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From The Chairman,



Things have been a little disrupted recently as we have just had the main hall and passageway painted and all the wood varnished. We apologise to those who were inconvenienced but I hope that you will agree that it certainly looks good.

At the same time, we have had an area of the car park fenced off in order to complete the final phase of the project to improve facilities for the less able. Hopefully this will be finished by the time you receive this newsletter and parking will be back to normal.

My thanks to Trevor Wadlow for organising the Safari Supper and to all who joined in. We raised £522.00 which will go towards paying for the painting of the main hall.

The AGM was poorly attended and there are still vacancies on the committee if anybody would like to be put forward as a village representative. If you would like to know more or consider joining the committee do get in touch with me. I would like to thank all those who have helped with maintence jobs over the past year, those who cleaned out gutters, helped to cut the hedges and clear up the car park. One parishioner made up a box to go over the electrics at the back of the hall and added supports to the stage front. Various other handyman jobs have been completed for us. I would thank you all!

Open Gardens 2009 – It seems strange to be thinking about this with all the gardens covered in snow but then that is the time to start planning, whilst we are unable or unwilling to be working outside. We are hoping to make this a big event with tradestands, environmental and green themed ideas and displayaround the village as well as the gardens. Various ideas have already been put forward and it is time to set up a small working party to draw up plans, follow up ideas and draft a time table. If you would like to get involved in the organising of this event do let me know and I can then arrange a meeting which is convenient to the most people. We need people with all kinds of skills and contacts so we probably need you!

Our first fund raising event of 2009 will be a Quiz and Chips night on Friday 16th January. Details given elsewhere in this publication but please note the time is 7.15 pm for 7.30 pm start and not as given in the church magazine.

On behalf of the Village Hall Management Committee I would like to thank all those who have supported the hall in any way over the past year.

We wish you all a Happy Christmas and a Healthy and Prosperous 2009 and hope to see you at the hall from time to time.

Christine Minns (01508 488123)

WRENINGHAM SOCIAL CLUB

Watch out for notices giving opening times over Christmas week and the New Year. It is possible that the Social Club will be open early on Christmas Eve (ideal for those who see Father Christmas ride through Ashwellthorpe to then call in for a drink before they go home to hang up the stockings) – this has to be confirmed at next week's committee meeting.

The Social Club is open to everybody - Membership is due for renewal on 1st January 2009 at £2.00 per adult and 50p for juniors (8 – 16's). Those wishing to renew can leave their payment and their old card (so that the treasurer has your membership details and number) at the bar on a club night. Anybody wishing to join can pick up an application form from behind the bar on a club night which is on Thursday and Friday evenings from 8 pm in the Margaret Preston room. The entrance is off the main car park towards the back of the hall. We hope to see you all soon.

All Saints Church

A warm welcome awaits all those who would like to join us on Tuesday 16th December at 7 pm for our traditional Carols and Readings Service.

The Wardens and Church Council wish you all a Healthy and Peaceful Christmas.





WHAT'S ON



Short Mat Bowls

Every Thursday at 7.30 pm. New players are welcome. Call in any Thursday for details or a chance to have a go.

Dumplin' Country

Sunday 14th December – "Moonshine" (Adm. £5.00) – this is our Christmas Party and everybody is welcome to join us.

Sunday 25th January (see posters for details of band/artist) (

Doors open 1 pm. - music 2 pm – 5pm

Hot & Cold Food/Hot Drinks/Licensed Bar/Good Raffle

Dances to 60's bands - in aid of hall funds

Dancing to live music mainly from the 50's, 60's, 70's and some good music to jive too, or come and just sit and listen to the bands – Admission £5.50.

Saturday 17th January – dancing to "Rollercoaster"

Flower Club

Thursday 22nd January
Doors open at 1.30 pm – Visitors always welcome

Yoga – every Thursday morning 10 am – 11.30 am. £6.00 a session – This is a small friendly group - for details contact Janine on 01603 507181.

Yoga Evening Class – new term starts Monday 5th January – 7.30 to 9.00. To enrol contact Norfolk Adult Education at Attleborough.



It is pantomime time with "Ashwren Players"



"Cinderella" Written by Norman Robbins

This promises to be another colourful, lively traditional Pantomime with singing, chorus dancers and plenty to laugh at – even the old jokes always seem funny – maybe it's the way they tell them!

NOTE: The change of date – performances will take place on Thurs 26th, Fri 27th and Sat 28th February at 7.30 pm plus a matinee on Sat 28th. Watch out for details of ticket prices. Ticket go on sale from Monday 12th January from Christine Minns 01508 488123 or Shirley Moss 01508 489460. We shall be opening a box office at the village hall on a few mornings at 9 am. Dates to be confirmed – these will be advertised outside the hall.

PAST DAYS IN WRENINGHAM – You may have seen mention in the press of Mr Basil Day's book reprint. This book contains reference to over 800 families with connections

Wreningham including some not mentioned in the original book. I should soon be received copies to sell at £25.00 (£20 of which will go to Wreningham church funds). These could make ideal Christmas presents for anybody with an interest in family history with Wreningham connections. Obtainable from Christine Minns, High Gables, Church Road. (01508 488123)

WRENINGHAM PRIMARY SCHOOL

Parking - We realise that parking and car movement around the village is a concern to many villagers and the school is now promoting safe parking and safe driving around Wreningham to ensure all children get to school safely in the morning, and return home safely at night. Cones have been placed around the junction outside the school to show parents where it is illegal to park. These will soon be removed. The school is also working closely with the Police to encourage a responsible attitude by all parents.

Christmas Production - Children in Years 3 to 6 (7 to 11 year olds) are performing a Christmas Show at the Village Hall. We would like to invite any members of the community along to see the show on Wednesday 10th December from 9.30am – 10.30am and it is hoped to provide refreshments after the show.

Zulus in Wreningham - On Monday 20th October, Wreningham School was host to a group of seven Zulus, who entertained and worked with the whole school for the day. The children learnt about life as Zulus (they came from Durban in South Africa), what they ate and where they lived. They also learnt songs and dances with them, and studied their traditional costume. At the end of the day, the children and the Zulus put on a show for the parents.

Wreningham School Football Team - The football team has been in action this year, playing in a league with other village schools. To date we have played against Tacolneston (winning 9-7), Banham (coming second! 3-7) and Carleton Rode (winning 3-2).





The World's Biggest Coffee Morning

Thank you to everybody who helped to make the Macmillan coffee morning held at Wreningham village hall such a success. £335.00 was raised through sales of coffee, home made cakes, plants, home produce, books and donations.

Rachael and Pauline

Wreningham Parish Council

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The next Parish Council meeting will be on Tuesday 20th January in the Margaret Preston room at 7.30 pm

A Mother and Toddler Group

Meeting during school term, in the Margaret Preston room on a Friday between 9.30 – 11.30. Everyone is welcome –mums, dads, grandparents, carers, childfree parents

General Section Friday 12th December – in the main hall - open to everybody. 9.30 – 11.30, money raised will go towards our expenses. Please come and support us.



For further details contact Mandy Francis 01508 488422 or Claire Cormack on 01508 481748

Quiz & Chips Friday 16th January

Doors open 7.15 pm to take orders Quiz starts 7.30 pm sharp

WRENINGHAM VILLAGE HALL

Entrance £2.50 per person (plus food)

Everybody Welcome – come as a team of up to 6 or as an individual and join up with others.

Raffle Licensed Bar

In aid of Village Hall Funds