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From The Editor,

Now that we have put the clocks forward, let us hope that the cold winds have gone and that spring is just round the corner. It will be lovely to see the daffodils and other spring flowers in bloom. It feels as if we have waited a long time this year for spring to come.

Thoughts of spring prompts thoughts of spring cleaning and gardening. The village hall management committee is thinking along similar lines, as is the church and both are appealing for a little of your (dare I say) "spare" time.

Please consider the various requests, the more help we get the more we can achieve as a community.

Christine Minns (10508 488123)

VILLAGE HALL NEWS

The Committee has still to elect a permanent chairman and this matter is under discussion.

We have now received a plan of the revamped stage area together with prices of equipment (lighting, sound, drapes etc). It could all look very smart and as the present equipment is well past its' sell-by-date we are keen to put these improvements in hand. We are currently, looking for sponsorship but the plan is to do most of the work ourselves. We are asking anybody with an interest in DIY or experience in the building trade who could like to join this work party to come forward. Work will not start until we have some funding which can be a lengthy process.

If you enjoy fundraising, perhaps you would like to suggest and help to arrange a small fundraising event, any amount made how ever large or small, would be welcome and by getting more people indirectly involved they will feel part of the project.

On the longer term we also have plans drawn up to comply with the disability discrimination law together with improvements to facilities for the less able which we think should be put in place and these will come to about £20,000, first estimate. These plans are to be looked at again with the SNDC advisers before we go ahead with getting quotes and then try to source grant aid. The likely sponsors for this will probably mean that the actual work will not be done until next year and a further round of fundraising will be necessary to match fund the donations.

In the meantime, the hall has not had a great deal of maintenance carried out for some years. We have had a builder provide a report of work to be done and a time plan for its action. Much of the work could easily be done as self help by the keen DIY person armed with basic tools and kit. If you would like to either join a working party or take on the responsibility for one small area, again we would like to hear from you. These jobs do not all have to be done immediately so could be fitted round the jobs we all have to do at home.

There is a need to extend the hard standing of the car park, we hope this spring to bring in a digger and trailer to hardcore and shingle an area at the stage end of the hall. Again a few willing bodies would be welcome. If there is enough help we will add another layer of stone to the main car park at the same time.

Another outside job is the on going maintenance of the car park, banks and grass. We no longer have anybody to see to this on a regular basis and would welcome somebody's offer to help out either with the whole job on a regular basis or to split the job and either cut the grass, or from time to time cut and clear the banks.

As you probably know the income from the hire of the hall only just covers the day to day expenses and with the electricity bills doubling this year, and all the other costs going up we need to watch our expenditure and indeed will be reviewing our hire charges soon. In order to keep the hall looking good and up to date we would appreciate any volunteer help we can get.

For the person who loves to work on their computer, we have a mailing list of the art exhibitors which needs to be up dated and indeed added too as, at present we have 2 lists on 2 different systems. Is there anybody who could and would help with this.

If you would like to take on the job of trying to get quotes and grants for the project to improve disability facilities, then there is a longer term project for somebody who wants something to get their teeth into. It will take a lot of time, much research and form filling. At the end of the day your reward would be to see the hall providing a much better facility for the less able.

Another time consuming job is researching information – from time to time it would be helpful to have information on what is available or where to go for items or information and it would be good to have somebody who would enjoy surfing the net for us.

If you would like to get involved with any of the work in hand do come forward and don't wait for us to come to you. The committee looks forward to hearing from you and working with you to the benefit of our community.

Christine Minns (01508 488123)

BLOOD DONATING – Wymondham Central Hall

Tues. 4 th April	13.00 – 15.30;	17.00 – 19.00
Thur. 20 th April	13.00 – 15.30;	17.00 – 19.00
Wed. 26th April	13.00 – 15.30;	17.00 – 19.00



WRENINGHAM SOCIAL CLUB

A successful Junior Quiz took place on 17th February.

