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Parish Council Meetings are held on the third Tuesday of each month in Kislingbury Village Hall at 7.30pm. The Press and Members of the Public are welcome to attend.

Minutes can be seen on Parish Notice Boards, in the Church Porch and on the Parish Council website:

www.kislingburyparishcouncil.org.uk/wp

Welcome to the October edition of the Kislingbury News

The deadline for any items for the November issue is 15th October 2013. Where possible contributions should be sent in electronic format by email to:

kislingburynews@hotmail.co.uk

or delivered to David Lawrence, at 21 Hall Close, Kislingbury.

Village Diary

October

- 2nd Kisle Amblers meet at Olde Red Lion at 9.45am
- 2nd KOF's Lunch at Northampton College - Page 12
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- 29th Arts & Crafts Society "The History of Privies" - Page 12

November

- 6th Kisle Amblers meet at Olde Red Lion at 9.45am
- 20th Kisle Amblers meet at Olde Red Lion at 9.45am
- 30th Kislingbury Annual Art & Craft Exhibition & Sale - Page 7

Regular Events

Sequence Dance – Contact Dave or Rita 01604 830982

Bell Ringing Monday Nights 7.30pm – 8.30pm

Karate - Wednesday & Thursday 6.00pm. Sunday 10.00am

See Eddie Sanders at the Village Hall for more details

Play Group open during Term Time at Village Hall

KOF's - Every Thursday 10.30am at the Village Hall

Kislingbury Parish Council meets 3rd Tuesday of every month in the Village Hall

Beginners Line Dance Classes - Thursday 1.15pm - 2.45pm. Further information telephone 07788 737052 or 01604 754518.

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Kislingbury News, and all back issues going back to 2010, can now be viewed on-line. Simply go to:

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and click on the "**Kislingbury News**" tab. You will also find this website useful for finding information about Kislingbury, including signing up for the Kislingbury email database.



Kislingbury Parish Council Report
Meeting 17th September 2013

We have a casual vacancy available on the Council. If you are at all interested in becoming part of the village council please speak to any of the current councillors listed or our clerk for further information.

As reported in our last meeting parking is an issue around the village. If any vehicle is obstructing or parked on pathways please report all details to PC Jen Harrison on telephone number 101. Please could you also email our Clerk of this so we as a council are aware.

The allotment opening times was discussed and as we approach winter, new times are will be revised and these will be on the allotment noticeboard.

If any parishioner has anything to bring to our meeting there is a slot for you to air your concerns at the beginning of the meeting, you are then quite welcome to stay for the duration of the meeting or indeed leave once you have had your say.

All minutes and agenda items can be seen on the parish council website:
www.kislingburyparishcouncil.org.uk/wp

Alison Ward

Real Cask Ales



Cycling Club

Beer Garden

Saints Supporters Club

Thanks to everyone in the village who have supported us in our first four months of trading.

Our food offering is now up and running and we will be extending the days of opening as soon as we are comfortable that we can constantly deliver good home-cooked food along with first class service. Wherever possible we source our fresh produce from local suppliers and by way of example we are proud to say that all of our meat and poultry is supplied daily by

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October Quiz Page

Answers from last month:

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|------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. Sol Invictus | 6. Charles Dickens | 11. St James Palace |
| 2. 1955 | 7. Dublin | 12. 1884 |
| 3. Humber Bridge | 8. High Society | 13. Millenium Bridge |
| 4. Dorset | 9. Southampton | 14. Liquorice/Aniseed |
| 5. Thomas Gainsborough | 10. George De Mestral | 15. 1926 |

This Months quiz is going to test your reading of the Kislingbury News

1. What two clubs do The Sun Inn support?
2. What does KOFS stand for?
3. How much does it cost to advertise for twelve months using just a half page?
4. Which advertiser was established in 1980?
5. What service is offered by T.I.L?
6. Who has MBChA, MSSCh after their name?
7. What happens at 10.30 every Sunday?
8. What activity can you do on a Monday night at 7.30pm?
9. Who do you call to discuss all your property requirements?
10. What is a colourless liquid solution?
11. How much would 100 one sided copies cost?
12. How many village archivists are there?
13. What does Eddie Sanders do?
14. What costs £29 - £48?
15. What is happening on 6th October 11.15am followed by Lunch?

Answers revealed next month.....



Light Up St. Lukes

The September draw was carried out by Rita Hyde and the lucky winner was Sue Payler.

