

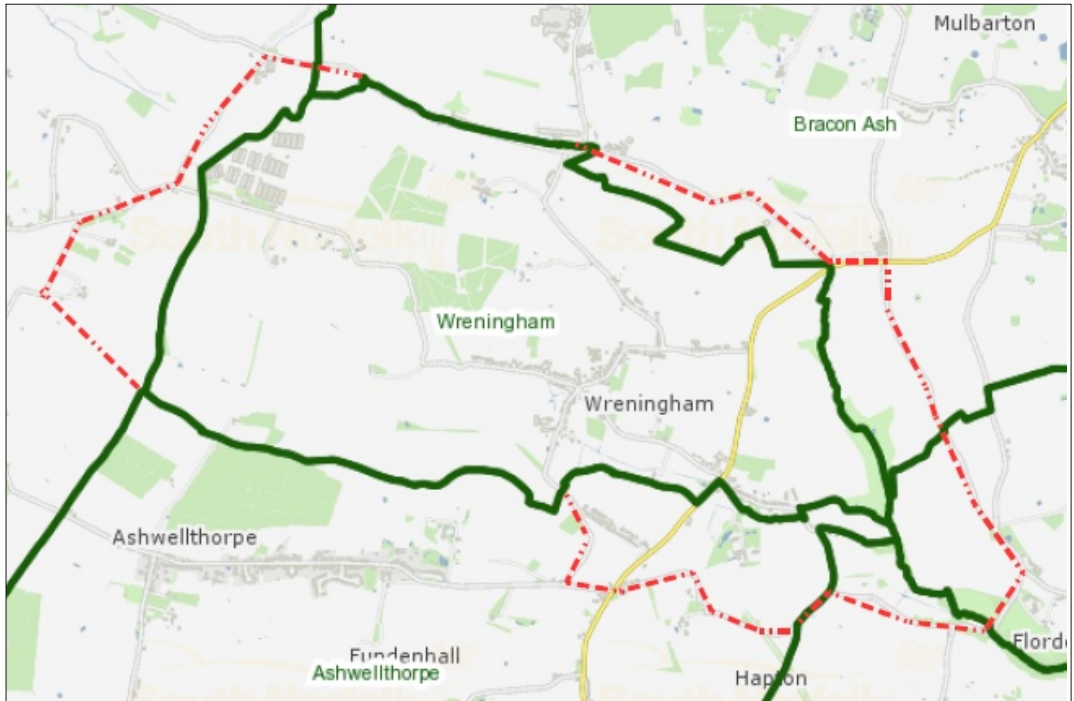
# WRENINGHAM MARDLE

A Bi-monthly Newsletter for the Local Community  
(Produced by the Wreningham Village Hall Committee)

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Where would you draw the boundary? South Norfolk's Governance Review may draw alternative boundaries by 2018. Have your say, see SNC's website for details. Tell your Parish Council what you think!



## Village Hall

The Village Hall Committee AGM had an excellent turn out and saw a new Committee voted in. The members of the old Committee between them have put in many years of service, keeping the Hall in a fit and ready state for everyone who uses it. So our thanks go to Christine Minns, Val Keel, Peter Williams and Paolo Dalmazzo who all stepped down as the new members took up the task. Christine has devoted many years to ensuring the Hall remained a viable and useful facility for the village. Her dedication knows no equal. Christine's community service has been unstinting and she deserves our thanks.

The new team takes responsibility for all events as well as ensuring that the Hall is properly maintained. A significant amount of work is required to merge the operations of the two original committees into one and this is ongoing. Our meetings will be open to allow villagers to attend and hear what is being discussed and to provide their point of view.

The bar will be known as "The Witch & Wren" and we are holding a competition to design a logo for our PR material and a sign for the outside wall of the Hall. Contact the committee for details about the competition.

On **Sunday 30th April** we will gather at 2pm at the Hall for our second annual Village Litter Pick. Last year we were lucky enough to win £200 in the South Norfolk Council Draw. We also cleared an awful lot of litter from the roads and kerbsides. Come along and help keep your village tidy. Refreshments will be available.

