NORTON NEWS

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KEEP YOUR VILLAGE BEAUTIFUL

Fly Tipping - beat the tippers!

Several residents have complained about fly tipping in Norton recently.

To prevent this curse of the countryside disfiguring our hedgerows, report any dumped rubbish to Tewkesbury Borough Council's Environmental Health department who will come and clear it away. You can make a report in the following ways:

- **Email: ehenquiries@tewkesbury.gov.uk**
- **Phone: 01684 272195 or 272350**
- **Tewkesbury Borough Council's website: Go to the "Environment" page, look for the Make a Report box, and then fill in a fly tipping report online.**

If you spot anyone in the act of fly tipping, make a note of their vehicle's registration number and report it straightaway. Don't let these vandals spoil our parish and get away with it! If they have enough evidence Environmental Health will always prosecute.





NORTON AND THE LEIGH - LOCAL HISTORY GROUP

Our next talk will be on Monday 25th September
"Along the banks of the Severn to Gloucester"
With Alan Pilbeam.
Committee Room, Norton Village Hall
Entrance £3
Doors open 7.15pm talk starts 7.30pm
Everyone is welcome
Sue Phelps 07754 668898

NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

Did you know there is a Norton branch of Neighbourhood Watch?

With over 100 villagers in the group, it's a great way to keep in contact. Please email to join: christine1williams@btinternet.com

NORTON CHURCH NEWS

Please come to the Coffee Morning at the church on Wednesday 13th September at 10.30-12.00. There will be a Bring and Buy table. All welcome.

Norton church is open daily from 10.00am to 4.00pm for private prayer. For services in the Benefice, please go to: seventowers.org.uk

There is a regular collection of donations for the Gloucester Food Bank at St Marys in Prior's Norton. Please drop any food items and toiletries every other Wednesday morning. Food is collected from the church between 1-2pm.

COBALT

CHRISTMAS & GREETINGS CARDS SALE

10.30am - 6.30 pm
Thursday 12th October
at
The Dovecote
Sandhurst Lane
Sandhurst
GL2 9NR
(past church and follow signs)
Complimentary coffee and cake
Please come and bring your friends!

If there is a major resurgence in Covid infections, the sale will be cancelled.
If in doubt, please phone or text 07880 703583 to check





NORTON RFC NEWS

Our very own coach/physio come fitness guru, Graham, is taking on the 100km South Coast ULTRA on 2nd/3rd September in aid of Spinal Muscular Atrophy (SMA) UK. Please help him raise some £ and sponsor him via the link below:
https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/graham-freeman8

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ULTRA CHALLENGE SERIES

PUSH YOURSELF FURTHER

SOUTH COAST ULTRA CHALLENGE

Graham Freeman is taking part in the continuous 100km South Coast Ultra Challenge, which is being held over the weekend of the 2nd and 3rd of September 2023. The South Downs National Park is a superb backdrop for Graham and a further 2000 adventurers to take on a real challenge. The challenge starts at Eastbourne, up Beachy Head, the magnificent Seven Sisters, and along the South Downs Way, which provide stunning views over the sea, leading to Brighton which is the half-way point. From there Graham and the other adventurers will take on Devil's Dyke, and a few more up & downs before historic Arundel comes into view after an amazing 100 km journey.



I have a close friend who has Spinal Muscular Atrophy and want to raise awareness of SMA UK and the great work they do, in addition to this I also want to raise as much money as possible which will help SMA UK to continue providing valuable support to those who require it.

Established for over 30 years, SMA UK are a charity that supports, campaigns and advocates so that everyone affected by Spinal Muscular Atrophy can access the best care, services and treatments, and benefit from continued research. We offer adults, young people, parents, relatives and friends emotional support, practical advice and guidance from our experienced team and provide reliable health and social care information about SMA. We also provide and distribute free multisensory toy packs for infants who are diagnosed with SMA.

Grahams chosen Charity is SMA UK who produce reliable, timely information on SMA for the SMA Community as well as health care professionals, education providers and the general public. They also provide personalised practical and emotional support services for all those affected by SMA.



LEAP FOR LONGFIELD

Jump right out of your comfort zone this month and parachute two miles through the air at 120 miles an hour. If you can raise £450 for Longfield and get to Salisbury on 16th September you're in!

For more information, go to longfield.org.uk/event/skydive-for-longfield-saturday/

Hike miles across snow-covered Icelandic landscapes and mountain passes. Chase the elusive Aurora Borealis. Indulge in traditional Nordic cuisine. Relax in a gently bubbling geothermal pool. This is a truly unmissable charity challenge.

You'll be staying in a local hotel, and your accommodation, flights and meals are included in the £350 registration fee. We ask you to fundraise at least £3,600 for Longfield, but self-funded and flexi-options are available.

The trek is graded moderate to challenging and you'll be accompanied by local guides with expert knowledge of hiking and the culture of the region. Temperatures in November are likely to be between 0° and 5°C.
For more information, contact Kirsty Murray on 01453 886868 or events@longfield.org.uk

Coming Up....

9th -17th September, Gloucester Cathedral – Summer Meadow floral display
1st December, Minchinhampton – Charity Ice Walk
10th December, Minchinhampton – Light Up A Life memorial celebration
January 2024 – Christmas tree collections



NORTON NURTURING NATURE

Can you identify a tree by its leaves?

A quiz suggestion for our young parishioners from Cllr Griffiths to tie in with out Norton Nurturing Nature Initiative:

https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/articles/zh73ydm



USEFUL LINKS & CONTACTS

HTTP://NORTONPARISH.COM
HTTP://SEVENTOWERS.ORG.UK/
NORTONCOUNCIL@GMAIL.COM
NORTON HISTORY
NHS 111 ONLINE
POLICE NON-EMERGENCY: 101
NORTON VILLAGE HALL