



Hurley Community Association Newsletter

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200 Club Draw May 22

£100 – Number **91**

£50 – Number **70**

£10 – Numbers **65, 100, 118, 135 & 161**

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Editor's Update

There is only one place to start this newsletter and that is to focus on the amazing Platinum Jubilee celebrations we have all just witnessed. At national level I believe the country united and put on a truly marvelous spectacle, starting with the Trooping of the Colour, the Service of Thanksgiving, the Party at the Palace and finally the Big Jubilee Lunch and the Jubilee Pageant... phew! As a nation, we certainly know how to put on a good party (no pun intended Boris!)

As a village we decorated Knowle Hill with 25 Union Flags and the feedback has been outstanding. Our thanks again to NWBC for their generous grant towards the flags. There were a number of family and street parties, and it was great to see the community coming together again, a few photo's are added below. Well done to everyone that got involved.

Since the last newsletter it was sad to hear that long serving Parish and Borough Councillor, Ann Lewis, had passed away peacefully after a long illness. This newsletter contains an article written by Cllr Hayden Phillips.

The 200 Club continues to provide valuable funding towards the running costs of the village hall. Gary advises that there are a few numbers available, please send a message to **07725 332229** for details. Please pass on any ideas you have that will improve the village, we are



always keen to hear your thoughts and suggestions.

I hope the weather is kind to us for the next few months so that we can all enjoy outdoors time with family and friends.

Stay safe and keep smiling!

Best Wishes, John Given



In loving Memory... Ann Lewis (in the words of Councillor Hayden Phillips)

Over the last 40 years, the name Ann Lewis has been well known around the villages of Wood End, Hurley, Piccadilly and the surrounding areas. The name has become synonymous with kindness, consideration and heartfelt well wishes for that was exactly who Ann was. To me she was a life-long friend, to my children a relative by proximity and friendship and even to my grandchildren, for whom she became a fairy, suitable for any occasion (Christmas, birthdays or Easter) for she never left them out of her thoughts and always asked about them. This is true for many individuals for whom she crossed paths with, and as a result, she was much loved and will forever be much missed and well-remembered.



Ann dedicated her life to the family who she loved most dearly and now leaves behind, and to the community for whom she also gave so much. In 2019, when Ann stepped down as a borough councillor, she was recognised as being the longest serving female councillor in the country, and in that time, there have been multiple initiatives and projects which she has headed and contributed towards, always with the benefit of the public and community in mind. Being one of the founding members of the Bee Line Taxi service, giving residents access to medical treatments and appointments, was something that was dear to her heart, as was founding and supporting local community association groups including a youth association for the three villages within her ward. Being involved in the next generation was something Ann felt most dearly about and as a result she sat on the governing body of both Wood End and Hurley Primary Schools for over 20 years collectively, where she felt privileged to be making constant improvements and change to facilitate the learning of the youth of her area. Ann also served as the Mayor of North Warwickshire from 1990-1991, where she felt honoured to be part of people's lives and events and making a difference.

In addition to all of her achievements serving the community through her councillor work, Ann was also a prominent member of the church parish community. A community through which she was able to reach out and touch more hearts and minds and make dear friends who will also miss her.

Writing down the achievements and friendships that Ann made and had in words will simply never be enough to honour the difference that she had on either me or the community. Her actions, and the memories that others have of her, will do her far more justice than even the most poetic of words could express. She was a remarkable woman and one whom I'm glad to have known in friendship for so long and to whom my own children could look up to and count upon as an extension to their own families. Many in the community will feel her loss at this time. We were touched by her presence and her legacy will be a lasting tribute that will keep her alive in our hearts.

Forever in our thoughts, Councillor Hayden Phillips



It's the HCA Silver Jubilee this year...

We are proud to announce that September 2022 will mark the HCA's 25th Year anniversary, our very own Silver Jubilee.

To all those people who have contributed to the success and longevity of the HCA for a quarter of a century I extend my heartfelt thanks.

We are currently exploring options on how to suitably celebrate this milestone, details to follow.

What's On.... Hurley & District Gardening Club

Jenny Pearson (Chairman) Tel: 01827 873525

Jenny Ball (Secretary) Tel: 07831 406629

June and July's meetings are external trips, a local garden in June and July is a visit to the 1620s House and Garden at Donington le Heath. There is no meeting in August, but you can come and chat to HDGC members and committee on their stand at the HCA Fun Day on 27th August. Evening meetings resume in the village hall in September with a talk about Wildflowers.



RBL Remembrance Sunday 2022



ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

In 2022 we plan to show our support for the Royal British Legion.

In addition to the poppy's we traditionally fit along Knowle Hill we will also be erecting at least 25 flags in and around the village. We are looking for local businesses and groups or families to 'sponsor a flag' for £25.00. All profits will be donated to the RBL.

The flags, and the posts they are mounted on, will show the names of the sponsors.

Please contact the editor to make a sponsorship or for more information, contact details are on the cover page.

Drop In... every Tuesday

If you are free between 11am – 1pm on Tuesday mornings, we would you love to join us in the Village Hall. We meet for a chat and have unlimited tea/coffee and biscuits or cake available. Walking the dog? Dogs and well-behaved owners are also welcome.

If you would like a lift, please ring Ann **07850 377 939** or Gail **0786 774 7755** and we will happily collect you and take you home.

Access to our excellent free book collection in our recently decorated Meeting Room also available. Suggested donation of £1 towards refreshments.



We look forward to seeing you.

What's On.... Youth Club

Tel: **07966 380195**

Email: Sarah.Newell@wcava.org.uk

Sarah runs the Youth Club which is held at the Village Hall every Thursday from 6pm until 8pm. The age range is from 11 up to 19 years and admission is free. I urge you to support this excellent club aimed at our younger generations.



Priest-in-Charge

Revd Dr. John White

Tel: 01827 874252

revjohn@kingbaxgroup.org.uk

Kingsbury/Baxterley Group of Parishes - Regular Church Services

1st and 3rd Sunday of each month: 11am at Merevale and 4.30pm at Baxterley

2nd and 4th Sunday of each month: 9.30am at Hurley and 11am at Kingsbury

Wednesday: 9.30am at Wood End

All are welcome to our church services

Dates for your diary:

25th June - Baxterley Church Clean-up 10am-12pm

16th July - Afternoon Tea with Florence Nightingale at Merevale Church from 3pm-

5pm. Tickets available now at £6 each, please contact Hilarie Samson **01827 713705**

M & N Meats

M&N Meats will be parked outside the Village Hall every second Wednesday from 8:30am to 2pm. Due to holiday the next visit will be on the **6th July** and then the **20th July**

Advertise in the next newsletter

Did you know that the newsletter is delivered to over 800 households, this provides a great opportunity to advertise your business? We actively encourage residents to 'buy local'

Newsletter Distribution

If you would like to receive a copy of the newsletter via email please send your details to the editor at the usual email address, thank you.

Thank you to villagers making a difference

This is Sawyer and Axel helping nanny, Julia Walker, litter picking on Hurley Common during their school holidays.



Thanks also go out to Chris Burrow's for kindly donating the two hanging baskets

which now sit outside the Village Hall and to all those who help keep them watered.

Well done everyone and thanks for helping to keep the village looking great.



**** STOP PRESS ****

Please keep an eye out on the Hurley Community Facebook page for details of any situations vacant

**** Do you have anything you wish to share with the community? contact the editor****

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