

Mardle



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Wreningham

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Village Hall

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Well, what a Summer we've had. First it was HM Queen Elizabeth's Platinum Jubilee and that wonderful extended weekend of celebration and then, the tragic news of her death earlier this month. As I write, the memory of the funeral on Monday remains with me and it'll take some time to stop seeing the procession or hearing the music as she made her way through the streets of London. I'm sure we all have our personal thoughts remembering family members who played a large part in our lives and who are no longer with us.

After weeks of unprecedented hot & dry weather, it's starting to feel Autumnal. Those crisp mornings, warm & sunny daytimes and colder, darker evenings that tell us Winter is on the way (sorry). The Village Hall calendar's starting to fill up with parties and other events as we move towards Christmas. So, if you want to secure a booking, you'll need to move quickly. Not only do we have private hires, but we have all sorts of fun events coming up.

Many of the events are there for anyone and everyone to share. Events such as **60s Dances, Tea Dances, Swing, Rock & Roll and Charity dances** – all are there for anyone. How about giving them a go? You'll see further details later on in this issue.

You'll see from the poster later that the 3 forthcoming 60s Dances are all sold out but don't despair, there is a cancellation list for returns so please check your diaries and call Shirley Aldous on 01508 489606/07951864295 to get on that list.

Tickets for the **60s Christmas Party Dance** are selling well too with over half already taken so, if you fancy a Christmas dance, you need to get moving (pun intended)!

In case you receive this Mardle in time, don't forget, September is the month of **MacMillan Coffee Mornings** and we'll be having our own on **Wednesday 28th September**. It's always well attended with wonderful amounts raised through your generous donations so please join in. If, however, the Mardle arrives too late for you to attend, I'm sure Jean and her team will pass on any donations.

In addition to our regular **Zumba** classes, we now have **table tennis** from 8-9.30pm every Wednesday. Details in the centre section. There are also details of Christmas wreath making and film nights so lots to do in those dark evenings.

Thinking ahead, we will be holding a **Barn Dance** on Saturday 12th November from 7.30 – 11pm. Tickets (£7.50 per head) will be available soon; speak to David on 01508 486628.

Don't forget the hall is there for you to hire whether that be a party, celebration, exhibition, show, quiz or exercise. Just call **01508 488231** to check if it's available.

I'd like to give my personal thanks to Jill who is stepping down from the Committee after many years. She has been a fantastic, valuable Booking Secretary and Committee member and her tireless efforts to ensure your event goes without a hitch were second to none. She will be a hard act to follow!

VOLUNTEERS

General

We're a small committee and there is lots to do. For us to be able to deliver the service we all would like to deliver or receive, we need more people.

This could be either as a committee member, a trustee or as a volunteer. If you think you have **any** skills to offer or just have a general interest, we really want to hear from you. The more people who come forward, the easier it will be to deliver events and services.

Please speak to any committee members or contact me for a chat.

Val - val@valkeel.co.uk 01508 488231

Bar staff

It's great when you see children grow up in the village and progress to become successful adults. Emma and Charlie are now moving on in their chosen careers which sadly means it will affect their availability to serve behind the Witch & Wren bar. We're thrilled for them, thank them for their hard work and will look forward to the few shifts they will be able to give us; however, it means we will be massively understaffed.

If you feel you can offer your services behind the bar, either as an occasional volunteer or as a regular staff member, we really want to hear from you. Full training will be given for those of you with no experience and there will be opportunities to develop your talents.

If you're interested, please contact John Knight: 07961 705154.

Christmas

One of the highlights of our preparation for Christmas is the lighting of the **village tree** on the Reading Room. For the past few years this has been organised by Jean Lambourne and Jill Hustler. However, they are stepping down this year. If you feel you can take on this true community activity, please get in touch with either Jill (481823) or Jean (481947) and they'll pass on everything you need to make it yet another Christmas to remember. Please see Jean's article later in this issue.

AGM

The **Village Hall Annual General Meeting** will be held on **Tuesday 1st November at 7.00 pm** in the Witch & Wren Bar. Come along to hear what has been happening this year, there will be an opportunity to ask questions and please, seriously consider if you could join the committee. A number of committee members are standing down so please consider standing. Without sufficient committee members the hall may close.

