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LOTTERY AUGUST 2020

PRIZE	NAME
1 ST PRIZE	MICHAEL WILKINSON
2 ND PRIZE	ANGELA JAMES
3 RD PRIZE	RICHARD BARNWELL

GREAT CRANSLEY GARAGE SALE

We have had quite a good response to last month's invitation to join in with a Village Sale - six garages so far.

I am asking again if any of the Villagers would like to join us or are even thinking about joining in, then please let me know as soon as you can so your views will be taken into account about date, time, etc.

Gordon Smart 790135 g.smart@btinternet.com

SUNFLOWER COMPETITION

It looks like we won't be holding a village show this year and we're all extremely sad and disappointed about this. We had hoped that restrictions would be lifted sooner but this hasn't been the case. We're very sorry to disappoint you all. We have everything crossed for next year!

The competition is still going ahead and you'll find a reminder of the categories and an entry form with this Chronicle (or online). Please fill in your entry form and return it by 6th September. We realise that the plants will still be growing then, and at some point later you will be contacted by the organisers, who will come and look at your flowers.

It's a free to enter competition, however if you'd like to make a donation, we won't say no.

There are so many beautiful blooms around the village, thank you to everyone who's grown some.

We have some fantastic prizes donated such as gardening related vouchers, a bug house and much more, not forgetting a 'booby' prize for the smallest.

Good Luck! Joanna

THE THREE CRANES

The situation regarding the pub is very difficult and complicated at the moment and it is hoped there will be more information by next month.

GREAT CRANSLEY NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

Dear Residents,

As you know Krisz Payne has retired as Neighbourhood Watch Co-ordinator after years of dedicated work on behalf of the scheme, for which we are all very grateful. We have been unable to find a Volunteer to take over this role at the present time and we are appealing for anyone who feels that they would like to get more involved in the life of our Village to come forward.

So that the Police and the County Neighbourhood Watch have a contact in the Village and we are not excluded from receiving information, I have now registered as Temporary Coordinator. I am already Chairman of the Parish Council and The Village Hall Committee, so I would be thankful if some other residents would put their names forward to at least assist by becoming members of the Village watch group. The ideal volunteer is someone who walks around the Village on a regular basis and therefore knows the area, people who know who lives where, and their regular movements, so that if anything irregular is happening, it is noticed and noted.

The Governments own figures illustrate that as a result of the wretched Virus, people are losing their jobs and the crime rate is going up across the Country. The one thing the Virus has taught us, is that we all need each other and we have to be able to rely on our neighbours to help us in times of adversity, wherever that may come from.

If you would like further information, please contact either myself by ringing me on 07885431520, or by email me at rsg.barnwell@gmail.com, or contact The Parish Clerk.

Richard Barnwell - Chairman Parish Council

VJ DAY

I hope many people, particularly younger ones, watched the BBC 1 TV programme on the celebration and commemoration of the end of the second world war.

As someone who lived through the war time, I could relate to it and thought it was extremely well thought out. There was so much I didn't know and it brought back memories of the way the war affected our family. I got used to always having my gas mask with me for school and practicing going to the school air-raid shelter.

Two of my uncles served in the war, one in Burma and the other in Egypt and both came home but never talked about it.

My maternal grandparents had a German Jewish family to stay with them for some time at the start of the war, and later the husband found work in the north of England.

I still have a thankyou letter they sent in March 1941 to my mother, thanking her for the bag of onions from our garden she sent to them by post!

Thelma Lacy

RIDE AND STRIDE

You may have realised that St Andrew Cransley is in debt and not paying its way. If you can possibly get sponsored for the Ride and Stride event, it helps all churches and if you can nominate St Andrew Cransley, that would be of direct help.

We have no church warden at present, so we need you to do a bit extra and go to the NHCT website http://www.nhct.org.uk/index.php/bicycle_ride to get the sponsorship forms. The website also has details of the participating churches and chapels, so that you can plan a route. Reverend Nicki Hobbs will have any extra information that you need – contact her on 01536 799 522.

SUPPORT NORTHAMPTONSHIRE'S BEAUTIFUL CHURCHES

RIDE + STRIDE

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE HISTORIC CHURCHES TRUST

Saturday 12th September 2020
between 10am and 6pm

a day in the open air ... plan your own route
350+ stunning churches and chapels to visit - many of them open and welcoming with covid precautions in place. Stay Safe!



All sponsorship money received will be divided equally between the NHCT and the church or chapel chosen by you.

Sponsorship forms and a list of open churches and chapels are available from your local organiser:-

Northamptonshire Historic Churches Trust
Registered Charity No 1021632 For more details see our Website: www.nhct.org.uk

HANDMADE WASHABLE FACEMASKS

Handmade washable facemasks are still available to be purchased with donations going to the Cransley Church and Cransley Memorial Village Hall funds. To date we have raised £1,352.50 plus gift aid to be claimed. So far Cransley Church has received £1,252.50 and £100 to the Village hall funds.

Please call Julie on 01536 799860 if you wish to purchase masks.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY - SEPTEMBER 2020

Thursday 10th Sept Virtual Parish Council meeting 7 pm
Saturday 12th Sept Ride and Stride see poster and text

September 2020 Stone Bus Shelter Cleaning, Richard and Julie Cox. All helpers please note that this also involves brushing the War Memorial, dealing with the leaves and checking the Village Hall bus shelter.

For more information on Church matters call 01536 799522 or www.churchesbmc.org

REGULAR ACTIVITIES IN GREAT CRANSLEY

All activities are suspended until further notice.

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 24th of each month

(though December is often earlier due to Christmas shut down).

Please email your article, if you can, to Thelma Lacy on the following email:

greatcransleyipc@gmail.com or if you can't, please ring her on 790997.

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

www.northamptonshire.gov.uk/streetdoctor for any problems with Highways.

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