

Stonehaugh Summer Fun Day

The Summer Fun Day is set to go ahead on 26th August. Let's just hope that the rain will have stopped by then.

Attractions this year include:-

- Birds of Prey
- Ferret Racing
- Archery
- Treasure Trail
- Vintage Tractor Run
- Children's Races and activities
- Beer Tent
- Barbeque
- Raffle
- Cake Stall
- Tombola

Donations for the tombola and raffle are still being gratefully accepted and donations of wine and spirits etc. would be especially welcome. On the day, donations of homemade cakes will also be

gratefully received, as would any offers of practical help.

Play Area

The Play area has been inspected by ROSPA who were impressed and reported that the area was well cared for. The cost of the inspection is expected to be in excess of £75 and insurance which is due in October is likely to exceed last years premium of £575. In order to meet these expenses it is hoped that the 2007 Summer Fun Day will be as successful as last year's.

First Responders

Stonehaugh's First Responders Anne Bulman and Allison Dennis received a call out last night (5th August) to the campsite at Ryehill, Humshaugh. The emergency concerned a young male who was unconscious. The ambulance arrived at the scene soon after Anne and Allison.

Raptor Photography Day

Falconry Days of Lady Hill, Stonehaugh is organising a Bird of Prey Photography Day. Places are limited and full details can be found on the website



techniques and settings to capture the very best images of each Bird of Prey.

Mark and Mandy regularly come into the Social Club if you want to find out more through an informal chat.

2007 Leek Show

The Annual Leek Show will take place on Saturday 1st September.

Schedules are not yet available but will be distributed nearer the time.



In former years the Leek Section has been well supported. Other sections usually include vegetables, domestic, flower and family sections.

<http://www.northumberland-falconry.com/section107271.html>

About the Raptor Photography Day

Work with the acclaimed photographer Nigel Shuttleworth and learn how to get the most out of your digital camera on an unforgettable day out here at Falconry Days photographing our Birds of Prey.

Expert Falconers will fly a range of Hawks, Owls, Falcons and Eagles and you will be given expert guidance by Nigel Shuttleworth, a qualified lecturer in Photography. You will be taught the

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Schedule of Events

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8 <i>Allotment Meeting</i>	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16 <i>Greens Meeting</i>	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26 <i>Summer Fun Day</i>
27	28	29	30	31	<i>1st Sept Leek Show</i>	

- **8th August**—Meeting at the Social Club including members of the Parish Council about the proposed Allotments.
- **16th August**—**Greens Meeting.** On the agenda will be the forthcoming Summer Fun Day.
- **26th August**—**Stonehaugh Summer Fun Day**
- **1st September**—**Annual Leek Show.**

Birthdays and Congratulations.

Congratulations

to

Paul Craney on passing his driving Test. Paul must be congratulated on his determination and persistence which has finally paid off.



Congratulations



To Robin and Carol Bell who became grandparents to Olivia Grace (9lbs 9ozs!) on 18th July., and to David and Jilly—well done!

Belated Birthdays

Alan Hill

Was 63
on 18th July

Mary Crawford,

60

A former resident of Stonehaugh and active member of the community, Mary was 60 on the 28th July. Mary is travelling to Australia on 3rd August to spend a month with her son Andrew.



One, two, three, Blow!!

Michael Alderson

Celebrated his birthday on 30th July



Forthcoming Birthdays

Happy Birthday to sisters,

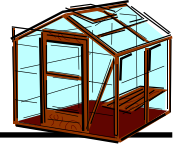
Jill Murray on 8th August

And

Barbara Alderson on 24th August.



August in the Garden RHS Advice



August is usually the last month of summer up here in the North Pennines. Frosts have been known in August at Stonehaugh (June as well if I remember rightly)!

