

# Newsletter October 2018

As the NY Times tagline goes: all the news that's fit to print (in NSL that is!)

# **Church Services in October**

October 7<sup>th</sup> 11.15 Morning Worship

October 14th 11.15 Eucharist & Baptism

October 21st 11.15 Morning Worship

October 28th 11.15 Holy Communion

#### Baptism of Oscar Evans of Clays End on Sunday 14th

Oscar Evans of Clays End, Newton St Loe, is being baptised at Holy Trinity Church in the village on Sunday 14th October. Harvey and Gaynor (and Josh and Rebecca) welcome everyone to join them if you wish. The service will start at 11.15am. Oscar is 10 months old. His brother, Josh, is 8 yearsold, and his sister, Rebecca, is 3 years old. Everyone welcome!

#### **Funeral of Liz Everett**

Sadly, the funeral of Liz Everitt took place on Thursday the 20<sup>th</sup> of September.

Our church, decorated with beautiful and scented flower arrangements, was full with her family and friends and neighbours from near and far.

Music was provided by a choir from 'A Handful of Singers' with soloist Ian Stockler and organist Nick Thorne.

Liz will be much missed in the whole community, and our thoughts and prayers are with her husband John and their family. May she rest in peace, and rise again in glory.

### Help still needed please

Every Wednesday morning at 10 am (weather permitting)

Grenville and his team of trusty workers continue to make a great job or clearing and renovating our churchyard.

If you are an early retiree, a keen gardener, or a student volunteer at BSU missing your opportunity to help with the gardening at home, please come and join us



A Concert commemorating the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the **End of World War I** 

A concert will be held in the Church on Saturday 20th October starting at 7 p.m.

A very special evening of music and drama is planned especially for us by the students and staff of our neighbours at Bath Spa University.

This promises to be a very special evening, so please do try and join us.

Admission is free.

There will also be audience participation – singing along to the old World War 1 songs.

Light refreshments will be provided and a retiring collection will be made in support of local charities



### Village Hall Events

The Village Hall is a key feature in our community life, and available for private functions as well as parish meetings and events. Now with ultrafast broadband thanks to Truespeed

Its website – newtonstloevillagehall.org.uk – gives all the details. The Contacts page allows you to book on-line, or you can call them on their dedicated number 01225 872785 and leave a message

#### **Movement through Awareness:**

Classes now start on Thursday October 11<sup>th</sup> at 4 pm. All welcome, and benefits include easier movement, better problem-solving and a balanced response to life's stresses.

Contact Shelagh O'Neil on 07973 324035 or at www.nicefeldenkrais.co.uk

#### **Armistice Day Lunch:**

2. Nov 11<sup>th</sup> £10 per person

Space is limited, so please book early via Jean Tadman on 872785 or on the sign up list in the hall

#### **Upcoming dates:**

3. Nov 24<sup>th</sup> Christmas Sale

Dec 1<sup>st</sup> Christmas lunch

#### **News from Rory's Reminders**

Recycling: every Friday

Refuse: every other Friday (5<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup>)
Garden: alternate Fridays (12<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>)

Please put your bins out before 7 am! Thank you.

#### **News from Bath Spa University**

The university is in full swing again and Autumn Term has started.

We'd like to say Welcome to all those starting their university life as our neighbours in this glorious parkland setting. We wish you every success while you're with us, and hope you will take the time to come visit the village and share our rural tranquility.

We appreciate the Communications Team at BSU for agreeing to update us monthly with what's happening, and we are honoured to have the music and drama students putting on a commemorative concert at the Church on October 20<sup>th</sup>.

And there's also great news regarding parking in the village – and we've devoted page 3 to telling you all about it!

#### **News from the Parish Council**

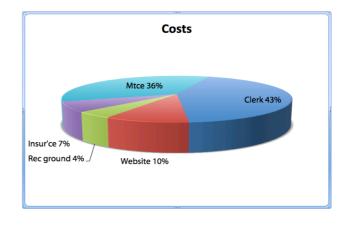
The next parish council meeting will be a delayed meeting previously scheduled for 20<sup>th</sup> September. The new date is Thursday October 18<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm in the village hall. Agenda items include:

- Use of Community Infrastructure Levy
- Review of standing orders
- Work on voter registration

All parishioners are welcome to attend. If you have items you would like to see on the agenda, please e-mail the clerk at clerk@newtonstloe-pc.gov.uk.

