

GAYTON NEWS

JUNE 2015



EDITORIAL

Welcome to the Sunny Summer edition of the Gayton News, edition number 128, where have the last 3 months gone! At the time of writing we have just past some grey days with chilly winds, and hopefully now here comes summer.

I am sure many of you will join me in the wonderful thought of spending time in our gardens, and those of you with a village allotment plot, planting for the summer months, getting the garden furniture out and yes, the BBQ, with that wonderful aroma which spills out over the village. Fingers crossed for fine dry weather for everyone spending time at Wimbledon or glued to the television watching it.

Wishing everyone a warm, sunny and happy summer time.



'The Great British Summer'

**Music festival-ing, Mixed mud wrestling
Fourteen degrees, Knobbly knees
Catching the rays, The big squeeze
Traffic jams, Hand-held fans
The hottest day since records began
Yes we'll complain it's too hot
We'll moan when there's showers
But it's glorious, loveable, eccentric, magnificent -
And ours!**

On behalf of my family I would like to thank everyone who came to remember John Addison on the 20th May in St Mary's Church, and for all the cards and kind words we have received. We thank Dr Taylor and all his staff, his District Nurses and the Nurse Practitioner from Prime Care. Without their tremendous care and support we would not have been able to nurse John at home. If you would like to make a donation of thanks it can be sent to The Parks Medical Practice, 32 Stoke Road, Blisworth NN7 3BT, with a note that it is in remembrance of John Addison. The Surgery puts donations towards much needed medical equipment such as Nebulisers and Tens Machines for their use. Thank you, Karen

Come along for a great fun family afternoon

**Saturday 13th June
2015**

1pm – 4pm



Gayton Primary School

Summer Fete

FREE ADMISSION

Morris Dancers	Face Painting	Plant Stall	Fire Brigade
Balloons	Cake Stall	Teddy Tombola	Bar
Mini Golf	Music	Raffle	Ice-Creams
Bottle Tombola	Puzzle Stall	Candy Floss	Games

And lots more



ALL PROCEEDS GO TO GAYTON PRIMARY



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there is a box in School Reception, thank you**

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NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH NORTHAMPTONSHIRE



Help the National Rural Crime Network protect rural areas - they'd like your views on policing and crime - The largest ever survey into crime and anti-social behaviour in rural areas has been launched by the National Rural Crime Network (NRCN), in England, Wales and Northern Ireland to find out how the police can better serve rural communities. It calls for people who work or live in rural areas to come forward and give their views on policing in their community. The survey will assess how crime and antisocial behaviour, as well as the threat of potential crime, affects individuals, both financially and emotionally. It will also shed light on the human implications of crime and the fear of crime, seeking to explore the impact not just on individual victims, but also communities as a whole. The survey, which is taking place with support from the Home Office, aims to build a body of information to improve national awareness of crime in rural areas and provide a clearer picture of attitudes towards crime to help inform Government and local policy. The survey will be open until Wednesday 24 June. To complete the survey, visit www.nationalruralcrimenetwork.net/survey

Do you want to have your say about topics relating to Policing and other local public services? - Northamptonshire Police & Northamptonshire Police and Crime Commission know that it's important for residents to be able to give their views and be involved in issues which affect their lives. We would like to invite you to join the Northamptonshire Residents' Panel. Through this panel we will contact you to seek your interest in taking part in future consultation topics. You must be aged 16 or over and live in Northamptonshire. Being a member will give you a variety of opportunities for voicing your views and having an input on local matters important to you. This could be completing a survey, being invited to attend a focus group, or participate in mystery shopping. It's up to you, as a member, to decide which activities and subjects you wish to participate in and how much time you dedicate. To become a member of the panel, please complete the online form:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/northantsresidentspanel>

For further information about becoming a member, use the following link:

<http://www.northantspcc.org.uk/docs/getinvolved/Residents-Panel-FAQ-2014.pdf>

“Jazz in The Church”

John Shaw has been organising the "Jazz In The Church" concerts since September 2007 and the eleven concerts held have raised over £13,000 for Gayton Church Heritage Trust - not a bad effort, since the conventional "jazz wisdom" is that if you want to make a million through jazz efforts you must start with two million!

The jazz concert scheduled for Friday, July 17th in The Church of St. Mary the Virgin and will be the twelfth such event, the first one being held on September 28th 2007. Since then we have hosted a variety of bands and musicians, including some of the finest in the country. Admission is £13, the bar opens at 6.45pm selling beer, wine and soft drinks, there will be a raffle, there is ample car parking. All profits from this event will be donated to Gayton Church Heritage Trust, towards the costs of modernisation and maintenance of the Church.

On this occasion, we will have a return of Tad Newton's Jazz Friends, currently on top form, with guest Greg Abate from the USA on one of his twice-yearly UK tours. Greg is a top-class musician with a fine jazz history, which you can read about at www.gregabate.com.