Leslie Hartwell

Children's Page Harvest



This month is all about Harvest. Harvest is from the Old English word *hærfest*, meaning "autumn". It then came to refer to the season for reaping and gathering grain and other grown products like vegetables. The full moon nearest the autumnal equinox is called the Harvest Moon. So in ancient traditions Harvest Festivals were traditionally held on or near the Sunday of the Harvest Moon. Churches celebrate by decorating

their altars with produce from local villagers and farmers.

Corn dollies are often made and in times gone by they were usually made from the last sheaf of corn cut these then took pride of place at the table usually until the following spring to ensure a good harvest the following year.

A Harvest Activity : Make a Potato Man

You will need: Potatoes, an assortment of vegetables, Cocktail sticks.

Take a potato as your body and use cocktail sticks (they may need to be cut down) to attach other vegetables to form the features. We used broccoli for hair and arms, carrot for the eyes and mouth, a sprout leaf for the nose and sprouts for the feet.

Have fun and enjoy all the fresh fruit and vegetables that you have gathered from your allotments or gardens.

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THE PARISH CHURCH OF ST LUKE

We offer our prayers for Raegan Elizabeth Knowles who was baptised in church on 29th September, and best wishes to her family and friends.

SUNDAY 6th OCTOBER – is our HARVEST THANKSGIVING followed by HARVEST LUNCH.

The lunch at approx. 12.30pm will consist of jacket potatoes with various fillings, salads and bread, with home-made puddings and wine. Tickets £5 adults and £2 children. Profits to the Hope Centre in Northampton. If you would like a ticket please contact Leslie or Judith (830343/830421).

OUR NEXT CHURCH CLEANING MORNING IS ON SATURDAY 12 October at 10.00am – weather permitting we will be doing some light weeding in the churchyard so come prepared!



HONEY HARVEST MESSY CHURCH

on Thursday 3rd October 3.30pm - 5.00pm

We will celebrate our first Birthday by giving thanks for all God has given us through fruitfulness, growth and togetherness.

Lots of bee-related activities so it will be a "Buzzy" afternoon as well as a Messy one! Refreshments and fun for all the family.

STOP PRESS! Back by popular demand, toasted teacakes in church every Sunday afternoon during November.

THE CHILDREN'S SOCIETY



It is time to open the Children's Society boxes once again. May I ask you to deliver your box to 3 Church Lane over the next month or I will be happy to collect. If you would like a box in your home please contact me on 830421.

Judith Tonge

Kislingbury News

As nobody came forward to volunteer to help with the stapling we are asking again.

You may think this is early to ask but it's amazing how quickly time flies by and it would be nice to get this gap in the rota filled.

YES – It does take time and a bit of energy.

YES – Everything is provided.

YES – It is for only one month – JUNE which means you need to be available during the last week of May.

NO – there is no payment, just the satisfaction of joining the team of people who contribute to the production of the News.

Any help gratefully received.

Doreen Hartwell (830343)

Kislingbury Art and Craft Exhibition and Sale

We are planning to extend the number of Craft Stalls at this event which is to be held on **Saturday 30 November from 10am – 4.00pm in the Village Hall.**

If you or a friend are skilled in a particular craft and would like to take a stall (£10) please let one of our members know or ring Doreen Hartwell on 830343.



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Grant Applications 2013

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Applicants must not have received financial help from the rating system when originally formed.

Please contact me if you need any further information.

The Trustee's normally meet in January/February to evaluate the requests for help.

Please send your application with a copy of your current balance sheet to:

Peter Saunders (Trustee/Clerk)

55 Willow View

Kislingbury

01604 830398

e-mail:- peter.kislingbury@tiscali.co.uk

Applications must be received by 31st December.

My name is Jonathan Barker and I have moved to Bugbrooke with my wife Bethany. Having spent our last five years in Welton we are used to enjoying the community spirit that comes with village life. I hope that, over time, we can be an integral part of this area too.

I have been in the estate agency industry for over fifteen years, working for both corporate and independent firms. Three years ago I decided to become a 'self-employed' Property Consultant working under the Horts Estate Agents banner. Being 'self-employed' means that I don't 'clock on' in the morning and 'clock off' in the early evening, or work reduced hours at weekends. I make myself available at times that suit my client's needs. Everyone has access to me via my mobile number and personal email address so you never have to leave messages with other people. My aim is to **offer a knowledgeable, trustworthy service whilst acting with integrity to those that are looking to sell or buy in the villages of Bugbrooke, Kislingbury and Nether Heyford.**

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Yours sincerely
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Kislingbury Amblers

Our August walks began by leaving the Tollemarche Arms at Harrington, passing through the village church yard and heading towards Thorpe Underwood. After travelling through the village, we crossed Newport bridge and on to Arthingworth. The group then returned to Harrington for lunch.

