

# WRENINGHAM

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From The Chairman,

We had an excellent turnout for the quiz with 10 tables and a very close finish. It was good to see so many people from the village, including a team of young girls who didn't disgrace themselves by any means despite their lack of years. Our thanks to Mr Day for setting and calling the questions and to Harvey and Nicki for doing the scoring. Neville Day will be in action again on 20<sup>th</sup> March – see news from Wreningham School and hopefully again on 17<sup>th</sup> April when the church is planning a Quiz and Pudding evening – confirmation and details in the next edition.

Open Gardens 2009 – The organising sub-committee hopes to meet within the next 2 weeks so if anybody else would like to join us please get in touch. Even if you are on holiday on Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> June, it doesn't stop you from helping with the initial planning.

My apologies if this edition seems a little rushed and confused but just now Ashwren Players pantomime is my top priority. We hope you will be able to come and see it. See enclosed flyer for details.

Christine Minns (01508 488123)

## All Saints Church

We were pleased to welcome so many of you to the Carol Service, it was good to see the church being used.

Mothering Sunday: Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> March. The Family Service at 10.30 am will be lead by the Methodist minister Rev. Bryant Smith. As usual there will be flowers for the children to give to mum and we would love to see a full church – come & join us!

We feel that one of the problems which prevents more support of the church is the difficulty with parking. We are hoping to solve that problem as we have the chance of buying a small strip of land the length of the west hedge of the churchyard. This would also mean that we could make an improved access to the new part of the graveyard for the mechanical grave digger and grass mowing equipment. We do not yet know the cost but we need to make our offer in the next few weeks. Wreningham PCC would be grateful for any donations toward purchasing this land, making a gateway, bridging the ditch into the newer area of the churchyard and a boundary fencing. I, Christine Minns, would be pleased to receive donations on behalf of the church and if you are a tax payer would like to talk about a “gift aid” donation so that we can claim back the tax.

For those of you who like to support our “Lent Appeal” we have decided to join with the Benefice who are raising money in the hope that the situation in Zimbabwe will improve and that we will be able to send out much needed support to the congregation of Wreningham “All Saints”, Zimbabwe. Again, donations to me.

Christine Minns and Dennis Long (Churchwardens)

## WRENINGHAM SOCIAL CLUB

The Social Club is open to everybody - Membership became due for renewal on 1<sup>st</sup> 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. (Closed on 26<sup>th</sup>/27<sup>th</sup> February which are pantomime evenings).

**Note:** Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March a family quiz at 7.30 pm. The plan is to open the Social Club at 7 pm on the first Friday of each month to encourage active membership from families with younger children.

The entrance is off the main car park towards the back of the hall. We hope to see you all soon.

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### Wreningham church flowers

I would like to thank all those who have arranged flowers in the church during the past year. The church looked lovely for the Carol Service. I will be doing the rota for 2009 during February and will contact you all then. If there is anybody in the village who would like to help I would be very pleased to hear from you.

Sue Sayers Tel: 01508 489654

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# **News from Wreningham School**

## **School Council**

The School Council are currently raising money to buy a Buddy Bench for children to use at playtime and have got their sights on Red Nose Day (Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March) to involve the school in raising money for Comic Relief and the School Council project.

## **Eco Council**

The Eco Council meet every fortnight to discuss ways that they can make our school as Eco Friendly as possible. They monitor recycling and use of electricity in school, as well as feeding the birds, composting fruit and litter picking around the school premises. Their Eco-code is:

**Protect our planet**

**Only use lights when needed**

**Walk to school; don't use the car if you can help it**

**Everyone needs to help**

**Reuse and recycle**

## **Quiz and Chips**

The Friends of Wreningham School are hosting a Quiz and Chips evening in Wreningham Village Hall commencing at 7.30 pm on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March. Teams wishing to enter must register at Wreningham Primary School with menu choice before Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March. Further details available from Lindsay Parfitt on 01508 489232

## 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.

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### Dumplin' Country

**Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> February** – “Mary Little” (Adm. £3.50)

**Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> March** – “Rick Hallam” (Adm. £3.50)

Doors open 1 pm. - music 2 pm – 5pm

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

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### 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 21<sup>st</sup> March** – dancing to “Lou & The Diamonds”

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### Flower Club

Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> February and 26<sup>th</sup> March

Doors open at 1.30 pm – Visitors always welcome

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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.