Attendance in the church has ranged from about 75 to, on one occasion, over 150, which together with the bar and raffle proceeds has enabled over £13000 to be raised for Gayton Church Heritage Trust. At one concert, I asked if anyone was from further afield than my sister-in-law Brenda, here from Connecticut. I was amazed to hear from the back of the church: "How about Seattle?" We have had visitors from London, Birmingham, Derby, Leicester and nearer to home, Wellingborough, Kettering and Northampton.

Maybe this is the time for you, old friends or newcomers, to come along and enjoy the fine music.

John Shaw

For tickets and/or information, please contact either John Shaw at joloshaw2@gmail.com - tel: 01604 859364
or Barry Steer at barrywendysteer@yahoo.co.uk-tel: 01604 858886

THE GAYTON JAZZ APPRECIATION SOCIETY
Proudly presents the twelfth
'Jazz In The Church' concert

GREG ABATE – alto sax and flute
with
TAD NEWTON'S JAZZ FRIENDS

Tad Newton
Trombone

Gary Wood
Trumpet

Trevor Whiting
Tenor Sax



Alan Haughton
Piano

Tomas Pedersen
Bass

Ronnie Fenn
Drums

Friday, July 17, 2015 7.30 - 10.30pm in
The Church of St. Mary the Virgin,
Gayton, Northants NN7 3EY

Bar opens 6.45pm Beer, wines and soft drinks

Raffle Ample nearby parking

Admission: £13

You may wish to bring a cushion - the pews are hard!

For tickets and/or information, please contact either

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Barry Steer at barrywendysteer@yahoo.co.uk-tel: 01604 858886

All profits from this event will be donated to Gayton Church Heritage Trust, Charity No. 1111145, towards the costs of modernisation and maintenance of the church.

GAYTON COMPANION DOG SHOW 2015



The first Gayton Companion Dog Show was held on 13th August 2005, and so this year marks the tenth anniversary. We will be holding the eleventh show on Sunday 20th September on the Village Green. As in recent years, all profits from the dog show entries will be donated to Gayton Church Heritage Trust. Judging will take place in two rings - one for pedigree and junior handling classes, and the other for the novelty classes.

As has become tradition, there will be a special class to find Gayton's Best Dog, the winner of which will be awarded The John McCarthy Trophy for the year; and there is also The Michael East Shield awarded each year to the Best Junior Handler associated with the village. Both of these awards are open to crossbreed and pedigree dogs, so we would love to see as many local dogs as possible.

Further information on Gayton Companion Dog Show 2015 will become available on the website: www.gayton-northants.co.uk/dogshow as we go through the summer. Any offers of sponsorship or prize donations are, as always, gratefully accepted. Alison and Steven Huckle - 01604 858474

Village Hall Hire Charges

The village hall can be hired from as little as £15. From £11 for the committee room, to use for a wide range of social activities.

If you require the Hall for a Private Function charges start at £60 – if alcohol is to be sold an appropriate licence will be required.

Further information about the village hall is available at:
www.gayton-northants.co.uk/services/villagehall.html
Or contact Joan Adams 01604 859416 for bookings.

Gayton Church Heritage Trust

Eleanor Ayre and friends, all pupils at Campion School, arranged a very varied and enjoyable concert in March to raise money for a project, organised by the School in aid of the World Challenge trip to Peru in 2016. Their concert in the church exactly fulfils our vision of how the building is a place that lends itself to a variety of events and which can support initiatives such as Eleanor's. All enquiries are welcome about the hire of the church building for concerts .

The next two events - Jazz in the Church on Friday 17th July and the Third Gala Concert on September 18th are both being held to raise funds for the upkeep of the building and to pay for running costs. The Church of St. Mary, Gayton is also involved in a wider fund-raising initiative and will be one of many churches open on September 12th for a National event – the Annual Sponsored Ride and Stride. The money raised goes towards the upkeep of all Parish Churches and Cathedrals in the U.K. In Northamptonshire the event is organised by the Northamptonshire Historic Churches Trust (NHCT) and is the major source of funding for awarding grants to local churches. The occasion makes a nice day out for walkers or cyclists, who obtain sponsorship to visit as many churches as possible - depending on their stamina and the generosity of sponsors. The money raised is divided equally between a participating parish church and NHCT. The day also provides an opportunity to visit some beautiful local churches, that are rarely open and to discover some very lovely villages. More information and contact details will be circulated nearer the event.

There is another reason for highlighting the Ride and Stride Day in that we will soon have to apply for considerable grant funding for the next project for Gayton Church, namely major improvements to the heating and restoration of the North Aisle which after over 600 years is sinking into the mud as a result of a leaky roof, temporary drain pipes (the original lead pipes were stolen) and a wooden floor laid on bare earth. The project has enormous potential to improve that part of the building and how it could be used for future events. In the meantime to help reduce heating costs we have applied for a small grant from South Northamptonshire Council, made available through the Parish Council from the New Homes Bonus funding scheme. We need to draft proof the Saxon door at the base of the Tower and repair the high clerestory window catches in the nave in order to reduce the consumption of heating oil. In July, we will find out if this bid for a grant has been successful.

