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# DEATH OF HER MAJESTY QUEEN ELIZABETH THE SECOND ON THURSDAY 8TH SEPTEMBER 2022



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We were all shocked to receive the sad news of the death of our much-beloved monarch on Thursday the 8th September at 6.30 pm at Balmoral Castle, Scotland. Great Cransley Parish Council had prepared for this sad occasion and we were able to open the book of condolence at the village hall on Friday morning at 10 am.

On behalf of the village and as Chairman of the Parish Council I wrote a formal letter of condolence to our late Queen's Private Secretary, as directed. Our Vicar Nicky held a brief service at St Andrew's Church at 1.30 pm to pray for Her Majesty giving thanks for her life and service to all.

On Saturday, Buckingham Palace sent out the Proclamation of The Queen's passing and the accession of King Charles the Third, to all councils across the nation. Councils were instructed to read this out in a prominent public space on Sunday 11th September. Great Cransley decided to read out the proclamation on the village green at 2 pm and the council together with approximately 20 village residents assembled. Cllr Richard Barnwell read out the proclamation followed by the cry "God save the King". One verse of the National Anthem was then sung followed by "Three Cheers for His Majesty King Charles the Third".



The reading of the proclamation.

The following week was spent with the Queen's body being respectfully moved to London and the aircraft carrying the coffin was seen flying over Northampton from Church Lane. Our Vicar Nicky held a service in St Andrew's Church at 4 pm to offer our prayers and thanksgiving.

I know that several people connected to Great Cransley went to London to file through Westminster Hall and pay their last respects to H.M. The Queen. I'm sure we all watched the funeral service on Monday 19th September and marvelled at the organisation and symbolic pageantry of the occasion. It seems extraordinary to have only recently been celebrating the 70th anniversary Jubilee when we planted 2 trees in the village to commemorate Her Majesty's long service to us all.

It is the end of an era and I reflect upon her pledge to us all on her 21st Birthday *"I declare before you all that my whole life, whether it be long or short shall be devoted to your service"*. There can be no doubt in anyone's mind that her late Majesty more than fulfilled this solemn pledge and we all pray that she may now rest in peace.

The book of condolence for the village is still open and if anyone wishes to sign it, please contact me and if necessary, I will call round if you are unable to get out.

GOD SAVE THE KING

Councillor Richard Barnwell Chairman Great Cransley Parish Council

## ANNUAL VILLAGE FLOWER, VEGETABLE, CULINARY AND

#### HANDICRAFT SHOW

Once again, I want to thank everyone who participated in our Annual Village Flower, Vegetable, Culinary and Handicraft Show held at the village hall on 3rd September, most importantly the Village Hall Committee who work so hard to put on and stage the show, and also the exhibitors in all classes, the judges and the bidders at the auction.

Despite the very difficult growing year with the weeks of severe heat there were entries in most classes and the village hall looked well dressed for our 75th Show.

The most unusual entry was in the Children's Classes where one youngster had made some excellent Minecraft representations of the interior and exterior of our village hall. These will be on display in the village hall shortly.

With regard to funds raised they were as follows:

Sponsorship - £190	The raffle - £182
The auction - £153.80	Entry fees for the show - £46.60
Teas raised - £25.30	

Some exhibitors did not take their prize money, this raised a further £18.50 making a total of £616.20 before expenses. Many kind people did not charge for their expenses in staging the show, which is appreciated, so after paying out prize monies of £50.80 the profit of the event was £565.40.

A very well-worth occasion and we just wish we could encourage more villagers to participate. All in all, an excellent and enjoyable event my thanks and congratulations to all involved.

Richard Barnwell Chairman Village Hall Committee

#### MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING

A huge thank you to everyone who attended on Saturday 24th, together we raised £653! Angela Bacchus

#### **GREAT CRANSLEY NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN**

With the help of our consultant, the Steering Group are finalising the draft of the Plan. This draft will then be made available to all residents and stakeholders to read and comment on. When the comments have been reviewed, the draft will be amended as necessary and submitted for examination before the final plan is presented to residents in a referendum for voting on.

If you have any questions about the neighbourhood plan, please email them to <u>greatcransleyplan@gmail.com</u> and we will reply within a couple of days.

