ADVENT WINDOW TRAIL

Would you like to take part in the trail? If so please give your name and address to Ann Bell. Tel 01572 812594.
We need 24 windows to be lit – one each evening from December 1st to 24th December. You will be given your date with your number when to light up by November 17th.
Bedroom? Kitchen? sitting room? Whichever is best for people to see you will be asked to display your number.
This will be just a nice way to run up to Xmas.
Do come and join in and view ALL the windows up to Xmas Day.

Ann Bell
Saturday 28th September 2019

Coffee Morning

Ann and Mick would like to say a big THANK YOU to all who came to the coffee morning at their home in aid of MacMillan and Rutland in Rutland. £600 was raised which will be equally divided between both charities. Many thanks to all our willing helpers much appreciated.

Ann and Mick Bell

As winter approaches and we are all trying to tidy up the gardens don’t forget those of you with green bins that there is no green bin collection 16th December onwards until 17th February. Check your RCC leaflet or go on line at rutland.gov to see how collections affect your street. I am sure most of us fill the bin as soon as it is emptied this time of the year and have to wait then two weeks for it to be emptied. The alternative option is taking to the Cottesmore amenity site in your own car if you have that facility and are fit enough. Happy gardening..........[Ed]

Talking of gardening it seems the RCC have been very vigilant and residents in villages around the county have had letters concerning overgrowing hedges/plants on footpaths. It can be a problem for pedestrians particularly those with prams or using mobility scooters but there have been some draconian examples I believe. So be careful not to forget to check your roadside boundary garden hedges are compliant....Ed

REMINDER - OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD
SHOEBOX APPEAL

Just a final reminder that I will need completed boxes and any cash donations by Sunday November 10th at the latest. Boxes can be left in Exton and Cottesmore churches and at my front door, 3 New Field Road, Exton. However, if anyone is unable to deliver please contact me (01572 813118) and I will collect. Patricia Hagger

REMEMBRANCE POPPIES

Thanks to Parish Council Chairman Derek Palmer who has organised the street light poppies in the village once again. Ed

Note in Sally’s Church notices page 12 the arrangements re Remembrance Services including that at the War Memorial.

SHORT MAT INDOOR BOWLS – EXTON

NEW MEMBERS ARE WELCOME TO JOIN SUNDAY EVENINGS
7 PM IN THE VILLAGE HALL.

No previous experience necessary and no equipment. Just bring flat soft shoes with you and your enthusiasm! Bowls is a fun game, especially in Exton! If you really take to it then there is the opportunity to bowl outdoors locally in the area in the summer months. Give it a go!

All enquiries to David 813413 or Bryan 813148.

EXTON CHURCH BIG CLEAN ! Saturday 26th October

More than 20 people came to help including some Brownies – well done all
CELEBRATE HALLOWEEN SAFELY
TAKE CARE WITH CANDLES, AND FLIMSY COSTUMES, CHECK THE FIRE SAFETY LABELS; REMEMBER NOT EVERYONE WANTS TO HAVE THEIR DOORBELL RUNG FOR TRICK OR TREAT - go to www.celebratesafely.com.

PLEASE REMEMBER SOME PEOPLE AND A LOT OF PETS HATE FIREWORKS. BE KIND AND FIND A REFUGE FOR YOUR PETS AND LET YOUR NEIGHBOURS KNOW IF YOU ARE INTENDING TO HAVE FIREWORKS.

DIAL 999 IN AN EMERGENCY
Thanks to the School for printing the Newsletter

Contributions for DECEMBER to be received by 20th November by email or post please
[N.B. There will not be a January Newsletter]

Unfortunately recipients of the November Newsletter will be receiving the hard copy rather late because of the closure of the School for the Half term break until 4th Nov 2019.

Apologies but unfortunately there is nothing I can do about that.
Those with email will have received them at the correct time.

I really want to thank Nick, Angie, and Sally for helping me form the members of the ‘Cat Detection Agency’ in Exton to trace the owners of a cat found on the Cottesmore Road. It transpired he was from Kendrew Barracks. The naughty puss had gone walkabouts a whole month previously. I guess the disturbance of the many little creatures in the fields during harvest was all too tempting, wanderlust took over. Angie referred me to a great Facebook site for Missing Pets Oakham and Melton and via that we were able to track down the owners. Yes the poor soul had come to a sad end but at least his human owners were able to take him for a proper burial and their worry was over. So thanks again for all involved in the detective work, particularly on behalf of the owners. .........Ed
'T for Tuesday. is the monthly community Tea Party held in Exton Village Hall on the second Tuesday of the month. The aim is to bring people together for a chat over a cuppa and lovely home-made cake. There is no set charge, we only ask for a small donation towards the cost of the hall hire and refreshments. We would love to welcome a few more of our friends and neighbours there. If transport is a problem and you would like a lift please contact Sally Miller 01572811411 or Bernadette Wallace 01572812956/07858484918. Dates for the rest of the year are Tuesday 12 November and Tuesday 10 December. Please pop along anytime between 2.30pm and 4pm.

PRE CHRISTMAS SOCIAL EVENING

Friday November 29th at 7.30pm in the Village Hall

Mulled wine, mince pies, Table top sale,
Exton Christmas Cards
and a chance to meet the Rector

Opportunity to view large framed map of the village by Judy Swinfen which will replace the tapestry previously in the church
The Exton ‘Big Dig’!

In mid-October, Exton residents (and visitors to the Exton playing fields) may have wondered what we were doing on the field at school. We were very excited to be having our Exton ‘Big Dig’!

