



Hurley Community Association Newsletter

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200 Club Draw May 23

£100 – Number **197**£50 – Number **186**£10 – Numbers **47, 63, 117, 137 & 148**

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Editor's Update

It's June and hasn't the weather taken a turn for the better; Summer Solstice (longest day) is on Wednesday 21st this year. The longer sunny days, usually means bbq's so why not visit M&N Meats who have supported the village so well over the years.

The King Charles III Coronation Souvenir coins have now been delivered to every child that was registered as resident in Hurley and Hurley Common. If anyone missed out there's still time to claim your coin as we do have a few left over. Additionally, if anyone wants to purchase a coin (£4.50 each) please contact the editor, first come first served.

Like many residents, I was saddened to hear of the tragic death of young Aishi Nagar, as the result of a road traffic accident. I visited Aishi's family on Knowle Hill and was taken aback by their family strength and strong faith. Rest in peace young lady.

Please make sure to add Saturday 5th August to your calendars for this year's Family Fun Day at Hurley King's Football Ground. We have live music acts, two dance groups, inflatables, bucking bronco, soft play, beat-the-goalie, Raffles, Wheelbarrow of Booze, Tombola's, hook-a-duck, free face-painting etc. The Holly Bush will be running a bar, there's a large burger stand, fresh coffee van, Rozzas Roast, Joe's Ice Cream Van and much, much more. We have the emergency services on site (call-outs permitting) as well as local stall holders selling their wares at the mini market. Ample parking will be available and pedestrian access will be via the gate on the Black Path.

As per the past two Fun Days, every child will receive a free drinks bottle, kindly sponsored this year by Lucky Tails Alpaca Farm. Entry to the Fun Day is only £1 per adult, children under 16 years get in for FREE! A reminder that the venue does not allow dogs.

A big thank you to those local residents and businesses that have generously donated prizes, money and material towards the event, we could not do it without you. We are still looking for event sponsors, with various options available, if you or your business wish to sponsor the event please contact the editor to discuss, thank you.

The HCA team has just secured a Cinderella pantomime in time for Christmas, the show will take place at the Village Hall and ticket details will be available nearer the event. If there are any shows or events you would like the HCA to arrange please speak to any member of the team.

Look after each other and stay safe...

Best Wishes, John Given

Upcoming Events at the Village Hall and in the village:

5 th August from 1pm to 6pm	HCA Family Fun Day 2023
29 th October from 5pm to 7pm	Scarecrow Trail and Halloween Disco
11 th December from 6pm	Cinderella Pantomime

Wishing you a great June from all of us at the Hurley Community Association



IndieGo Atherstone is a minibus dial-a-ride scheme operating to and from Atherstone, along with numerous villages including Hurley, **every Tuesday and Friday**. As a wheelchair-accessible service, IndieGo could help with, commuting to work, GP/hospital visits, shopping and leisure and is open to all residents.

Users will be required to register to use the minibus and journeys will be available for booking via the call centre (**Tel: 0345 263 8139** open Mon-Fri 8am to 4pm). Pick up location and timings will be confirmed at the time of booking.

All bookings are subject to availability. The adult cost is £3 single and a return is £5, 5-19 year-olds can travel for £2.50 single and £3.50 return, children 0-4 travel free. There are other options available, please enquire for more information.

Service A1 (Tuesday and Friday):

- To arrive in Atherstone for 9.45am.
- From Kingsbury, Piccadilly, Wood End, Hurley Common and Hurley.
- Return from Atherstone at 12.20pm.

There is also an IndieGo Coleshill service to and from Coleshill (Mondays and Fridays) again, contact the call centre for full details, further information can be found online at www.warwickshire.gov.uk/public-transport/indiego

The HCA would be interested to hear your feedback on this service, it was brought to our attention as a passing comment by one of our members. If any residents know of other similar services, then please do contact the editor with details.

Diamond Buses Timetable... Tamworth – Hurley – Tamworth

Please find details of the 76A and 76B bus services which operate between Tamworth and Hurley, Queensway.

The tables show the departure times from each location during the week and weekend. Please advise of any inaccuracies.



