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AUTUMN NEWSLETTER 2014

WHERE THERE'S A WILL, THERE'S A WAY

Summer is nearly over and the sight of combines and tractors with trailers loaded with their harvest, is a clear sign that soon the darker early evenings will be upon us. It seems like yesterday that we had the reshuffle at the Amenities Association and with that comes change as we get to grips with the various licensing and charitable trust obligations that are now a part of running a village hall. I know that some will be rumbling that 'the new lot are trying to upset things', but I can assure you that we have one ultimate objective and that is to make the amenities more inclusive for the whole community. The majority of our village have been here for less than 10 years and it is important that we take cognisance of the needs for everyone.

We have terrific facilities, with the main hall, meeting room, church rooms and recreation ground, but are they being used to their best to meet the needs of the Village? Please let us have your opinion, as without your involvement, we cannot provide relevant facilities. To start we are looking to improve the current play area. Paul Phillips is working with a group of mums in the village to consider what we can do and also how we can generate funds. If you have any ideas or would like to get involved, give Paul a shout. As a diary reminder, September 20th is the School Fete and Paul and some of the team will be there collecting ideas of what you would like to see. Included is the thought of an outdoor 'trim trail' so that anyone visiting the recreation ground can get in some fun and light exercise.

I cannot mention the school fete without reminding one and all that the Scarecrow theme this year is 'celebrations'. Get building those scarecrows ready for the 13th September week!

Finally, I would like to think ahead to next summer and Sunday June 7th. We will be a part of 'The Big Lunch', which will be an opportunity for the village to get together and have fun. More detail will obviously be following, but for more information visit www.thebiglunch.com. If you would like to be a part of the team organising this fun day, we would love to hear from you.

There is a lot happening and it all takes time, but collectively, if we want to make it happen, it will. As Harold Wilson once said 'He who rejects change is the architect of decay. The only human institution which rejects progress is the cemetery'

Peter Smith
YVAA Chairman

MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING

Tuesday 30th September, 10:00 to 12:00 in the Village Hall. Stalls will include cakes, bric-a-brac, books, plants, tombola, raffle and competitions. Donations for stalls and offers of help will be gratefully received.

Please contact Joan on 692097 or David on 692593.

Hope to see you there.

NEWS FROM THE SOCIAL CLUB

Welcome to any newcomers to our village and we hope you will enjoy living within or community.

Please come along and visit the Social Club in the Village Hall. We are open on Friday and Saturday evenings and Tuesday and Thursday evenings when there is a darts match (Ladies darts on a Tuesday and gentlemen's on a Thursday). We have a pool table in the club which is for the use of Club Members and their friends.

There is a small membership fee which is quickly saved by the fact that our drinks are very reasonably priced. Pay us a visit and ask for details from a member of bar staff or any club member.

Our AGM which is a very important meeting is scheduled to take place on the 15th October at 19:30 and you would be welcome to come along. If you have any suggestions that you would like discussed at this meeting please put them forward to a member of bar staff or any committee member, e.g. would you like us to open more often, what other events would you like us to organise, is anybody interested in starting up a crib evening. Your ideas will be very welcome.

GOOD COMPANIONS CLUB

The club meets in the Village Hall on 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month from 14:00 till 16:00. We're a friendly club and offer a range of activities including bingo, raffles, auctions and occasional visits by entertainers. If you are over 55 years of age we would encourage you to come along and meet us and try it for free. If you are interested and would like to know more about the monthly outings that we hold during the months of May to October (to which non-members are also invited), contact the Treasurer, Mrs Sheila Feake on 01362 820630 or the Chairman, Mrs Irene Smith 01362 696396. We like to welcome new members and you will be assured of a warm welcome.

We have 2 more outings left this year:

24th September	Mystery Trip	£7.50
22nd October	Bury St Edmonds	£7.50

YAXHAM AND DISTRICT WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

We meet on the second Wednesday of the month in the Village Hall at 19:15.