Anna Fox – anna@foxfam.demon.co.uk

GAYTON EVERGREEN CLUB

Members of the Gayton Evergreen Club continue to enjoy a varied programme of activities twice a month.

In March there was a Musical Entertainment afternoon with Bob Smith who played popular songs on the keyboard. Our regular Fish and Chip Lunch was well attended. Freshly cooked fish and chips and homemade desserts are a great favourite with members and their guests.

In April Margaret Hawkins gave an interesting talk about Gardens of the National Trust. She outlined the development of garden design from the 16th Century to the beginning of the 20th Century illustrated with photographs of the Trust's gardens.

At the end of April we visited Skylark Farm Shop and Restaurant at Staverton, near Daventry. The dining room had wonderful views over open countryside. The lunch was very good and the service was excellent. After lunch members enjoyed looking around the farm shop.

The May Lunch was again well attended. Members enjoyed a buffet lunch with cold meats, quiche and salads followed by homemade sweets and tea or coffee.

We have a full programme of activities for the rest of the year which can be found on the Gayton website.

Our meetings for the next couple of months are as follows:

Tuesday 9th June – Social Afternoon with Quiz and Cream Tea at 2.30pm in the Village Hall.

Thursday 25th June – Mystery Tour with afternoon tea.

Tuesday 7th July – Strawberry Tea at 2.30pm in the Village Hall.

Our annual fund raising Coffee Morning will be held on Thursday 6th August, 10.30 – 12.00 in the Village Hall.

If you would like to join this friendly and sociable club please contact Carol Coppock (859645), Jan Leeding (859275) or Manja Ronne (859253)

GAYTON EVERGREEN CLUB

Coffee Morning

Thursday 6 August

10.30 - 12.00

Gayton Village Hall



**Tombola, raffle, bring
and buy, plants,
cakes and produce**

Refreshments

Free Admission



This year at school has been the fastest yet! It is hard to believe that we are in the summer term with only a few weeks left of the year! However, I do know that the children have all been working very hard and are looking forward to their six week break. I hope they get lots of sunshine to enjoy the outdoors.

This year the new curriculum really came into force and our teachers Mrs Lea and Miss Lofts with their amazing support staff have worked over and above to ensure the children are stimulated and enjoying their learning. Core curriculum subjects such English and maths are brought to life by being taught intertwined with a changing topic subject. The infants have learnt all about the solar system making paper mache planets to hang in their classroom and visiting a pop-up planetarium. Then they learnt all about nocturnal animals and enjoyed an activity day which included making clay hedgehogs and having an amazing visit from Owls to Behold. It is not often that eight different types of owl come to school with you and you get to hold one! The infants' academic year is being rounded off with topic titled Animal Kingdom which has so far involved a life web stream link with a panda in Edinburgh Zoo and a forthcoming trip to the Sea Life Centre at Birmingham.



The Juniors also had a topic about space and were shocked to arrive at school one morning to find that their classroom was a crime scene due to an alien invasion which has turned the classroom upside and left a large amount of ectoplasm! The juniors had to be 'news hacks' and use the invasion as a basis for a news paper article in their creative writing lesson. This topic also saw their classroom become a space ship with a visit from a space man! More recently their topic has been the Romans and involved spending the day making Roman catapults. Straight after half term they had a visit from an artist and made a splendid mosaic about the canal to mark its anniversary. This has been placed at the start of the Gayton Arm of the Grand Union Canal, do go for a walk and see the result of their creativity. Year six have been working very hard so far this year towards their end of Primary Education SATS tests, with these finished they enjoyed a week long residential to the Isle of Wight with our partner school Blisworth.

The parents were told this was an educational visit and it did involve visits to Dinosaur Cove and Osborne House but this 'educational visit' also involved a disco, a trip to the theatre, fish and chips on the beach and a midnight feast. I wish educational trips had been like that when I was at school! Needless to say they all had an amazing time and are now enjoying the last few weeks of school before they begin new adventures at secondary school.



While the year six were away the mice did play, well the other juniors had a week of activities to embed their creative learning. This week included a day visit from the Everdon Outdoor Centre Team with den building, camp fires and toasted marshmallows and planning for, and hosting, a Teddy Bears Picnic for the infant class and their parents. The preparation for the picnic saw the juniors survey the infants about what they would like to eat and what games and activities they would like to do at the picnic and included internet shopping for ingredients and preparing all the picnic food. The picnic was a massive success due to the hard work of the juniors and was greatly enjoyed by all the infants and their teddy bears.