Don't forget that you can hire the Hall, the bar and its various facilities. The rates are very reasonable, whether by the hour or by the day. Catering can be arranged if needed. Lots more information is available on the Village Website, including pictures of some events held in the Hall.

Michael Hill, Chairman

# Wreningham Parish Council

Clerk: Anne Rayner

01508 570700 / clerk.wpc@gmail.com

The Parish Council always welcomes the public to our meetings and if you volunteer to become a Councillor you can work to reflect the community's interests. The Clerk and I would be pleased to hear from you.

Now that Spring is here and everything is showing signs of growing, please manage your hedges and roadsides to avoid obstructing pedestrians, cyclists and vehicles.

You will have noticed that trees in and around Parish land have been attended to following one of the regular reviews of Parish safety. A number of trees were found to be in poor health, whilst others needed pruning to keep them from becoming a problem.

**8th April from 9 am.** Bring yourselves plus your tools and help Spring Clean the Playing Field - clean the equipment, flatten molehills, fill in rabbit holes, paint the bench and tidy up around the field. Contact Jon and Hughie for details via the Clerk.

Well done to Lauren Day. Lauren is an Accounting Gold Medallist, who after 5 years of training and exams, has come top out of 500 accountants from across the world. See the web page: [www.larking-gowen.co.uk/news/article/id/368](http://www.larking-gowen.co.uk/news/article/id/368).

Our next meeting is the Annual Parish Meeting on 9th May at 7 p.m. which will then be followed by a short Parish Council Meeting, both are in the Margaret Preston Room at the Village Hall. The APM is your chance to raise issues and talk to fellow parishioners and those who run groups within the village.

Michael Hill, Chair

## **Wreningham All Saints Church**

Wreningham Church is usually unlocked each day between about 9 am and 4 pm and available for anybody to visit. We hold a service at 9.30 am on the first Sunday of each month, this is usually a Holy Communion service and anybody is welcome to join us. You will see details of the Good Friday Vigil in the Easter Card and people are welcome to come for part of that time, as it will be broken into 30 minute blocks so you can come in or out on the half-hour or hour.

If you enjoy a quiz, do book a table and come and join us on Friday 21st April – details are elsewhere in this magazine. As are the details of the Benefice Plant and Cake stalls on 20th May.

### **Concern for the Church building**

Last summer I reported that there was concern about the condition of areas of the roof, and on a recent visit by the architect he also expressed concern about the plaster falling off the walls and the need to investigate the cause of the damp which he thinks is creating this problem.

If we are going to preserve this historic building for the village, I need help from people interested in the building for the buildings sake as opposed to a Christian place of worship. There is going to be a need to fund raise, research grants and obtain donations, along with some possible opportunity for self-help with the investigation into the damp.

If you are interested in keeping this church for the parish, please come to a meeting to see for yourself the problem and join in the discussion on what can be done on Tuesday 18th April at 7.00pm at the Church.

Christine Minns  
Churchwarden  
01508 488123



We successfully applied for a National Lottery grant to develop our library and we have used the funds to update all the books. We now open the library to pre-school children each Wednesday from 8.50 to 10 a.m. This has been hugely successful with our Wren Tots!

The school choir is busy rehearsing for the annual CASMA (Central Area Schools' Music Association) concert in which the children sing alongside eight other schools at Epic Studios in Norwich.

Class 3 are on their residential trip to How Hill, The Environmental Study Centre on the Norfolk Broads, in the last week of term and the trip includes dyke dipping, a nature trail, clay model making and orienteering.

Finally, in the last days of the Spring Term, we have an Easter service at All Saints Church and our annual egg drop challenge, which is always cracking!

Rob Jones, Headmaster

### **Plant stall**

Saturday 20th May 2017

10 am to 12 noon

Wreningham All Saints Church,

Church Road, Wreningham, NR16 1BH

For those wanting to stock up the garden there is likely to be a good selection of annual and perennial plants together with bedding plants.

There will also be a homemade cake stall.