On 10th September Mr. Steve de Roeck will talk about An African Safari.

Our October and November meetings are for members only but our new session will begin on 14th January 2015.

All ladies are welcome to join us as guests (under no obligation) and further details may be had from President Kathryn Rogers at 01362 691198.

LACE MAKING CLASSES AT THE VILLAGE HALL

If you fancy trying a new craft, our fun and friendly group meets on Friday nights in the meeting room at the Village Hall from 19:15 until 21:30. If you haven't got your own lace equipment then don't worry, equipment can always be borrowed.

Our Meetings re-commence on Friday 5th September.

For more information please contact Jenny Kozakiewicz on 01362 692041.

SHORT MAT BOWLS CLUB

If you are interested in playing bowls or learning to play please come along to the Village Hall on a Tuesday evening at 19:30 and you will be made very welcome. We are always looking for new members.

If you do not have a set of bowls we do have a spare set or you can always borrow a set from a member. The club membership fee is £8.00 per year, but you can join in for three evenings before becoming a member. We pay £1 per game and play two sessions each evening. Flat soled shoes are needed (if you do not have any you could bowl in a pair of slippers to try it out).

Please come along and see what this sport is all about.

ST PETER'S CHURCH

Our usual monthly pattern of Church Services is:

1st Sunday of the month is Morning Worship

2nd Sunday of the month is the Family Service

3rd Sunday of the month is Holy Communion

4th Sunday of the month is a Sunday Special Service

All services start at 10:45.

The Harvest Festival Service will take place on 28th September at 10:45.

There will be a Coffee Morning in the Church on Saturday 13th September from 10:00 to 12:00.

Rev. Sally Thurgill, Tel: 692745.

Church Wardens: Mrs A Cheeseman, Tel: 693214, Mrs L Hoyle, Tel: 692366.

The church is open during the day and you are welcome to go in.

YAXHAM EVANGELICAL CHAPEL, CLINT GREEN

Harvest Celebrations at the Chapel:

Sunday 5th October, 11:00 Service with the Sunday School children and Stephen Adcock.

Sunday 5th October, 18:30 Family Service with Alan Stroulger.

Monday 6th October, 19:30 Service with Adrian Turner.

Evening events (commencing at 19:30 and followed by refreshments):

30th September Glen & Christine Fox

28th October Stephen Adcock

28th November Fun Quiz with Derek Cate

Our usual weekly services are:

Sunday 11:00 Sunday School – all children from age 4 upwards welcome.

Sunday 18:30 Family Service

Tuesday 19:30

The Sunday School Nativity Play is on 18th December at 19:00 in Jubilee Hall.

Carol Singing around Clint Green 22nd & 24th December (weather permitting).

For further information contact Carol Beavis on 01362 696846 or use the following link to the web site:

www.yaxham.com/pages/evangelical

YAXHAM CHURCH OF ENGLAND (VA) PRIMARY SCHOOL

Yaxham Church of England Primary School is growing and changing. Starting in September, we have not three but four classes and the number of children in our care will go above 90 for the first time.

Last term we said goodbye to a long-serving teacher, Mrs Smith, and to two teaching assistants, Mrs Reeson and Mrs Pond. We are about to welcome a new teacher, Miss Greenfield, to our school. Congratulations are in order to Miss Watson who completed her probationary year with flying colours.

In Year 6, our SATs results were the best they have been for some time and we say to the 8 children who took them and have now left us for their high schools: "Well done and best wishes for the future".

Our Head teacher, Mr Dekker, has been ill since May and we wish him a speedy recovery and a swift return. Please join us for our annual fete from 12:00 to 15:00 on Saturday 20th September.

