

NAFFERTON NEWSLETTER

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Parish Council News

ROAD CLOSURE 13 NOVEMBER 2016

An application has been made to ERYC for part closure of Middle Street from 1045 – 1110 hours on Sunday 13 November 2016 to facilitate the Act of Remembrance. Middle Street closure will be from junction of Westgate and Priestgate to Rectory Close and will include the junction with Coppergate.

REMEMBRANCE DAY SERVICE

13 NOVEMBER 2016

The Remembrance day service will take place at All Saints Church on 13 Nov 16. The Service will be led by the Revd. Hillary Boon and Revd. Robert Amos will preach.

Timings are as follows:

1040 – Wreath layers form up at the Memorial on Middle Street.

1045 – Road Closes

1055 – Act of Remembrance commences

1100 – 2 Minutes silence

1110 – Service commences in All Saints Church

Village groups who wish to lay wreaths should contact the Parish Clerk.

NOTICEBOARD

The Parish Council Noticeboard was destroyed during a runaway vehicle incident last month. Plans are underway for a replacement Noticeboard at the Mere.

THE MERE WATER QUALITY

Despite Yorkshire Water advising that as a result of all the recent repairs in the village, Nafferton Mere should no longer receive any sewerage contamination from the drainage system, there have been 2 instances noted in the last few weeks. Although there is over a million gallons of water flowing through the Mere each day, fed by natural springs, and most contamination usually gets dispersed very quickly, as a precaution we would advise that parents ensure their children do not go paddling in the water until further notice. We are meeting with the Environment Agency and Yorkshire Water over the coming weeks and will keep you updated. However if in the meantime anyone notices any further contamination please inform the Parish Clerk asap who will follow up with the appropriate authority.

THE MERE PROTECTION OF WILDLIFE

A parishioner has raised a concern regarding the protection of ducklings on the Mere. A huge amount of effort is going into resolving this lady's concerns, which we are taking seriously.

"We are working with the RSPCA, who visited the site and

came along to a Parish Council meeting last week at our request. "We have an annual programme of lowering the Mere for repairs and maintenance to the sluice and to allow homeowners to make repairs to adjacent walls. Under advice from the RSPCA we delayed our programme to lower the water levels by 4 weeks this year. This will allow any late broods of ducklings to be fully fledged before the Mere is lowered.

"The grill put on the sluice gate without permission by the complainant could pose a very real flood risk to the nearby homeowners, and for that reason, our insurers have advised it cannot stay there.

"We are speaking to the Environment Agency about how we might reduce the very small risk of ducklings going through the sluice gate, whilst still complying with our insurance.

"We have discussed with the RSPCA putting in a ramp so that any ducklings who do manage to get into that stretch of water can climb out, but because the homeowner whose land it would go onto has a dog, this is not a safe option. We are instead looking at creating a platform in the water itself.

"Earlier this year we placed a motion camera on the sluice gate for three weeks to gain an understanding of the risk to the ducklings, and it did not record one sighting of them during that time, despite it being one of the most vulnerable periods of the breeding cycle."

- Nafferton Parish Council

OFFICIAL STATEMENT FROM RSPCA PRESS OFFICER:

"We've been on a site visit to the weir and attended a Parish Council meeting - at the Parish Council's request - to discuss this lady's concerns.

"We have given Nafferton Parish Council advice which they have accepted.

"Though we do believe the risk to be small, if we are called out to these ducklings we will attend as we would any other similar calls."

- Leanne Plumtree, Senior press officer, RSPCA, North of England

THE MERE—VERMIN CONTROL

We have been advised of a rise in vermin at the horse wash area at the Mere and indications are that this is because of persistent and systematic artificial overfeeding of the birds. Therefore we would ask that people refrain from feeding the birds from this area to help reduce the vermin numbers. The Environment Agency have been informed.

Apple Crushing Days

In the August Newsletter NMC gave notice that it would be running Apple Crushing Days again this year, in early October. Sadly, for various reasons this cannot now happen.

Apologies.

As many people know, the NMC membership recently voted to close down the charity in 2017 after nearly 20 years service to the community. This means that any remaining assets will have to be dispersed, including the apple crushing equipment.

So, if any individual would like to make an offer for it, please contact Sheila Cook at rcooksons@hotmail.com, or Great Houndales Farm. The book value is around £685.

If any club or society would like to adopt the equipment, please let us know. There is nothing like your own freshly squeezed apple juice!

Nafferton in Bloom

Summer has now passed and we turn our attention to Autumn and Winter planting. We hope that everyone has been impressed with the floral displays around the village during the summer. Team members will be out and about, tidying up and replacing old plants with new ones.

As mentioned in previous issues of the newsletter, we were visited by judges from YORKSHIRE IN BLOOM in July. They appeared to be impressed by the efforts not only of NIB members but of villagers in general, and thanks goes to all those who displayed beautiful flower arrangements.

