

OAKE

COMMUNITY NEWS

FORMERLY OAKE HALL NEWS



Oake, Heathfield, Hillcommon & Hillfarrance

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FAREWELL TO PENNY

We are indebted to Penny Williams for editing the Hall News for two spells over more than fifteen years: this has involved cajoling news from sometimes reluctant contributors, contacting local advertisers and then assembling the data in a form suitable for the printers every three months. She has decided to pass the task on, and as our newsletter has been carrying information for the shop and parish council more recently, we have decided to rename it the Oake Community News.

WELCOME TO OAKE COMMUNITY NEWS

If your group would like to publicise an event or information about your activities, please do let us know. **WE DO NEED AN EDITOR** and would be delighted if a villager with some computer skills could offer to continue this role - thanks to our volunteer distributors, this newsletter goes to every home in Oake, Heathfield, Hillfarrance and Hillcommon. If you could help please contact Kirsten Horton 01823 400570

OAKE HALL NEWS

Hilary Weller is now our Chairman and at our recent AGM she emphasised how important feedback from our regular users is in keeping the hall in good order. Please do not hesitate to let a member of the committee know if you think something which could be improved.

TODDLER GROUP

This group meets every Tuesday morning and offers a gathering point for younger villagers and their carers, an opportunity for play for the children and chat for the adults. The group recently received a grant from the Sunshine Fund to buy a selection of attractive new toys and equipment. Please contact Hannah for more information 07711 292596

PLAY AREA and RECREATION FIELD

Negotiations are continuing regarding replacement timbers for the climbing frame and when this work is completed, we will hold our sand dig and purchase replacement sand.

We plan to paint the goal post shortly and hang a new net - and possibly move it sideways to allow the goal mouth to recover from the wear and tear of the enthusiastic footballers. The second goal post on the north side of the field will be removed as flying balls were causing a nuisance to our tolerant neighbours. Please do not hang from the goal posts - there is more suitable equipment within the play area for such antics!

FRIENDS OF OAKE BRADFORD AND NYNEHEAD SCHOOL (FOBNS)

Two events have been arranged for the autumn to raise funds for our local primary school, the Firework Spectacular at the Golf Club on 4 November and Bingo on 24 November at the hall. All villagers are most welcome to come along and join in.

OAKE VILLAGE FETE 2017

So many thanks to everyone who worked so hard to make such a successful day back in July, particularly to Graham and Suzy Hake. Their planning and direction was so appreciated but it takes a large team to run such an event. Please mark **14 July 2018** in your diaries and maybe consider volunteering to help for a while on the day?

100 CLUB DRAW

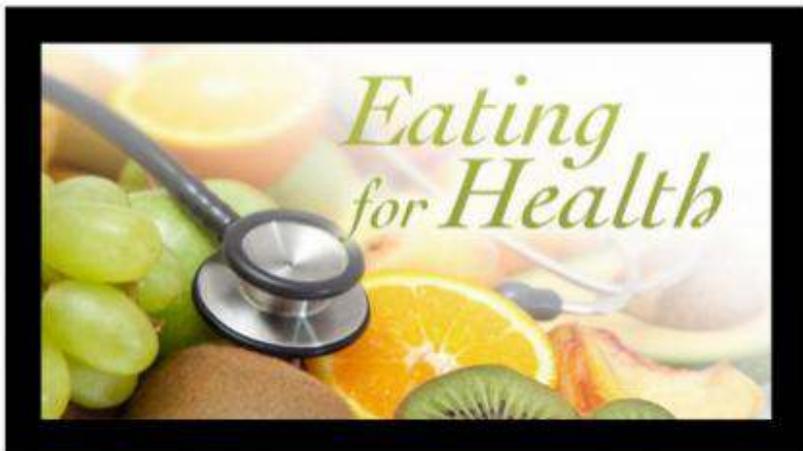
	June	July	August
£30	Stephen Williams	Liz Sharland	Dave Sedgwick
£10	Amanda Ward	Muriel Stonebridge	Janet Sharland
£5	Catherine Early	Linda Lean	Terri Belamy

It would be a real bonus for us all in the Community if we could find a few new members for the club which is solely to support the upkeep and maintenance of our village hall.

Why not join the 100 Club, or if you are a member, take out another number and help your hall committee keep this popular amenity in good order.

One number costs just £12 a year and the chance of winning is much greater than the Big Lottery, though regrettably we are not able to offer such grand prizes!

Contact Hilary Weller 01823 461331.



