

WRENINGHAM

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From The Editor

It is good that for this edition, I have been given a number of items for inclusion and I hope that you will all support the various organisations running events. It is so soul destroying to work hard to put on an event and then find that people do not attend. For details of the events coming up, read the rest of this edition and mark them in your diary.

The "Free Sale" is becoming a "regular" and the next one is on Sat. 18th June so start boxing up all the things you wish to de-clutter and be ready to bring them along. This is a good way of recycling your unwanted items. Set up 10.30 – 11.00, Free Sale 11.00 – 12.30. Refreshments will be available as we plan to make this a real community event.

Christine Minns 01508 488123

A TRIBUTE

In the early hours of Monday 9th May 2011, Wreningham lost a long standing, loyal supported of this village. During his life Dennis Arthur Long gave this village so very much in time, knowledge and other support. Most of you will know him as the person who planted "Long's Wood" which is enjoyed by many of you to-day. Some will remember him for his connection with the church as a churchwarden and a gifted musician who played the church organ.

A few of us will remember his great involvement with the village hall and the debt of gratitude we owe to him. In 1947 his uncle Mr Burton Bullimore Long gave to the village a piece of land to be used for a village hall. This led to the necessary fundraising events and activities to find the money to erect the hall. In those days most of the indoor events were held in the school including the annual children's "treat" (a Christmas party organised by the former Home Guard and their wives) together with a village pantomime. Mostly directed by Mr Long who also accompanied on the piano. In 1950 the idea of a village hall was sufficiently advanced to form a village hall committee and Mr Long became the treasurer, a post he held until 1977. He was one of the instigators in the purchase of the first village hall – by 1951 a nissen hut had been bought from the war time village on Hethel airfield which was being de-populated, and erected on the site in Mill Lane. It was connected to electricity in 1952 and in 1954 a new floor was fitted - the old sprung floor from the gymnasium at Hethel airbase. (The present stage timbers are part of that floor). In 1956 the "Home Guard" performed their last pantomime.

Mr Long continued in his post as treasurer and an active committee member throughout the life of the old village hall and the initial fundraising for the present building. The initial plans to replace the nissen-hut was agreed at the AGM in November 1976 and Mr Long continued as treasurer for a further year, retiring from the post in

1977. Although it is many years since he last served on the village hall management committee he has continued to support the hall and wider community. What we have to-day is mainly due to the hard work of those who volunteered in the past and we owe Dennis Long and many others like him an enormous debt of thanks.

WRENINGHAM SOCIAL CLUB

MEMBERSHIP – Adults £2.00 and juniors 50p (8 – 16's). .
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.

Beer Festival – week-end 8th to 10th July. Watch out for details of any events being run in conjunction with the festival and for the opening times over the week-end. The Beer Festival is open to the general public and non-members will be welcome.

Last Wednesday Coffee Morning

Wednesday 29th June and 27th July

In the main hall 10.30 am to 12.00 noon

Please note the new time. There is a small band of regular supporters who would welcome a few more friendly faces to have a chat too. Organised as part of the response to the parish plan, this is meant to be an opportunity for villagers to meet up and get to know each other. Do go along and join in.

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The parish council (WPC) met on 10th May. Minutes will be posted, in due course, on the Wreningham website (www.wreningham.org). Following the recent elections the WPC has been reformed and its membership is: Michael Hill, Sheldon Durant, Barry Jarvis, Donald Whiterod. The WPC extends its thanks and appreciation for the work undertaken by those councillors who have stepped down: Graham Crummett, Justin Grady and Anne Riches. Especial thanks go to Sheldon for his hard work and leadership as Chair over the last eight years, and for accepting the post of vice-chair.

WPC meetings are normally held on the second Tuesday of alternate months – i.e. January, March, May, July, September and November at 7.30 pm in the Margaret Preston room at the village hall, all are welcome to attend.

