

COMMUNITY NEWS

Norton, Cuckney, Holbeck and Welbeck Parish Council

January/February 2024



HAPPY

NEW YEAR!

PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

As the new Chair of Norton, Cuckney, Holbeck and Welbeck Parish Council, I would like to thank Lee-Ann Morton for her many years of service to the Community, which has included production of the newsletter. Her advice and counsel will be missed by all the Parish Councillors and we wish her well with all her well-deserved free time.

The Parish Council met on December 14th 2023 and in summary, it was decided that two new parish noticeboards be purchased to replace the weather-beaten ones in Holbeck. One will replace the existing noticeboard outside the post office and the other replaces the board on Holbeck Lane. A new bench will be delivered to Holbeck Lane early in the New Year.

It has been determined that, unfortunately, the zip wire on the play park in Cuckney will cost too much to refurbish. Therefore it will be removed and the Council will be looking into ideas to replace it in the New Year. Additional work to refurbish the roundabout will also be carried out.

The newsletter will now be sent to an external printer. Because of the minor costs that will be incurred, it will be a bi-monthly publication until sponsorship or advertising can be found that will enable it to be printed on a monthly basis.

The Parish Council will be getting a new website and logo. A competition to design a new logo ran in the December edition of the newsletter and the winning design will grace the next cover. Many thanks to those who have entered. We've already seen some really wonderful ideas.

My thanks go to those who volunteered to act as a Snow Warden.

Finally, a very Happy New Year to you all.

Nancy Wright, Chair, Norton, Cuckney, Holbeck and Welbeck Parish Council

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JANUARY QUIZ

1. How many of Henry VIII's wives were called Catherine?
2. What is the name of the 1976 film about the Watergate scandal, starring Robert Redford and Dustin Hoffman?
3. Which tennis grand slam is played on a clay surface?
4. What was the city of Istanbul known as before 1930?
5. In what year did Tony Blair become Prime Minister?
6. From what grain is the Japanese spirit Sake made?
7. What element is denoted by the chemical symbol Sn?
8. What is the smallest planet in the solar system?
9. Gary and Martin Kemp were in which band?
10. What are the five colours of the olympic rings?
11. What score did cricketing legend Don Bradman average as a batsman across his career?
12. What actor played the 9th Doctor Who?
13. Which southern Italian city is usually credited as the birthplace of the pizza?
14. What is the currency of Vietnam?
15. What do the French call the English Channel?
16. How many days are there in July?
17. What was the name of Ronnie Barker's character in Open All Hours?
18. What is the nickname of Arsenal FC?
19. What is the smallest country in the world?
20. Which is the only American Football Team to be both undefeated in a season and also win the Superbowl?

1. 3. 2. All the President's men. 3. French (Roland Garros). 4. Constantinople. 5. 1997. 6. Rice. 7. tin. 8. Mercury. 9. Spandau Ballet. 10. Blue, yellow, black, green and red. 11. 99.94. 12. Christopher Eccleston. 13. Naples. 14. The Dong. 15. La Manche. 16. 31. 17. Arkwright. 18. The Gunners. 19. Vatican City. 20. The Miami Dolphins (in 1972).



It's January, and there's not a whole lot to do in the Jubilee Community Garden at this time of year. However, there are some glorious snowdrops poking their heads above ground and the Hellebores are in full bloom.

However, there are some useful jobs to do. We'll be splitting some of the more vigorous shrubs and we'll be clearing the soggy deadwood and dead stems to prevent disease.

We're also hoping to start work on a project in the alcove on Baker's Lane this year. The alcove could be a lovely feature but it looks a bit untidy at the moment. We're hoping to establish a flower bed behind the spring and plant it up with some shrubs and perennials. If anyone has suitable shrubs that they can over-winter in preparation for this new bed, please let me know.

We always need volunteers. Although we don't tend to meet in the winter months, once growth starts in the spring, we'll be sending out reminders of our regular Sunday morning sessions in the garden. If you like to help but don't want to make a regular commitment, feel free to pop along when you can.

Community Garden Lead 07967632617

THE HISTORY SOCIETY

The next two meetings of the Society will be held at Cuckney Cricket Club, firstly the AGM on 8th January and a talk entitled 'The Rufford Park Poachers' to be given by *Mr Sam Millard* on 12th February, both meetings start at 7.30pm, usual cost of £5 applies and includes light refreshments, all guests are welcome.