Our second August walk commenced from The Griffin Head at Mears Ashby. This was an extended walk (following a request from the walkers!) which amounted to approximately 6 miles. Leaving the village we crossed several fields until we reached the main road to Harrowden. The group then headed towards Hardwick where we had a brief stop to take in the scenery. We continued towards Hardwick Woods and with the woods on our right, we proceeded to Sywell Woods, then to the outskirts of the airfield. The walk followed a route to Beckwith Emporium, returning to Mears Ashby for lunch.

Our first September walk saw us leaving the memorial in Great Cransley behind us and heading along the road to Loddington. After crossing several fields which, at times, were quite steep, we eventually arrived at the Church in Loddington. Following a short break, we continued our walk until we reached Mawsley Lane from where we could see the new village in the distance. We turned to travel along a disused railway line, through the woods, returning to our vehicles to go to Loddington for our lunch date. Returning to Kislingbury we took in the pretty village of Orton and passed the disused site of Harrington Airfield.

On the 18th September, the rendezvous was the National Trust Car Park at Stowe School. The walk mainly traversed the perimeter of the school grounds which caused us to follow the cycle route. Most of the follies in the ground were seen on the walk and we then went to the nearby village of Chatmore where we had an enjoyable lunch.

Neighbourhood Watch Alarms Offer



A. Minder Personal Attack Alarm. To scare off muggers or undesirables: Pull pin activation. Loud alarm (140 dBs). Batteries included. 5 years warranty. Flashing strobe light. Torch facility. Size 60x70x20mm. **£6.50 each.**



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Please contact Tim Ward for more information. Tel: 07855 388 751 Email: timwarduk@aol.com

Neighbourhood Watch Newsletter - October 2013

The clocks don't go back until October, but Residents should think now about Crime Prevention. As nights get darker earlier, burglary tends to increase. Leave lights on inside your house. Leave a light on in more than one room, upstairs and downstairs – remember to choose low-energy lamps. Use a timer switch to operate the lights as it starts to get dark – change the times that the lights come on, to create the illusion that someone is moving around inside the house. Make sure your door is well lit and fully visible from the street – dusk to dawn lamp adaptors are available from DIY stores. Keep shrubbery and hedges at the front of the house pruned to below one metre – remove any cover for a burglar to work unseen and give your neighbours every chance to spot something suspicious. Keep curtains closed at night – if you are away, ask a neighbour to close them for you. Check existing lighting is in good working order and replace any faulty equipment – remember to check batteries in torches and smoke alarms.

Police are advising people to be alert after several thefts have taken place when the victim has been distracted by someone asking for directions. Five incidents have been reported since the end of May and were in supermarket car parks in Northampton, Daventry, Towcester and Wellingborough. In all of these incidents, the victim has been approached by someone, speaking in broken English, who has asked for directions and, on some occasions, then produced a map which they have unfolded on another car. Some of the victims have then got out of their car to help give directions. Whilst they are distracted, a second person has removed bank cards, cash, purses or bags from the boot or passenger seat of the victim's car. If something doesn't feel right, trust your instincts. Politely say you cannot help and drive away.

Crime news - On the morning Saturday 14th there was a Robbery of The Village Shop, **Church Lane**. It seems that there may have been some people injured by the Criminal. The Police and Ambulance Service were there. A burglary occurred at a property in **Sandy Lane**, on Thursday 29th August. This was a break-in through a PVC Door. Regrettably we have experienced further vandalism at the Playing Field. Vandals broke down the wooden fence alongside the football pitch, and made a fire with the timber in the Football stand.

If you live in **Ashby Close** or **Bugbrooke Road** please think about volunteering to become a Street Representative. The streets without an active NHW presence are more vulnerable than the rest of the Village. Please contact me (telephone number and email address below) if you wish to volunteer to be a Street Representative.

VILLAGE EMAIL DATABASE - The number of houses signed up to our Database is now 238 at the time of writing this report. Those on the database will be able to receive urgent NHW messages direct, and important Village information. If you are not on the database we cannot contact you. Visit the Village Website, click on the Email Database link, and subscribe. It is very easy! Go to **www.kislingburyonline.co.uk**

Remember, and use, the following numbers to report crimes or other incidents.