The next family event will be on Friday 14th April starting at 7 p.m. "Good Fried-Day Bingo Eggstravaganza" watch out for posters giving details.

Social Club is usually held on Thursday and Friday evenings in the Margaret Preston room at the village hall (for those who are new to the hall the entrance is by the side door towards the back of the car park). Open from 8 pm, prospective members are welcome to give it a look before joining. Membership forms can be collected from and returned to the barstaff.

Annual Subscription - Adults £2.00. Juniors 50p.

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The next meeting will be on Tues 16th May at 7.30 p.m. in the Margaret Preston room of the village hall. If a resident wishes to raise any issue before the next meeting the clerk and chairman are available on the 1st Saturday in the month (Appointments must be made in advance, please telephone the clerk).

All Saints Church

It was good to see several children in church on Mothering Sunday, and they all collected a plant to give to mum.

NOTE – Because Palm Sunday is on the second Sunday in April, there will NOT be an 8.30 am service at Wreningham church that day and it will be on the first Sunday instead – that is on Sunday 2nd April.

On Good Friday there will be a Devotional Hour service between 2pm and 3pm. This will be a joint Anglican/Methodist service and anybody is welcome to join us.

On Easter Sunday there will be an 8.30 a.m. Holy Communion service.

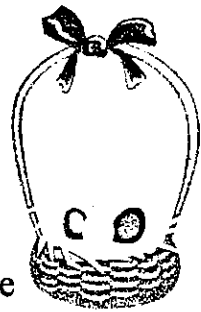
Over the past few years the churchyard has been kept very tidy, largely due to 2 people. The grass will soon be starting to grow and this year we do not have as much help. If you have family in the churchyard and are willing to offer to help, by say taking responsibility for an area, we would be very pleased to hear from you. If we can keep the grass short by cutting as soon as it starts to grow, it will be easier than waiting until it has got out of hand. If you can contact me (Christine Minns) I will try to split the area up so that we manage to cover as much of the churchyard as possible. I look forward to hearing from you.

In the meantime we wish you a happy and peaceful Easter.

Wreningham Churchwardens



WHAT'S ON



Flower Club - Thursday 27th April.

-Thursday 25th May

Doors open at 1.30 p.m. – Visitors always welcome

Short Mat Bowls

Every Thursday at 7.30 pm. Call in on the night
for further details or a chance to have a go

Yoga Class – Monday evenings during school term time.

New term starts Monday 24th April at 7.30 pm

For further details contact Attleborough Adult

Education on Tel: 01953 455634

Starfighter-Rocknroll

The Starfighter Club has now made its home at Wreningham.
Run by Roland, the music is loud, and the bands play authentic
Rock and Roll.

Next 2 gigs are on:

Saturday 29th April

Saturday 27th May

All bands are supported by Rockin Rolands disco.

Dances start at 8 p.m. and admission is normally £6.00

For further details contact Roland on 01603 812637

Dumplin Country

Saturday 8th April - 8 pm - Admission £5.00
Dancing to Henry Smith's Country Dreams
Good Raffle Licensed Bar

Easter Monday – 17th April

Charity Dance in aid of Multiple Sclerosis

Dancing to “Butch’s Country Band”
and “Ramblin Fever”

Doors open 1 pm - Music 2 pm – 7 pm
Food/Hot Drinks/Licensed Bar
Admission £7.00 - 2 Good Raffles

Sunday 14th May - doors open 1 pm - music 2 pm - 5 pm
Sunday 21st May - doors open 1 pm – music 2 pm - 5 pm

See the notice board outside the village hall
nearer the time for names of artists and
admission charges.

SPRING SHOPPING EVENT

Saturday 20th May 1.30pm – 4 pm
In aid of Bramble Bears Playgroup

Huge Plant stall, Household Décor, Crafts/Gifts,
Party Bag co., Books, Fun for the Children,
Raffle Tombola
Admission 50p