Monday to Friday		76A	76A	76A	76B	76B	76B	76B	76B	76B	76A	76A	76A
Tamworth, Victoria Road	06:30	07:10	07:45	08:40	09:40	10:40	11:40	12:40	13:40	15:10	15:55	17:10	17:55
Ventura Park, ASDA	06:38	07:18	07:53								16:03	17:18	18:03
Hurley, Queensway	07:00	07:40	08:19	09:02	10:02	11:02	12:02	13:02	14:02	15:32	16:25	17:40	18:25
Ventura Park, ASDA	07:33	08:13	08:47								16:52	18:07	18:52
Tamworth, Victoria Road	07:40	08:40	08:55	09:34	10:34	11:34	12:34	13:34	14:34	16:04	16:59	18:14	18:59

Saturday		76A	76B	76B	76B	76B	76B	76B	76A	76A	76A
Tamworth, Victoria Road	07:25	08:40	09:40	10:40	11:40	12:40	13:40	15:10	15:55	17:10	17:55
Ventura Park, ASDA	07:33								16:03	17:18	18:03
Hurley, Queensway	07:55	09:02	10:02	11:02	12:02	13:02	14:02	15:32	16:25	17:40	18:25
Ventura Park, ASDA	08:28								16:52	18:07	18:52
Tamworth, Victoria Road	08:35	09:34	10:34	11:34	12:34	13:34	14:34	16:04	16:59	18:14	18:59

In Loving memory of our friends and neighbours who have recently passed away.

Aishwarya 'Aishi' Nagar
24 Dec 2002 – 4 May 2023
 Aged 20, of Knowle Hill

Aishi was daughter to Sanjay and Kena Nagar, sister to Diya and Khaylan Nagar, granddaughter to Arvind and Kala Nagar and precious to all her family.



Aishi tragically died in a road traffic accident on the outskirts of Tamworth. She was studying at the University of Law in Birmingham and was looking forward to a successful career. Her young life sadly cut short and our hearts go out to all those affected by her loss. May Aishi Rest in peace 🙏🌸

Geoff Storer
4 Jan 1944 – 15 May 2023
 Aged 79, of Dexter Court

Geoff enjoyed his job as a taxi driver and didn't want to retire. He worked for AAA taxis, Atherstone, for 10 years. His favourite runs were early mornings to the airport and taking early workers to work.



His other great love was steam trains, on holiday he would always look for the nearest steam train line and off he would go.

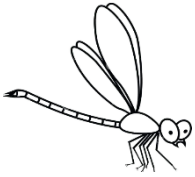
His wife Anita would like to thank the community for the beautiful flowers she received.

The HCA delivered flowers and cards to the families on behalf of the residents of Hurley.

Hurley & District Gardening Club News

Hurley and District Gardening Club's next meeting is on 28th June at the Village Hall, from 7:30pm.

Our speaker is going to introduce us to the largest and fiercest insects, they are also possibly the most beautiful and easily recognised... "Damsels and Dragons" is the title and a bit of a giveaway!



Refreshments, a raffle and a plant table will be available at the meeting as well.

If you are interested in joining, please contact Jenny on **07831 406629**.



HCA Drop In Club at the Village Hall

The Drop In Club runs every Tuesday from 11am – 1pm.

Collect vegetables from "Time Out", sit in a warm room, enjoy conversation, coffee/tea, cake, stop off for a cuppa while walking the dog, browse the large collection second-hand books and jigsaw puzzles or just come and meet your neighbours. It's a great opportunity to get out of the house and enjoy a friendly and relaxing environment.

Jo is after your ideas, what do you want to see at the Drop In? Everyone is welcome and if you would like a lift or need any other information, please contact Jo on **07475 929888**



Cost of Living Money Saving and Useful Tips

Fortunately, the weather has turned, and we are now experiencing some wonderful warm sunny days (let's hope it continues!). A few money saving tips below, if you have any tips you want to share then please send them to the editor:

Pension Credit: If you're retired and have an income of less than £220 a week as an individual, or £320 a week as a couple, you may be due £1,000s a year in pension credit. Plus, it then entitles you to a whole raft of other benefits, including council tax discounts and free TV licences for over-75s. However, many eligible households don't claim. To see if you qualify call the Pension Service helpline: **0800 99 1234** (8am to 5pm, Monday to Friday)

NHS Prescription Prepayment Certificate (PPC): A 3 or 12 month PPC covers all your prescriptions for that period, no matter how many you need. A prescription costs £9.65 per item, but a PPC costs:

- £31.25 for 3 months
- £111.60 for 12 months

This means if you're going to buy 4 or more prescriptions in 3 months, or 12 or more prescriptions in 12 months, it may be cheaper to buy a PPC. You can pay in 10 monthly instalments if you buy a 12-month PPC. You can order online at www.gov.uk/get-a-ppc or call **0300 330 1341**

Cost of Living Help (NWBC): NWBC website has a great deal of information and support for local residents covering budget and debt advice, financial support, welfare and mental health support and a great deal more, for those with internet access go to: www.northwarks.gov.uk/info/20239/cost_of_living_support/1599/cost_of_living_help or call the Support Desk on **0800 408 1449**

Prepare for winter: now is a good time to have a look at your home and make any repairs or improvements ready for the winter ahead. Pay particular attention to your loft insulation, install draught proofing, insulate hot water pipes and tanks, service your boiler and fit secondary glazing.