Everyone at school is looking forward to our annual Summer Fete which will be on **Saturday 13th June from 1-4pm on the village green**. It will have all the old favourites, a raffle with amazing prizes, bouncy castle, face painting, BBQ, craft stalls, coconut shy, beat the goalie, afternoon teas, a bar, a cake stall and even hook the duck! It will also see the return of a plant stall and some new additions including Morris Dancing and crazy golf. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Isla Brown who with the support of the Friends of Gayton School has worked incredibly hard to deliver what I know will be an amazing event - thank you Isla!! The fete will be a fantastic afternoon out for all ages and we do hope that as usual you will show your support for the school and come along with your family and friends. The children will love to see you all there for lashings of ice cream and ginger (or maybe real) beer!

Alison Anderson on behalf of the Governing Body of Gayton School.

St Mary the Virgin

Just to get the boring adminy stuff out of the way first, during the Annual Vestry and Parochial Church Meetings earlier in the year, the Church Wardens for the present year were elected and continue as David Coppock and Andy Hartley, the Treasurer is Carol Coppock whilst Jenny Hinds has retained the mantle of Secretary to the Parochial Church Council. The remaining members of the PCC are Alison Foster, Carolyn Estall and those fine stalwarts, Stan and Mary Watterson.

The Rev Marion, the PCC and congregation would very much like to thank both John Mayes and Penny Taylor, who stood aside on this occasion, for their input into the church and church activities over the years as PCC members, it is very much appreciated.

No doubt the more discerning of you may have heard the church bells being active on the occasional Monday evening, the bell ringers of the benefice have switched from the winter schedule of holding the Monday practices in the warmer Pattishall Church to the summer rota of alternating churches around the benefice. We have received so many favourable comments confirming that many of you enjoy hearing the bells being rung more regularly, it certainly does add that extra reminder of what a good old English village is all about. Thank you to all. Enjoy.

Some readers may be aware of a recently introduced and on-going Government initiative to promote and facilitate inward investment into the infrastructures which safeguard against potentially detrimental meteorological elements and events which thus offer protection of those beneath against the same. Unfortunately, we were not successful on this occasion with the application to the *Listed Places of Worship Roof Repair Fund*, but the relative poor condition of many part of the roof certainly warrant further attempts in the future. But fear not and don't let this deter your visiting, there is no need for umbrellas in the church just yet!

On the subject of old places of worship, we have again signed up to the *Historic Churches Ride and Stride* fund raising event which takes place on the 12th September so just bear this in mind if you are that way inclined and consider it a target to both getting fit and raising funds for a worthy cause at the same time. It is all a bit of fun too.

Further fund raising bits and pieces may of course be found on the widely dispersed Programme of Events, certainly key to your diaries should be the Open Gardens on the 5th of July, Gala Concert featuring Helen Swift and Jonathan French on the 18th of September and the Harvest Supper on the 3rd of October, all of which were very much enjoyed last year and shall no doubt be again this year.

Although, at the time of writing, we are still decked in jumpers and coats and waiting for summer to re-boot, we hope some of you managed to enjoy all the spring flowers on show in the church yard, let's see what appears over the coming months. The blossom of the red May so prominent in its central position is certainly very striking and has been the subject of numerous favourable comments, including from the officials who recently inspected the churchyard on behalf of the Northants Wildlife Trust as part of the churchyard conservation scheme. They also commented on how diverse the botany and habitat types were and that the areas shows great promise even during these early stages of its development as a conservation site. Their formal report is eagerly awaited and if anyone wishes to know more about or become involved in the programme then by all means please contact the Church Wardens. As a *post script* to this section, we again a fine show of Tower Cress this year, if there can be such a thing as it looks quite a non-descript type of plant albeit important in its rarity.

It is easy for me to focus on the wild bits of the churchyard here but we should all be very thankful to the small band of voluntary lawn mowers, aka Joan Jeffries, Dave Knibb and James Foster and others for keeping large areas nice and prim and easily accessible for those attending relatives sites of rest, we cannot cope without your continued efforts.

Better late than never, a big thank you also to those givers at the Christmas Day Service as the collection for that day was donated to the charity *CRISIS*, who recently wrote to the PCC thanking us for the £100 donation.

On the Parochial front, should you need reminding, the regular communion services in Gayton remain at 9.30am on the 1st Sunday of the month and 11.00am on the 3rd Sunday, the latter taking the form of a Family Communion service and is aimed at being more "younger generation" friendly, so please come along to either or both. **But please note the 3rd Sunday Service on the 21st of June** is not in Gayton church as there is a special joint benefice ***Rock the Morning*** service at St John's in Tiffield, starting at 11.00am, it should be quite a novel and enjoyable event so please do make it if you can.

If you have any concerns or questions regarding church matters by all means please contact the Church Wardens David Coppock (859645) and Andy Hartley (858360) or Rev Marion Reynolds:

The Rectory, Church Street, Pattishall NN12 8NB - Tel: 01327 830573

Finally, just in case you missed it in the monthly Messenger or elsewhere, you may be interested in...