Art in Wreningham

We've missed having our annual art exhibition in the Hall but thrilled that Pat Tinsley will be taking part in Norfolk Open Studios 2022 in September and October. Please check out her notification later in this issue for dates and times of opening.

Val Keel, Chairman

All Saints, Wreningham

Firstly, I would like to thank those who have helped to keep the churchyard tidy over the summer. Due to the drought, it has not been the task we usually experience. I would like to thank Julian Vincent-Bunn for again cutting all the hedges – it makes such a difference to know we can rely on him rather than having to get out the shears. I am grateful to those people who have come forward to join the flower rota and to the people who regularly clean the church. Trying to keep ahead of the spiders has been a problem this year!!

We have had a visit from members of the DAC (Diocesan Advisory Committee – who are responsible for allowing repairs and alterations to churches). Their visit was to see the sorry state of the floor under the choir seats and advise us on how we can go about removing these seats and creating an open space in the Chancel. The next job is to cost the project and then make formal application for removal of the seating (in this area only) and the wooden floor then replacing the flooring to match the rest of in that area.

We hope to have a **“Table Top”** sale in aid of Wreningham church fabric at the Plant Sale on **15th October** – please support it if you can.

Don't forget our very popular quiz night on **Friday 14th October**. Come as a team or on your own and join one. It's always an evening of fun whilst testing your grey cells.

See the adverts for both these events later in this issue.

On **Thursday 10th November** one of the classes (possible Year 2), will be joining our regular Thursday morning congregation and hopefully other friends of the church, at Wreningham church for a 10 a.m. Morning Worship Service. This service will take the form of a regular Morning Prayer type service and is open to everybody and anybody. Refreshments will be available afterwards as is traditional with many of our church services.

For details of other services see the notice board in the church porch. Christine Minns (and on behalf of Christine Bilham)-churchwardens

Wreningham Fuel Trust

The Trust Deed sets out that “The income from Wreningham Fuel Trust has to be given to provide fuel for the poor persons of the parish of Wreningham”. This means that the charity income is available to anybody living in the parish who is in need and the application may be made by the needy person or anybody who wishes to nominate a person to receive help towards their fuel bills. All applications are treated as confidential and only the clerk and Trustees are aware of the people considered for help.

This could be the year when the funds held by the Trust are most needed. PLEASE feel free to apply if you or somebody you know are struggling to provide food and warmth for yourself or your family. The next Trustees meeting is on **Tues 22nd November** but after that you do not have to wait for a given date when the Trustees meet. The clerk can deal with any applications when they come in and you should have an answer within weeks of applying so do not hesitate to apply with name and address of applicant or nominated person to the clerk: Christine Minns, High Gables, Church Road, Wreningham, NR16 1BH (Tel: 01508 488123).

If you need any further explanation or details do contact me by phone.

“Quiz Evening” WRENINGHAM VILLAGE HALL

Friday 14th October 7.15 p.m. for 7.30 p.m.

Entry £6.00 per person

Come as a team of up to 6 people, or individually and we will team you up. Please book in advance as this event has proved popular in the past and we would not want to turn anybody away at the door.

Bring your own food (but not drink)

To book call Christine on 01508 488123

Raffle

Licensed Bar

In aid of Ashwellthorpe and Wreningham church expenses

With an indication of hard times ahead, do you know who to contact or recommend to anybody who you know is suffering?

These are 2 contacts we know of:

Christians Against Poverty – for budgeting help – (you do not have to be a church member to ask for help) 0800 328 0006

Citizens Advice Bureau – for advice & foodbank vouchers 0800 144 8848

Further information

For those with vouchers, the nearest Foodbank is at Wymondham Baptist Church which is open on Friday 11am – 12 noon (vouchers can be obtained from CAB, doctors, health visitors, social workers) – if you have a problem getting to Wymondham call the church contact below.