Yaxham Church of England (VA) Primary School, Clint Green, Yaxham, Dereham, Norfolk, NR19 1RU

Tel. 01362 692033

Email: office@yaxham.norfolk.sch.uk

Website: www.yaxham.com/school

Facebook: Yaxham Church of England Primary School

FRIENDS OF YAXHAM PRIMARY SCHOOL

Yaxham school scarecrow event and fete are upon us again with the theme this year being "Celebration and Anniversaries". Let's see if, with your help, we can beat the record of scarecrows that pop up around the village. If possible, please display your wonderful creations from the 13th September so that our friendly photographer from the E.D.P has a wide selection from which to choose. More details will be available nearer the time, but please put the date in your diary and start planning!

YAXHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Chairman	Peter Lowings	Pinebanks, Station Road	01362 690001
Vice Chairman	Pablo Dimoglou	Yaxham Waters, Dereham Road	01362 696750
	Peter Bennett	White House Farm, Norwich Road	01362 692820
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	David Myhill	Croft View, Well Hill, Clint Green	01362 692593
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	John Harvey	Hill Farm, Yaxham	01362 696240
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Parish Council meetings are held in the Jubilee Park Meeting Room and commence at 19:30. The Meeting Agenda is posted on the village noticeboards three days before the meeting, and are also available on the village website, as are the minutes of previous meetings. Forthcoming meetings: Thursday 11th September, Thursday 16th October, Thursday 27th November. Members of the public are welcome to attend our Meetings.

COMMUNITY CAR SCHEME

You may be aware that the Community Led Plan Steering Group proposed some time ago to set up a Community Car Scheme, a suggestion that was met with enthusiasm by both villagers generously offering their time to drive and those who would benefit from the scheme as passengers. We are now hoping to get the scheme off the ground and would like to hear from volunteer drivers and people who might like to use the scheme.

A community car scheme is an arrangement where residents who have difficulty getting to medical appointments can be taken by volunteer drivers. The scheme will be open to all residents in the Parish of Yaxham – there is NO age barrier, so young families who have difficulty would be included as well as elderly residents.

The volunteer drivers receive the HMRC mileage allowance of 45p per mile, but this is being subsidised by the Yaxham Parish Charity, so a third of the cost will be supported to ensure that they are kept as low as possible.

To keep things simple, we have agreed to make fixed passenger rates for certain journeys as follows:

Mattishall or Orchard Surgeries	£2.00 return
Dereham Hospital	£2.50 return
Norfolk and Norwich Hospital	£8.50 return
Queen Elizabeth Hospital, King's Lynn	£18.00 return
Cromer Hospital	£20.00 return

These costs are on a journey basis **NOT** per passenger.

If you wish to register for the scheme as either a user or a driver, or have any questions, please contact:

Trudy Gust – 01362 691659, or

Jennie Smith – 01362 693555

Email – Yaxham.Community.Car.Scheme@gmail.com

We look forward to hearing from you and making this scheme work for the benefit of our local community.

WOODLAND GROUP

Yaxham Woodland Group activities continue at Pinns Corner. Thinning out, pruning, litter picking and footpath clearing have been the main activities. We meet on the first Saturday of each month at Pinns Corner at 10:00 for our usual working party.

Forthcoming events:

Saturday 6th September commencing 10:00 - AGM and BBQ. All are welcome. It would be helpful if you can let us know if you plan to attend on yaxhamwoodlands@gmail.com so as we can estimate the amount of food required. Please feel free to bring an edible or drinkable contribution!

Sunday 12th October at 2pm - Village Walk starting at St Peter's Church.

SEQUENCE DANCING

Monday Evenings 18:30 to 22:15. £1 Annual Membership fee, £2 per evening. Everyone welcome but it would help to know the basics.

BULK FUEL PURCHASING SCHEME

Thirty-four households from Yaxham have now registered to take advantage of the *Thinking Fuel* bulk fuel buying scheme. If you're not one of them, you could be missing out! Details of the scheme are:

- The bulk order syndicate operates once a month to balance convenience with savings.
- Everyone pays the same regardless of the volume they order.
- You can order fuel at any other time and receive the day price.
- There is no obligation to buy.
- Special delivery requirements, (such as needing long hoses, small tankers or arranging access) can usually be accommodated but this should be made clear when ordering.

