# Mardle



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#### April - May 2019

#### Village Hall

Greetings from the Village Hall Committee. We hope you are enjoying the first days of Spring.

Our pie night last month was again a great success, and we are looking forward to our wine tasting event on the 29<sup>th</sup> March. This evening is being professionally hosted for us by a highly regarded local wine merchant. It will include a range of wines from around the globe and it is a great opportunity to both enjoy the wine and also understand a little more around how they have been produced.

Our aim is to be at the centre of all the things we do as a village, and to this end we are also undertaking a village tidy-up in April. This is now something we have done for the last four years. It does not take a great deal of time, but it does make a difference to how the village looks and it is quite a social occasion. Volunteers get a free drink and we also provide sandwiches.

A reminder that the safari supper is being revived this year after a short break. This is a really good way of getting to know your neighbours better and is highly recommended.

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http://www.wreningham.org.uk/wreningham-village-hall/minutes-agenda-hall-committee

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Wreningham Village Hall

Charity No. 284991

Ian Holloway, Chairman

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#### **Wreningham Parish Council**

Clerk: Anne Rayner 01508 570700 / clerk.wpc@gmail.com

On 2 May 2019, the local elections take place. Voters have the opportunity to vote for their District Councillor and for their Parish Councillors. Naturally being able to vote will depend on you being registered to vote. Those who are registered will be receiving their voting cards for South Norfolk Council (SNC) about now. If you have not seen one then do contact SNC to check on your voting registration. Wreningham has its voting station within the Village Hall.

The Parish Council has seven councillor places; you can register to be a councillor using the forms available on SNC's website. If more than seven applications are received by SNC, it will arrange for the voting procedure to include our Parish Council, otherwise those names will be elected unopposed.

The Annual Parish meeting will precede the Parish Council meeting on the 14 May. The former is an opportunity to discuss parish happenings; the latter will be the first meeting of the newly elected council.

The SNC Planning Committee approved the 2018/1658 application by 6 votes to 3. A number of parishioners consider that this decision is flawed and are establishing a group to seek a Judicial Review. The initial step is to obtain a barrister's opinion regarding the grounds for the JR and the potential for success. Once this has been received the group will decide on the approach they wish to take. If you want details, or to contact the group, please speak the Clerk who will pass your name on.

The Mobile Library's schedule is changing slightly from 2 April. It will return every 4 weeks to visit Stevens Lane in Top Row from 16.15 to 15.35 and then move onto the Village Hall in Mill Lane from 16.45 to 17.15.

Michael Hill, Chair

# Wreningham Village Hall Sunday Carvery

#### First Sunday of the Month 12.30 to 2.30pm

Next: 7<sup>th</sup> April and 5<sup>th</sup> May Bar open 11am to 4pm

Advanced booking is advised Leave your details at The Witch & Wren bar, or email us at: witchandwren@gmail.com

#### Carvery Roast beef, pork or gammon

Pork stuffing ball, Yorkshire Pudding

Cauliflower cheese, Roast & new potatoes and other vegetables

£8.95 - Large Carvery -5 slices of meat

£7.95 - Standard Carvery - 3 slices

£4.50 - Children (under 10) - 2 slices



#### Dessert

Apple pie topped with flaked almonds with custard *or* cream Chocolate cheesecake with ice cream *or* cream Chocolate *or* strawberry ice cream sundae

£2 - Dessert

#### The Mobile Library

Note: now **Mobile Library in** on Tuesdays Wreningham: Tuesdays 2<sup>nd</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> April plus 28<sup>th</sup> May at Stevens Lane (4pm) and the Village Hall (4.25pm)



#### **Wreningham Heritage Group**

Our March meeting was an interesting one in which we were able to view on screen the interim results of some sterling work by David Kirk and Graham Crummett, drawing together parish baptismal and marriage records from the beginning of the 1700's onwards. We are starting to identify family histories and seeing some really interesting social trends in the village.

We also had a look at the possible location of the Admiralty Telegraph station constructed in Wreningham in 1807. was part of a national communications network set up to pass information between London and a Royal Navy base at Great Yarmouth in the time of the Napoleonic Wars.

We have now been able to purchase recording equipment to start on our oral history project and a sub-group will be meeting to progress this.

Information and old photos have been coming in and we will be attempting to identify the subjects by conferring with villagers. There is lots going on and we would be pleased to see anyone who is interested at our next meeting on 17<sup>th</sup> April.

Jean Lambourne

#### In Business, in Wreningham

an occasional series on Wreningham people

Before starting my career in domestic appliance repairs, I was a Digital Cartographer for an offshore company. However, I started my working life as a trainee electrician - where I was given the nickname 'Electric-Al'. I'd like to think it was for my electrifying personality, but I think someone shouted out 'turn on the electric Al'! After my cartography days, I returned to my practical side and took my Electrical and Electronic Engineering, Electrical Installation and later my Plumbing qualifications.

These qualifications led me down an interesting career path, fixing a host of machinery in the commercial food and drink industry, before becoming a Dyson engineer, which is where I learnt my basics in domestic appliances.