To Support the Foodbank - There is a collection point in the church porch and also in the porch at High Gables. These are emptied at least once a week. Do not forget that toiletries, cleaning materials, nappies etc. are also needed

To talk to somebody from the local church: call Lydia, Tel: 01953 788227

Plant Sale Wreningham Village Hall

Saturday 15th October 10 a.m. – 12 noon

For those wanting to stock up the garden following the dry summer, now is the time to buy plants & shrubs. We'll be offering a good selection at cheap prices.

And some garden sundries, plant pots, etc.

Plus – **“Table Tops”** raising money for various church fabric funds.

Also available - cake stall and refreshments.

In aid of Upper Tas Valley Benefice expenses and church fabric funds.

Christmas Door Wreaths

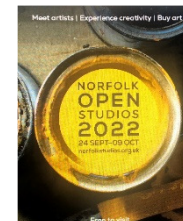
Once again there will be an opportunity to try your hand at making your own door wreath in time for Christmas. Posters will be going up soon to advertise this event on Tuesday 29th November at St. Nicholas church, Fundenhall.

Movie Night

It is hoped to start running a monthly film evening with refreshments once a month. This is in the early stage of planning but we hope to show the first film on Tuesday 1st November at St. Edmunds church, Fornsett. Watch out for posters giving details.

NORFOLK OPEN STUDIOS 2022

Pat Tinsley welcomes you to visit her studio in Wreningham
Chestnut Lodge Wymondham Road NR16 1AT
Contact No 07484171015



<https://www.pattinsley.com/>

<https://norfolkstudios.org.uk/artist/pat-tinsley/>

29th & 30th September Open 11.00am - 5.00pm

1st & 2nd October Open 11.00am - 5.00pm

6th 7th 8th 9th October Open 11.00am - 5.00pm

FREE TO VISIT

Events at the Village Hall

We have lots of events happening at the hall over the next couple of months from exercise to babies, dancing to games. Please see overleaf a full listing of all the events; note, they are open to all. If you want to contact the organisers, details are after the listing.

Listing of Events at the Village Hall

Thursday and Friday bar nights are active so come on down! Regular nights are 8-11pm unless otherwise stated.

Events are open to all

Regular bookings:

- Zumba every Monday and Wednesday 6.30-7.30pm (except 10th Oct)
- Table tennis every Wednesday 8-9.30pm – see opposite page
- Baby & Toddler every Friday 9.30-11.30am (except 28th Oct)
- Swing classes every Monday 8-10.30 £6

September:

- 27th Heritage Group 2pm
28th MacMillan Coffee Morning 10-12

October:

- 4th Parish Council 7pm
6th Cocktails at the Witch & Wren 7-10pm
7th Family Night AND Fish & Chip Night (pre-ordered only, see back page for details) 5-11pm
13th School Harvest Festival 9.30-10.30
14th Church Quiz (contact Christine to book team) 7.30-11pm see ad
15th Church Sale 10-12 see ad
60s Dance to Shane and The Korrados 8.30-11.45pm SOLD OUT contact Shirley
16th Tea Dance 3-6pm entry £7
21st Rock & Roll night
22nd Zumba Ball
26th Last Wednesday Coffee Morning 10-12
28th Games Night at the Witch & Wren 7-11pm

November:

- 1st Village Hall AGM 7pm
3rd Cocktails at the Witch & Wren 7-10pm
4th Family Night 6-11pm
8th Parish Council 7pm
11th Fish & Chip Night (pre-ordered only, see back page for details) 5-11pm
12th Barn Dance 7.30-11pm Tickets £7.50
19th 60s Dance to Sounds Imperial SOLD OUT contact Shirley
25th Games Night at the Witch & Wren 7-11pm
26th 60s Dance to Lowrider City Rockers SOLD OUT contact Shirley
30th Last Wednesday Coffee Morning 10-12

Swing – Date to be confirmed; contact Barry (see below)

Contact details:

- Baby & Toddler group - Katie Burrell: katie@loaders.net
- Zumba - Rachel: email at firedragonevans@yahoo.co.uk or phone 07789748457 for further information.
- 60s Dances - Shirley Aldous to reserve tickets on 01508 489606 or 07951864295
- Tea Dances and Swing classes – Barry: swingmabob@gmail.com or phone 07768891954. Classes are suitable for all levels, from complete beginners to those already more accomplished.
- Table Tennis - £3.50 p/w, All abilities welcome, all equipment provided. Any questions please contact Scott/Julian/Henry on woodlands_atoms@outlook.com

Please Note, it's a fact of life that things change as soon as we go to print so please check the village website (<https://www.wreningham.org.uk/>), Facebook Groups & noticeboards for any updates.