## ST ANDREW'S CHURCH CRANSLEY WITH MAWSLEY QUIZ NIGHT AND SUPPER

This will take place in the village hall on Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> October at 6.30 pm. Ticket prices are £6.00 with fish & chips or £4.00 with sausage & chips. To buy your tickets please contact Angie on 01536790742 or Sheila at <u>liala 882000@yahoo.co.uk</u>

#### LADIES BRING AND SHARE LUNCH

This will take place on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> October from 1-3 pm at 14 Loddington Road, Cransley. All ladies are welcome to come along, just bring a small sharing plate of something savoury or sweet.

Please contact Hilary to let her know that you are coming along, either on 07970 264238 or email <u>hcprocter@gmail.com</u>

#### **New Community Bus Service**

Just a reminder that there is now a community bus service from Great Cransley to Kettering every Friday. Service 78B is the Kettering Circular, which now covers Thorpe Malsor, Loddington, Great & Little Cransley and Pytchley.

For Cransley route information and booking details: <u>www.cmbus.org/services/78bc</u>

The online booking form is at the bottom, you will need to scroll.

#### **REGULAR ACTIVITIES IN GREAT CRANSLEY**

Bell Ringing Practice in St Andrew's Church at 7pm each Tuesday.

# LOTTERY SEPTEMBER 2022

Prize	ΝΑΜΕ
1 <sup>st</sup> Prize	<b>JO MORRISON</b>
2 <sup>ND</sup> PRIZE	HENRY STEANE
<b>3<sup>RD</sup> PRIZE</b>	MARTIN CANHAM

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY - OCTOBER 2022

Sunday 2nd Oct	Cransley Praise 10:30 am at St Andrew's Church, a relaxed, informal service for all ages, with refreshments.
Saturday 8 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Quiz night in the Village Hall at 6.30 pm
Thursday 13th Oct	Parish Council meeting at 7.00 pm in the village hall
Saturday 15th Oct	Andy's Café in the Village Hall, 10 – 11:30 am
Sunday 16th Oct	Holy Communion 9:30 am at St Andrew's Church
Wednesday 26th Oct	Ladies Bring and Share Lunch 1-3 pm at 14 Loddington Road
October 2022	Stone Bus Shelter Cleaning – David Whalley. All helpers please note
	that this also involves brushing the War Memorial, dealing with the
	leaves and checking the Village Hall bus shelter.

#### **FORTHCOMING DATES**

Sunday 6th Nov	All Souls Service 11:00 am
Saturday 12 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Combined St Andrew's Church and Cransley Village Hall Craft Fair, in
	the village hall.
Saturday 7 <sup>th</sup> Jan 2023	Pantomime – Dick Whittington

## **CHURCH MATTERS**

On Saturday 15th October at 6.30 pm there will be a Benefice Baby Loss Awareness Week service at Broughton Church. If you are unable to join us but would like to light a candle, please contact Nicki.

Looking ahead, we will be holding an All Souls Service on Sunday 6th November at 11 am. Names of departed loved ones will be read out and there will be an opportunity to light candles. If you would like a name included on the list, please contact Nicki.

To be added to our email or postal list, please contact Reverend Nicki Hobbs on 01536 799522 or <u>revnicki@familyhobbs.org.uk</u>. If you would like prayer, a listening ear, or would like to book a Christening, Wedding or Funeral, please get in touch. Find out more <u>www.churchesbmc.org</u>.

# **CRANSLEY VILLAGE MEMORIAL HALL**

For information and booking the Village Hall, call Pat Appleby on 01536 790607.

#### **CRANSLEY CHRONICLE DEADLINE**

The absolute final date for inclusion in the next month's Cransley Chronicle is at

# 5pm on the 24<sup>th</sup> of each month

(though December is often earlier due to Christmas shut down).
Please email your article, if you can, to Jane Mann on the following email:
 greatcransleypc@gmail.com or if you can't, please ring her on
 01536 710525 or 07834 639080.
All articles must have a Title, and Posters must be A5 size, Portrait.

#### **STREET DOCTOR**

Don't forget to use the Street Doctor on telephone number 0300 126 1000 or <u>www.northamptonshire.gov.uk/streetdoctor</u> for any problems with Highways.