Wreningham Annual Parish Meeting - We are planning an Annual Parish Meeting on 12th July 2011 at 6.30 pm which will be followed by the WPC meeting. This meeting, chaired by the Parish Council, is an opportunity for all community groups in the village to present their objective and achievements to the parish as a whole. To help in the planning, would group leaders please contact me with details of their group and its aims and objectives?

Thank you. Michael Hill, Chair, Wreningham Parish Council
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GARDEN OPEN FOR
NATIONAL GARDEN SCHEME

THE CONIFERS
WYMONDHAM ROAD
WRENINGHAM NR16 1AT

Barry & Sue would like to thank everyone who visited their garden on 3rd & 10th April. We forwarded £888.00 to "The National Gardens Scheme" (NGS) and a further £202.20 to "Hearing Dogs For Deaf People" being the proceeds from the sale of refreshments on 10th April.

We have our garden open again on:

SUNDAY 26th JUNE

11.00 am – 5.00 pm

ADM: £3.50

Refreshments in aid of "Hearing dogs for deaf people"

Saturday 18th June, 8 pm to late

Strut your funky stuff to a 80's & 90's

D I S C O

RELIVE YOUR YOUTH

"Fancy Dress Encouraged"

Groove in your legwarmers & pose in your Mirrored Shades

Wreningham Village Hall

Tickets £5.00 in advance

From: Wreningham School Office or see

Michelle Peck, Kelly Woods

or Claire Cormack (01508 488007)

over 18's only – licensed bar.

Profits to Bramble Bears Playgroup

Charity Number: 1072656

WRENINGHAM ALL SAINTS CHURCH

Car park – Although this is not yet finished off, it is now useable thanks to the efforts of a small band of people who managed to open up and level off the gateway. A service of praise and dedication of the car park will be held on Sunday 26th June at 6.30 pm and a warm welcome would be extended to anybody who wishes to attend this celebration.

Throughout the summer it is planned to leave the church unlocked as often as possible on a Saturday and Sunday. However, if anybody ever wishes to visit the church when it is not open, there is always a key available at High Gables, Church Road and people are welcome to borrow it and let themselves in.

Services:

Sunday 29th May – Rogation Sunday when a group of people from the Benefice will visit each of the churches for a short prayer session.

Thursday 2nd June – Ascension Day service at 7 pm

Sunday 5th June - 8.30 am Holy Communion

Sunday 26th June – 6.30 pm Dedication of the car park.

Sunday 10th July – 8.30 am Holy communion

Churchwarden: Christine Minns 01508 488123

Ashwren Players

Following the February pantomime, a cheque for £211.00 has been sent to the N & N Hospital Cardiac Dept for their "Sparks4Hearts" appeal. This was the money raised from the raffle. A donation of £50.00 was given to Mulbarton First School in appreciation of the use of their staging.

Plans are in progress for the 2012 pantomime scheduled for February half-term week. Anybody wishing to become a member of the Ashwren Players would be welcomed. We need performers, help back stage, set and scenery building, publicity etc... etc.... The next meeting will be the AGM early in June. Contact Christine on 488123 or Val on 488231.

TABLE TOP SALE

Saturday 4th June

Some tables still available £5.00

From Christine on 488123

Open to customers 10.30 am – 12 noon

An opportunity to find a bargain as one mans' rubbish is another mans' treasure.

Refreshments and tombola in aid of church funds

WHAT'S ON

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. 8.15 pm onwards.

Saturday 11th June – “The Strollers”

Saturday 9th July – “Mervyn & the Starbeats”

Flower Club - Thursday 28th July

Visitors welcome - For details contact Sue Rudd - 489526

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

Line Dance Social –

Friday 17th June CD's plus live music from “Stubby”

Friday 15th July CD's plus live music

Doors open 7.30 pm for 8 – 11.30. tickets from 01508 578071
£7.00 in advance (£8.00 on the door)

Dumplin' Country

Sunday 26th June – with Julie Dawn

Sunday 31st July – with Darren Busby

Doors open 1 pm, music 2 pm – 5 pm

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

Free Sale – Sat. 18th June. 11.00 to 12.30 – further information is available from Val on 10508 488231