JULY 2021

TOCKUS '*TALK*'

Tockholes Village Newsletter

WELCOME....

Welcome to the July edition of Tockus Talk for 2021.

We hope everyone is enjoying the warm weather and staying as safe as possible.

We are looking forward to meeting up again at the village hall as restrictions ease.

Please see the message from Anne Smith on page 3.

- Pat & Linda

Tockholes Village Hall Diary

Pilates

Tues - 9:30 - 10:30, 10:45 - 11:45am Thu - 5:30 - 6:30, 3:45 - 7:45pm



BOOK CLUB....

Last month's book was 11-22-63 by Stephen King.

The book is a 700+ page whopper; telling the story of a young American schoolteacher who travels through a time portal to find himself in late 1950's USA. He decides to remain in the past until 1963 in an attempt to prevent the assassination of JFK. The book covers the problems he encounters, and how even minor interventions can have serious consequences in the future. Ultimately, he has to decide whether or not preventing the assassination will be a positive or negative outcome for the world.

The book was not particularly popular, with only a handful of members managing to finish it. Several people thought it was long winded, and a strange subject matter that raised many questions. Quite a few people just couldn't get into the story and gave up.

Only 7 people felt able to score it, but the ones who finished it seemed to quite enjoy it, with the average score coming out at 8.

Next month's book is 'Sweet, Sweet Revenge Ltd' by Jonas Jonasson; a dark comedy about an ex-wife and son taking revenge on an obnoxious Swedish art gallery owner who has treated both of them appallingly.

The next book club meeting is Tuesday 13th July, and weather permitting will be outside at my house. Look forward to seeing you all then.

Judith

New members welcome please contact Judith Finney on 07969 633997.

VILLAGE HALL....

Village Group Report July 2021

We are starting to welcome back all the groups who meet at the village hall, Hand sanitizers are in place and ongoing anti bacterial fogging is done twice a week. Hopefully by the 19th July, the rest of the groups will be able to return., For the foreseeable future we will continue sanitization procedures. We are pleased to have found a new cleaner who will clean the hall fortnightly.

Within current government guidelines Pilates has been running since May, the band Iron Bell are starting to rehearse and the craft group are hoping to start again in the next few weeks.

We are looking forward to being able to begin to organise events for the Autumn/Winter social evenings, the Christmas lights switch on, the children's party, the pensioners party and possibly if there is sufficient village support a one off pantomime.

We will keep you updated via Tockus Talk and Tockholes Facebook page.

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PARISH COUNCIL.....

If you have any issues that you would like to bring to the attention of the PC, please contact myself or any of the Parish Council Alan Robins (Chair)
George Swanton
Chris Tobin

Jane Whittam Graham Waite Lee Yarnold

Judith Finney - Parish Clerk - 07969 633997 - buttermerebuttermerehills@hotmail.co.uk





W.I....



Tockholes WI had an interesting June Zoom meeting when Julia Parkhouse, Rehabilitation Physiotherapist gave an interesting talk and slideshow on strokes. Julia gets married in July and we are grateful that she took the time to speak to us.

We resumed real time meetings in style by joining together in Judith's garden to celebrate Pride month by wearing a multitude of colours.

We have cancelled our Zoom subscription so fingers crossed that our future is as bright as our outfits

were

It was a beautiful sunny evening and we played bingo, held a raffle and had a good old natter.

We were delighted to welcome Anne to the meeting and she treated us to chocolates to thank us for catering for the Smith family at John's wake which was both an honour and a privilege.

Anne was presented with a voucher for Four Seasons garden centre to purchase something for her garden in memory of John.

We return to the hall

for our next meeting on July 20th at 7.15pm.

Take care

Diane



PILATES...

Message from Jackie Garner: Places still available Tuesday at 10:45am. (see page 1 TVH diary for dates/times) in line with COVID restrictions and guidelines. PLEASE CONTACT Jackie Garner for details on 07966 675518 www.mojopilates.co.uk





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MESSAGES...



Thank you

The family of the late John Smith wish to extend their heartfelt thanks to extended family members, neighbours, villagers and friends from near and far for their touching messages of condolence, flowers, cards and comments on Social Media. Your response to John's passing have been overwhelming and it has sustained us during this sad time. It has become apparent to us in recent weeks just how many lives John had touched. We have seen the genuine love and respect that everyone had for John when they talked about their memories of him and also in the beautiful words that had been penned:- he was kind, gentle, strong, funny, he made us feel welcome when we came to the village, nothing was too much trouble and he never had a bad word to say about anyone. All of these sentiments have been expressed over and over, it makes us all very proud to have been part of the life of a man who was held in such high regard.

John embraced life, he loved meeting people and chatting to them, his work at New Barn, often in hostile weather conditions, was his pleasure. He valued the nature that surrounded him, especially the sighting of the first swallow returning in the spring, the call of the Curlew and the sight of the purple heather on Great Hill in the Autumn. John cherished his family, he was always there for us as a wonderful caring husband, a loving supportive father and a Grandad that was full of fun, who often got in trouble from Granny for being silly! His contributions to village life with his antics at the Gala, are legendary. Who can

forget him doing the fell race in clogs, the pram races, the mud wrestling and the Tug O War. Being the Village Father Christmas gave him a great deal of pleasure and it was a role that he took very seriously.

As John embarked on his final journey through the village, it was touching for us to see all the people who had turned out to pay their respects. We were moved by the spontaneous applause and the presence of the United Utilities. The Holcombe Hunt led John off from Hollinshead Terrace and were a dignified presence in the Chapel yard when he was laid to rest.

Our thanks go to Mr Geoff Tulley for his simple and sincere service in the Chapel and to the Chapel members who made sure everything went smoothly on the day. We thank you also for your generous donations to the National Rheumatoid Arthritis Society, a horrible, painful and debilitating disease which John bore with courage and fortitude for over thirty years.

We shall mourn John's passing and the hole that he has left in so many lives but we shall remember him with pride and with a smile. He will never really be gone as he was part of the fabric of the village and will live on in all the amusing tales that people have to tell about him. A true testament to a life well lived. Thank you all so much for the wonderful love and support that you have given to us at this time, it is very much appreciated.

Anne and all the family

UNITED REFORMED CHURCH....



TOCKHOLES UNITED REFORMED CHURCH



Our building unfortunately is still closed due to the Covid Pandemic but Chapel is very active and busy. Central URC is now open for Worship, Sunday 10.30 am but you do need to 'book in'

Should you wish to attend please contact Barbara Duxbury on 01254 701899

There is also a service on the internet from the URC Church -www.devotions.urc.org.uk -- every Sunday morning at 9.45 for a 10am start.

There are also local Zoom Services. If you would like to know about these and don't get our Weekly Newsletter please contact Kathleen or Marion.

We hope many of you will come along and enjoy worshipping with us and actually meeting up with friends once again

Any enquiries - please contact our Secretary Kathleen 01254 706489

ST. STEPHEN'S....



St Stephen's Church

Parish Priest The Reverend Nicholas Davis

01254 701360 Parish website www.stcuthbertwithststephen.org

We are open again for the usual public worship on Sundays, with current regulations in place.

Fr. Nick broadcasts some services live on Facebook, and these can also be accessed later. Details on the parish website.

https://www.facebook.com/stcuthbertwithststephen/videos/ 637569143471312/

Please contact Father Nick to arrange weddings, baptisms, funerals and other occasional services.