Remember: If you have any tips please share them, the newsletter is the perfect method for this

Time Out



Funded by the National Lottery Community Fund, Time Out provides residents of Hurley with a bag of fruit and vegetables worth £10.00, all for a suggested donation of £2.00 and **please bring your own bag**. Available to collect from the Village Hall every **Tuesday** from **11:30am to 12:30pm**.

Open to all residents, for more information call Julie on **07428 730950**

Thank you to everyone who supports the Community Association via the 200 Club subscriptions, this raises around £4800.00 per year, with half going towards the upkeep of the Village Hall. Each month a draw takes place and prizes of 1 x **£100.00**, 1 x **£50.00** and 5 x **£10.00** are passed on to the lucky winners. All numbers are currently taken, but if you wish to join the waiting list please send a text to Gary (**07725 332229**) availability always on a first-come-first-served basis. **Thanks also to the subscription collectors for your help.**



Parish Council News... by Cllr John Given

I attended my first Kingsbury Parish Council (KPC) meeting at Piccadilly Community Centre on 18th May 2023. The monthly meeting was followed by the AGM, during the meeting a vote was held and Cllr Jean Thomas (Bodmoor Heath) was elected as Chair for the next 12 months. I wish Jean every success for the next 12 months and look forward to working with her.

Of special note from the meeting is the fact that all defibrillators have now been serviced and a plan has been put in place to ensure they are frequently checked. Housed within the defibrillator box there is also a Bleed Pack, to be used in the event of someone being injured by a knife. It's very sad that we need to cater for such events in our rural communities, but it is a current problem nationally, though I sincerely hope the pack never needs to be used. For those unaware, the defibrillator is mounted in a yellow box on the wall by the front doors to the Village Hall.

A request was made by Cllr Owen Phillips regarding bins for Dexter Lane and we await an update at the June meeting.

Along with Cllr Andy Jenns (County Councillor for Hurley) I have been working with the WCC Highways Team in an attempt to get the Black Path sorted. The bushes and trees are in desperate need of cutting back and the path surface needs lots of attention. It costs around £100 per meter of footpath, the path from Meadow Road to Hurley Common is 320 meters long, so over £32k to resurface. I will keep residents informed of progress, positive or otherwise.

I shall hold a surgery at Hurley Village Hall from 6pm to 8pm on Tuesday 4th July. All residents are welcome to come along and ask questions and raise concerns for my action. I plan to hold such a surgery every 2 months, though please feel free to contact me at any time with any issues that fall within my remit as your elected Parish Councillor.

Snippets....

* The Village Hall is available for hire by all residents of Hurley for only £10 per hour, please contact Emma on **07855 301483** for a booking form or more details.

* Call out for Tombola Prizes - If you have prizes for the Tombola Stall at this year's Fun Day please drop them any Tuesday morning at the Village Hall, or contact info hurleycommunityassociation@gmail.com, all donations will be gratefully received.

* Residents are reminded that it is their responsibility to ensure any trees and bushes on their property do not obstruct the footpaths outside the property. If you need help, please contact the HCA.

* 800 copies of this newsletter are printed and delivered to all households within Hurley. It's a great medium for sharing your stories & events, please contact the editor.

* M&N Meats will be parked outside the Village Hall every second Wednesday from 8:30am to 2pm. Next dates are ... 21st June, 5th July and 19th July

* The Forklift Company on Knowle Hill is looking for a part-time 'handyman', if interested please call Dave Archer on **01827 870353** for details.

* Volunteers are always needed to help at the Fun Day, if you have a little time please help out, it's very rewarding.

* Little Seeds Nursery is accepting enquiries for children, over 24 months, to start in September. Call Gemma on **01827 872820** for details

Jigsaw Puzzle Library... by Rev Carole Young



JIGSAW PUZZLE LIBRARY

FREE TO JOIN & FREE TO BORROW!

WHEN: 2ND & 4TH TUESDAY each MONTH
11.00am to 1.00pm

WHERE: THE OLD STABLES
(adjacent to Kingsbury Parish Church)



Do you like doing jigsaw puzzles?
Would you prefer to borrow rather than buy?

Over 50 puzzles currently in stock, with more being added fortnightly. (Sadly no children's section at the moment).
Catalogues (online or hard copy) available on request -
Text 07960 368524.

Come have a coffee and chat whilst you browse!



We can deliver/collect puzzles to/from those in Kingsbury/Hurley/Wood End/Merevale & Baxterley who are housebound or have mobility problems so can't get to The Old Stables.



Run by the Kingsbury & Baxterley Group of Parish Churches

Holly Bush News: Every **Wednesday** from 7:30pm it's BINGO, **Thursday's** all 330ml bottles only £2.50 and breakfasts are served on **Saturdays** from 9am to 11am. Entertainment this month: Friday 30th June – **Ska2Nite** will be performing live

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