Many thanks to Robin for driving the judges around the village.

The judges were non-committal in their decisions and we wait to find the results at the annual meeting in York in September, when a number of our members will represent us.

July also saw the presentation of Nafferton in Bloom awards. THE LONDIS TROPHY winner was Nafferton Fisheries, who retained the trophy from 2015, with commendations to Ross Holmes and the Star Inn. THE NAFFERTON FEOFFEES TROPHY went to Mr & Mrs Reynolds, with commendations to Mr & Mrs Capes and Mr M J Harrison.

The children's PRIMEPAK FOODS COMPETITION for planting a pot or tray went to Jonty, with runners up being Henry, Will and Hannah. The poster competition was won by Lexi, with runners up Jasmine and Elena.

Our congratulations to all the participants for a very high standard of entry. Without you we have no competitions. Thank you.

The next meeting of Nafferton in Bloom will be held on Tuesday 18th October at 7pm in the Village Hall. All are invited to attend.

Anyone interested in becoming a volunteer and joining NIB, please contact either Jan on 250175 or Bill on 538629.

STUDY OF THE WOMEN'S LAND ARMY

I am a mature University of Hull student in my final year on a BA Honours Degree in Regional and Local History. I have chosen to study the Women's Land Army in the Yorkshire region as a dissertation topic. If any local people have any stories from relatives that used to be members of the WLA or have any original documents etc. that I could look at, I would very much appreciate it. Hopefully someone may have something to offer. Please email

C.C.Medlam@2011.hull.ac.uk

- Carolyn Medlam, Nafferton Resident

NAFFERTON PARISH COUNCIL WEB SITE NEEDS YOU TO VOLUNTEER!

**Our Parish Council urgently needs a manager and an editor for our village web site: Nafferton.net
The site is an important source of authoritative information about our village and our
Parish Council.**

Details of the activities are below and expert help can be given to you if needed. Would volunteers please contact our Parish Clerk, Anne Tyler (01262 488702 or email clerk@nafferton.net), as soon as possible giving details of your experience.

RESPONSIBILITIES OF NAFFERTON WEB SITE MANAGER.

To oversee the software and updates and security of the site. The registered domain name is Nafferton.net. Site hosts are Gridhost and the Content Management System is Wordpress. There is the main Nafferton Web site and a subsidiary site for the Nafferton Recreation Club.

Wordpress day-to-day administration and maintenance: users and user roles, image gallery, software upgrades, plugins, PHP, technical issues from Gridhost, i.e. PHP version upgrades etc.

HTML/Miscellaneous technical questions from editors. Contact form setup and maintenance. File administration using FTP or SSH. SEO.

MySQL database day to day maintenance, backups and restoration.

Email maintenance and setting up accounts, forwarding and groups, e.g. for Parish Councillors and Clerk and for editing team members.

Google analytics and reporting

RESPONSIBILITIES OF NAFFERTON WEB SITE EDITOR.

General overview of the site(s) for clarity, comprehensiveness of information and consistency of terminology and pathways. Update or remove out of date information. Scan sources of information such as Facebook sites, posters in the Post office and Village Hall, etc. Ensure links to other sites are operative. There is a need to rebuild the editing team of three or four people with local interests.

The site contents include:-

Posts: alerts to village concerns, e.g. major planning applications, socials, and similar activities, organisations' news and new information for our village. We do not attempt to provide general village news coverage but give a link to web sites of local press.

Automatically receive and scan messages to newsletter@nafferton.net which are also forwarded to current newsletter editors. Ensure complete and up-to-date coverage of activities and organisations in Nafferton on the Directories and Events Calendar and the Galleries.

The Contact Us forms go to team members with the different responsibilities. The form for our Parish Council is automatically redirected to the Clerk.

There is always one Parish Councillor as a link to our site to speak and present reports to council and to put all appropriate PC papers, agenda, minutes, policy documents, on the site promptly.

The Recreation Club now has its own sub-site. Much of the content should be provided by the various Rec. groups. Some major events will need also a post on our main pages.

NAFFERTON NEWSLETTER DISTRIBUTION

The three co-ordinators and the three editors who each edit annually two of the bi-monthly Newsletters are indeed grateful to the 40 plus distributors who carry out the house to house deliveries. It is only right and proper that we occasionally say a special thankyou to you distributors, let's face it, without you, there would be no Newsletter to read.

However an extra special thank you goes out to Peter and Min McCormick who have filled the role of ensuring that all 52 houses of St. Quintin Field receive their bi-monthly Newsletter. They have recently moved elsewhere in the village but our thanks go out to you both for all your support which goes back to when St. Quintin Field was first developed. By our reckoning, you will have delivered over 4500 Newsletters over those years. Quite a feat.