The October and November meetings were both interesting from a local aspect, David Templeman talked about the life connections of the Queens Elizabeth I, Mary Queen of Scots and the Countess Bess of Hardwick.

In November, the Society commemorated the amazing season of Cuckney Cricket Club (which is now 126 years old and who not only won the Nottinghamshire Cricket League and Derbyshire Cup but also went on to win the National Tournament by beating Bexley of the last ball of the game at Lords) by giving a talk about the history of the club.

Richard Bower, Chair, The History Society

AFTERNOON TEA AT HOME

Just a reminder that we will be bringing cheer into this New Year by offering you the chance to support the Aurora Wellbeing Centre in Worksop whilst also enjoying an Afternoon Tea Box at Home.

The teas will be available for collection from Cuckney Village Hall 2.30-3 pm on Thursday 25th January (or for local delivery by prior arrangement). Teas cost just £5 but additional donations are always welcome.

To place an order just send your request noting whether you prefer a traditional or more savoury 'Gentleman's' tea to cathy.hp@btinternet.com or 07773 282734 by the closing date of Thursday 18th January 2024.

Cathy Brown

WELBECK TENNIS CLUB - Anyone for tennis?

Welbeck Tennis Club, which is over 25 years old, is a friendly club set in attractive grounds of Welbeck Estate near the centre of Worksop in Nottinghamshire. It is a not-for-profit club run by its members for the benefit of its members. Members annual subscriptions are used for the up-keep of the facilities. Our members come from a large catchment area including Worksop, Sheffield, Chesterfield, Mansfield, Ollerton, Retford, Warsop and Bolsover.

We provide coaching and skills development, organising and taking part in competitive sport, as well as providing plenty of opportunity to keep active in a social and friendly setting. For us, it's not all about serious training: we love it when our teams win, but we're just as enthusiastic about our groups that simply meet for fun.

We have a very active Junior Section with coaching taking place on a Friday evening.

Prospective members can come along to our Monday social tennis evening three times for free before joining.

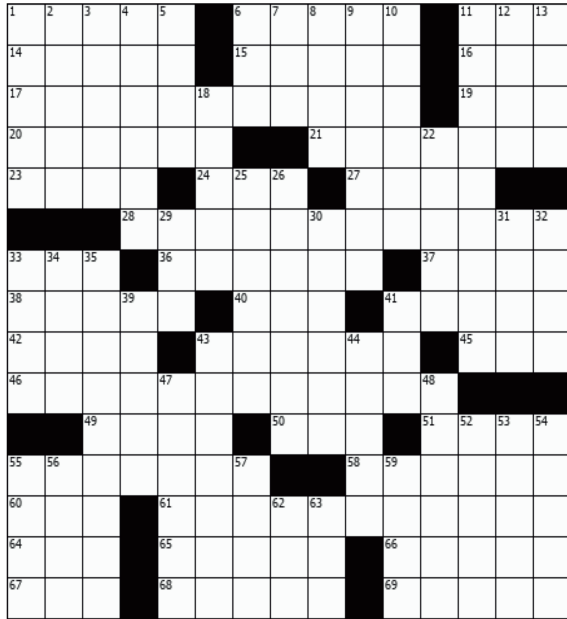
Currently membership is 50% off for all categories - except junior membership
For more information on the Club, contact Peter Hayton - peter.hayton9033@gmail.com
Or Visit our website: [Welbeck Tennis Club, Worksop, Nottinghamshire](#)

Julie Whiting, Treasurer, Welbeck Tennis Club

BUMPER CROSSWORD

Across

1. Cottontails' tails
6. Sandra's "Speed" costar
11. Locks not sold in hardware stores
14. Ancient Greek colony
15. From early Peru
16. Plastic __ Band
17. Legendary Mississippi bluesman
19. Eerie sighting
20. Somewhat sapphire
21. Obsess over
23. "Zip-_-Doo-Dah"
24. WWII spy gp.
27. Bowler's place
28. 1987 Patrick Swayze film
33. Roll-on lawn
36. Type of arrangement
37. Supermodel Heidi
38. Pile up
40. Virtuoso
41. Lateral remark
42. Potters' need
43. Washington of "Glory"
45. Bard's time
46. Medium for much religious artwork
49. NYSE intros
50. Profit ending
51. Benevolent order
55. Italian cornmeal dish
58. Far East plum
60. Lawyers' org.
61. Scammer's fortune, e.g.
64. Get-up-and-go
65. Go fishing
66. Window sticker
67. Airport waiter's concern: Abbr.
68. Show how
69. Chosen



