

BINGO Fundraiser



Come and have a go at Kneesall BINGO. Friday 8th February. Doors open at 7.00pm for a 7.30pm start. £2.50 Entry to include light refreshments-tea, coffee etc. Cash prizes and vouchers from The Rajdhanni, The Hay Barn Café and other local businesses. Raffle. All in aid of The Kneesall Community Centre Funds. This is looking to be a good fun evening, bring along a bottle of your favourite tittle and sense of humour! Both cash and prizes to be won on a line or House. This is the first of hopefully many regular fundraising activities in the village to raise the profile of the Community Centre and keeping it open and accessible to our community. Come along for a great fun evening. If you have any ideas for an event or fundraising please speak to anyone on any of the committees surrounding the Community Centre.

Our hardworking Parish Council meets every couple of months and is due to meet on 12th March. Please come along to see what actually happens! Trevor Kirk (Chairman) - Baulk Lane, Richard Taylor (Vice-Chairman) - Kersall, Bob Greenland (Clerk) - Baulk Lane, Brian Allebon - Kersall, Colin Cutts - School Lane, Peter Davis - Ompton, Liz Fidler - Ossington Road, Merrinda Lissaman - Ompton. Please contact any of us if you have any concerns about our villages that we may be able to resolve. Merrinda Lissaman

Feb	Diary for February
3 rd	Holy Communion 10.30am at Ollerton
3 rd	Service 6.30pm at Ompton with Rev Robert Jones
5 th	Village Meeting 7.30pm in Community Centre. Everyone is welcome.
8 th	Bingo – Fundraiser for BHCC – 7.00pm for 7.30pm in Community Centre
10 th	Holy Communion 10.30am at New Ollerton
11 th	Mobile Library 10.00~10.15 Ossington Rd., 10.20~10.50 School, Kneesall; 11.55~12.10 Mill Lane, Kersall
17 th	Holy Communion 10.30am at Wellow
17 th	Holy Communion 6.30pm at Ompton with Rev Debbie & Dn Dave Keegan
21 st	Book Club 7.30pm at The Rajdhaani
24 th	Holy Communion 10.30am at New Ollerton
24 th	Service 6.30pm at Ompton with Rev Richard Tanner
27 th	W.I. Annual Social Evening
Mar 12 th	Parish Council meeting 7.30pm in Community Centre. All public are very welcome. Please come along and get involved. See Parish Council website for further details.

YOUR VILLAGE NEEDS YOU!!!!

Our 3rd Village Meeting update will take place on Tuesday 5th February at 7.30 pm in the Community Centre. Everyone is most welcome to join The Parish Council, The Parochial Church Council and The Community Centre Management in a joint meeting.

We are trying hard to bring all the various committees to work together and invigorate the Village.

- ◆ 20 of us had a very enjoyable meal in the Rajdhaani before Xmas.
- ◆ Xmas lights were displayed in the Church grounds for the first time.
- ◆ 3 sets of swings have been ordered for the playground in a joint venture between The Parish Council and The Community Centre Management.
- ◆ The Church & Centre were given a "spring clean" in December as a joint initiative.
- ◆ A defibrillator has been ordered and paid for in a joint venture with the School.
- ◆ First aid courses and usage of defibrillator are being arranged in the near future.
- ◆ Some Councillors are putting a plan together for grants to hopefully purchase some new village signs.
- ◆ The First World War Plaque will be dedicated on Mother's Day.
- ◆ Other groups have also been invited to attend to air their views and aspirations.
- ◆ The Book Club continues to attract new members as does the Yoga group.
- ◆ The Women's Institute also play a vital role in knitting (sorry!) the village together.

However, individuals are also more than welcome to come and aid and abet!

So much activity that you probably never knew existed!

Don't be shy, come and join us. Liz and Trevor.

Bill Hemsley Community Centre Notes

Booking the hall. Tel: Kevin Gray 07971 547735 or email

KevinGray@SDCTrailers.com

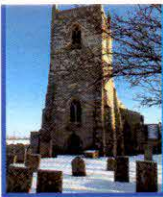
before arranging a booking.

Jess Tullberg Yoga I am having to reduce the amount of lessons in Kneesall to Monday and Friday mornings at 9.15am from 1st

February. The cost per session is £7 (£65 for a block of 10). Please bring a yoga mat with you. I do have some spare mats if you just want to come and have a try. To book please call Jess on 07989 973454

Book Club 21st February 7.30pm at The Rajhaani. The Kneesall Book Club meet to discuss a predetermined book chosen in turn by its members. February's book is *The Dry* by Jane Harper. Amid the worst drought to ravage Australia in a century, it hasn't rained in small country town Kiewarra for two years. Tensions in the community become unbearable when three members of the Hadler family are brutally murdered. Policeman Aaron Falk returns to the town of his youth for the funeral of his childhood best-friend and is unwillingly drawn into the investigation. We read a wide variety of literature and welcome new members to share their favourite books. Just come along on the night at 6.00pm for delicious food at the Rajdhaani or join the discussion at 7.30pm for drinks and a chat.

Kneesall & District Women's Institute is a friendly, welcoming group from Kneesall and its surrounding villages. We meet on the 4th Wednesday of each month at 7.30pm in the Bill Hemsley Community Centre to listen to interesting speakers and watch practical demonstrations. After an enjoyable Christmas meal, our January meeting was a pottery demonstration by one of our talented members, Merrinda Lissaman. Our February meeting is our annual social evening. If you would like to join us you would be made most welcome. Please contact Janet on 01636 636274 or email hind-hillfarm@hotmail.co.uk for further details.



