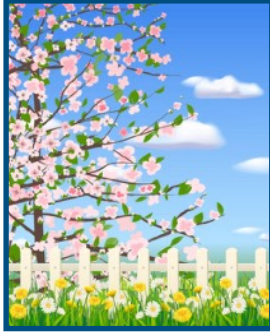


Mardle

Wreningham

Wreningham
Village Hall
Charity No
284991



No 256

April & May 2024

Welcome to the latest edition of your village Mardle.

I think I speak for everyone in saying how glad I am to finally see an improvement in the weather! I have just finished my first cut on the lawns so I'm hoping I'm not tempting fate when I say Spring seems to be on the way?

The village and whole region really have experienced some quite dramatic landscapes in recent weeks and I know and appreciate, that some of you have suffered quite badly with the flooding.

Since the last Mardle was published, it has been a period of change for the Village Hall Committee with Cathy & Mason Paul stepping down from their role as Booking Managers and David Tinsley ending his time with us. David will however, continue his regular events updates via email.

As always, being on the Village Hall Committee comes with a certain amount of commitment and quite a bit of time given up, so we thank all of them for their efforts and involvement. With this in mind, we have re-shuffled the pack, so to speak, and some of the existing committee members have stepped up to cover additional roles. A list of the current team can be found on the Village Hall website:

<https://wreninghamvh.social/index.php/team/>

This only gives us the thought that we really would welcome anyone to join us and spread the load a little? Should you feel you can help at all, please come forward and speak to either myself, any team member or via the VH website and we can happily let you know what's needed.

We have been made aware that Wreningham School is now in much need of funding for some quite major improvements. As previously mentioned, the Village Hall will be supporting any fund-raising events to enable these projects to be fulfilled and I hope, where possible, everyone can and will do their best to support this important asset in our community.

In late February, Jean Lambourne and the *Last Wednesday Coffee Morning* team hosted a one-off Thursday date which allowed a group of local walkers to participate. I know the day was an immense success and a fantastic amount was raised for a local charity. This really does typify our community spirit, so well done to all.

The Warm Space Events have been well attended and as well as other regular events. We also now have Qi Gong (pronounced Chi) classes every week on Tuesday mornings which promotes a calm and peaceful mind and is suitable for all ages and abilities.

On Saturday 6th April there is a Pudding Night & Saturday 11th May a Nostalgia Night. Keep an eye on the website for details of these events. I hope to see as many of you as possible visiting and hopefully enjoying a little sunshine in the process.

Finally, I would like to wish you all a very Happy Easter.

John Knight (Chair WVHMC)

Village Hall Website

Wreninghamvh.social

The Village Hall website includes:

- News pages
- Events Calendar (details regularly updated)
- Regular Activities with details, dates, times, contact point etc
- Email Contact facility for finance, bookings, events & Mardle
- Links to other websites (WHG & Parish) & W&W Facebook page
- A copy of the current & previous Mardles
- A link to the Hallmaster Bookings Calendar *
- Facilities available & hire costs

* If you are unable to use the Hallmaster Booking system, you can contact John on 07541 566514.

Sue & Mick Ryder (Wreningham Village Hall website)

Digital Mardle copy



You can sign up for a digital copy of the Mardle by contacting David at Wreninghamnorfolk@btinternet.com

Please confirm your email address, Post Code & road & if possible a contact number.

Copy date for the next issue is early May 2024.

If you have something for inclusion, please let us have it by then.

Thanks - Sue & Mick Ryder

Email: mardlewren@gmail.com

Wreningham Parish Council

Recent Flooding

During and after the recent heavy rainfall there were no reports of anyone being specifically affected in their homes – despite a few gardens being decidedly soggy. Keep up the good work and maintain your gullies, ditches and watercourses. Thank you to those who diligently undertake such work as it really does contribute greatly to mitigating the risk of flooding.

Hethel Road was the worst affected with its two large puddles requiring motorists to think twice before ploughing through. The large puddle at Penny's Green has drained away – but perhaps a look at the roadside drains may be required.

The pond across the road by the disused bridge on Ashwellthorpe Road was a puzzler, as no-one could work out why that flooded at that point. The water being pumped out of Ashwellthorpe Industrial Estate and onto Gravel Pit Hill was reported to SNC and NCC Highways - no action taken by them!