Whether it's appropriate to be including advice from the Royal Horticultural Society this month is debatable. We probably all just need the rain to stop for a while and let the ground dry out, but anyway here goes:

Top 10 jobs

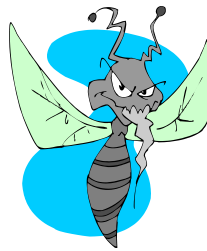
- Prune Wisteria
- Don't delay summer pruning restricted fruits
- Deadhead flowering plants regularly
- Watering! Particularly containers, and new plants - preferably with grey recycled water or stored rainwater
- Collect seed from favourite plants
- Harvest sweetcorn and other vegetables as they become ready

- Continue cutting out old fruited canes on raspberries
- Lift and pot up rooted strawberry runners
- Keep ponds and water features topped up
- Feed the soil with green manures

For more information log on to:

<http://www.rhs.org.uk/advice/calendar.asp>

Midges !



The midges are out in force at the moment. Several people have reported that the most effective skin preparation seems to be Avon's Skin So Soft spray oil. It does seem to be more effective, and certainly more pleasant to use than some preparations, but nothing is 100%

effective against these little monsters!

Marriage up in the Air

Congratulations to Claire, daughter of Lewis and Susan Watson of Roses Bower.



Claire married Will on the London Eye on 14th July 2007, followed by a reception cruising on the River Thames.

Cat Missing!



Carolyn Murray, 10 Kern Green has lost her cat. She is a long-haired black cat with white paws and answers to the name of Minnie. (Not to be confused with Delilah who is shorter haired and has a white throat). Minnie has been known to go walk-about before but this time she hasn't returned. Anyone with information please contact Carolyn, Tel: 230473.

Continuing Stonehaugh's Green and Environmentally Friendly Trend.

Jayne has asked for her New Hexham Group of Freecycle to be mentioned.

Freecycle is a membership group who exchange unwanted items of any sort instead of sending them to landfill sites.

The Hexham Freecycle® group is now open to all in the area who want to "recycle" items they no longer need, rather than throw them away. Whether it's a chair, a fax machine, piano or an old door, you can offer it on to members of our group. Or maybe you're looking to acquire something yourself!

his group is part of The Freecycle Network, a non-profit making organization and a movement of people interested in keeping good stuff out of landfills. Check out uk.freecycle.org for more information and other UK groups.

The Hexham Freecycle group can be found here <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/hexhamfreecycle>

Graeme Murfin of 1 Middle Burn End has a **computer desk in need of a home**. It is cream (from Argos) with a shelf underneath.

Anyone interested please contact Graeme Tel: 230511



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General Information

- **Post Office at 2 Middle Burn End.**

Mrs. Anne Bulman Tel: 230624

Opening Hours Monday 9 am until 3 pm, Thursday 9 am until 3 pm.

- **Mobile Library**

Junction of Middle Burn End/Kern Green Friday at 1 pm

- **Green's Secretary:**

Brenda Murray, 11 Middle Burn End, Tel: 230447

- **Social Club Secretary:**

Albert Alderson, 8 Kern Green, Tel: 230125

- **Gardening Club Secretary**

Carolyn Murray, 10 Kern Green, Tel: 230473

Update on the Treckers!

The latest news from the Pacific Crest Trail is that Norman and Topsy have passed the half way mark on their remarkable endeavour. Both are well but Norman has apparently lost a good deal of weight!

Thanks to Helen and Robert Scott of Stonehaugh Garage

Thanks go to Helen and Robert Scott for allowing the photocopying of the Village Newsletter at Stonehaugh Garage.

Helen and Robert were concerned about the demolition of the toilet block as many others were and had approached the Forestry Commission with a view to providing the finance to retain and maintain the toilet block at Warksburn, as a gesture of goodwill to the village. However whilst Helen was still in the process of investigating this possibility the Forestry Commission came along and demolished them. It seems a promise to delay demolition until all possibilities had been explored was broken!

Forestry Commission Events at Warksburn

It has been commented on by several people recently about the Forestry Commission organising *Doggy Walks* at Warksburn Picnic Site, charging £4 for this, yet not providing any facilities for human visitors. Hopefully they provided Doggy Pooh bags and a bin to put them in!

Any of your comments would be appreciated!



The Chalet

The chalet has been more or less fully occupied during July and will be again in August, raising much needed revenue to pay for the playground maintenance and insurance, and other essential village expenses.