

What's Happening This Month

Friendship Club at St Mary's House

Tuesday, 4th February at 12.30 p.m. Please bring along a small raffle prize.

VIG Film Night at Bishop Carpenter School, North Newington.

Friday, 28th February. Showing the film "Yesterday" (2019). A struggling musician realises he is the only person on earth to remember The Beatles after waking up in an alternate timeline where they never existed. Doors open at 7.00 p.m. for 7.30 p.m. Start. Cost is £3.50 p.p. to include a raffle ticket.

Games Evening at St Mary's House

Saturday, 8th February at 7.00 p.m. AGM at 6.45 p.m.

Broughton & North Newington Thursday Group (open to all)

Thursday, 20th February at **St Mary's House, Broughton** at 2.30 p.m. There will be a speaker from the hedgehog rescue centre. Cost for members is £2.00, non-members £2.50, to include a raffle ticket.

Regular Events in St Mary's House

Pilates: Every Wednesday. 9.15 a.m. to 10.15 a.m.

Short Mat Bowls: Every Wednesday 7.00 p.m.

Calligraphy: Every Thursday. 2.00 p.m. to 4.00 p.m.
Re-commences on Thursday, 5th March.

Yoga: Every Thursday 7.15 p.m. to 9.15 p.m.
Re-commences on Thursday, 5th March.



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Games Evening

St Mary's House
Saturday, 8th February
7.00 p.m.
£5.00 Adults
£2.50 children

Come along to another of our games evenings which in the past have been very popular. As usual we will have some traditional games such as bagatelle, table skittles, pucket and table football. Children always enjoy this event.

Buffet food similar to the last games evening will be available (see opposite) including chicken nuggets and fish fingers for the children (also popular with adults last time) with the usual selection of home-made puddings.

A limited amount of beer and wine will be available. There will, of course, also be soft drinks for the children. If you prefer you are welcome to bring along your own favourite drinks.

We look forward to seeing you. Come along and enjoy the evening. Look out for flyers as a reminder.

At 6.45 p.m. on the same evening we will be holding our AGM.



The Birth of St Mary's House

In 1984 the PCC of St Mary's Church, Broughton, submitted a planning application for a Common Room to be built in Broughton and a public meeting was held to launch the plan in October 1986. The village had no public place for meetings and any such gathering could only be held on private property. The population at the time was 306. The original capital to obtain planning permission was provided by Bodicote Housing Association who also bought ground near the Alms Houses in the village and leased it in perpetuity at a peppercorn rent. The building cost was estimated to be £60,000 and by February 1988 £37,000 had been raised. Apart from individual donations, £2,000 was raised by special events in the village. The Parish Council, Cherwell District Council, Help the Aged, Housing Associations, and Charitable Trust for the Elderly made or promised donations. Grants were requested from Oxfordshire County Council and Oxford Diocese.



The £60,000 required was eventually raised and the building of St Mary's House was completed in 1989. Some of the committee members responsible for us having our own meeting place in Broughton are pictured above. Some people might be able to recognise some familiar faces, sadly some are no longer with us. Thank you to all for allowing us to use the photograph.

Broughton & North Newington Ladies Group

The Broughton & North Newington group formed when the W.I. folded and this year the club will celebrate their 40th Anniversary.

Further meetings have been arranged as follows:

Thursday, 27th February, 2.30 a.m. at St Mary's House.
A speaker from Hedgehog Rescue.

Thursday, 26th March, 7.30 p.m. at Bishop Carpenter School.
A lady showing exercises for the older person.

Thursday, 23rd April, 7.30 p.m. at Bishop Carpenter School.
A talk from BBOWT re Banbury Wild.

Thursday, 21st May, 7.30 p.m. at Bishop Carpenter School.
AGM. Refreshments will be provided.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Saturday, 25th April. **Cheese & Wine Evening** at St Mary's House.

Saturday, 6th June. **Picnic at The Castle.**

Friday, 14th & Saturday, 15th February. **Valentines Night Dinner** at the Saye & Sele Arms. Special menu available on request.

DOG BINS

As most people will know the Parish Council provided 4 dog bins around the village. We are pleased to say that the cost of emptying the bins is sponsored by:

Hawthorn Lodge: 01295 259446.

www.hawthorne-lodge-vets-banbury.co.uk

Hook Norton Veterinary Hospital: 01608 730085

Deddington: 01869 337732

www.hooknortonvets.co.uk

West Bar Vets: 01295 262332.

www.westbarvets.co.uk



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