From Dyson, I went on to fix everything else in the domestic appliance industry and eventually started my own business with the aim of becoming a local trusted and reliable tradesperson. I was going to call myself 'Electric-Al Appliance Repairs' after my initial nickname, but I settled on Domestic.Al (I didn't want my company's initials to be EAR)!

Anyway, I now know many of you. I hope all of you might find me useful.

#### Alan Miller

Domestic.Al Appliance Repairs (Est 2010). See my Ad at the end of the Mardle.

Last day for copy for the June / July 2019 Mardle is Monday **22**<sup>nd</sup> **May**. Send to: Christine Minns High Gables, Church Road or c.j.minns@btinternet.com



Wreningham \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\* \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\* **Flower Club** \*\*\*\*\*\*\* Village Hall - Indoor meetings, Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> April- demonstrator: Ann Colby **Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> May** - demonstrating "That's Entertainment" by Mrs J Aldous Doors open 1.15 for 1.45pm start Visitors always welcome £5.00 includes tea and biscuits 米 All details from Sue Sayers 米 01508 489654 sue.sayers@yahoo.co.uk 米 米 \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*

#### **Recycling News**



You can now recycle pet food pouches and packaging, biscuit and cake wrappers, crisp and snack packets and baby food packaging at Wreningham's drop box. See the flyer in this Mardle for further information – keep it handy.

All revenue generated will go to PACT Animal Sanctuary. Just drop your items off at Atherstone House, Wymondham Road in the bin provided.

Any gueries? Interested in joining a village 'Green' Team?

Call Val on 01508 488231 or email val@valkeel.co.uk

#### Have a go at ....

#### **Scrapbooking and Easter Card Making**

Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> April, 7.30 pm Wreningham Village Hall

Tickets £7 (children £3) to book contact Lydia on 01953 788227

You need to bring a 6" x 4" photo, small pair of scissors, colouring pencils and bag to take everything home

Raffle - in aid of Comic Relief

# Wreningham Heritage Group

We're getting underway with our investigations and uncovering things which might surprise you:

personal recollections - old village movies photos - maps - documents

Come and see for yourself.

Join the team.

Next Meetings: Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> April

Wednesday 29th May

7.30pm, Margaret Preston Room in the Village Hall

We'll see you there

Wreningham All Saints Church

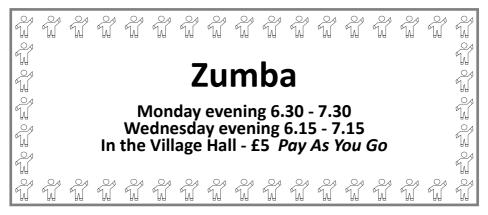
On the repairs to the building front we are still waiting for the roofing contractor to provide a quote so I have nothing further to report to date. Please support the Quiz on 26<sup>th</sup> April advertised elsewhere – half the proceeds from this will go towards the roof repairs.

For those of you who do attend services at Wreningham church can you please note that as from April the service on the 1st Sunday of the month is now at 8.30 am and there is an additional one at 2.30 pm on 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday. We are hoping that people who have to attend to sick family members, ferry children to sports activates or cook a Sunday roast might find an afternoon service more convenient. Initially this will be a Holy Communion service but can be altered to suit the people who attend. Everybody is always welcome at any of the services within the Benefice including young children and babies.

We will again be having our mammoth plant sale on 11<sup>th</sup> May. Details elsewhere and for those who have never been to one we do usually have a massive amount of plants of all kinds.

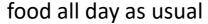
On behalf of all the church we wish you a peaceful Easter.

Christine Minns, Churchwarden





#### **Bird in Hand**





Don't forget: Open for Breakfast every day

#### The Newton Flotman Flower Arranging Club

The "Flower Club" – as it's usually known, has been running for approximately 60 years. Starting life life in Newton Flotman, Wreningham Village Hall is now "home".

Our main aim is to demonstrate the artistry of arranging flowers by qualified teachers. Of course, it also enables a group of people with a common interest to socialise - on the fourth Thursday of (nearly) every month.

As you might expect, we include workshop sessions, led by demonstrators, to learn both basic techniques and the more advanced skills of flower arranging – giving us all an opportunity to show off!

Each year we include an outing; in 2018 this was to Sandringham Flower Show - a great success on a very sunny July day. This year we go to Henstead Exotic Gardens, near Beccles, which will include a short talk with refreshments followed by Southwold for the afternoon.

Do come and meet us. We're are a friendly group - from both Wreningham and the surrounding villages.

For further information: sue.sayers@yahoo.co.uk or tel 01508 489654

Sue Sayers

#### Wreningham School

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This term school different particular and the This term the curriculum topic is Take One Picture and the entire school had a day at Norwich Castle. Each class chose a different picture to research in the castle's art gallery. One particular famous painting studied was The Paston Treasure and the children enjoyed finding out about this mysterious, colourful painting.

The school continues to be successful in sport - on Wednesday the 30th of January, 19 pupils from Class 4 went to the South Athletics semi-finals at Framlingham Earl School, competing in six different, challenging events including; standing vertical jump, standing long jump, standing triple jump, speed bounce, chest push and javelin. All the pupils came back to school with a gold medal round their necks!