Down

1. "The Lion King" protagonist
2. Had the ability
3. Excessive
4. Fixed (up)
5. Puts into words
6. Sportage automaker
7. "The Lord of the Rings" being
8. Didn't just pass
9. Tusked Arctic swimmer
10. Like many a narrator
11. "You can trust me!"
12. Dope
13. Hired thug
18. Fingerprint feature
22. Is missing
25. Put in a hold
26. Vaccine deliverer
29. Hypotheticals
30. Blow away
31. Like a skinny-dipper
32. Some agts.
33. Fifth Avenue retailer
34. Exclude
35. Exile living in India since 1960
39. Take potshots
41. Capp and Capone
43. Earmark
44. Jumping the gun
47. Milk choice
48. "Aliens," for one
52. "All My Children" Emmy winner, finally
53. Jeweler's unit
54. Memorial marker
55. Work on the road
56. Final bio
57. Pond organism
59. Shoppe adjective
62. Special attention, briefly
63. Half a chuckle

SOLUTION ON PAGE 11

For updates, advice and the latest news in the villages, please go to our Norton, Cuckney, Holbeck and Welbeck Community News Facebook page





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Ladies Night!

Dust off those dancing shoes and join us for a night of disco and singing. 'ABBA Sensation' tribute band will be playing at Lady Margaret Hall on Saturday 16th March 2024. With a full night of entertainment, band, dancing, raffle and a licensed bar, tickets will cost just £20 each and will include a welcome glass of fizz.

Why not try an ABBA inspired gin cocktail to get you on your feet! Crisps and snacks available from the bar.

The evening starts at 7.00 pm, tickets will be available to book soon. We expect them to sell out fast so keep your eyes out for further details.

*Katie Shaw & Steffi Wilson, Event Coordinators,
The Villages of Welbeck Association*



The Plant and Craft Fair returns in 2024 on Saturday, 27th April and will be held at the Lady Margaret Hall. Entry is free. If you're interested in booking a stall, please contact *Georgina Smith* on 07761556164 .



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CLOTHING ALTERNATIONS & REPAIRS

Send a photo and description to Linda
07889123933



or contact
linda.fowles.smith on social media



Diary Dates (for church service dates, please see Page 11)

Organisation	Date / Time	Subject / Venue
Women of Welbeck, Lady Margaret Hall	Thursday, 4th January at 7.30 pm	T'ai chi & Chinese auction
The History Society	Monday, 8th January at 7.30 pm	Annual General Meeting, Cuckney Cricket Club
Norton, Cuckney, Holbeck and Welbeck Parish Council	Thursday, 11th January at 7.00 pm	Harley Education Room, Welbeck
Villagers Social Group	Wednesday, 17th January at 2.00 pm	Cuckney Cricket Club £3 entry
Battle of Hatfield Investigation Society	Friday, 26th January at 7:30 pm	Annual General Meeting, Cuckney Cricket Club
Afternoon Tea at Home	Thursday, 18th January	Closing date for afternoon tea requests
Langwith Craft Group	Thursday, 18th January from 2.00 pm to 4.00 pm	Langwith Bassett Community Hall, Upper Langwith, £3-£5 depending on craft <i>Bird-Feeders</i>
Women of Welbeck Craft Group	Thursday, 18th January at 7.00 pm	Harley Education Room, Welbeck <i>Felt Flower Making</i>
Women of Welbeck, Lady Margaret Hall	Thursday, 1st February at 7.30 pm	<i>Chocolate Tasting</i>
Norton, Cuckney, Holbeck and Welbeck Parish Council	Thursday, 8th February at 7.00 pm	Harley Education Room, Welbeck
The History Society	Monday, 12th February at 7.30 pm	'The Rufford Park Poachers', <i>Sam Millard</i> , Cuckney Cricket Club.
Langwith Craft Group	Thursday, 15th February from 2.00 pm to 4.00 pm	Langwith Bassett Community Hall, Upper Langwith, £3-£5 depending on craft TBC
Women of Welbeck Craft Group	Thursday, 15th February at 7.00 pm	Harley Education Room, Welbeck <i>Patchwork Quilting</i>
Villagers Social Group	Wednesday, 21st February at 2.00 pm	Cuckney Cricket Club £3 entry
Villages of Welbeck Assocation	Saturday, 16th March from 7.00 pm	Abba Tribute Night, Lady Margaret Hall
Villages of Welbeck Assocation	Saturday, 27th April from 11.00 am to 3.00 pm	Plant and Craft Fair, Lady Margaret Hall