Aspects of World War I

**20th / 21st JUNE from 11am to 5pm
both days in and around Pattishall**

**Official Opening - Holy Cross Church
at 11am on Saturday 20th June**



**by Dr Colin Chapman Lord of Pattishall Manor and co-author of the recent
publication on Pattishall Detention Camp**

Exhibits in the Church and Astcote Chapel depicting many facets of war both on the Home Front and in the fighting regions abroad

Personal accounts and fascinating stories with memorabilia including details on our soldiers mentioned on our memorial in the church

A fully equipped operating theatre, Home Guard, Northamptonshire Regiment, and an army camp pitched in a field adjacent to the site of the detention camp in Eastcote

On going films and wartime music will be played to lend more atmosphere

Sunday afternoon at 2pm in Astcote Chapel Room

A talk on the Detention camp by Dr Colin Chapman and Richard Moss which will be extremely informative

This is a community event as it has involved the WI, Scouts, School, and many parishioners who have contributed artefacts and details, and
The Northampton Living Military History Group

Morning Coffee, Tea, Light lunches and cakes available throughout the weekend at both venues - Programmes will be available for a small charge

Donations will go to The Royal Star and Garter Homes who have been caring for the nation's military family since 1916

Andy Hartley

‘From the Priest-in-Charge’

‘Holy Spirit, guide and guardian, teaching us the ways of God, fire and cloud to lead us onward as we tread where Christ has trod. Should you drive us to the desert, should you send us to the poor, it is Jesus we are following, Holy spirit, come once more.’



So goes the 3rd verse of the hymn “Holy Spirit come amongst us” written by one of my tutors at Theological College who is now Canon Precentor at a Cathedral in the north of England. It sums up so much of what the season of Pentecost (including our celebration of Trinity) is all about – how are we going to fulfil Christ’s final command before his Ascension, to make disciples of all nations wherever God sends us.

Most people, if they are honest with themselves, do find it hard to explain our Trinitarian faith; there are so many different analogies we use (and yes, I’ll be using them again to try and help the children in school to grasp a little of what Trinity is all about), and yes, they may be helpful but we can’t get away from the fact that without God’s Spirit within us, we are going to fail miserably at our task of discipleship.

Whether we like to compare the Spirit to wind, fire, earthquake or a still small voice (as happened to Elijah) we must not let ourselves become so complacent in our own faith that we close off any channel that lets God work through us. And, how do we know if we are “Spirit filled” people? Well, remember what St Paul tells us are the fruits (or visual signs) of the Spirit: love, joy, peace, long-suffering, kindness, goodness, faith, meekness and self-control. So, “Holy Spirit led us onwards as we tread where Christ has trod”.

Diary Dates

- 20th & 21st June – WW1 exhibition in Pattishall and Astcote
- 20th & 21st June – Tiffield village weekend. **Sunday, 21st June 11am, Rock the Morning service** in Tiffield
- Sunday, 21st June Cold Higham village hall, cream teas in the garden
- Saturday 27th June, 8:30am – 9:30am, Prayer Breakfast at The Rectory

Diary Dates continued

- Saturday 27th June 11am – 1:30pm, introduction to Pastoral Care session, Holy Cross, followed by light lunch. All who are/may be interested in pastoral care in our benefice are welcome to attend
- Saturday, 27th June – BBQ at The Rectory, 7pm in aid of Holy Cross facilities fund. Details from Wendy, Jean or Janet

Church Services - June 2-15

Date	Event	Time	Service	Church
7 June	1 st after Trinity	8:00am	BCP Holy Communion	Pattishall
		9:15am	Pattishall Half Hour	Pattishall
		9:30am	CW Holy Communion	Gayton
		11:00am	CW Holy Communion (said)	Cold Higham
14 June	2 nd after Trinity	9:30am	CW Holy Communion	Tiffield
		9:30am	Family Worship	Cold Higham
		11:00am	CW Holy Communion	Pattishall
		6:00pm	Civic Service	Pattishall
21 June	3 rd after Trinity	9:30am	CW Holy Communion	Cold Higham
		11:00am	Rock the Morning service	Tiffield
28 June	4 th after Trinity	9:30am	CW Holy Communion	Pattishall
		11:00am	Family Service	Tiffield
5 July	5 th after Trinity	8:00am	BCP Holy Communion	Pattishall
		9:15am	½ hour service	Pattishall
		9:30am	CW Holy Communion	Gayton
		11:00am	CW Holy Communion (said)	Cold Higham

There is a service of Holy Communion in Holy Cross, Pattishall 8am most Wednesday mornings.

High speed broadband in Gayton



During a recent meeting of the Gayton Parish Information and Communication Group, the need for higher speed broadband was discussed, particularly relating to the fact that Blisworth is 2 miles down the road and houses the broadband equipment we are connected to. The average speeds being achieved at the moment doing a straw pole within the Information and Communication Group varied between 4Mb – 9Mb , I am also aware slower speeds are achieved elsewhere within the village.