Police : 999 for an emergency or to Report a Crime that is happening. Non Emergency Calls to the Police use 101, or text to **18001 101**. The dedicated Neighbourhood Watch Number is 01604 432 436. CrimeStoppers (Anonymous) 0800 555 111.

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Tim Ward 07855 388 751 and timwarduk@aol.com



Kislingbury over Fifties

OCTOBER NEWS

The KOFs 9th Annual General meeting was held on the 5th September with 49 members in attendance.

The Chairman, Eddie Harley, thanked everyone for their support during the past year, during which the KOFs had enjoyed many events, ranging from Parties to theatre visits, coach trips, college lunches and a weekend break at Warners. The KOFs had also raised funds for charities including a donation in September 2012 with the support of many people of all ages from the village of £920 to the Macmillan Coffee morning fund. He thanked his committee for all their support during the past year, and also to all the members which now numbered over 100 with new members joining throughout the year.

The KOFs finances were in a strong position, following the National Community award to the KOFs of £500 from McCarthy & Stone retirement homes last year .

The KOFs committee of nine were re-elected for a further year un-opposed. The committee is Eddie Harley (Chairman), Mike Jackson (Secretary), Jackie Jackson (Treasurer), and Committee Lisa Dickson, Bernard Gent, Christiane Scrivener, Jenny Massingham, Dee Taylor and Dennis Tidmarsh.

FUTURE EVENTS

2nd and 8th October KOFs LUNCHES at NORTHAMPTON COLLEGE
CHRISTMAS PARTY Thursday 12th December

A WARM WELCOME TO ALL THE OVER FIFTIES IN THE VILLAGE
TO COME ALONG AND JOIN US

We meet every Thursday, 10.30 am at the VILLAGE HALL
The membership is Free

Contact Eddie Harley 830001 or Mike Jackson 831747 for further details



Kislingbury Arts & Crafts Society

By the time you read this we will have held our AGM and ready to start the season with a talk on:

The History of Privies by Chris Bazeley
Tuesday 29th October at 7.30pm
Kislingbury Village Hall.

Non- members are very welcome. £2 entry.

Chris Bazeley comes to us well recommended so we are looking forward to an interesting evening. If you have or know of a privy in the village please let me know.

Doreen Hartwell (830343)

I LOVE MY GARDEN!

(The thoughts of an enthusiastic but harassed gardener)

I have come to the conclusion that I am definitely slightly dotty when it comes to the insect life in my garden. This comes from a person who, a few years ago, would run a mile rather than spend time in a room with a spider in it. These days, I suppose due to the emphasis on looking after all creatures in your garden, I find it very hard to kill anything, even though they are a pest. A friend recently asked me for some flower seeds - I waited until the seed pods were almost ready to pop, cut off the stem and shook out the seeds onto some paper in the greenhouse. Not only did I shake off the seeds but also numerous insects including some very pretty spiders and beetles. In the past I would have considered brushing them onto the floor to take their chances or even, dare I say, squashing them, but I managed to gather up these creatures and place them all outside, even talking to them as I did it - how sad is that.

Take slugs for instance. If there is a bush telegraph for slugs then it has been working overtime during the last few months, inviting every slug in the district to come into my garden for a good feast. Wherever I look, whatever I pick up or move a slug is lurking, small and large, thin or fat and juicy they find my garden. So, I pick one up (yes, I actually pick it up - how about that for heroics!) and think "what am I going to do with you - you have just devoured most of my new plants in one night!" Then I look at it more closely and wonder at the formation of it and the colours and I just cannot kill it. So, coward that I am, I chuck it over the hedge into the road hoping that something or someone else will kill it. But then I have a brainwave and throw it into the middle of the lawn thinking that I am doing an enormous favour to the blackbirds and thrushes and that they will be inordinately grateful for my efforts. I take myself off out of sight and wait, and wait, and wait - not a sign of a thrush or a blackbird and in the meantime the slug has slowly meandered over the lawn and back into the flower bed.

But - all is not lost. I remembered a Titchmarsh Tip on the famous "Beer Trap" so I raid the beer barrel in our house (sounds good doesn't it) and gently sink the container full of beer into the soil in the middle of the freshly planted perennials. Next morning, to my enormous gratification I find seven slugs floating in the pot and satisfy myself that they had a happy ending. I topped up the pot on several occasions but my glee was brought sadly to an end when the beer ran out and we had a thunderstorm with the rain cascading off the gutters and into my pot, diluting the beer to water. Will now have to wait for a new delivery of beer!