Music and other events at the hall

Dances at Wreningham Village Hall.



Saturday 15th October 2022
8:30pm-11:45pm
Entrance Fee £8.50
Bar and Raffle
For further details contact Shirley Aldous
01508 489606 or MB 07951864295
SOLD OUT

Dances at Wreningham Village Hall.

SOLD OUT



Sounds Imperial
Saturday 19th November 2022
8:30pm-11:45pm
Entrance Fee £10.00
Bar and Raffle
To reserve tickets contact Shirley Aldous
01508 489606 or MB 07951864295

Call Shirley on 01508 489606 or 07951864295 for cancellation list

Dances at Wreningham Village Hall.



Lowrider City Rockers
Saturday 26th November 2022
8:30pm-11:45pm
Ticket Fee £8.00
Bar and Raffle
To reserve tickets please contact Shirley Aldous
01508 489606 or MB 07951864295
SOLD OUT

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e-mail swingmabob@gmail.com
or Tel: 07768891954 for more details
www.swingmabob.co.uk

Village Groups

Heritage Group

The September meeting of the Heritage Group on 27th, at 2pm in the Margaret Preston room of the village hall, is held to introduce the new WHG website, which will be 'live' online from that day. Check it out at www.wreninghamheritage.uk

Your committee, and most importantly David Kirk, has been working hard on this through the summer and David will introduce it to the world at the meeting.

As ever, you do not have to be a member to attend a meeting, so please come and find out what it's all about. Our village history is a fascinating one and this website explores it in depth - we will be adding to and improving it on a continuous basis and we hope that the information presented on 27th will prompt you to join the fun.

Tea and cake will be served for a small charge, to give us all a chance to ask questions or discuss what we have seen. Please come!

Email Jean on wrenhergroup@gmail.com

Or phone Secretary Lis Whalley on 01508 489575

Coffee Morning

Come and enjoy refreshments, a splendid raffle and a good gossip with your neighbours at the village hall, on **28th September** between 10am and 12pm. If you have a prize to donate, or a cake to bring, the hall will be open from 8.30am.

Let's see if we can beat last year's record-breaking total raised for the Macmillan Nurses. Can anyone remember what it was? I'll check and let you know on the day!

Regular Coffee Mornings continue in October.

Jean 01508 481947

Village Christmas Tree

For the last two years Jill Hustler and I have made all the arrangements necessary for the village to have a Christmas Tree on the Reading Room. The tree has to be purchased, collected (that's a challenge in itself), erected and decorated with strings of lights, the lights set to come on for the hours of darkness.

A 'Tree Welcoming' event has to be organised for the first evening of switch on, the lights monitored to ensure they don't run out of battery or otherwise fail and, finally, the tree has to be demolished and disposed of.

It's quite a commitment and we are not getting any younger or more agile! So, we have decided that it is time to hand over the job to others. If you think the tradition is worth continuing, please let one of us know and we will be pleased to hand over the lights and baubles, the donations collected last year towards the purchase of this year's tree, details of where it has been obtained, etc. The Parish Council has made a contribution towards the costs in the past years and will need to be consulted again if there is a possibility of a financial shortfall this year.

Anyone who feels they could take this task on can contact either Jill or myself for help and information

Jean Lambourne

Christmas at the Hall

I know it's only September/October but the weeks prior to Christmas always seem to go quicker than all others! One of the jobs we enjoy doing is decorating the hall and the Margaret Preston Room. We have trees, lights, loads of baubles and streamers to put up. So, if you can spare some time, please let us know. The more hands we have doing it not only eases the workload but also allows us to do a more impressive display. Channel your creative juices

As always, if you can help, please speak to a committee member.