Kneesall, Kersall & Ompton

3rd Feb The Presentation of Christ

9.00am	Eakring	Worship for All
9.00am	Kirton	Holy Communion
10.30am	Ollerton	Holy Communion
10.30am	Bilsthorpe	Worship for All
4.00pm	Wellow	Evening Prayer

10th Feb 4th Sunday before Lent

9.00am	Walesby	Holy Communion
9.00am	Eakring	Holy Communion
10.30am	Laxton	Holy Communion
10.30am	New Ollerton	Holy Communion
10.30am	Bilsthorpe	Holy Communion
4.00pm	Egmanton	Evensong

17th Feb 3rd Sunday before Lent

9.00am	Walesby	Holy Communion
9.00am	Egmanton	Holy Communion
9.00am	Eakring	Morning Prayer
10.30am	Boughton	Holy Communion
10.30am	Wellow	Holy Communion
10.30am	Bilsthorpe	Morning Prayer

24th Feb 2nd Sunday before Lent

9.00am	Laxton	Holy Communion
9.00am	Eakring	Holy Communion
10.30am	New Ollerton	Holy Communion
10.30am	Kirton	Holy Communion
10.30am	Bilsthorpe	Holy Communion

Tuesday 12th Feb – ‘Open Vestry Hour’ for Christening and wedding enquiries

6.30pm – 7.30pm at St Paulinus Church Office, Church Circle, New Ollerton. Revd Zoe can be reached at the Vicarage on 01623 862818 or work mobile: 07983946930
revzoe65@gmail.com

Dear Friends

As I write this letter, we have just taken down our Christmas cards with several personal handwritten letters written inside of them. There is something about receiving a handwritten letter which in many ways has become something of a rarity. When was the last time you sent a personal letter to someone? Who did you send it to? Our handwriting reveals much about the person who writes the personal letter – is your writing hurried (are you always in a hurry), flamboyant (are you a flamboyant person)..... I know of many bereaved people who have re-read letters of condolence over and over again. Electronic communication, I am told, doesn't have quite the same effect and generally isn't cherished in quite the same way.

You will often hear me talk about 'both/and' rather than 'either/or'. I have a beautiful handwritten letter from my daughter in China – it is like I am receiving something of her each time I read it. To receive this letter, she had to go to the time and trouble to address an envelope and post it – I was somehow worth all this extra effort and attention. But saying this, I don't have to wait 3 to 4 weeks each time to receive correspondence from her as we 'video chat' weekly and message each other several times a week - this has made the distance more bearable – 'both/and' definitely does it for me!

As a result of social media I must confess that I feel more connected with my wider family and friends. Social media is a great medium for getting a message out there to lots of people at the same time – we shouldn't decry this and in many ways this makes receiving a personal letter all the more precious. In recent weeks, the Christmas story reminded us that God chose to get personal – the Word became flesh and moved amongst us – God's personal love letter in the flesh - available for everybody to read! His words of hope and wisdom are also recorded in the Bible along with many personal letters written from Church leaders to their church communities. Down the Ages, these words of wisdom and encouragement have been cherished and re-read and re-read time and again. Have you read these words?

Perhaps we are challenged to reflect upon the impact personal letters make to our lives and whether we ought to write more letters in our own personal hand? When would be a good time to do this and to whom should we write them?

Blessings Rev Zoe

Other Local Events

Clubbercise Every Thursday 8.30pm at Maplebeck Village Hall. Limited spaces. Booking essential. https://bookwhen.com/jobbyjo_07967_208230
Yoga Tuesdays 9.45am & Fridays 9.30am at Maplebeck Village Hall. Hatha yoga classes suitable for all levels including beginners. The cost is £6.50 per class, £39 for a block of six lessons. Ann Williams 0793 2877041 www.yoganatal.co.uk
Feel Good Pilates Beginners Mondays 9.30~10.30am; Standing /Seated Pilates Mondays 10.45~11.30am. Helen Stewart 07973 338232 www.fgpilates.co.uk
Kurling Wednesday 13th February 7.30pm at Maplebeck Village Hall. Entry £1pp. (to include light refreshments). Come and join us for a fun evening - using stones on castors, no ice involved - Suitable for all ages, no experience necessary. For more information contact Jenny 01636 636692 or Andy 07974 734499.
Film: Three Colours Blue (15) Tuesday 19th February 7.30pm at Maplebeck Village Hall. £5 at the door. Contact: Derek Sayer 01636 636421 derek@sayer.f9.co.uk www.maplebeckvillagehall.org
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A616 The County Council and The Highways department are implementing a 50mph speed limit to replace the existing National Speed Limit (60mph) set between Wellow and Little Carlton. All other speed limits in Wellow, Ompton and Kneesall are remaining as existing. Work will start in February at a cost of £20k. Please cut your speed accordingly. Trevor Kirk (Chairman of Kneesall, Kersall and Ompton parish Council)

Parish Council Website can be accessed via the link - <https://www.newark-sherwooddc.gov.uk/kneesallkersallomptonpc/>

Deadline for entries in March Knatter is 23rd February