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Lost Cat

My cat Smudge escaped from Hill View cattery in Kislingbury last bank holiday Monday. I have posted through all doors and put up posters to no avail. I lost my older cat 2 weeks prior to this and Smudge was a great comfort to me throughout this sad time. I have been looking every day sometimes 3 times a day at various times. I think maybe someone has taken him in. Everyone in the village has been a wonderful support and often call me if they spot a different cat. He is black, medium in size with a few white hairs on his chest. A young 4 years old and very trim and slender (or at least he was when I saw him last). He is chipped but doesn't have a collar. I am offering a substantial **reward of £500** for his return.

Thank you for taking the time to read this and I look forward to hearing from you.

Kind regards

Tracy Parks

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Open Ended Holiday Reflections

It is now the fourth day after returning from holiday where I had both the wonderful experience of seeing my youngest daughter get married against the backdrop of the Caribbean Sea. I also had time to sit, relax, think and ponder about many things. Not least the wonder at the awesome beauty of this part of God's wonderful creation. Heat at a constant 38C, clear blue skies, white coral sand, clear blue sea and palm trees gently swaying to the almost permanent gentle breeze, get the picture!

As I sat looking out at this almost idealic view, interrupted only by a large vivid green Iguana walking past looking for something to eat and glaring at me through one of his piercing eyes, two different but related thoughts pasted through my mind.

Firstly, from the green, green, grass of home to the baron beauty of the arctic landscape. From the dizzy heights of the Himalayas, to the below sea level beauty and mystery of The Dead Sea. From the high humidity of the Amazon rain forest to the water starved vegetation surrounding my Caribbean holiday resort, we are in serious danger of destroying it all; by our greed and disregard of this wonderful island we all inhabit called earth.

Secondly, my thoughts scanned over a book I read in the early nineties called 'A Brief History of Eternity' which is a considered response to Stephen Hawkins book 'A Brief History of Time' published in the late eighties. In Roy E. Peacock's book as his response unfolds, he comes to the holy grail of scientific research and endeavour, 'how did this magnificent and complex universe come into being!' He looks at the various theories from Stephen Hawkins theory of the origin of the universe to the theory and science surrounding 'The Big Bang Theory!' However, my ponderings at this point were interrupted by the need to get ready for an evening meal.

Fast forward a week later while encased in an aluminium tube 35,000 feet in the air and half way through a nine hour flight. Peacock on examining 'The Big Bank Theory' said if this theory is correct it was, and still is, the most colossal, calculated, co-ordinated and critically controlled explosion ever known! For example, in a small way' take the plane I was flying in and meticulously dismantle it bolt by bolt, rivet by rivet, this includes the almost forty miles of wiring in the nosecone alone, in excess of 150 separate components' that make up each of the 200 plus seats and lets not even think of the amount of parts that make up the twin Rolls Royce engines!

Once dismantled, put all the parts in the equivalent of a gigantic goody bag children receive at the end of a birthday party. Then using a mega amount of explosive blow the whole thing up! Once the dust has settled rather than a giant hole and a scene of devastation there is waiting for you a fully functioning airworthy ready to fly passenger aircraft! This is the best I could come up with to illustrate how controlled 'The Big Bang' would have to be.

As the title at the top of this article states this is an 'Open Ended Holiday Reflection'. Nevertheless my take on my second reflection is there is 'intelligent design' behind this wonderful universe and for me it is our creator God who revealed himself in Christ by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Grace and Peace.

Stephen French Rector of Bugbrooke, Harpole, Kislingbury and Rothersthorpe

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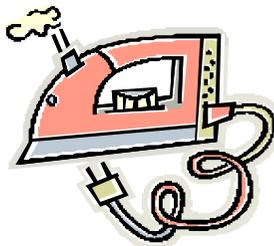
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	11.15am	All Age Worship
Sunday 15th September	11.15am	Holy Communion
Sunday 22nd September	11.15am	Morning Worship
Sunday 29th September	10.30am	United Benefice service at Bugbrooke (no service at Kislingbury)
Sunday 6th October	11.15am	Family Communion for HARVEST followed by lunch

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Sunday: 9.30am, 11.00am

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Midweek Meetings: Every Wednesday at 7.30pm.

Kizzletots: Tots group - 9.30am to 11.30am every Thursday during term time.

Photographic Club: First Monday of each month at 7.30pm

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