

Quinton and Preston Deanery Stop Press! (May '22)

1. Events: all in the Village Hall unless shown otherwise

26 April (Tues) (every 4 th Tues next one: 24 May)	Trefoil Guild: 2pm 'The Owl Man' – visit to see Alan's owls followed by a talk in the Village Hall.
30 April (Sat)	Spring Litter Pick: 9.30 to leave 10am from Grain Mill, Preston Deanery and finish at Old Rectory, Quinton
2 May (Mon) (every 1 st Mon next one: 6 June)	Monday Social Club: 2-4pm Indoor curling, shove halfpenny, cup of tea and a chat. Everybody very welcome to join us.
3 May (Tues) (every 1 st Tues next one: 7 June)	WI: 7.30pm Jean Bates from the ACWW (The 'Associated Country Women of the World', an International charity supported by the WI) talking about their work Don't forget to bring along your old stamps, coins, jewellery, cameras, tablets, watches, sat navs, games consoles & mobile phones. All visitors welcome.
14 May (Sat)	Village Hall Gardening Afternoon: 2pm
17 May (Tues)	Parish Council Meeting: 7pm
24 May (Tues)	Annual Village Meeting: 7pm
Every Mon Usually every last Thurs	Yoga Group: 6-7pm Relax and Restore wellbeing session: 6-7pm (booking required for both sessions: Hayleyhendersonyoga@gmail.com or 07488 233779)

2. Church News

The process of appointing a House for Duty post is ongoing; we hope for news in the next few weeks. In the meantime, we will continue having services with visiting priests: we will sing hymns!

Date	Time	Service	Leader
24 Apr**	10am	Holy Communion**(PTO)	tbc
8 May	10am	Holy Communion	Bishop John
22 May	10am	Holy Communion	Rev Dr French
5 June	10am	Holy Communion	tbc

**The 24 April service will be followed by:

- the Easter Vestry Meeting (to appoint Churchwardens)
open to all in the civil parishes and
- the Annual Parochial Church Meeting
open to all on the Church Electoral Roll

St John the Baptist, Quinton is open for private prayer/reflection
by appointment. Please contact:

Andy Bailey (07905 202004) or Julia Javes (01604 315788)

3. Spring litter pick time! Sat 30 April leaving 10am PD

We're planning our biannual Quinton and Preston Deanery litter pick for next Saturday 30 April.

We'll be walking from Grain Mill in Preston Deanery at 10am on the day, litter picking along the road to Quinton. It usually takes just over an hour to complete the job.

We'll be meeting beforehand, from 9.30am, at Grain Mill for bacon and egg rolls and hot drinks before we set off, and litter pickers will also be rewarded with coffee and cake at the end of the route at Old Rectory in Quinton.

Litter pickers will be provided, but please bring along a bag for litter and a pair of stout gloves too if you have them.

It's always a fun community event, so do come along and get involved if you're free that morning – and if you are intending to join, please could you email emma_wise100@hotmail.com to confirm that so we can ensure there are enough refreshments available.

Emma & Claude

4. Village Hall Gardening Afternoon: Sat 14 May 2pm

We're planning one of our regular village hall gardening afternoons on **Saturday 14th May** at 2pm. Come along to the hall and join us if you can as we prune and weed the village hall gardens back into tip top shape ready for the summer. Bring along gardening tools if you have them.

We always enjoy these afternoons, and there'll be refreshments provided for volunteers.

5. Quinton and Preston Deanery Queen's Jubilee celebrations: *Thurs 2 to Sun 5 June*

There are a full series of events lined-up to help us celebrate the Queen's Jubilee weekend – we hope that you will be able to join us for a number of them.

We also hope that you will join in the spirit of the occasion with our two competitions:

- 1) 'Best Dressed House' and
- 2) 'Best Dressed Picnic Table'

(being judged at the 'Picnic on The Green' on Sunday.

Thursday 2nd June

9.35pm to 9.50pm **Lanterns and lights on the Village Green**, official proclamation reading and a few traditional songs.

