

Quinton and Preston Deanery Stop Press! (Nov '21)

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

26 Oct (Tues) (every 4 th Tues: next one: 23 Nov)	Trefoil Guild: 2pm Update on what is happening in Guiding by Carol Henry, The Division Commissioner.
1 Nov (Mon) (every 1 st Mon next one: 6 Dec)	Monday Social Club: 2-4pm Indoor curling and the Dutch shove halfpenny board Everyone welcome. Telephone/ text to Val for details 07545160016
2 Nov (Tues) (every 1 st Tues next one: 7 Dec)	WI: 7.30pm 'Seated Yoga' with Hayley Henderson. All welcome. First meeting free.
3 Nov (Wed)	Story telling and the 'Feast of Fools': 7 for 7.30-10pm More info at www.storyfeast.uk Best to book in advance.
13 Nov (Sat)	Quiz Night: 7 for 7.30pm Always a fun evening – so book now! See page 3
16 Nov (Tues)	PC meeting: 7pm
Every Mon 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 Bishop will collate the Revd Julie Scott into her post as Vicar of Living Brook Benefice on **7th November** - by Zoom. We hope to see her at services after that.

The House for Duty post was readvertised on 11th October.

We continue having services with visiting priests under eased Covid advice. For all services social distancing measures are being maintained and Face covering is recommended.

Date	Time	Service	Leader
31 Oct	10am	Benefice Holy Communion (with hymns!)	Rev Dr Mousir-Harrison
14 Nov	12 noon	Act of Remembrance - Seating will be limited so please reserve your place by contacting Mike.	Major Mike Crouch

28 Nov	10am	Holy Communion (with hymns)	Canon Michael Weber
Please contact Mike, tel (01604862096) or email (747crouch@gmail.com) if you have any concerns about attending any of these services			

Virtual services at:

10.00am on Sundays

You can join on the WhatsApp group by contacting Emma Dil on dilemma68@gmail.com

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

Andy Bailey (01604 862292) or Julia Javes (01604 315788)

3. Harvest Raffle

Thank you to everyone who supported this and helped us to raise nearly £500 for church funds.

The draw was made after the Harvest Service in Quinton Church on 3rd Oct and the winners were:

- 1) £100 supermarket voucher: Stuart Whitford
- 2) bottle of wine: Joan Adams
- 3) box of chocolates: Joan Leggott

Andy and Kathey

4. Snow Goose, Wed 10 Nov, 7pm, St George's, Wootton

Whilst we normally only advertise things that are happening in Quinton and Preston Deanery, this production is by James Gillam, who presented an excellent version of Snow Goose at Preston Deanery church attended by many of our residents.

This time they are performing as part of a community Remembrance project with a professional cast. They are also giving special performances to primary schools (attended by some of our youngsters) and creative workshops for pupils, as well as a community performance for the general public.

Tickets are £3 and can be booked via <https://www.fabulaarts.co.uk/basic-01> or they are available on the door (cash).

5. Macmillan Coffee Morning

Maya and Lydie Collyer's Coffee Morning was a huge success and raised an amazing £2000! Well done to them and to everyone who bought, baked, donated and supported on the day.

6. Yoga Group – 3 extra places now available!

Due to the slightly relaxed Covid restrictions we are now able to open up the yoga group to more people. As a result, there are now 3 places available (Monday nights, 6-7pm, £8 a session)

...and if you're too late to snap these up, then you could be put on the reserve list as there are often 1-2 places that aren't filled because people are away.

Contact Hayley on: Hayleyhendersonyoga@gmail.com or 07488 233779

7. Village Hall News – Quiz Night, Sat 13 Nov, 7 for 7.30pm

The annual Quinton Quiz Night is back! Taking place on Saturday 13 November, please join us and Northamptonshire's finest quiz master Jane Ward for a fun evening in the village hall. We'll be opening the doors at 7pm ready for a prompt start to the quiz at 7.30pm. Tickets include a chilli supper (with veggie/ vegan option) and there'll be a bar open all evening selling beer and wine. And of course, there are prizes for the winning team. Teams can be assembled ahead of time (max six per team please), or come along on the night and we'll put teams together.