In aid of Upper Tas Valley Benefice expenses.

## WHAT'S ON?

DANCE TO LIVE BANDS  
PUT YOUR DANCING SHOES ON AND COME AND JOIN US

### 50'S & 60's CLASSICS

Have a jive, or simply come and listen to the bands!

Saturday 29th April - "H-Definition"

8.15 pm Onwards

Admission £7

(Proceeds in aid of charity)

### STARFIGHTER ROCK 'N' ROLL CLUB

Saturday 22nd April

Saturday 27th May

For details of bands contact Roland on 01603 812637

### DUMPLIN' COUNTRY

Monday 17th April - "Brian's Country"

Doors open 1 pm; Music 1.30 pm – 4.45 pm

£6.00 on the door

Hot Drinks / Bar / Raffle

For details contact Jesse on 07880995199

Monday 1st May - "Dave Drain Band"

Charity Dance in aid of Addenbrooks Charity Trust

Doors open 1 pm for 2 pm start

Admission £6.00

For details contact Teresa on 01603 433918

## WHAT'S ON?

### **Last Wednesday Coffee Morning**

26th April & 31st May

10am to 11.45am in the Margaret Preston Room

Come and meet your neighbours, old and new.

Have a chat over a coffee & a bacon roll.



ALL WELCOME



### **ZUMBA**

Monday evening 6.30 – 7.30

Wednesday evening 6.15 - 7.15

In the Village Hall

£5 (Pay As You Go)

### **Flower Club**

Thurs 27th April - "Butterfly Effects" demonstrator Pat Barton

Thurs 25th May – "Memories" demonstrator Jean Crane

Doors open 1.30 pm. visitors welcome.

For details contact Tricia Moore on 01508 570189

### **"Quiz & Supper"**

Friday 21st April – 7.15 for 7.30

Wreningham Village Hall

£6.00 to include a light supper

Come as a team of up to 6 people or turn up and join a team  
on the night.

To book and confirm supper numbers

Contact: Christine on 01508 488123

In aid of Ashwellthorpe and Wreningham church expenses

## OUT AND ABOUT

### **Bramble Bears Playgroup**

Bramble Bears is a sessional, term time only pre-school for 2 - 5 year old running on Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays from Ashwellthorpe Village Hall. For more information or to book a visit please call 07847225093 or email [bbsupervisor01@gmail.com](mailto:bbsupervisor01@gmail.com)

### **Spratts Coaches**

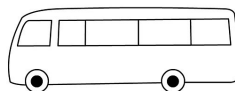
#### ***April***

Wednesday 12th Bury St Edmunds Market day £15  
Monday 24th Mystery Tour with lunch £32.50

#### ***May***

Tuesday 9th Sheringham Animal Sanctuary £21  
Monday 22nd Mystery Tour £32.50

<http://www.sprattscoaches.co.uk>  
01508 489262  
[enquiries@sprattscoaches.co.uk](mailto:enquiries@sprattscoaches.co.uk)



wikiHow

### **We need your glass bottles, jars, etc.!**

The bottle bank on the Village Hall car park is your re-cycling project. The money from the recycled glass is a very useful source of income for Village Hall funds. So, you have an immediate and local alternative for your redundant glass. Thank you for your past and continued support.



## Competition - Design our sign

Our bar has a new name, "Witch & Wren", and we need a sign for the Hall wall. We invite you to submit your designs and win a 12 month loyalty card which gives you a discount on all beers and spirits.

The competition is open to all. Please send your designs to Bill Bilham, by post to Norfolk Cottage, Wymondham Road NR16 1AT, or by e-mail to [bil.billham@gmail.com](mailto:bil.billham@gmail.com)

### Village Hall - Dates for your diary

#### 2017

Friday 21 April – Curry Night (MP Room)

Sunday 30th April - Litter Pick

Friday 26th May - Quiz & Chips

Thursday 13 to Sunday 16 July – Beer Festival

Saturday 4 November – Fireworks

Thursday 7 Dec – Christmas Fair, some stalls already confirmed.