Friday 3rd June

7pm for 7.30 **Jubilee Fun Quiz Night in the Village Hall** (see below)

Saturday 4th June

From 12.00pm **Midday Renovate and clean up the historic pump** and put up a commemorative plaque. (Volunteers welcome).

Sunday 5th June

Morning Church Service of Celebration and Thanks

10am **Set up the marquees on the Green** (Volunteers appreciated)

2.30pm **Picnic on The Green** - Bring your tables, chairs, food, drinks, and flags. (No glass on the green except for bottles). Join us for music and family games. Judging of best dressed house and picnic table.

5.00pm **The Laugh Out Loud Theatre Group** are booked to perform a short piece of theatre based in a Northampton shoe factory that's commissioned to make shoes for "Her Majesty".

'Last night at the proms' singalong to finish the day.

6. Jubilee Fun Quiz Night: *Fri 3 June 7pm for 7.30pm start*

We're looking forward to seeing you at our Jubilee Fun Quiz Night on Friday 3 June in the Village Hall.

Maximum of 8 people a table (tables can be made up on the night).

Please bring your own drinks - there will be teas, coffees and snacks for sale, also a raffle.

Proceeds are going to support St John the Baptist Church, Quinton and Preston Deanery

Tickets, £5 a person, are available from:

Kathey (email kathey.bailey@outlook.com) or

Andy (tel: 07905 202004)

7. Events at Old Rectory

Meditation on Nature: Fri 20 May 9.30am-approx 10.30am

Friday 20 May is World Meditation Day and to mark that, I'm running a guided meditation in our garden at Old Rectory at 9.30am.

It will last for about an hour.

There's no charge, but if you'd like to make a donation there'll be a collection on the day for the charity Mind.

If you'd like to join, please email me ahead of time on emma@breathe4good.co.uk and I'll add you to the list.

Midsummer Garden Poetry Festival: 24-26 June

Over the weekend of 24-26 June, we're hosting a poetry festival.

We have all sorts of poetry related events going on, ranging from poetry inspired yoga to a writing workshop, open mic and a 'songs at sunset' evening with the Musica charity choir.

On **Saturday 25 June**, we'll have a reading from former poet laureate Carol Ann Duffy – a reading which is not to be missed!

Tickets are available on our website www.garden4good.co.uk

All profits from the festival are being shared between three charities.

8. Produce Show

Following a good turnout last year we are delighted to announce that the Quinton and Preston Deanery Produce Show will return for its 37th year. A full schedule of classes covering Vegetables, Fruit, Flowers, Handicrafts and Cookery will be posted through your door over the next few weeks.

9. Food Aid Far Cotton: next delivery Thurs 5 May

Have you got any of the following in your cupboards that you would donate to Food Aid Far Cotton?

Or could you add a few items to your shopping list?

UHT Milk, tea/coffee/sugar/squash, boxes of cereals, jars of pasta sauces, packets of noodles/pasta/rice in sauces, tinned meat/fish/vegetables/fruit.

Items of household cleaners/personal hygiene.

Your generosity is always appreciated by the people who visit the Food Bank at St Mary's Church, to help them feed their families and take care of themselves.

If you can donate to this initiative, please bring to 3 Church View Quinton - my next delivery will be on **Thursday 5 May**.

Many, many thanks, Julia

10. Open Gardens: *Sat 9 July 11am-5pm*

Plans are going ahead and we look forward to sharing more details with you in the next Stop Press – in the meantime, do let us know if you would like to be involved and help raise money for your favourite charities.

Thanks, Andy and Kathey Bailey

11. Munitions 'Incident'

April saw the unexpected disruption of Bomb Disposal Experts carrying out a controlled explosion of more than 60 World War Two incendiary devices which were discovered in a garden by builders in School Lane.

Nearby houses were evacuated, and a big 'thank you' goes to all the people who rallied round to make sure that everyone was comfortable and had places to stay, and that the Facebook site was updated so that people knew what was going on. The Emergency Services also appreciated the use of the Village Hall.

