WRENINGHAM

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From The Chairman

At last the wind turbine is up and I expect most of you have seen the sails going round, generating electricity for which we will be paid. As soon as we get a dry spell we shall be repairing the damage to the car park resulting from the erection of the turbine. Thanks to the hard work by Jill Maidment we managed to secure a large amount of the funding from the "Low Carbon Building programme" and "Community Sustainable Energy project". Without these 2 substantial grants we would not have been able to justify the Capital cost of installing this green power generator.

The local daily and weekly newspapers did us proud with their article about the wind turbine along with details of the Art Exhibition which was a fund raising event towards our share of the cost of putting up the turbine.

The Art Exhibition was a great success, with a very high standard of work on display which was reflected in the number of paintings which were sold. This event always involves a large number of helpers and I would like to thank all those who help out in any way. I am still waiting for a few bills to come in but it looks as if we made about £750.00.

If you get this Mardle before Tues 30th November, let me give you a reminder that the village hall AGM which is a public meeting will take place on Tuesday 30th November in the Margaret Preston room – 7.30 pm. It would be good to see a few hall users and supporters at this meeting which includes a report back on all that has happened over the past year.

The Safari Supper on Sat. 4th December is sold out but to go on a reserve list for cancellations get your names to Julie & Chris Peachment as soon as possible at <u>family.p@virgin.net</u> or tel: 01508 488275

On behalf of the Village Hall Management Committee, I wish you all a healthy and happy Christmas and a healthy and prosperous 2011. We look forward to seeing many of you using the village hall in 2011.

Summer Event 2011 - After the very successful fete and beer festival, despite very few volunteers coming forward to help, it being Father's Day, it is hoped to put on a village event in 2011. A few people have ideas for this but we would like anybody who is interested in helping to attend a meeting and offer ideas and commitment to help. The first meeting will be on Friday 14th January, at 7.30 pm in the Margaret Preston room. The bar will be open from 8 pm!



WRENINGHAM SOCIAL CLUB



Christmas Draw – Thursday 23rd December. Put your name on the squares in advance. All the money from sold squares is used to provide prizes so there are always masses of drink and chocolates to be won. Lets make 23rd December party night – Doors open at 8 pm. Come along and bring a plate to make up a buffet. Non-members welcome.

Christmas Eve – the club is normally open from 6.30 pm – check that this will be the case in 2010.

MEMBERSHIP – Renewals due as from 1^{st} January. Adults £2.00 and juniors 50p (8 – 16's). To rejoin, leave your old card and the money with the bar staff and your new membership card will be left for you behind the bar in due course. Anybody wishing to join for the first time must fill in an application form available from behind the bar.

The club is open each Thursday and Friday evening from 8 pm except on the first Friday of the month when opening time is 6.30 pm and families with small children are especially caterer for with toys and games available.

Macmillan coffee Morning – Rachael and Pauline would like to thank everyone for their help and support for the Coffee Morning in Wreningham village hall back in September. Together we raised £405.00 for Macmillan and are already looking forward to doing it again next year! Thanks to you all.

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Next meeting Tuesday 11th January at 7.30 pm in the Margaret Preston room at the village hall.

Jack and the Beanstalk

As you might guess, Ashwren Players will be performing a slightly different version to the rest of Norfolk (and it seems that everybody has decided to perform Jack & the beanstalk this year). Tickets will go on sale early in January for the performances on 24th, 25th 26th February (half term week). Watch out for posters giving details or contact Christine on 01508 488123. Anybody wishing to get involved, we can always find a job for you helping with costumes, scenery, helping on the performance nights or in the weeks leaving up to the event. If you have some spare time this winter and want to join us do give me a phone call.

"A Spooktacular time was had by all"

A big thank you to all who came and supported the Halloween party it was great to see so many people and fantastic costumes. Anybody wanting to see the pictures, take a look on the web site. We raised £700.00 towards the new play equipment for the playing field. Thanks from Jill. Wreningham Play project.



WHAT'S ON

Dumplin' Country

Sunday 11th December - "The Bar Hoppers" Sunday 23rd January - see posters for 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.

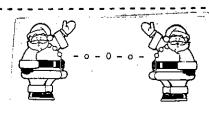
Saturday 11th December—" Wypeout" Saturday 22nd January — "Hi-Definition"

Flower Club - Thursday 27th January
Visitors welcome - For details contact Sue Rudd - 489526

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.