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## Wreningham Parish Council

Chairman – Sheldon Durant 01508 489544

Clerk – Chrissie Baldwin 01508 489228

Address: Woodlace Cottage, Mill Lane

Wreningham, Norwich, NR16 1AN

The next Parish Council meeting will be on Tuesday 17th March in the Margaret Preston room at 7.30 pm.

The Council wishes to thank Harvey Day for his commitment whilst serving on the Council. They welcome Mr Michael Hill who has recently been co-opted to the parish council.

Anglian Water have decided to put a sewage system into Wreningham in response to the need of the village based on the waste discharged and the ability for the land and current waste units to cope. The parish council have been liaising with Anglian Water over a residential sewage project proposed for the majority of Wreningham. The works are likely to commence in late spring and will be rolled out to most parts of Wreningham. Anglian Water intend to hold an open day (date to be published) in the village hall for the residents to ask specific questions relating to their own property. If you have questions you are always welcome at a parish council meeting, however, the technical advice will be available at the Anglian Water open day.

The children's play area boundary (on the playing field) is no longer secure due to damage to the fencing. The parish council is currently looking for funding to get the fence replaced. Please ensure the safety of your children by supervising them at all times when playing in this area.

Wreningham now has it's own website at [www.wreningham.org](http://www.wreningham.org) where you can check out the Parish Council minutes, and all sorts of village news including up to date information on the parish plan.

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PAST DAYS IN WRENINGHAM – Mr Basil Day's book contains reference to over 800 families with connections to Wreningham and copies are on sale at £25.00 (£20 of which will go to Wreningham church funds). Obtainable from Christine Minns, High Gables, Church Road. (01508 488123)

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WRENINGHAM FUEL TRUST – Due to the delay in selling "The Marsh" and the drop in interest on money invested there will not be enough income from capital to pay the professional fees for the sale of the marsh and make a general distribution this winter. However, if anybody is in serious need of help with the cost of fuel the Trustees would look to see if they can help. Any request should be addressed to the clerk: Ms C Minns, High Gables, Church Road.

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## WRENINGHAM PARENT AND BABY/TODDLER GROUP

Meeting every Friday during term time (except 27<sup>th</sup> February) in the Margaret Preston room at the village hall between 9.30 – 11.30 am. Everyone is welcome – this is a great opportunity to meet new and old friends from Wreningham and surrounding villages.

We rely on donations to make the group successful and are recommending an initial donation of £1.00 per session, per family. This will include tea or coffee and biscuits for the adults. If you would like further details please contact Mandy Francis on 01508 488422 or Claire Cormack on 01508 481748.

A big THANK YOU to everyone who supported the fundraising coffee morning on 12<sup>th</sup> December.

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### WRENINGHAM & DISTRICT W.I.

We meet on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month at Ashwellthorpe Village Hall at 7.30 pm. New members would be most welcome.

10<sup>th</sup> February a Bring and Buy

10<sup>th</sup> March – Mrs J Agnew will be the speaker and her subject is “Desperate 18<sup>th</sup> C. Housewives”

The competition is a decorated candle.

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Beware of Distraction Burglary – recently a householder answered the door and a caller identified himself as a manager at Anglian Water and asked to store equipment in the garden. The story was believed because Anglian Water were carrying out work in a nearby road. Whilst the householder and the caller were in the garden another person entered and searched the house. Watch out for opportunist burglars.