If you use iPlayer , Netflix or Sky on demand these speeds will effect download and effect the picture being watched. Also anyone using it to connect to online gaming , remote servers like The Cloud will experience similar problems. To check your present Broadband speed click on the link below at follow the instructions on screen :- <http://www.broadbandspeedchecker.co.uk/>

People in Blisworth are achieving 16Mb , the only way we in Gayton can improve our situation is to *register your interest in BT Infinity* to push them into fitting additional equipment we need in the village to bring our connection speed forward to 38Mb and allow access to all the online services we use without the hindrance of a slow broadband speed.

Register your interest by going to www.bt.com/infinity and entering your BT number in the checker on the right hand side. After doing the check you get the sad results that it is not available in our area and there is a button to register interest. I registered my interest and got a confirmation email a few days later. Any questions or queries please email either Colin Simmonds (Chairman Gayton Information and Communications Group) c.j.simmonds@btinternet.com or Bernard Morton at :- Bernie@abmdata.co.uk

Bernard Morton - Gayton Information and Communication Group

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St Mary's Church Gayton NN7 3EY

Gayton Open Gardens

SUNDAY 5TH JULY 1-5PM



Tickets and maps £3.50 from the church

Homemade Teas
Stalls including Books, Bric-a-Brac, DVDs, Jigsaws,
Plants
Car Parking – follow signs

Gayton Village Hall Management Committee

The 58th Village Hall Annual General Meeting was held on the 29th April. Only the management committee were in attendance and we therefore assume that the Gayton Community are satisfied with the management of the Village Hall. Unfortunately we were unable to recruit new members to the management committee (but if you are interested in helping with the running of the village hall please contact me – tel 01604 858837). Therefore the same names remain in the frame for looking after the village hall; Joan Adams (booking clerk and Evergreens club representative), Jens Buus (Treasurer), David Ayre (Chair and village representative), Carolyn Estall (Parochial Church Council representative), Mark Leeding (village representative) and Len Schofield (Table Tennis Club representative). We are still seeking a representative for the school to sit on the management committee and another person to represent the table tennis clubs as Len Schofield is unable to play as active a part in the management of the village hall as he would like.

The village hall continues to support itself financially, this is possible because of the goodwill of several members of the village, providing minor repairs and other necessary duties at little or no cost to the village hall

the careful management of the village hall

the continued use of the village hall by local and national groups – income from room hire is our only income

the zero rating for non-domestic rates for the village hall by South Northants Council

Recently the village hall management committee made the following resolutions with respect to the management of the village hall. As the management committee number only 6, and finding dates/times when many of us are available to meet becomes ever more difficult, it was proposed and accepted that any proposals set before a management committee meeting would need at least 3 members of the committee present for any decision to be valid. The village hall is regularly hired for children's parties at very reasonable rates. However, evening parties for teenage children have resulted in unexpected neighbourhood disturbances. Therefore the hire of the hall for 'children's parties' will be confined to the hours of 0800hrs – 1900hrs. If people wish to hire the hall for a child's party beyond 1900hrs they need to pay the private function rate of £60.

David Ayre

June 2015

'GALA CONCERT III'

They're back again!

After their huge success last year

'Helen Swift & Jonathan French'

are back in concert in Gayton Church

on Friday 18th September 2015 at 7.30 pm

Once again they are joined by acclaimed

clarinetist 'Steve Morris'

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Includes Sparkling wine and Canapes on arrival

Licensed Bar

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District Council

At the Election on 7 May, Karen Cooper and Ann Addison were both elected as District Councillors for the Harpole & Grange Ward, this covers the villages of Gayton, Milton Malsor, Rothersthorpe, Kislingbury & Harpole. We are here to support the residents of these villages. If you need our help, if you want further information and advice please do contact us.

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We work with South Northants Council covering the following:

To preserve what's special

- To ensure the character of the District is preserved and that all new development is of high quality and appropriate
- To protect the built heritage of the District through effective planning, enforcement and conservation
- Work to preserve and enhance the natural landscape character and environmental quality of the District
- Work to mitigate the impacts of HS2
- Work with the rural communities and villages to help develop and sustain access to local services

To protect our quality of life

- Maintain high quality recycling and waste collection services
- Provide a housing advice service that works to prevent homelessness and minimise the use of temporary accommodation
- Work with partners to provide accessible and affordable recreation opportunities
- Work with partners to support financial inclusion and effectively deliver the welfare reform agenda
- Work with partners to ensure our communities are safe
- Provide support to ensure the voluntary sector and local communities are able to contribute to the health and wellbeing of the District

To secure a sustainable and prosperous future

- To secure an adopted Development Plan for the District which sets out a framework for appropriate economic, infrastructure, social and housing growth
- Work with partners to deliver a mix of high quality affordable housing in appropriate locations to meet the local need

Gayton Parish Council

On the 19th May the new Gayton Parish Council was elected. I am excited to say that I am now the Chair of 'our' Parish Council. Currently we have myself and 3 Parish Councillors, 'our' village would be much better served with 6 Parish Councillors.