Details of our meetings are available on the village website. They are scheduled for the 2nd Tuesday of each odd numbered month and are held in the Village Hall starting at 7.30pm. We look forward to seeing you there.

The next meeting is on Tuesday 14th May & will have the Annual Parish Meeting before it at 6:30pm.

Michael Hill (Chair WPC)

The Parish Council Clerk can be contacted at clerk.WPC@gmail.com, her postal details are on the website.

Parish Council (continued)



The Farthings (Hethel Road)



The anticipated public consultation on the Hethel Rd site (includes The Farthings) was held by FWP Ltd in the Village Hall on the 28th February. This is a required step in developing the planning application.

A significant number of parishioners attended to question FWP's Brock and Trutch. The opportunity existed to make written comments, this was well used.

The planning application will be submitted to South Norfolk by the end of March. In the meantime, the Parish Council has to draw up a description of what FWP need to do in order to prepare "The Farthings" for its transfer to us. This will be incorporated into the Planning Application.

We are also considering estimates for a range of on-going costs over the 10 to 15 years following legal transfer. This will form the basis for a formal financial agreement with FWP.

The Farthings Team Andrew Moore will be calling a meeting of those who expressed an interest in planning, designing and developing "The Farthings" into the community asset we all expect it to be. This will be 12 to 18 months before "The Farthings" will be transferred to the Parish Council & parishioners can legally take direct action in shaping its future.

Big Litter Pick to tidy up Wreningham - Sunday 21st April Please help us to tidy up litter in Wreningham. We will provide litter pickers, bags and holders and high-vis jackets (you can bring your own). You just need to bring yourself and, ideally, some gardening gloves or similar. We will start at 2pm in the Witch & Wren bar at the Village Hall and finish off with a free first drink from the bar and cake in the Social Club from 3.30pm onwards. If you have any queries or to confirm you are coming, please ring 01508 488318 or you can just turn up or email Keith Morris at keith.morris@networknorwich.co.uk. If you are happy to bring a cake, please let Keith know.

Wreningham All Saints

Firstly, we wish you all a happy and peaceful Easter. Details of the services across our Benefice are in the card which I hope will accompany this Mardle.

There is still no news about the official linking up with the churches of the Tas Valley Team Ministry. We think illness and shortage of clergy is holding up decisions.

The floor in the chancel has now been repaired and we are now waiting for the electrics to be improved. This should be done in the next few weeks, making that area of the church much more usable.

I have been given a number of light reading books and jigsaws to sell in aid of church repair funds, so I may have these available in church on Saturday 13th April, possibly between 1 pm and 3 pm. Watch out for posters confirming this. Your chance to stock up on holiday reading matter.

During the summer, Wreningham will normally only have one service a month, a 9.30 am BCP Holy Communion on the 4th Sunday of the month. Details of all our services are displayed in the church porch and you would be made welcome at any one of our local churches.

In April there is a Quiz & in May the Plant Sale. Details are on the posters on page 7.

Christine Minns & Christine Bilham (churchwardens)

Wreningham All Saints (cont'd)

There is a Plant Sale on Saturday 18th May.

Please keep potting up any surplus plants and seedlings as you do your spring gardening. We need all the plants we can get for this event which is always well supported and raises much needed funds.

Plant Sale

Saturday 18th May 2024

10 am to 12 noon
Wreningham All Saints Church
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 garden sundries and plant pots. Extra parking is being planned.

Refreshments and cake stall in the and cake stall in the church.

In aid of Upper TAS Valley churches expenses



Quiz Evening

Friday 5th April 7.15 for 7.30 pm
Wreningham Village Hall
£6.00 per person

Come as a team of up to 6 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.

Bring your own food (but not drink)

To book call Christine 01508 488123

Raffle & Licensed Bar
In aid of Ashwellthorpe and Wreningham church expenses

Regular Activities

Every Monday

Swing Classes 7:00-10:00pm. (Suitable for all levels, from complete beginners to those already more accomplished)

Barry (& Tea Dances): swingymabob@gmail.com or 07768891954

Every Tuesday

Qi Gong Classes 11:00-Noon £7 (suitable for all levels)

Every Wednesday

Zumba 6:30-7.30pm £6 (suitable for all levels)

firedragonevans@yahoo.co.uk or 07789748457

Table Tennis 8:00-9:30pm (£3.50 per week) Scott/Julian/Henry at woodlands_atoms@outlook.com All abilities welcome & equipment provided.