The term is racing towards Easter and before long we will be holding our annual 'egg-drop' challenge and holding an Easter service at Wreningham All Saints!



#### Sunday 14th April - Village Tidy Up

We need volunteers to help us with our annual village tidy up. It's a friendly social occasion, too. On the day, please gather at the Village Hall at 10am - and it's back to the bar afterwards for a complimentary drink and a filled roll for all the helpers.

Bags will be provided, but please bring your own gloves.

The bar will be open until 2pm.

#### DANCE TO LIVE BANDS

# PUT YOUR DANCING SHOES ON AND COME AND JOIN US



#### 60's dance

Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> April: dancing to "Style"

Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> May: dancing to "Tobacco Road"

8.30pm - 11.45pm £7.50 on the door Further details from: Shirley 07951 864295

#### **DUMPLIN' COUNTRY**

22<sup>nd</sup> April (Easter Monday): **"Longshot"** 27<sup>th</sup> May (Bank Holiday): **"Jeff Gallant Duo"** Doors open 1pm; Music 1.30pm - 5pm

£6.00 on the door

Hot Drinks / Bar / Raffle

Further details from: Jesse on 07880 995199

## **Quiz & Supper**

Friday 26th 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

Raffle Licensed Bar

In aid of Ashwellthorpe and Wreningham church expenses

### **Last Coffee Morning**



... last Wednesday of every month 24<sup>th</sup> April and 22<sup>nd</sup> May



10am to 11.45am in the main part of the Village Hall

Come and meet your neighbours, old and new Have a chat over a coffee and biscuit

- ALL WELCOME -

#### **After Chris Marvin**

I only knew Chris for about two to three years before his sudden death, in December. He could be a challenging character, but seeing past his hard, ex-soldier exterior, I was sad to see he had got into a state of poor health.

I became more involved with Chris whilst working alongside Michael Hill who tirelessly negotiated with Saffron Homes to make repairs and improvements at Chris's house in Mill Lane. Chris loved it if someone called in for a chat or just to check if he was OK. He had even taken to having a monthly carvery delivered home.

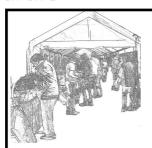
I last saw Chris a couple of days before he died. Apart from mentioning he might ring the doctors, he gave no indication of the distress that was to bring his sudden demise.

The bigger picture to this story is that we're probably all guilty of walking past a house in our village without thinking of the occupant's safety – especially for older residents. It's not a case of the nosey neighbour, more of a caring neighbour. We should do our best to lend a hand.

**Hughie Glaves** 

#### **Bramble Bears Playgroup**

Bramble Bears is a sessional, term-time only pre-school for 2-5 yearolds running on Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays from Ashwellthorpe Village Hall. For more information or to book a visit: call **07847 225093** or email **bbsupervisor01@gmail.com** 



#### **Plant Sale**

Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> May 10am to noon

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

Tools and Garden Sundries

Homemade Cakes Refreshments

Wreningham All Saints Church, Church Road, Wreningham, NR16 1BH

In aid of Upper Tas Valley Benefice expenses

#### **Lost Control of Your Plot?**

Contact Trevor, your local Green Gardener On 01508 489253 or tdw2106@gmail.com

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

Celebration cakes with a homemade touch 07967 931754 www.sarahcakesoffundenhall.co.uk

Classifieds

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

For all your plumbing and heating requirements, full bathroom installations, established 20 years. 01508 489359 / 07713 352494

#### THREE SIXTY PROPERTY SERVICES

For all round home Improvements and maintenance Contact Chris Peachment on 01508 488275 or 07786 886351 Email: peachment360@gmail.com

Would you like to advertise in this space? If so, please contact Christine Minns at c.j.minns@btintermet.com

#### **DOMESTIC AL**

Cookers; Dishwashers; Fridges/Freezers; Tumble Driers; Washing Machines. Electrical and Plumbing repairs too. 01508 4819190 or 07856 966566 http://www.domestic-al.co.uk

#### **YOGA**

Ashwellthorpe Village Hall. Tuesdays 6 - 7.15pm (term time) £7.00 per class

Email: wildfish1@btinternet.com; Tel: 07902 079862



# at Wreningham Village Hall

Open to all No membership .... just come by and say hello

Every Thursday & Friday - Open from 8pm to 11pm

First Friday, every month - Family night open from 6.30pm

Second Friday, each month - Fish & Chip Night: Van serving from 5.30 - 8pm

#### - Upcoming Events -

If you have any suggestions about events you'd like us to do, please let us know.

Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> April - Village Tidy Up. See earlier in Mardle for details.

Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> May - Safari Supper. There are some spaces still available.

Please contact Nicky Day if you would like to join in with this event and for any further information:

day.nicki@btinternet.com

Thursday 4th to Sunday 7th July

- Plans for our summer **Beer Festival** are underway. On Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> July there will be live music and, over the course of the weekend, various food events to accompany the beer! Look out for full details in the next Mardle.

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