If you are 18 years or over and live in the Parish of Gayton or within 3 miles of the Parish boundary, we would like you to consider joining us to help represent the interests of Gayton's village community.

Parish Councillors work together as a team making decisions on behalf of the local community, suggesting ideas, engaging in constructive debate and responding to the needs and views of the community. Councillors must accept the decisions of the Council as a whole. The Parish Council is responsible for many of the local services such as grass mowing, street lighting, the playground equipment and general village maintenance. The Council is consulted on planning matters and liaises with other agencies reporting highway issues and safety matters. Once the annual budget has been set, a precept is raised from the District Council to enable the smooth running of village. We meet 9 times a year, January, February & March, May June & July, September, October & November. Meetings are held in the village hall on the second Monday of the month at 7.30pm and usually last for no more than 2 hours.

Do give it some thought, fresh faces & fresh ideas will help 'our' community run smoothly, why not give me a call to find out more.

Gayton Parish Council says a huge thank you and regretfully goodbye to Parish Councillors, Garry Keal and Jens Buss, and to Simone Wade, Chairman. The Parish Council thanks Garry Keal and Jens Buss for all their hard work on the Parish Council, on which they served for so many years. Garry was elected as Chairman for a large part of his serving time. Both Garry and Jens could always be relied upon to express a considered opinion and put the interests of the village first. Generally Parish Council duties go unnoticed in the village but quickly come to people's attention if they are not carried out! The Parish Council will miss the presence of Garry and Jens at the meetings and would be pleased to see you both and receive questions and comments in the open session. We thank Simone Wade, the retiring Chairman for all her work on the Parish Council, and wish her every success with her new business projects.

Gayton Community Speed Watch Scheme

Gayton was selected to take part in the Community Speed Watch scheme. A project which is an important part of our approach to solving the village speeding issues. Several residents attended the Speed Gun Training, and Gayton had the use of the 'Speed Gun' last year during July & August. Again in February this year Gayton was offered the Speed Gun for a 6 week period. Sadly we struggled to get enough residents to support the Speed Gun sessions, we ended up with several sessions not being covered. The few residents who did support the sessions were mostly left on their own to man the speed gun and make the vehicle recordings, a tremendously arduous and difficult task. This has resulted in a waste of the fantastic opportunity we had been offered by the Police. I very much appreciate everyone who gave their time and commitment, thank you.

With so many residents concerned and complaining about the speed of vehicles coming through 'our' village, I am at a loss as to why more haven't come forward to take part. If we have a good list of trained residents to take part in these sessions then the time can be shared out and no one will end up doing too much. As a village we need to continue working towards the speed limit being reduced through the village, especially along the Bugbrooke Road where 'our' children need to cross the road to school, the green and the playground. We want to work again with the Police running the Speed Gun Sessions, I am asking that all residents who are concerned and are complaining about the speed of vehicles through 'our' village, to contact me, to commit to giving 'some' time to supporting the Speed Gun Sessions.

If we don't get enough support and commitment from residents then there will be no more campaigning to reduce the speed of vehicles through 'our' village.

I am ready to talk with the Police and ask them to support us again in giving our residents training and our village the use of the Speed Gun again. I truly look forward to hearing from you, if you want more information regarding what this involves, if you would like training and are committed to giving a few hours to the next set of speed gun sessions (dates not yet available), if you are interested in leading the group in campaigning to reduce speeding vehicles, if you are already trained and would like to join me in continuing with this work, I very much look forward to hearing from you.

Karen Cooper, Chairman to Gayton Parish Council

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SPRING LITTER PICK

Unfortunately the weather was extremely wet and windy for the March litter pick so the event was a wash-out. BUT three stalwarts valiantly braved the elements and gathered quite a lot of rubbish from Blisworth Road and the village centre. Others very kindly went out during the following week and cleared up the remaining areas, including Wrights Lane, which was a mammoth task. Many thanks to you all. Hopefully the weather will be better for the Autumn litter pick and we'll have a few more volunteers - Joan Wood



NHW Gayton News Editorial June 2015

Work is still continuing on the Gayton website. There is a very helpful calendar section. If you wish to add an event please contact myself or Jens Buus.



If you know of somebody moving in or out of your street please let your street warden know so that we can maintain our list of residents. Also your street warden can approach the new resident to join the NHW.

The holiday season is upon us and we should do our best to protect our property from intruders. Here are a few steps you can take to make life harder for the criminal and to give yourself peace of mind whilst you are away.