Every Friday (During term time)

Parent & Toddlers 9:30-11:30am (Katie Burrell-Rennie: katie@loaders.net)

Most Months

60s Dances Shirley Aldous 01508 489606/07951864295

Country Music – Sandra 07799 596975 or 01508 813754 or stetsonsandshamrockcmc@outlook.com

Thursdays & Fridays are bar nights from 8-11pm unless otherwise stated.

Wreningham Weekly Email

Weekly updates are available by email & include all village functions, church services, school functions, dances, bar nights, fish & chips nights etc. Any village event can be included, so please contact me in advance. Your details will only be used for village information ***and will not be seen by others.***

If you would like to receive a copy of the weekly update then please send your details to wreninghamnorfolk@btinternet.com

April 2024

- 4th Cocktails Evening 7:00 – 11:00pm
- 5th Church Quiz 7:00 for 7:30 start (see page 7 for details)
- 6th Pudding Night - Bring & Share from 7:00pm
- 7th Country Music 2-6pm - Contact Sandra
- 12th Fish & Chips from 5:00pm
- 13th 60s Dance to Ruby & Shake Rattle & Roll - 8:30-11:45pm £8.25
Contact Shirley
- 17th Village Crafters Group 10:00– Noon (£2 - Contact Val)
- 19th Heritage Group Meeting - 2:00 - 4:00pm
- 20th Country Music 8:00pm - midnight - Contact Sandra
- 21st Wreningham Litter Pick 2:00pm at Village Hall (see page 5)
- 24th Last Wednesday Coffee Morning 10:00am – Noon

May 2024

- 2nd Cocktails at the Witch & Wren 7pm-11pm
- 5th Country Music 2:00 -6:00pm - Contact Sandra
- 10th Fish & Chips from 5:00pm
- 11th Family Friendly Nostalgia Night - Bring & Share 6:00-11 :00pm
- 14th Parish Council Meeting 7:30pm AGM before - starts at 6:30pm)
- 15th Village Crafters' Group 10:00– Noon (£2 – contact Val)
- 18th 60s Dance to Sounds Imperial - 8:30-11:45pm £8.25
Contact Shirley
- 29th Last Wednesday Coffee Morning 10:00- Noon

Check the Village Hall website for the latest information:

[Wreninghamvh.social](https://wreninghamvh.social)

Recycling News

There has been some confusion as to whether or not the recycling hub is still operating - ***IT DEFINITELY IS!***

These 5 programmes are ***still running*** and raising funds for our charities, so please keep dropping them off:

1 - Cheese wrappers **2** - Coffee packaging **3** - Ecocaps
4 - Home cleaning packaging **5** - Biscuits/snacks wrappers

You can also let me have sliced bread bags, which I'll take to Hallswood.

However, certain programmes have stopped and I can no longer take crisp and snack packets, toothbrushes and toothpaste tubes or confectionery wrappers. If you have packaging from items such as Mini Cheddars or cheesy biscuits, they can go in the Biscuit/snack programme as can anything biscuity (such as Kitkats, Twix, muesli bars).

So let me have them – every little helps.

Can I please remind you NOT to give me flexible plastic packaging from fruit, salad, veg, rice, sugar, toilet rolls, nappies etc etc. These can all go to supermarkets for recycling along with crisp/snack packets, pet food pouches and confectionery wrappers. Tesco and Morrisons are the best as they have the largest cages and are in their respective car parks so can be accessed 24/7.

The cage at Morrisons is outside the shop entrance.

At Tesco, they are in the car park alongside the general recycling bins.

Any queries, get in touch: Val 01508 488231 val@valkeel.co.uk

Facebook Group: Eco living in and around Wreningham

Village Groups

Heritage Group In February, a large group of members and friends enjoyed a reprise of the famous (infamous?) "School films" originally shown at the WHG Exhibition in 2021. There was much laughter!

Next month, we meet on Friday 19th April at our usual time of 2 pm in the W&W, to hear from Robert Sharpe, author of "Ketteringham: a Norfolk Country Estate". There will be a chance to speak to Robert after his talk and to purchase a copy of the book if you feel so inclined.

You don't need to be a member if you want to attend any of our meetings. There will be a small charge towards the cost of room hire & refreshments.

Last Wednesday Coffee Morning We took the unusual step of moving Coffee Morning to the last Thursday in February, to enable us to host a party of walkers, in addition to our regulars.