With the help of a local archaeologist parent, plus the help of some other parents, we were able to measure and dig out our own small trench, just like archaeologists do, to see what we could find out about the environment in which we live and about how people lived here in Exton in the past.

We didn’t know what we would find, and our ‘treasures’ are still being sifted through as I type. However, we definitely found pieces of pottery and shaped flint stones amongst other things.

There are a few photographs here, but to see and find out more, do visit the news page of our school website.

School website: www.extonschool.co.uk
Phone: 01572 812380 if you would like to arrange a visit.
EXTON VILLAGE HALL MOVIE NIGHTS!
OUR NEXT FEATURE - YESTERDAY
SATURDAY 30TH NOVEMBER 7.30PM

FIND OUT WHO REALLY WROTE ALL THOSE HITS!
Please book your tickets IN ADVANCE to allow us to plan seating.
Tickets are £5 each as usual from
Mark 07710 459655/ markbutterill@gmail.com or
Messenger to Mark or the Village Hall Facebook page

…………..WILL THIS AFFECT YOU?………………
Rutland County Council recently announced the following:
"We manage parking throughout both our towns but our main priority is to
discourage illegal parking in certain areas that can put people’s safety at
risk. Parking in ‘no stop’ or ‘keep clear’ zones, like those outside schools or
leading up to zebra crossings, isn’t just against the law, it’s also
dangerous. The reaction of offenders who park in these areas can be to
drive away when they’re approached by our parking officers, only to repeat
the same offence again and again. We have to put the safety of
pedestrians and lawful road users first and will shortly begin issuing
penalty notices by post to drivers who park dangerously but then
refuse to accept a fine. These measures will be used to deter the small
number of irresponsible drivers who put others at risk by parking
dangerously. We have to use whatever powers we have at our disposal to
keep people safe on the roads.” Councillor Lucy Stephenson, Cabinet
Member for Transport [Regulation 10 Parking Penalties]
HARVEST SUPPER - SATURDAY 19th October 2019 in Village Hall

Unfortunately I was not able to attend the super function after all so the only photo I have is the one below of John [the auctioneer] with Chris Smith studying the pumpkins!! Not sure why? but no doubt there is a story behind it. This was taken by Janis Phillips. There are a couple of videos on the Exton Village Hall Facebook page, thanks to Janis..

In Ann Bell’s own words: Once again our Annual Harvest Supper was a great fun evening raising the sum of £665 for Church funds. Thanks to all who donated puddings and helped in anyway. Fun and games made the evening very enjoyable with Colin’s music. £95 was raised by the Whiskey game and £200 with the raffle. THANK YOU all again.......Ann Bell

Thanks to everybody who helped Ann and her fab team, bringing stuff, setting, up, clearing away, everything!!!

And mostly those of you for attending and contributing to the auction etc.

The real heroine as usual is Ann Bell !!!!.....[Ed]
In the past the community has reported issues to the Parish Council who on their behalf contact the Rutland County Council. The Parish Council, particularly the Chairman Derek Palmer, has always been vigilant reporting the needs of Exton and this will continue but for those of you with internet access, please be aware you can report directly to the RCC on their site https://www.fixmystreet.com/

If repairs do not happen then obviously let the Parish Council know and we will, if we have not already, also make contact.

The recent works on the A606 caused a great deal of damage by way of a knock on effect to the roads around the village with lorries and speeding motorists taking shortcuts on totally inappropriate roads. The PC and the RCC are looking into this and hoping to restore verges etc. where possible. Unfortunately many drivers ignore diversion signs and choose their own path regardless of the danger to others. The white line on the curve of the Cottesmore Road/Avenue/Oakham road where the Exton Park Gates stand is completed, cats eyes are to be added.

TOWN PUMP REPAIRS

The Grade II Town Pump is the responsibility of the Parish Council on behalf of the community. After several years of observation and reports, the work to hopefully repair and prevent further cracks in the pillars is due to commence this month. Apologies in advance for any inconvenience caused by the conservation team who are tasked to do the work. It requires very specialist knowledge due to the age of the construction.

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ST PETER AND ST PAUL PARISH CHURCH, EXTON

Services in November
3rd 3pm        All Souls Service
10th 11.15am   Remembrance Service
24th 11.15am   Holy Communion

Morning Prayer will be held at Malting Barn each Wednesday morning from the beginning of November at 9.15am.
Dorothy Atter was baptised during the morning service on October 24. Love to her, her parents Helen and James and big sister Violet.

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On **Sunday November 3rd** at 3pm there will be a short All Souls Service during which there will be an opportunity to light candles in memory of our loved ones. It will be followed by tea, cake and chat. Everyone will be very welcome. If you need a lift, please contact Sally or Bernadette.

**The Remembrance Service on Sunday November 10th** will include an Act of Remembrance. **On Monday November 11th** there will be a Remembrance Day service at 10.50am at the Village War Memorial where wreaths will be laid and the names of the fallen read out. The children from our school will also be participating.

**November 29th Pre Christmas Social Evening** – see Page 6.

General queries can be directed to the cottesmorebenefice.office@gmail.com or to me at sallyrm24@gmail.com or on 811411. ........Sally Miller, Churchwarden

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A huge thank you to Ann and her helpers for organising another successful Harvest Supper. It was a very happy evening with delicious food' ..........Sally

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**CONDOLENCES** to the family of Pat Rudkin, Pudding Bag Lane, who passed away recently. Widow of Ken, they both suffered considerable ill health in their later years......Ed

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**ST THOMAS OF CANTERBURY Holy Mass** Sunday 9 am