Recycling News

Thanks to your dedicated recycling, our total raised so far is £780. I'm still hoping to reach £1,000 by the end of the year but it takes a lot of items to raise the money so keep going! As you know, we continue to support other fund raisers with their programmes including bread bags, blister packs and Pringles tubes. I can also now take **Babybel** packaging too – all of it from the net to the wax! How they're recycled is beyond me but that's their problem.

A quick reminder of our 8 programmes that raise funds for PACT (don't give them to supermarkets please):

- 1) KP snacks, nuts, popcorn, crisps and pretzels
- 2) Confectionery
- 3) Lavazza Eco Coffee Caps
- 4) Pladis biscuits & snacks
- 5) Toothpaste tubes and toothbrushes
- 6) Cheese packaging
- 7) Hygiene Home – dishwasher tablet pouches, dishwasher salt, packaging from cleaning wipes
- 8) Coffee bags (ground, instant or beans)

Thank you for sorting your donations into the separate programmes, flattening anything you can (especially crisp packets) and making sure they are free from contents. It makes my job so much easier if I just have to give a cursory glance rather than unscrewing, flattening and shaking each and every crisp packet or biscuit wrapper to read what they are!

Thank you also for taking your other flexible plastic to supermarkets rather than dropping it with me. Tesco Harford Bridge or Morrisons Wymondham have the largest cages outside the store for....

carrier bags, frozen food bags, fruit, vegetable and salad bags, delivery bags, cereal liners or plastic bags from muesli/granola, toilet roll wrapping, multi-pack wrapping, pasta, rice and other dry food bags including tea bag packaging, baby and pet food pouches, bubble wrap and cling film, plastic film lids, baby wipe packaging, sauce pouches, bags from dried fruit and nuts, greetings cards plastic film, compost bags

HELP: I'm always in need of large boxes – ideally approx. 60cm x 60cm x 50cm. If you ever get any of these, please let me have them. If anyone is going into Norwich, could you please take a bag of blister packs to Superdrug (St Stephens) as I'm struggling to keep up with the quantity being dropped off!!

Thanks Val – val@valkeel.co.uk, 01508 488231

Bin Collections: Gr – Green, Br – Brown, Bl – Black

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As part of our Claylands Wilder Connections Project we are running Citizen Science Campaigns. Each season we're asking you to record your sightings of three species that make a home in the South Norfolk Claylands, to help us get a better picture of the areas that support these creatures and to help guide future conservation work.

Starlings, jays, and greenfinches are the next set of species to be selected because of their association with autumn and the species' need for large areas of connected habitat here in South Norfolk.

You can share your sightings:

1) On our online Spotter Survey

www.norfolkwildlifetrust.org.uk/wilderconnections

2) By emailing wild@norfolkwildlifetrust.org.uk

3) By calling Sue Grime, Wilder Connections Engagement Officer, on 07393 807897.

We'll need to know what you saw where and when.

FOR SALE

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Excellent recommendations on Facebook: justpaintanddec

Anyone who would like to advertise in the Mardle, please contact Christine Minns for costs and further information 01508 488123

Copy date for the next issue is mid-November. If you have something for inclusion, please let me have it by then.

Thanks, Val. Email: val@valkeel.co.uk



at Wreningham Village Hall

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

Bar opening:

Thursday - 8-11pm (**Cocktail Nights** 7-10pm)

Friday - **1st Friday Family Night** 6-11pm, **2nd Friday Fish & Chip Night** 5-11pm, **4th Friday Games Night** 7-11pm, otherwise 8-11pm

NOTE: There is NO fish & chip van visiting; all orders must be placed in advance by calling 01508 570251 (Tom's Fish Bar, Mulbarton) between 2-3pm the day before (Thursday) for collection BY US at either 5.15 or 7.30pm. This will start in September; look out for posters.

For Updates:

Please see the Village website:

<https://www.wreningham.org.uk/>

or the Facebook Group:

Witch & Wren Community Bar

Notice Boards around the Village

We hope to have our new, exciting website up and running soon so watch this space!