



Adderley Calendar of Events*

We all know that lockdown is made worse if you have nothing much to look forward to, and we also know that we have an amazing community here in Adderley that threw itself into the activities we organised last year. So, we thought it might be nice to have a few things to look forward to again this year and a few of us have got together to do that. **However, we really do welcome others joining us, with ideas, enthusiasm, time, talent and a sense of fun.**

Please do get in touch if you can help in any way, the more we are the easier it is. Below is a provisional list of events. Let us know what you think/contribute ideas to make it better. We'd love to hear from you.

Easter 2nd –11th April A Painted Stone Hunt! - Now this is going to whet your whistle, not only will it be a great hunt, but some of you will be painting the very stones you hunt! (*see overleaf*) Prizes for the best decoration, AND prizes for those who can find the location of all the stones we have hidden using the clues and **What3Words App** to get the answers. Prizes will be Easter Eggs of course! Whats more we have ideas brewing for the future of those painted stones but.... we will share more later in the year.

25th June—11th July Scarecrow Trail— So many people told us that they enjoyed this last year, and wished they had taken part too. So we will be setting you the challenge with a new theme to entertain you and us. Get that straw ready!

August Bank Holiday Discovery Trail—One thing lockdown has shown us is that we have some amazingly talented people in the village, from arts, crafts, cookery, gardeners, vintage car hobbyists, home made wine makers and much more. How about we “discover” them on a trail around the village combined with a garden trail to celebrate that talent and knowledge? Let us know if you are interested please.

31st October Halloween Trail— This was kindly organised by Jenny Wrathall last year and the plan is to do the same again for the children (and adults!)

Friday 3rd December Adderley Festival of Lights—You all pulled out the stops for this one last year, and it seems you want us to do this again. So we will, with bells on!

First of Second Weekend December (tbc) Christmas Wreath Making Day—(there will be a fee—all proceeds to Charity) but you will be guided by our very own Maggie Roach who makes many of these for charity each year.

25th-29th January 2022—The Village Pantomime.... Oh no it isn't! Well, we know this is an indoor one*, but we hope very much we can pull this off, the script is under construction, so get ready to sing, hiss, boo and groan, oh and if you fancy treading the boards we need you!

So that's about it and we hope you will want to be involved. Please talk to us about any other ideas you have, its your community too!

Please contact us to get involved or share ideas, we would love to hear from you!

Lucy, Louise, Iain Paul or Val via: email: niceplacetobe@adderleyparish.co.uk

*subject to Covid restrictions

PLEASE SEE OVERLEAF FOR MORE INFORMATION

Help! Volunteers needed to paint a stone!

Yup, we know it sounds weird but we really do need your help with decorating a stone. We are doing a **Painted Stone Hunt over the Easter** holiday to entertain you, and we need 21 people to decorate some large cobblestones we have acquired so that we can hide them around the village.

We would love to have some really unusual designs painted onto the stones, maybe an animal curled up asleep, or a slithery snake coiled around the stone, or a beautiful garden of flowers, a tree, a landscape, a face, a pattern – anything at all, your stone, your inspiration, you choose. We will use the stones again after the Hunt, for another community project so we want them to be really special.

Detail: The stones will be all shapes and sizes, will be washed and ready to apply paint. You can use water-based paints if you wish although acrylics will provide a better colour, as we will varnish them all to keep your painting safe from the weather. All we need from you is a brilliant design on your stone, with your name on of course for posterity, and the **stone returned to us by Saturday 20th March for hiding.**

Stones will be issued on a first come first served basis, so don't delay in asking us if you would like to be a stone decorator. Just email niceplacetobe@adderleyparish.co.uk or phone or text 07814 071 254 with your name and contact details so that we can drop the stone in for you.

Once we have the stones painted how will the hunt work? More Details on the website and Facebook page www.adderleyparish.co.uk and FB [@AdderleyVillage](https://www.facebook.com/AdderleyVillage) will follow but below is an outline.

- To take part you will need someone in your family hunting party to have a smartphone, to download the **What3words App from the App Store**
- The location of each stone will be identifiable to the finder by the geocode location finder App 'What3Words' (*we want to encourage people to download this app as it is now being used by all the emergency services to help locate people in need of assistance. See the piece on the village website explaining how it works*)
- The stones will be hidden around the village and may also be in outlying areas such as the canal.
- A list of clues will be produced and will be available on the www.adderleyparish.co.uk website and hard copies will be in the Book Shelter on Rectory Lane, for you to pick up.
- The clues will give a rough area to search for each stone
- When you find a stone please take a photograph of yourselves holding the stone and then replace it exactly as you found it for the next person to hunt down. If you are able, post your pic on comments on our facebook page article about the hunt so that you can encourage others to find it but make sure you don't give away the location by having the exact location in the background! (after all, you don't want someone else to win the prize!)
- Stand as close to the stone's location as you can and note down the what3words apps location words and record them on the map next to the clue.
- When you have found all the stones and recorded all the geo-code-location sites using the what3words app, post your form in the postbox outside the village hall and wait for your prize if you have them all correct!

Happy Hunting everyone!