Syndicate orders need to be placed by 5.00pm on the first working day of the month. However, members are normally able to place their order a couple of days earlier if they wish. A reminder will be sent to those who supply an email address or mobile number a few days before the first working day of the month. Once this message is received the ordering process is open.

When you call to order you will be told the day price as the syndicate price is not known until orders are collated and the price negotiated. The order may be held for up to 2 weeks to try to get the best possible price, although earlier delivery can be arranged if oil is needed urgently. Generally the syndicate price will be lower than the day price; however, prices can go up as well as down. If the final syndicate price will be 3p per litre higher than the price originally quoted, you will be informed, otherwise the order will be processed as described above.

Payment can be made by direct debit, debit card or credit card (2% surcharge applies). Direct debits are only taken in months when an order is placed. Direct debits are encouraged as this helps keep the costs of the scheme down, allowing savings to be passed on. Direct debits can also ease cash-flow by delaying payment until the end of the month. Payments will be adjusted to reflect the actual quantity of oil delivered if, for example, you ask for 1000 litres but your tank will only take 900 litre.

If you decide to register for the scheme, an individual registration form can be found at: http://www.norfolkrc.org.uk/wiki/index.php/Thinking_fuel. In the box entitled 'Community Scheme Name' please enter 'Yaxham'.

Should you have any questions, or if you do not have access to the internet to obtain an application form, please call Trudy Gust – 01362 691659.

DIARY DATES & BOOKINGS FOR YAXHAM VILLAGE HALL

SEPTEMBER			
Saturday	6	Bingo	19:30
Sunday	7	Car Boot – Carol	08:00
Saturday	13	Quiz – Football Club	19:30
Sunday	14	Car Boot – Lions	07:30
Thursday	18	Caring Friends Harvest Supper	19:00
Saturday	20	Bingo – Carol	19:30
Saturday	27	Church Society	
Tuesday	30	MacMillan Coffee Morning	10:00 – 12:00
OCTOBER			
Saturday	4	Dance	19:30
Sunday	5	Car Boot – Carol	08:00
Saturday	11	W.E.A.	09:00 – 16:00
Saturday	11	Bingo	19:30
Sunday	12	Car Boot – Lions	07:30
Sunday	12	Bingo – Lions	19:30
Saturday	18	W.I. Harvest Supper	19:00
Saturday	25	Private Dance	20:00
Sunday	26	Private Party	
NOVEMBER			
Saturday	1	Bingo	19:30
Sunday	2	Car Boot – Carol	08:00
Saturday	8	Nigel Boy Syre (Caring Friends)	19:30
Sunday	9	Car Boot – Lions	07:30
Sunday	9	Bingo – Lions	19:30
Saturday	15	Bingo – Good Companions	19:30
Saturday	22	Dance - YVAA	19:30
Sunday	23	Friends of Norfolk Dialect	13:00
DECEMBER			
Saturday	6	Bingo Yaxham School	19:30
Sunday	7	Carol Service	14:00
Saturday	13	Bingo YVAA	19:30
Sunday	14	Car Boot – Lions	07:30
Sunday	14	Bingo – Lions	19:30
Monday	15	Tony Boothman Centre	10:00 – 17:00
Tuesday	16	Ploughmen's Lunch	12:00 – 14:00
Thursday	18	Sunday School Nativity Play	19:00
Sunday	21	Private Party	
Wednesday	31	New Year's Eve Dance	20:00 'till late

HALL BOOKINGS

If you would like to book the Village Hall for any occasion please contact

Mrs Muriel Meachen on 01362 695876 for more information, to check availability and to request a booking form.

We recommend that you book well in advance so as to not be disappointed.

Hall Hire charges

Hiring the Hall represents excellent value for money.

£9 per hour for bookings made by Yaxham residents

£17 per hour for all other bookings.

Charity events qualify for a special flat rate of £45 for Yaxham residents, £90 for all others.

If you need to know more information about events in the Hall please contact David Myhill on 01362 692593.