12. Our people

Mick Core

We were all so saddened to hear of the sudden passing of Mick Core – although he had been unwell for some time, we all hoped that he would recover and be back in his usual seat in his front room.

Mick was a lovely man who was a big part of Quinton's community for so many years and will be much missed. Our love and thoughts go out to Val, Aimée and Hazel.

(There will be a longer tribute to Mick in next month's Stop Press.)



13. Quinton Parish Council

Manor Oak Homes

West Northants Council have issued a response to the Manor Oak Homes Scoping Document, it seems that Manor Oak will have a lot of work to do to prepare a full application. If anyone would like to review the response, please follow the link below:

[Planning application: WNS/2022/0256/SCO - Planning register | Planning register | South Northamptonshire Council \(planning-register.co.uk\)](https://www.planningregister.co.uk/Planning/register/2022/0256/SCO)

Alternatively, you can email the Clerk and he will send a copy.

Asset Mapping Project

Phase 1 of the project is complete, and the assets have been uploaded to the Parish Online website, the data will be checked, and the next phase will be planned for later in the year.

Dog Waste

Things have improved and the council thanks those residents for making the extra effort. Please keep up the good work.

Playground Equipment

The council is planning to install some new equipment on the village green this year, a football goal, and a basket swing. The swing will replace the A frame climbing frame, the football goal position has yet to be agreed but your suggestions would be appreciated.

Next Council Meeting

Tues 17 May 2022, this will be a face-to-face meeting, if you plan to attend, please ensure you consider the Covid regulations that may be in place at the time. The council will be reviewing its finance for the previous year. If you have any items you wish to be discussed at the meeting, please let me know.

Annual Village Meeting

The meeting will be on **Tues 24 May** 2022, and agenda and further details will follow. This will be your opportunity to see what has happened in the village over the past year, representatives from the Parish Council and other village organisations will be present. There will also be a small presentation to Bob Atkinson and Michael Clarke, who represented the parish as our councillors - they have both retired from council work.

Stay safe

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14. Updates from our West Northamptonshire Councillors

The WNC Councillors' monthly reports are posted on the Parish Council website under 'Documents'

<https://www.quintonparishcouncil.org.uk/documents>

There are two versions:

- 1) Ward Councillor Update (Full Version)
- 2) Ward Councillor Update (Short Version)

15. Our villages' Facebook Group

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 want 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).

16. Roade and Quinton Old Folks Fund

Date Drawn: Friday 9th April 2022

Drawn By: Christine Jackson & Margaret Smith

Winning nos	Name & Village	Prize
1 10 11	Mr D Pilcher – Roade	£150.00
1 2 4	Mrs E Dyke – Roade	£90.00
8 5 9	Bal Deed – Roade	£70.00
3 2 4	Mrs M Ratcliffe – Roade	£65.00
6 8 4	Gemma McCafferty – Roade	£60.00
6 8 4	Mr & Mrs Gillam – Quinton	£55.00
3 2 4	Mrs M Ratcliffe – Roade	£45.00
0 2 8	Mr D Webb – Roade	£30.00
12 1 11	Stuart – Roade	£12.00
4 7 1	Mrs J Costello – Roade	£12.00

Total raised	£1,180.00
Total prize money	£589.00
Total paid to fund	£591.00

Money to Promotor: Friday **3rd May 2022**

Date of next Draw: Friday 6th May 2022

Time & Location: 12.00 Noon – The Cock Pub

17. Websites

Quinton Parish Council

www.quintonparishcouncil.org.uk

Covers a lot of information about our village, its societies and groups, the council's work, how to access government info and services, and things that are going on.

Living Brook

www.livingbrookbenefice.blogspot.com

Information about our churches including service times, history and social events.

West Northamptonshire Council

www.westnorthants.gov.uk

For all council information and services

18. Dates for your diary

- 2-5 June Quinton and Preston Deanery Queen's Jubilee Celebrations
(see page 3)
- 9 July Open Gardens
- 19 Nov Quiz Night – Village Hall

Deadline for items for the next Stop Press

Friday 20 May

to 'kathey.bailey@outlook.com'

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