A worthwhile change that enabled us to send a total of £340 to St. Martin's Housing Trust. Our grateful thanks to all who came to support a worthwhile cause so generously.

Back to normal for April (Wednesday 24th) & May (Wednesday 29th) from 10am to noon Jean Lambourne

Wren Craftery

Our next meetings are on:

Wednesday 17th April Wednesday 15th May

10:00am to noon in the Margaret Preston room. Just £2 a time, which includes refreshments. See you there. Val & Jean 01508 488231

So come along, bring your current project, one you keep meaning to finish, one you want to start or try something new. Or you just want to chat!

We're also hoping to start a collaborative project so watch this space!



Forthcoming Village Events - Community weekend

The weekend of 15th & 16th June has lots of activities in the village.

On Saturday 15th, the Friends of Wreningham School are organising a Fete & Colour Run to raise money for replacement windows for the school.

Page 13 has more details.

Wreningham Open Gardens

On Sunday 16th, **village gardens open their gates to visitors.** The Open Gardens event will have gardens ranging in style & size from small cottage plots to larger landscaped gardens and woodlands.

A range of other attractions for visitors, including games such as welly throwing, bug hunting and giant Jenga for children and their dads in each garden and a gnome hunt.

There will also be art displays and sales from talented artists within the village and a plant sale at the church.

On the refreshments side, there will be tea and cakes at the church, a South African barbecue in one garden and light lunches, cakes and a bar at the village hall.

The gardens will be open to visitors on Sunday from 10am until 4pm.

Entry is £5 per person with accompanied under 12s free of charge.

Please note that this is a cash only event.



School Fete & Colour Run *



Saturday 15th June

10:30am - 3:00pm



Wreningham School & Playing Field

The colour run is a £5 entry which includes a wristband & certificate.

The colour run will be in 4 waves on based on children's ages (family groups to run in the youngest child's wave)

11:45-12:15	Wave 1 - pre schoolers
12:30-1:00.	Wave 2 - KS1
1:15-1:45.	Wave 3 - KS2
2:00- 2:30	Wave 4 - High Schoolers & Adults without children

Food Refreshments Games Stalls Raffle



Friends of Wreningham School

Please help us to raise funds to replace the school windows

* Pre booking needed for the Colour Run

Bin Collections – April & May 2024

Wednesday 3 rd April	Green	Friday 5 th April	Brown
Wednesday 10 th April	Black		
Wednesday 17 th April	Green	Friday 19 th April	Brown
Wednesday 24 th April	Black		
Wednesday 1 st May	Green	Friday 3 rd May	Brown
Wednesday 8 th May	Black		
Wednesday 15 th May	Green	Friday 17 th May	Brown
Wednesday 22 nd May	Black		
Wednesday 29 th May	Green	Friday 31 st May	Brown

Mobile Library Visits – April & May 2024

23 rd April	16:15	Steven's Lane Toprow	16:45	Village Hall Mill Lane Wreningham
21 st May	16:15	Steven's Lane Toprow	16:45	Village Hall Mill Lane Wreningham

Route number is CEN 215. This information is subject to change or amendment both on a permanent and temporary basis. For all enquiries about this route please call 01603 222303

Dial a Bus Service – Thursdays to Wymondham

The West Norfolk Community Trust charity (1069180) has a service running from Bunwell at about (9:00-9:15am) on Thursdays calling at your location in Wreningham & returning at 12:30pm. The service needs to be booked & is a door to door service to various points in Wymondham. It is wheelchair accessible & there is help with shopping. Cost is £10.75.

More information on www.wnct.co.uk or 01553 776971/01760 720906

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Bar opening times are Thursdays and Fridays 8-11pm- *except when these events are usually held:*

- 1st Thursday - Cocktail Nights - 7-10pm**
- 2nd Friday - Fish & Chips Night - 5-11pm**

For Fish & Chips nights, orders must be placed in advance between 2-3pm the day before (Thursday) by calling Tom's Fish Bar, Mulbarton on 01508 570251. Your order will be collected by a village hall volunteer & delivered to the Witch & Wren bar at either 5.15pm or 7.30pm

For updates please see:

- Village Hall website:** wreninghamvh.social
- Facebook Page:** Witch & Wren Community Bar
- Notice Boards around the village**
- Or subscribe to the weekly email update (see page 8 for details)**

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