Needless to say, we are already looking for one or two volunteers to take over this section.



Tony Shingles Moves South

Tony Shingles, who we think is in his 94th year, has for the benefit of his wife's health moved south to be near their daughter in the Shrewsbury area. Tony, who was very well known in Nafferton, having lived here for over 40 years, firstly in Westgate, then Priestgate Close and finally in Hall Close. During all those years he helped in various capacities and guises, Parish Councillor, joint instigator of the village Neighbourhood Watch scheme and joint founder of this very "Newsletter" to name but three. He just loved being involved.

In the war years he served with considerable distinction in the RAF and although he was reluctant to discuss such matters, we are aware that he received at least a DFC together with other awards for his exploits.

However he was also quite artistic though his wife Pauline probably was better known particularly for her paintings of flowers and scenery. From a personal viewpoint, I, John Gledhill, along with Vic Shaw and many others will miss his expertise, his witty and amusing anecdotes and probably his home made wine which was always of the highest quality.

We all wish them both well in their new surroundings.

Nafferton Scouts and the Village Hall

Would like to invite you to a family
Halloween Party

On Saturday 29th October 2016 at 7:30pm at
Nafferton Village Hall
Fancy dress
Pie and Pea Supper & Disco
Tuck Shop
Bring your own drinks
All ages welcome
Tickets are £5 and available from
Sheenagh 07961 944 331

BODY SHOP PARTY

Get your order in in time for ChristMas!

Nafferton Village Hall

Wednesday 2nd November 2016 at 7:00pm

Refreshments provided by
Nafferton Scouts

New Year Celebrations!

We will be holding our New Year's Eve Celebration in the village hall again this year so if you want a cosy table for two or party table for ten the tickets are now available. Doors open at 7.30 till late and ticket price includes disco and pie and pea supper, and are £9 for adults and £4 for under 9s. Bring your own wines and beers and see in the New Year in style.

For further info/tickets contact Ray Richardson on 254733 or Julie Ringrose 0750774405

All proceeds to be split between the Village Hall and local charities

Nafferton Scarecrow Festival 2016 update

We would like to announce that we raised £1800.

From this Nafferton under 5s and the Rec club will both receive £600 each and the rest has paid expenses and we have kept a bit aside to be able to do the festival next year.

We all would like to thank you all again for supporting us!! Roll on September 2017!!!

- From Team Scarecrow

Defibrillator machine fundraising

Fundraising for a defibrillator machine is taking place, Team scarecrow have raised £100 so far but we obviously need more! A fun fashion show night is to be held at Nafferton Recreation ground on Friday the 18th November and tickets are now on sale.

Contact Caroline Martinson 07786006803 or Karen Novak 01377 232892

New Business Opportunities

As a special matter, we have been asked to mention the existence of the Chuck Wagon Café, situated on Markman Lane which is the continuation of Westgate and the Café is situated on the right hand side of the road just as you leave the village boundary. Opening times for the autumn and winter months are 12 noon to 4 pm Saturdays and Sundays only.

More detail as to their activities can be obtained by going onto info@naffertonparkfarm.co.uk but when they are open we are advised that quality coffee and hot and cold food will be available. In addition Riding School facilities are also on hand, so for those interested in such activities, a visit may well be worthwhile.

Spring and summer opening times will be advised in due course.

Nafferton Village Hall News

Nafferton Village Hall has had a major revamp over the summer holidays with a new kitchen fitted and supplied by Howdens, it looks amazing, it now boasts two fridges, two cookers, a dishwasher and a microwave. Thanks are expressed to Howdens Joinery who worked tirelessly for the first fortnight of the school holidays to ensure it was completed on time. Crown Paints from Driffield supplied us with 30 litres of emulsion and 10 litres of gloss which enabled the hall to be painted. We have also had new side doors fitted, a big improvement. Nafferton Village Hall is available for your parties, events, meetings and fundraising ideas, please call Sheila on 254249 for availability.

Nafferton Village Hall

Auction Sale

Saturday 29th October 2016

At 2pm

Viewing morning of the sale from 10am

Table top from 10am

If you have any bric-a-brac, furniture (not BEDS) etc. that you would like to donate the committee would appreciate it. (No Clothing Thank You)

Please contact any of the following for collection arrangements

Paul Ewbank 257221

Annette Rodgers 241771

Sheila Malster 254249

Sarah Sellar 272658

The committee would appreciate your support



This issue has been edited by Sheenagh Austin—thank you to everyone for their contributions. The next issue will be out in August and will be compiled by Nicola Clarkson-Hall on telephone number 255471 or email contributions to newsletter@nafferton.net. The deadline is **15th November 2016**. The newsletter is bi-monthly. To keep in touch with local village news in the mean time, or to update information and events, log onto www.nafferton.net