Tickets are £8 each and available from Emma: emma_wise100@hotmail.com

So that we can manage the catering and bar requirements, all ticket orders to be placed by close of play **Wednesday 10 November** please. The quiz night is always a popular and fun event, so please do come along and join us, you'll be made very welcome.

8. Food Aid Far Cotton

A car load of donated items was taken to Food Aid Far Cotton.

Thank you to everyone who so generously gave to this initiative.

FAFC at St Mary's were delighted to receive so many items from our communities and from our Harvest services.

The next delivery will be made on **Thursday 4 November**.

Thank you

Julia

9. Litter Pick

Thank you to everyone who turned-up to help with the litter pick along the road from Preston Deanery to Quinton – always a nice social event with food and drink provided at both ends – and the villages benefit from having clear verges and hedgerows (and long may they stay that way!)

Kathey

10. Quinton Parish Council

Street Lights

You may have noticed that there is a faulty light, unfortunately the service company we use is no longer in business and the council is looking for a new company, this should not be a long process but please be patient.

Benches

The council has ordered two replacement benches for the notice board area and the Wootton Road / Preston Deanery Road junction. These should be with us in November.

Dog Bins

We have had a request to install dog bins in the village. The council will consider this at the next meeting, your thoughts would be helpful in reaching a decision that keeps all residents happy. There are two main questions, first do you think it is a good idea or not? and second if the previous answer is positive where should the bin/s be located?

Christmas Tree

Sadly, we lost the tree recently, there have been suggestions that the tree is replaced, maybe with a smaller one that has a better chance of surviving. Your comments as always would be appreciated.

Gigaclear Broadband

Good to see that Gigaclear are now starting to install people's connections and they are reaping the benefits.

Village Green Play Equipment

Some of the equipment is coming to the end of its life and the council is considering suitable replacements, in particular the wooden climbing frames. The council welcomes new ideas for the replacement equipment and all ideas should be sent to the Clerk, these will then be discussed at the next appropriate council meeting. The council will discuss the budget for next year at the November meeting so any feedback would be appreciated.

Chicken Farm

I have not heard of any reports recently about the obnoxious aroma coming from the farm but if anyone has a complaint, please let me know. Alternatively episodes can be reported by email to:

environmentalservices.snc@westnorthants.gov.uk

Or call 0300 0126 7000

Queens 70th Anniversary in 2022

Next year the Queen will celebrate her 70th Anniversary and council has agreed that we should celebrate this with an event in the village. The Jubilee celebrations will be over a long weekend with a Bank

Holiday, the dates for your diaries are **2-5 June**. The council are looking for ideas as to what we would like to do as a community and on what day. If anyone has any ideas, please contact the Clerk. This will also be discussed at the next council meeting.

Next Council Meeting

Next council meeting on **16th November 2021** this will be a face-to-face meeting in the Village Hall starting at 7pm. Although the Covid restrictions have been lifted it would be appreciated if you could advise the Clerk if you are going to attend. The budget for the next year will be discussed so please let me have any ideas.

If you have any items you wish to be discussed at the meeting please let me know.

Stay safe.

John Scott

clerk@quintonparishcouncil.org.uk

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11. Update on Working Parties

Gateways

It's been good to hear all the positive comments about the new signs and painted gateways into Quinton.

A big 'Thank You' to Graham Saunders who helped me to repaint the woodwork and erect the new signs. Thank you also to Ollie Stenson and Metcalfs for starting us off with the right woodstain for the job.

Andy Bailey

12. Updates from our West Northamptonshire Councillors

These documents are on the Parish Council website, or you can email me for a copy of the hyperlinks – and please let me know if these links don't work or have changed. Thanks, Kathey

1) WNC Councillor Update for Parish Councils and Village Magazines in Hackleton & Grange Park Ward, 15 October 2021 (8 pages)
<https://www.quintonparishcouncil.org.uk/uploads/october-2021-wnc-cllr-update-for-parish-councils-and-village-magazines-151021-final.docx>

2) Stephen Clarke's Monthly update (37 pages)
<https://www.quintonparishcouncil.org.uk/uploads/monthly-news-report-october-final-version-14-oct-6.pdf>

Stephen has also submitted info about the 'Queen's Green Canopy Initiative', and a possible role that our villages could play in it, at:

<https://www.quintonparishcouncil.org.uk/uploads/stop-press-21-october-sc.pdf>

13. Quinton and Preston Deanery Home Produce Show 2021.

Congratulations and very well done to all those who entered in this year's Home Produce Show. Winners will be receiving their engraved cups and trophies very soon.