RECIPES *with thanks this month to Diana Chapman-Hart*

Homemade sausage rolls (Lorraine Pascale recipe)

(makes 16)

INGREDIENTS:

- Make your own puff pastry or alternatively buy 500g (1lb 2oz) puff pastry
- Plain flour (for dusting)
- 1 egg (beaten)
- 8 sausages of your choice (skinned and cut in half) or sausagemeat
- Salt and pepper and either some fresh parsley, thyme or a little sage

METHOD:

- 1) Preheat oven to 200°C
- 2) Roll out the pastry on a floured surface to a rectangle 48cm x 32cm (9 inch x 12 ½ inch). Cut into 16 equal rectangles.
- 3) Lay a piece of sausage/sausagemeat at one end of each rectangle, season with salt and pepper and add herbs of your choice on each piece of meat.
- 4) Brush a little of the beaten egg on the other end of each rectangle before rolling each one up and scoring the tops with a knife.
- 5) Put in the fridge on a baking tray covered in greaseproof paper for a few minutes to harden.
- 6) Remove from fridge and brush each sausage roll with the rest of the beaten egg. Cook for 25-30 mins or until golden brown and crisp.

Serve with mashed potatoes/potato wedges and beans or seasonal vegetables of your choice.

(NB: Gluten free flour and pastry can be used as an alternative, and vegetarian meat substitute can also be used.)

Key Lime Pie (Mary Berry recipe)

(serves 6-8)

INGREDIENTS:

Base

- 150g (6oz) digestive biscuits
- 65g (2 ½oz) butter
- 25g (1oz) demerara sugar

Filling

- Grated rind of 1 lime and juice of 4 large limes
- 379g (14oz) can of full-fat condensed milk
- 450ml (3/4 pint) double cream

METHOD:

- 1) Put the biscuits into a plastic bag and crush with a rolling pin. Melt the butter and stir in the biscuit crumb and sugar. Press into a lined 9inch (23cm) round loose bottom tin and place in the fridge to set.
- 2) Put the lime juice, condensed milk and 300ml (1/2 pint) of the double cream into a bowl and mix to blend well. Pour onto the crumb base evenly and chill in the fridge.
- 3) Whip the remaining cream and spread over the pie finishing with the grated rind of a lime.



If you wish to submit a recipe for the next edition, please email it to nancy.nchwparishcouncil@gmail.com

LOCAL FOCUS

Progress Made by the Battle of Hatfield Investigation Society

Given that The Battle of Hatfield Investigation Society (BOHIS) are presently unable to gain access to St. Mary's, Cuckney, to examine skeletal remains that may be from the 632 AD battle, work continues instead with a wider landscape search for a potential battle field.

This started with our HLF funded, "Warriors Through The Landscape" project in 2018/19, continuing with Field Walking and Metal Detecting in the Hatfield vicinity in February/March 2020 in 4 fields, assisted by Mercian (Archaeologists) and the fabulous free efforts of Chesterfield Metal Detecting Club (CMDC).

We are now detecting in another 6 fields with CMDC, having started in Nov. 2022, ending 31/3/24.

During our 2018 to date detecting phase, we have discovered c. 3,000 items from many ages, including a bone Viking gaming piece, an Obituary Token dated 17th June 1778 and various Medieval lead seals.

However, pride of place goes to potential battle related items - an arrowhead and even more excitingly an Anglo-Saxon Sword Pommel, which has been examined and assessed by Professor Mark Horton and Mercian. We aim to use a deeper detector (sourced and operated by CMDC) over the coming months to help reveal further items.

On 8th November we visited the Wirral Archaeology Group to understand their experiences in presently having discovered some 30 to 40 items that could be related to the Battle of Brunanburh (937AD) and we hope that they will visit us shortly. We're also about to contact the Battlefields Trust to see if they can help us understand the strategic importance of the landscape and help reveal further clues.

Of course we'd like to put in another (necessary) HLF bid asap but that would be dangerous if we don't complete this groundwork in order to define and focus any future funded work and make it count.

So we're putting in a lot of hard work **and we hope that you will reward us with your motivational presence** at our AGM on Friday 26th January at 7:30pm.

Please note that we are holding this and future meetings at Cuckney Cricket Club, Langwith Rd, Mansfield NG20 9NG. Attendance is FREE as usual but please try to pay for Membership (it's only £10 a year and it really helps).