UNDERSTANDING FOOD AS MEDICINE

Saturday 28th October - Oake Village Hall, 9am-1pm

FIONA RYDER - Following a period of ill health a few years ago, Fiona was inspired to experiment with the healing power of diet and was fortunate to obtain excellent results. Consequently, Fiona has recently completed a diploma in Naturopathic Nutrition. She is particularly interested in the parallels between body and spirit and the natural processes of detoxification which are central to both physical and spiritual wellbeing.

JACKIE BRADFORD has a background in Psychology and has a particular interest in the role nutrition plays in helping to heal both the mind and body. She has both experienced and researched the impact of a plant-based lifestyle on our health and wellbeing.

All welcome. Refreshments provided.

For more details please email Jackie: bk.jackie@hotmail.co.uk or phone 01823 256205

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“Sunshine Fund” Grants from the New Rendy Solar Farm Funds.

Oake Village Hall requested a grant in 2016, for repairs to the **Play Equipment**, and was **awarded £2000** to help with this.

Oake Mini Day Centre supports roughly 14 elderly residents of the parish by offering regular sessions where members can get together and, increasingly, take part in gentle activities. This group **received £500** to purchase some new equipment and to run some outings.

Two years ago, a large Cedar tree fell in the churchyard. There is a large piece of the trunk remaining which **Oake Church** would like to have carved into a sculpture. This application was **awarded £750** towards the cost of the project.

Our **Parent and Toddler Group** meets most Tuesdays for about an hour and a half in the main hall at Oake and District Hall. This application to purchase replacement toys was **given £750** to enhance the experience for the toddlers.

Oake and District Shop made an application and was **awarded £2000** towards the general running costs of the shop, and thus contribute to ongoing sustainability in serving our local communities.

Could your organisation benefit from funding? Applications must be received by no later than **October 31st** for consideration at November's Parish Council Meeting,

To apply to the Oake Sunshine Fund please visit

www.somersetcf.org.uk/oake or contact Andy Ridgewell for further

details: 01749 344949 / 07804 026142 /

andrew.ridgewell@somersetcf.org.uk.

Ladies Badminton for Fun @ Oake Village Hall

**Welcomes new members
Fridays : 5 to 6pm**



**Please telephone
Phillipa 461609**

You would be most welcome to come and join a group of local ladies who meet to round off the week with a game of badminton. Our enthusiasm is matched by our laughter and chatter - an inexpensive activity in our lovely hall.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

OCTOBER

18

WHIST

26

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NOVEMBER

4

FIREWORKS AT OAKE GOLF CLUB

12

REMEMBRANCE SERVICE at Oake Church

15

WHIST

23

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24

FROST FAIR at Hillfarrance Church 2 TO 4 pm
WINTER BINGO at Oake Hall

DECEMBER

20

WHIST with CAROL SINGERS

24

CAROL SERVICE at Oake Church 6.30pm
MIDNIGHT COMMUNION at Hillfarrance Church 11.30pm

25

FAMILY COMMUNION at Hillfarrance Church 10.00am

Oake Parish Neighbourhood Plan working group

A group of 10 volunteers from the community meet monthly in Oake Village hall to progress the production of a Plan for the Parish. The meetings are open to all and we are currently asking Taunton Deane BC to designate the Parish boundary as the boundary for our Plan. The meetings are open to all and we welcome new ideas to improve the environment for the future of the Parish. To learn more please see our Parish Plan page here:

<http://oake.org.uk/> and watch out on our Facebook page for the next meeting: <https://www.facebook.com/>

OAKE & DISTRICT COMMUNITY SHOP AND POST OFFICE

A COMMUNITY BENEFIT SOCIETY

The future of Oake shop is to be decided at a meeting on Friday 27th October in Oake Village Hall.

Several changes are due to take place before the end of the year:

- The current 5 year lease on the premises expires at the end of November.
- The nominal postmaster who holds the Post Office contract has resigned as of the same date.
- The current Management committee will step down at the same time.

A sub-committee, supported by but independent of the Management Committee, have been working hard to put a proposal in place which will form the basis of the shop's future as of 1st December 2017. It's this proposal which will be voted on at the EGM.

The results of the meeting will be published in the shop and local press as soon as the meeting has been held.

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Website: www.oakehall.org

Charity no. 205829

Sharland Hall – 9 metres x 18 metres

Pig & Whistle Lounge – 7 metres x 4.2 metres

Permitted occupancy – 230 dancing or 104 seated at tables or
156 dancing and seated at tables.

Kitchen with all facilities – gas oven, microwave, fridge/freezer,
dishwasher.

Suitable for disabled visitors, ample parking.

**For bookings or more information contact Annie Barrett
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01823 461331

Secretary: Kirsten Horton
01823 400570

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