Best in Show:	Mike Crouch
Quinton Points Cup:	Beryl Kirton and Delia Ronson
Junior Points Cup:	Lois Austin
Best in Section – Preserves:	Delia Ronson
Best in Section – Flowers:	Mike Crouch
Best in Section – Fruit & Vegetables:	Val Core
Best in Section – Cookery:	Jo Gent
Best in Section – Handicraft – Norman Randal Trophy:	Ann Bull
Best In Section – Children's Shield:	Lois Austin
Vase of Flowers – Delia Ronson Cup:	Joan Adams
Best Rose – Sylvia Thomas Rose Bowl:	Joan Adams
Asters – Florence Mills Trophy:	Kathey Bailey
Tomatoes – Mary Turney Cup:	Beryl Kirton
Runner Beans – Mick Newbery Trophy:	Val Core
Heaviest Onion – Bill Maule Trophy:	Val Core
Marmalade – Margaret Keech Rose Bowl:	Joan Adams
Apple Pie – Adams Cup:	Sheila Gardner
Quiche Plaque:	Delia Ronson
Fruit Cake Cup:	Delia Ronson
Photography – Ronson Cup:	Jo Gent

We are very grateful to the Judges, the Committee, all those who helped with setting and clearing up etc. and to everyone for their support at this annual Show. We look forward to seeing you all again next year.

14. Our people

Nina May

Andy and I were pleased to be able to go to Nina's funeral at Stony Stratford and represent the village, the church and the Trefoil Guild. It was a formal Requiem Mass attended by 100+ people with a choir and some excellent singing from the congregation (I was sure that I could hear her husband Bernard's voice!)



Nina was born and brought up in Stony Stratford, later moving within the area, including Hardingstone, before moving to Park Farm Cottage where she and Bernard created a beautiful family home and garden. They were both very active in village events, especially the church. Fran particularly loved the side altar decoration that Nina so carefully created for the Maundy Thursday vigil – a beautiful arrangement of tiny spring flowers and tealights – a lovely focal point in the darkened church at that peaceful service. And Nina will long be remembered for her help in the kitchen preparing breakfasts for people on the Good Friday Walk as well as her pancakes on Shrove Tuesday.

She was an active member in the Trefoil Guild, including two trips to Our Chalet in Switzerland and a number of trips to London. Although unable to attend many events in recent years she remained a member and continued to follow our activities.

She and Bernard moved back to Stony some years ago and immediately became active in the church there, where Nina had been Christened and she and Bernard had been married. Sadly, Bernard died 10 years ago, but Nina continued with as many activities as she was able. She was laid to rest with Bernard in Calverton churchyard, the sister church, and very near to where she started life.

Kathey, with help from Fran and Connie

15. Roade & Quinton Old Folks Fund

(Top 3 winners only – details of all 10 available on request)

Date Drawn: 8th October 2021 by: Christine Harris & Maureen

Winning numbers

	Prize
0 0 10 Dev Singh - Roade	£150.00
4 8 4 Mrs Tarbun - Roade	£90.00
12 12 1 Derek Norton - Roade	£70.00
Total raised	£1,186.00
Total prize money	£592.00
Total paid to fund	£594.00

Money to promoter **Tuesday 2nd November**

Date of next draw Thursday 4th November, 3pm Roade Village Hall

16. 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 don't already know someone on the site, then:

- search Facebook for 'Andy Quinton' (you will recognise the profile pic – it's Quinton church with the remembrance poppy cascade. This profile was set up purely to add members to the site).
- Invite him to be a 'friend' and he can then invite you onto the village site.

Please let me know if you would like help with this.

kathey.bailey@outlook.com

17. Dates for your diary:

2-5 June Queen's Jubilee Weekend

Deadline for items for the next Stop Press

Wednesday 24 November

to 'kathey.bailey@outlook.com'

...and remember that Stop Press is also available by email

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- You'll be able to access website links easily
- You'll have it with you on your smart phone!

...and you can always change back to having a delivered 'hard copy'.