Mother and Baby/Toddler Group – each Friday morning during school term, 9.30 am in the main hall. For details contact Claire on 01508 481748

Short Mat Bowls – Every Thursday at 7.30 pm. Do turn up to have a try or contact Sue on 489654 and Glenda 570994. Who knows you may be a natural! - Why not give it a go.



BT Race to Infinity

BT is undertaking a PR exercise to get people interested in superfast broadband.

See www.racetoinfinity.bt.com/the-race-explained
People are invited to vote for their area exchange – at the time I received this 6 out of 850 had voted for the Fundenhall exchange. However, since our exchange has fewer than 1000 premises it is not eligible to enter "The Race to Infinity", but if we can get 75% votes registered before the end of the year then BT will engage with the community to see what they can do in our area. If you have a look at the map at www.racetoinfinity.bt.com/home# and press the UK view button you will see that the rest of the Country still has a long way to go. Let's see if we can push towards the target!

A True Story – Once there were 2 little girls who were given a disused dog kennel at the end of the garden to use as a den. They were given tins of paint which they mixed to make a pretty colour and they spent the whole of their summer holiday clearing out the spiders, sweeping, cleaning and painting the den inside and out. They made bead curtains on lengths of twine for the windows, old cardboard boxes became cupboards, a TV and a table. They stood back and looked at their handiwork. The den was wonderful! Then, the 2 little girls found an old sheet and some bamboo poles and played on a "scrubby" piece of ground making a tent to camp in. The beautiful, shiny den stood sad and neglected.

Is it really necessary to spend £41,000 on "state of the art" equipment for the playing field? Irene Moore.

WRENINGHAM ALL SAINTS CHURCH

The money for the car park land has now been lodged with the solicitors and the forms should be signed any day now ready for exchange. Completion is expected by the end of December. We still have a shortfall of about £4,000 to £5,000 so if you are planning to make a donation, now would be a good time. If you are a tax payer, please ask me for a Gift Aid form so that we can claim back the tax. It all adds up!

Thank you to those who supported the Quiz and Chips recently, this raised £154.00 towards the fund. Once we have the land there will be a certain amount of trimming and cutting back of trees and hedges to be done both on the new land and in the graveyard itself. We also have to plant a new hedge on the western boundary. It would be good if we can set up working parties during January and February to do some of these jobs. If you are willing, able and have the time I would be pleased to hear from you so that we can get this work done.

Carol Service - Tues 21st December at 7 pm. A service of carols and reading taken by The Revd Canon Martin Smith (retired rector from Attleborough). The church will be decorated for Christmas and the candles lit and we extend a warm welcome to you all.

Sunday Services:

Sunday 12th December 8.30 am Holy communion to be taken by Rev. Jenny Cooper

Sunday 9th January 8.30 am Holy communion taken by Rev. Martin Smith

Sunday 30th January - 10.30 am United Benefice Holy Communion Rev. Martin Smith

We would be pleased to see you at any of these services. Best Wishes for a peaceful Christmas and a healthy 2011.

Churchwardens: Christine Minns 01508 488123 & Mr D. Long

Home Watch – The meeting on 8th October was not very well attended due to various other commitments. However, PCSO 8461 Daniel Shelley was present and enclosed with this edition is a letter from him, giving some of the advantages of a "Home Watch Scheme" and his intention to set up a further meeting. He does not mention insurance but I thought that living in an area covered by a Home Watch Scheme could reduce the premium on home insurance. If you want a scheme for Wreningham then get in touch with Daniel Shelley and hopefully enough volunteers with come forward to set this up.

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"Last Wednesday"

(for want of a better title)

There will be a new Coffee Morning every last Wcinesday in the month starting on 26th January at 8.50 am to 11.00 am in Wreningham Village Hall. The need for villagers to have a regular meeting place was highlighted by the Parish Plan, so please come along. There may even be homemade cake! (note for February only the meeting will not be on the last Wed. because the hall was already booked but will be on 16th Feb.)

Any further offers of help on a rota basis would be much appreciated (especially from some fella's) See you there. In the meantime have a very, very happy Christmas.

Irene Moore (01508 489635)

