



COTFORD ST LUKE
Community Association
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COTFORD ST LUKE NEWSLETTER

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First, a big thank you to Matt Page of Zeralynx, who has printed this newsletter for us.

Community Association

We plan to arrange an Open Afternoon in April/May so that you can meet us to find out exactly what we do and for you to have the chance to discuss any village matters. In order for the Association to continue, we do need more volunteers to join us, so please come along and see if you would like to be part of our team. More information in the next newsletter.

CSL Action Committee

Further to the public meeting held on 5th December attended by over 200 residents, the planning application regarding the site on Dene Road has been deferred until 13th February. The meeting starts at 5pm and is open to anyone to attend. For more information visit www.cotford-st-luke.co.uk

Planning Application 06/2007/064

The Community Association's response to the above planning application may be viewed on line at www.tauntondeane.gov.uk/planning

Roads

Somerset CC has been asked to review the Graham Way/Burge Cresc. junction layout as there have been several near misses in recent months. Drivers/cyclists turning into or exiting from Burge Cresc. at this junction **do not have the right of way** over those drivers/cyclists coming along Graham Way.

To protect our natural environment, would those drivers who park on the grass verges in the village please refrain from doing so.

Yellow lines have now been painted in the vicinity of the Dene Road, Graham Way and Baileys Gate roundabout.

Mobile Library Service

Every second Thursday the library van calls with over 2,000 books, DVDs, CDs and talking books. Computers are available and access to the internet is free.

If you are housebound, books can be delivered to you. There is a lift for people who use wheelchairs or who find climbing the steps difficult. For more information call 0845 345 9177 or visit www.somerset.gov.uk/libraries. At www.librarieswest.org.uk you can join,

renew or reserve books. The van parks opposite the school between 2pm and 4.30pm. Feb 14th and 28th, and March 13th and 27th are the next dates.

Church News from Rev Alison Norris

Easter is early this year, but we hope the sun will shine for our Walk of Witness on Good Friday (March 21st). Gather at Dibley, 3 Manning Road at 10.30am and walk behind the cross around Cotford St Luke and across the fields to your Parish Church at Heathfield, where coffee and hot cross buns will be waiting for us. Easter Day (March 23rd) service will be at 10am in Cotford St Luke hall. There will be plenty of activities for the children. Bring flowers to dress the cross.

Every 2nd and 4th Sundays at 10am there is a Family Service with Sunday school in Cotford St Luke hall. Toddler Church meets Thursdays during term time at 2pm in the community room. A very Happy Easter to you all!

Rev Alison 401407, Rev David 335424

The Chapel Pub (Update)

They hope to be open for Easter! Watch this space!!

Social Events

Quiz Night on Friday 22nd February at 7.30pm in the Community Hall. Tickets £5 to include food (please bring your own drinks and glasses). Tickets will be available from 430325 or 430374.

We would especially like to invite new residents and any single people to join us. Just let the ticket person know that you are new and she will make sure that you are made to feel welcome.

The Spring Flower Show will be held on Saturday 19th April in the Community Hall. Set up from 10am, visitors from 2pm. Please come along and take part. There will be sections for flowers/plants, home made cakes and jams as well as a photographic section, handicrafts and children's sections. The show schedules will be available shortly from 430244 or 430374. We hope the Spar Shop will hold some too.

More helpers are needed for our social events; please let me know if you are willing to help. Call Ann on 430374.

Bishops Lydeard/Cotford St Luke & Cotelstone Welcome Pack

There is to be an updated version of the Welcome Pack for free distribution to new residents. It is hoped that it will

provide a comprehensive directory of local activities, clubs and businesses. If you wish to advertise your business, inclusion in the Welcome Pack is free. Simply complete an application form (available from Jane Durrant 433031 or online at www.bishopslordeard.org.uk) and return it to 23, Woodridge Mead, Bishops Lydeard, TA4 3PQ. Forms must be received by 30th March 2008.

Village Community Centre

We thank Jan Alvarez for all the hours she has dedicated to being the booking secretary over the past few years. Our new secretary is Caroline Cooper (430514).

Unfortunately, but for the first time in five years, we have had to raise our hall hire charges.

During half term, our drains are due to be reconstructed due to an initial build fault. Fingers crossed that all our problems will now be over!

Again, if there are any qualified gas/electricians/plumbers/builders/general maintenance people in the village who can help on an occasional basis, please call Barbara Stone on 432084.

Police Beat Surgeries

Outside the Spar Shop every Thursday 10.15am – 11.15am.

Your local PCSO is Sue Thompson – mobile 07825125108.

Cotford Youth Project

A group of people are trying to raise the profile of what the youth want in the village. Anyone interested in helping this project to move forward please contact Lynda Furber at sugaranspice@allthingsnice1958.wanadoo.co.uk. Or give your views on the village website <http://forum.cotford-st-luke.co.uk/>

Ladies Lunch Club

We meet monthly for lunch at different venues. For more information 'phone Shelagh Grover on 433544.

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