Friday 15 December - Christmas party/dinner (Main Hall)

#### 2018

30 March - 1 April - Wreningham Art Exhibition

## WITCH & WREN BAR

### *Normal opening hours*

Thursday 8 to 11

Friday 8 to 11



### *Extra opening times*

#### **APRIL**

Sat 8th 7 to 11

Mon 17th 1 to 4

Sat 22nd 8 to 11

Sat 29th 8 to 11

Sun 30th 12 to 5

#### **MAY**

Mon 1st 1 to 4

Sun 21st 12 to 5

Sat 27st 8 to 11



## **Patrick Maidment**

The funeral of Patrick Maidment was held on 17th March at 3pm at All Saints, Wreningham.

Patrick and Jill Maidment came to Wreningham in 1986 where they brought up their 3 children and became full members of the community. Patrick was active in the Wreningham Social Club, enjoyed the Ceilidhs that were held in the Village Hall and on a number occasions brought his Morris Dancers to the village to entertain. His interest in flags was responsible for the idea of flying a flag from Wreningham church tower and he supplied these himself, changing them to fit the occasion. He was also one of the first members of the bell ringing group which was started up a few years ago and he had the idea of ringing on Christmas morning regardless of there being a Church service or not. He enjoyed open water swimming, was a coastal life guard and an enthusiastic observer of the stars and night sky.

A popular man, who was honoured by over 150 mourners at his funeral; friends from his different hobbies and interests, as well as local friends.

### **LAST DAY FOR COPY**

For the June/July edition - Thursday 11th May. Copy to Christine Minns, High Gables, Church Road or [c.j.minns@btinternet.com](mailto:c.j.minns@btinternet.com)

## Classifieds

### **Lost Control of your Plot?**

Contact Trevor, your local Green Gardener  
On 01508 489253 or [tdw2106@gmail.com](mailto:tdw2106@gmail.com)

### **Sarah's Creative Cakes of Fundenhall**

Celebration cakes with a homemade touch  
07967 931754  
[www.sarahcakesoffundenhall.co.uk](http://www.sarahcakesoffundenhall.co.uk)

### **REEDER TIMBER**

Supplier: Firewood, Tree Surgery, Fencing  
01508 488452

### **Little Wren's Cakes**

Bespoke cakes, cupcakes, biscuits and sweet treat gifts  
Based in Wreningham  
Contact Emma on 01508489058  
or LIKE me on facebook  
[www.facebook.com/littlewrenscakes](http://www.facebook.com/littlewrenscakes).

### **DOMESTIC AL**

Electrical Appliance Repair  
(From washing machines to Dyson vacuums)  
01508 481919 or 07856 966566

### **NEIL PRIOR Plumbing and Heating**

For all your plumbing and heating requirements, full  
bathroom installations, established 20 years.  
01508 489359/07713352494

### **YOGA**

Ashwellthorpe Village Hall. Tuesdays 6 – 7.30pm (term time),  
£7.00 per class. Email: [wildfish1@btinternet.com](mailto:wildfish1@btinternet.com)  
Tel: 07902079862



CALENDAR  
DATES

FIRST FRIDAY

SECOND FRIDAY



family  
night

OPEN EARLY: from 6.30PM

Fish & Chips  
Friday

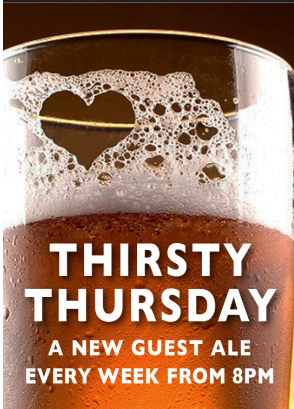


SERVING FROM  
5.30PM - 8PM

EAT IN or TAKE HOME

EVERY THURSDAY

SPECIAL EVENTS



COME  
AND  
LOVE  
A BEER

THIRSTY  
THURSDAY

A NEW GUEST ALE  
EVERY WEEK FROM 8PM



Keep an eye on our blog  
& social media feeds for  
details of our special events:

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