The parish council has also submitted its financial results for 2017/18. The council was funded to the tune of £6490 for the year, which forms part of the council taxes each resident pays to B&NES.

The expenditures for 2017/18 are represented below:



## BSU new parking arrangements

The University has contacted the newsletter to underline that it understands parking by a handful of staff, students and visitors is a cause of much irritation to residents of the village. It has recently increased its efforts to get the message over that they would much prefer people to park elsewhere.

A new University Park & Ride facility has opened this month at the old Stothert & Pitt Sports ground, on the lower Bristol road, which the University now owns. Parking there is **free** for staff and students, as is the regular shuttle bus. The site is safe and secure, and actually more convenient than parking in the village and walking across the fields in all weathers.

This is not the old site the university owned on the other side of the lower Bristol road, but a new, purpose built park & ride facility open from 07.30 to 18.30 each day, Monday through Friday, with a regular shuttle bus between there and the university campus.

Staff and students are being reminded not to park in the village, including in their weekly University newsletter, and they are being notified of the University's Parking Terms and Conditions, which require staff and students to park in designated University car parks or find alternative methods of travel to campus.

Members of the University security team will be positioned at the gate at the end of the park drive over the next few weeks, highlighting this alternative to any University-related walkers they intercept and handing out leaflets as below.

## Why go the long way when you can go the short way?

Park & Ride
Bath Spa University Sports Ground
Lower Bristol Road

### **AVOID THE FUSS – TAKE THE BUS**

ONLY 5 MINS TO NEWTON
PARK CAMPUS ON THE
FREE SHUTTLE BUS

**MON-FRI 0730 – 1830** 

SAFE, SECURE, CONVENIENT

The University works hard to build constructive relations with all its neighbours. Newton St Lowe is the closest community to the main campus, and at the request of residents and the parish council we ask our staff and students NOT to park there.

The alternative gives you:

- Secure, easy, off-the-street parking
- Free no charge for parking or the shuttle bus
- Faster than parking in the village and walking across
- Convenient and comfortable in all weathers
- Sat Nav reference: BA2 9EU

The site is regularly staffed and patrolled by our security team, and can be accessed by all staff and students using electronic passes.

#### A round up of other Newton St Loe news and events



#### **From Connecting Generations:**

We have two third year students from Bath Spa University – Megan Farr and Lucy Day – who have been incredibly busy recruiting student volunteers for our events to aid inter-generational contact and help bridge the gap between the young and the more senior members of the community, using technology like tablets, phones and Alexa type devices to do so.

They have been successful way beyond expectations – we now have over 120 students volunteering to help each week during term-time – meaning we can build one to one links. We are working with four community care homes in Bath itself, and the first of our village projects starts on **Wednesday October 20**<sup>th</sup> from 2.30 to 4 pm in the village hall.

There's no charge, and absolutely no experience is necessary. If you have an iPad or similar, do bring it along – if not, we'll show you one of ours. Our mission is to get you as comfortable with the technology as **you** want to be – so you can talk to relatives across the world for free – and see them at the same time! You can read books, listen to music, watch TV, search the internet, get the best deals on shopping and utilities, and get medical advice and assistance. The opportunities are there to be enjoyed.

Do call and confirm you can join us. All welcome!

David on 945052

#### From the Farm Shop:

We are thrilled that so many residents have collected their Loyalty Cards. Don't worry if you've been away or simply just haven't had time to pick yours up, they're still available. As a reminder, the card entitles you 10% off any purchase made in the shop (T&C apply).

For the month of October we are offering 20% off our own produced shoulder of lamb.

Save the date! <u>Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> December</u>, <u>11am – 3.30pm</u>, Crafts and Carols in the corner barn. Come and join us for some festive cheer!

#### From the Bellringers:

Nearly back to normal at last!

We are getting back to our practice night at Newton St Loe every other Friday evening at 7.30, and we have been very pleased with the kind comments received from members of the congregation to our Sunday chimes.

We are preparing something special for Armistice Day which we'll outline next month. The bells sound even more special when they are rung with muffles – a chime followed by its echo,

As always we're always looking for new people if you'd like us to show you the ropes

Nicki Lang

#### From the Choir:

The fourth Sunday of every month is when we get to sing Eucharist at Holy Trinity, and we're always looking for new members to join us.

Whatever your vocal range (but particularly tenors and bass!) you are most welcome. We're also planning further special events on the run up to Christmas, augmented by other choirs.

If you'd like to chat about joining us, please drop a note to me at patminns@blueyonder.co.uk.

Pat Minns