others. If you have a recommendation(s) please let me know and we will add it to the list.

*Sandra Lemon - 01604 863 634 or lemon.sandra07@gmail.com*

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### Young Ashton Bell Ringers

We are fortunate to have some new young people learning to ring bells and that three of them are making their debut ringing for a service at the Harvest Thanksgiving on Sunday 19th Oct. this is after less than six months instruction which is great progress. Anyone who thinks bell ringing is easy should come along and see the effort and control needed. Well done to Erin, Hannah and Zoe.

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### Christmas Family Disco.

Friday 5th December. 6-10pm. at the Rugby Club.

Terry's BritelitesDisco starts at 6pm.  
Chocolate and Wine Raffle. - Sweets, Flashy toys and more!

For more details contact Felicity on 01604 862344

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### Saturday Drop-In



The next Drop-In is on **October 18th** in The Knights Hall at the church from the usual time of 10.30 to noon. Come and join us as there is always plenty going on. The toddlers enjoy snaffling the chocolate biscuits, the ten year olds vie to help wash up and the adults savour the chat and a browse through the constantly changing book stock. All this often to a backdrop of bell ringers peeling and practising and - annually - riders and striders huffing and puffing. To add to the ambiance we usually have a garden stall selling an eclectic range of interesting goodies to raise money for the upkeep of the wildlife garden behind the church.

Last month was a great success - the popup Produce Stall raised over £68 for the church and was well supported with donations of vegetables and delicious cakes and scones from our loyal regulars. The next special event will be the Mulled Wine and Mince Pies morning on **December 20th** but we look forward to greeting everyone this month and on **November 15th**. Come along and add to the bustle and gently raise those two knights from their slumber!

*Wendy Turvey*

## Ashton Bonfire - November 5<sup>th</sup>

**Please Note:** People are **not** allowed to bring their own fireworks or sparklers to the event

If you have any suitable materials, garden rubbish etc, for the bonfire please deliver them to Men's Own Rugby Club until Saturday 1st November. NO nasty materials please - plastic, rubber, wet leaves or grass Any donated wood to be left in the Rugby Club carpark over to the right by the old blue container in the carpark not by the container on the grass area. - Please notify *Bernard on 07766 664211*.

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### Putting the Millennium Garden to bed for the Winter

The Guerrilla Gardeners are aware that the Millennium Garden needs trimming and settling down for winter. We wonder if anyone would like to help us with this task? We plan to work on the garden (on Stoke Road Green) on Saturday October 11th at 11 a.m. If you would like to help out just come along and join in. If you really want to help but can't make that day and time let us know.

Jan Willetts 07968564804 Sandra Lemon 07870588657

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### The Old Crown

The Old Crown will be open as normal until October 19th 2014.

The following week, The Old Crown will be open Tuesday 21st, Wednesday 22nd & Thursday 23rd from 1800 until 2300. Please be aware that we will be unable to take card payments at this time, cash only.

Ian, Bex & Molly will be leaving The Old Crown on Friday 24th October, therefore the pub will not be open. Thereafter, we have not been informed of opening times. As soon as we are made aware of new tenants/managers coming in we will make as many people as possible aware. We apologise that we can't give you more information at this time.

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### Wildlife garden at St Michaels Church

Thank you the parents and children who helped build a bug hotel in the wildlife garden at St Michaels Church in the school holidays. We are hoping to put some primroses and cowslips in the grass before the winter comes along. I will have some perennial plants for sale at the next Drop in to raise funds for some wildflower plug plants too.

On another matter, I am looking for apples for an Apple Day event in Northampton on October 19th. If anyone has any spare apples I would be happy to come and pick or collect them, cookers or eaters but not windfalls. Thanks also for the donations of jam jars.

*Jan Willetts 01604863421 jan.willetts@btinternet.com*

## Notes from Ashton Parish Council

### (1) Litter on Roade Hill

We received a report from a resident about the amount of litter (food containers, cans, bottles etc) left on the road and by the gate of the Network Rail yard on Roade Hill by Network Rail contractors, after recent evening and night work. I have reported it to Network Rail, who are looking into it.

### (2) Parking on Pavements

Ashton has some very narrow pavements and it is often difficult to walk along some of them without going onto the road. Ashton Parish council would like to ask residents not to park their cars on the pavement as this adds to the problem especially for parents with small children and our elderly and disabled residents.

The Parish Council is aware that at one time residents were encouraged to park on the pavement but this is no longer the case. Many people are using their verges and drives for parking on but there are areas in the village where cars are half or fully on the pavement.

Would you also please ask your visitors not to block the pavements when they park. An extra bonus is that cars parked on the road help to slow the traffic down.

Thank you for your help with this matter.

### (3) Parish Council Meetings

Please note that Ashton Parish Council meets on the second Wednesday of each month in the school hall at 7:15 and the public are welcome.

### (4) Parish Council Clerk contact Details:

John Marshall, Clerk and Proper Officer  
Ashton Parish Council, 'Ryan's Glen', 31b Hartwell Road  
Roade, Northampton, NN7 2NU

Web Site: <http://www.ashtonpc.org.uk/>  
07505 139832– [clerk@ashtonpc.org.uk](mailto:clerk@ashtonpc.org.uk)

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## BUILDING PLOT NEEDED

We live in the village and are looking to purchase a plot of land on which to build a level access bungalow. If you have a piece of ground suitable for building that you would like to sell, please contact us on 01604 862808 - Brian and Jane Lawrence

## Village coffee morning & Christmas Carol Service



There is a village coffee morning at Kassan, 8 Stoke Road on Oct 14 th, 10.30 til 12. Everybody is welcome.

There will be coffee mornings in Nov And Dec but dates and venues have yet to be confirmed. There are always advertised on the board outside church so keep,your eyes open!

The church **Christmas Carol Service** will be on Dec 21 and of course, everybody in the village is invited to come.

More details from Bron 01604 864 914 [bronkenny@gmail.com](mailto:bronkenny@gmail.com)

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## Farewell to Bex and Ian, Molly and Alfie at the Old Crown.

Five and a half years ago Bex and Ian, along with their dog Alfie, moved into the Old Crown, Ashton. They brought youth and vitality to the pub and the village. Right from the start they made it clear that they wanted to be a part of village life and encouraged everyone to describe the ways they would like to see the Old Crown change and what they felt the village needed.

It was a slow start but the very tasty food Ian provided and the improved hospitality Bex brought, won us round. We started clubs, were welcome to hold meetings and get-together's in the pub. People of all ages have benefited from their being here. They supported local events and put on quiz nights, they organised their legendary special meal nights and music nights, raised funds for charity and made us all feel welcome.

Half way through their tenure we met Molly. She is an 'Ashton Girl' growing up to be quite a character, much loved by all who know her.

Now it is time for the Street family to move on. We are all so sad to lose them and will miss them all very much but we recognise that you have to move onward and upward in your career. So it is now time to say goodbye to Bex, Ian Molly and Alfie. Remember you will always find friends in Ashton

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## Pumpkin Festival

The Pumpkin Festival will take place on the Stoke Road Green  
on **October 31<sup>st</sup> starting at 6p.m.**



As in past years we are asking people to provide cakes or biscuits to share and there will be warm spicy apple juice to drink. Please bring your Jack-O-Lantern for others to admire. Everyone welcome to this free event. We are looking forward to seeing all the wonderful costumes. For more information contact *Sandra Lemon* - 01604 863 634 or email