*Paul Jameson, Chair
The Battle of Hatfield Investigation Society*

BASSETLAW SPRING CLEAN EVENT

The Bassetlaw Spring Clean event runs between the 15 and 31 March 2024. The Parish Council will be organising a litter pick for each village. Please keep an eye out for updates on our Facebook page in the New Year. This has always been very well supported by villagers in the past.

Litter pickers, hi-viz jackets, gloves and black bags will be provided but please be aware that we must return all this equipment to Bassetlaw, so someone will be there to count it all out and count it all back!

CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL

What a wonderful day we had on 2nd December when we held our Christmas Tree Festival & Christmas Market, with so many people turning up and creating a warm and friendly atmosphere in our church. The stalls had so many good things to buy as presents and treats for Christmas.

Thanks to to all the stall-holders for their work in supplying such a variety of goods to choose from. The Christmas Trees were amazing again this year. The winner, chosen by all of you, was the 'Woodland Tree', designed by the Villagers Group. Thank you to all who provided and decorated a tree, all helping to make a lovely Christmas ambience. Special thanks go to all who gave their time, ideas and skills to the planning and setting up of the event.

We send grateful thanks to all those who donated so many superb raffle prizes. Many thanks go to those who baked the wonderful array of cakes for the refreshments. The day raised £2203 to help maintain our historic church, including generous donations from stall-holders, making the festival a very worthwhile endeavour. We look forward to the next one! Happy New Year from all at St. Mary's.

Sheila Brailsford, Churchwarden.

VILLAGERS SOCIAL GROUP

Happy New Year! Well done to the group for winning the tree decoration competition at last year's Tree Festival at St Mary's, Cuckney. The woodland theme looked amazing.

January's group meeting will be held at Cuckney Cricket Club on Wednesday 17th starting at 2pm.

February's group meeting will be held on Wednesday 21st starting at 2pm at Cuckney Cricket Club. For all meetings, unless otherwise advised, there is a £3 entry which includes refreshments.

Everyone is welcome to come.

Lee-Ann Morton



The winning tree designed by the Villagers Group

THE LANGWITH CRAFT GROUP

The Langwith Craft Group meets at Langwith Bassett Community Hall from 2.00 pm to 4.00 pm latest. Fees are dependent on the activity but are usually in the region from £3 to £5.

Everyone is welcome to attend but I would be grateful if you could sent me a message to let me know that that you're coming, for numbers.

The next meeting will be held on Thursday, 18th January. We have a cuppa before and during the meetings.

*Maggie Smith (maggie@bolsover.co.uk),
Leader, The Langwith Craft Group*

ST. MARY & ST. WINIFRED'S CHURCHES

(Please note that the type of service may be confirmed nearer the date)

Sunday Jan 7th	10.30 am	Holy Communion	St. Winifred's, Holbeck
Sunday Jan 14th	10.30 am	Morning Prayer	St. Mary's, Cuckney
Sunday Jan 21st	10.30 am	Holy Communion	St. Mary's, Cuckney
Sunday Jan 21st	10.30 am	Morning Prayer	St. Winifred's, Holbeck
Sunday Jan 28th	10.30 am	Morning Prayer	St. Mary's, Cuckney
Sunday Feb 4th	10.30 am	Holy Communion	St. Winifred's, Holbeck
Sunday Feb 11th	10.30 am	Morning Prayer	St. Mary's, Cuckney
Ash Wednesday, Feb 14th 7.00 pm		Holy Communion Joint Benefice Service	St. Mary's, Cuckney
Sunday Feb 18th	10.30 am	Morning Prayer (TBC)	St. Mary's, Cuckney
Sunday Feb 18th	10.30 am	Morning Prayer (TBC)	St. Winifred's, Holbeck
Sunday Feb 25th	10.30 am	Morning Prayer (TBC)	St. Mary's, Cuckney
Sunday Mar 3rd	10.30 am	Holy Communion (TBC)	St. Winifred's, Holbeck

IN MEMORIAM

Mrs Maria Russell's funeral took place on November 29th in St Mary's Church followed by burial in the churchyard.

The service was conducted by LLM Lianne Stones

FUTURE COMMUNITY NEWS ITEMS

If you would look to put something in our newsletter, please contact Nancy Wright.

Prices are below for any business who would like to advertise. Please let us have your entry by the 20th of every month.

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CHURCHYARD 100 CLUB

The winners this In November were Sheila Smith (53) June Ibbotson (89)

Congratulations!

CROSSWORD SOLUTION

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