- **Cancel all deliveries for milk, papers etc**
- **Secure your property, including garage, shed, caravan etc. Do not leave ladders outside**
- **Install timers for lights to come on intermittently**
- **Let a trusted neighbour or your street warden know you are going away**
- **Make sure your post is not visible from outside. Ask someone to come in regularly and move it out of sight**
- **Leave an address or telephone number so you can be contacted in an emergency**

If you know a house is empty it is particularly important to report any suspicious activity to the neighbourhood watch street warden



NHW STREET WARDENS

Name	email address	Address	Phone	Area
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Jens Buss	jbuus@btinternet.com	The Birches, 6 Baker Street	859253	Baker Street
Julie Wood	Julie.a.wood@btinternet.com	4 Brittain Cottages, Blisworth Road	858259	Blisworth Road
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Pat Byrom	westgatehouse@aol.com	Westgate House, Eastcote Road	859355	Westgate House & Goggs Farm

***Temporary Street Warden for Back Lane & Bugbrooke Road (south side/school side), if anyone wants to offer their services please email Julie Wood as above**

GAYTON ALLOTMENTS



Currently, we have some vacant plots of different sizes available at very reasonable rents, and the Treasurer, Rose Metcalfe, will be very happy to show you the options. Rose can be contacted on 01604 858860, or by email to rosalynandjohn@btinternet.com Plot holders and their families will be having their annual allotment BBQ on Saturday 4th July with the BBQ being lit at 2 pm, and we are keeping our fingers crossed for some nice, dry summer weather on the day.

GAYTON OPEN GARDENS Sunday July 5th

**We are once again holding the popular and very successful
BOOK and BRIC-A-BRAC stalls**

**Contributions for both these stalls will be very welcome, and should be
brought to 12 St. Mary's Court
From Thursday July 2nd.**

**Books should be clean and fairly up to date – paperback novels
especially welcome.**

**Bric-a-Brac should be clean and have some sale potential. Jig-saws
especially welcome.**

NO CLOTHES THANK YOU

We hope that you will all visit the stall on July 5th

**Barry and Wendy Steer
12 St Mary's Court
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Gayton Calendar 2015

June

Saturday 13th 1-4pm Gayton School Annual Summer Fete

Sunday 14th 10am Gayton Walkers, meet at Five Ways, a gentle 3-5 mile ramble on footpaths, by-ways & bridleways, about 2-2 ½ hours.

Sun 21st 11am-12noon Family Communion Service in Gayton Church.

Thurs 25th 11.30am-3.30pm Evergreen Club Summer Outing.

July Sun 5th 9.30-10.30am Holy Communion in Gayton Church.
1.00-5.00pm Gayton Open Gardens.

Tues 7th 2.30-4.00pm Evergreen Club 'Strawberry Tea with a Tombola' in the Village Hall (members only).

Sunday 12th 10am Gayton Walkers, meet at Five Ways, a gentle 3-5 mile ramble on footpaths, by-ways & bridle ways, taking about 2-2 ½ hours.

Friday 17th 7.30pm 'Jazz' in the Church.

Sunday 19th 11am-12noon Family Communion Service in Gayton Church.

Sunday 26th 10.30am Gayton Cyclists, meet at Five Ways, a 2-2 ½ hour cycle, on quiet roads, canal towpaths, suitable for all bikes, all ages & levels of fitness! We go at the speed of the slowest, no one is left behind.

August Sun 2nd 9.30-10.30am Holy Communion in Gayton Church.

Thursday 6th 10.30-12noon Evergreen Club – Coffee morning fund raising event with refreshments, tombola, stalls and a raffle

Sunday 9th 10am Gayton Walkers, meet at Five Ways, a gentle 3-5 mile ramble on footpaths, by-ways & bridleways, taking about 2-2 ½ hours.

Sunday 16th 11am-12noon Family Communion Service in Gayton Church.

Sunday 23rd 10.30am Gayton Cyclists, meet at Five Ways, a 2-2 ½ hour cycle, on quiet roads, canal towpaths, suitable for all bikes, all ages & levels of fitness! We go at the speed of the slowest cyclist, no one is left behind.

September

Sunday 6th 9.30-10.30am Holy Communion in Gayton Church.

Tuesday 8th 2.30-4.00pm Evergreen Club 'Musical Entertainment' by The Homestead Singers, followed by tea & cake. Members free, Guests £3.

Sunday 13th 10am Gayton Walkers, meet at Five Ways, a gentle 3-5 mile ramble on footpaths, by-ways & bridleways, taking about 2-2 ½ hours.

Friday 18th 7.30-10.30pm 'Gala Concert' in Gayton Church.

Sunday 20th 11am-12noon Family Communion Service in Gayton Church.

Wed 23rd 11.30am-3.00pm Evergreen Club 'Lunch Outing' to The Lanes Restaurant at Northampton College, Booth Lane NN3 3RF. Meet at Five Ways at 11.30am, return to Gayton at 3pm. Transport £2.50, members only.

Sunday 27th 10.30am Gayton Cyclists, meet at Five Ways, a 2-2 ½ hour cycle, on quiet roads, canal towpaths, suitable for all bikes, all ages & levels of fitness! We go at the speed of the slowest cyclist, no one is left behind.

DEADLINE FOR ARTICLES FOR AUTUMN EDITION BY MONDAY 7th SEPTEMBER 2015 TO: karencooper@mortimers.uk.com

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