PLAYPARK
It is such a shame to return to the misuse of the Playpark on behalf of those parents who enjoy taking their children to play in their leisure time. Hopefully the thoughtless litter louts and those who indulge in other activities will think again about the voluntary time that went into providing this facility in the village. Maybe their parents were part of the group of Mums and Dads who raised money to allow it to happen all those years ago? Just show some respect please and remember the purpose for which this was built?

CHURCHYARD
We also return to the complaint regarding dog poo! An ongoing issue in Exton it seems. This particular time however I would like to draw your attention to the Churchyard which is kept mown and tidy by two volunteers. Somebody is repeatedly allowing a large dog to foul the area then of course those undertaking the mowing have the unpleasant task of cleaning the blades of the machine. Please please stop this shocking practise no doubt thinking it doesn’t matter or you cannot be seen. Show some consideration to those looking after the grass and respect for the families who care for the graves. Pick up after your dog!
MICK BELL’S THANKSGIVING AND CELEBRATION

The Church was packed for the service on 2nd October with family and friends of the late Mick Bell. This meant so much to Ann and her family as due to Covid restrictions attendance was restricted at Mick’s funeral. The service was taken by Barbie Coulson and Mick and Ann’s son Nigel on behalf of his siblings together with the grand children read tributes to Mick. The ceremony was followed by the burial of the ashes.

Ann and family were delighted to be able to pass donations received in remembrance of Mick to Exton and Horn Parish Council totalling £350. This is to be used towards the upkeep of the Exton Playpark in which Mick took such an interest during his time as a Parish Councillor.

After the service tea and cakes were provided in the Village Hall. Many will feel that it is the passing of an era with the loss of Mick, having truly been an ‘Exton Man’ spending so much time, effort and involvement in village affairs.

LOST SPECTACLES?

Found outside Blacksmiths Cottage, Blacksmiths Lane, during October, please call 01572 812233 if they are yours.
Thanks to Janis Phillips who captured Ann and Steve auctioning the ‘chinese lanterns’....

Another splendidly organised evening by Ann Bell and her team of friends and neighbours. Unfortunately due to the Covid regulations regarding the hall, dancing was excluded this year, but at least the village was able to congregate in a social atmosphere and enjoy each others company. Steve Boyes stepped up to act as Auctioneer as well as his normal raffle ticket duties and a splendid job he did too.
A total of £1,000 was raised for the Church of St Peter and St Paul, Exton. Ann’s extraordinary fund raising for this village and the Church is quite something and unsurpassed I would think. I wonder how much this totals over the years?
From all the attendees a big thank you to everyone involved and from Ann a huge vote of thanks to her helpers.
REMINDER - OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD – SHOEBOX APPEAL

National collection week is from 15-22 November but I will need boxes by Sunday 14 November as I then have to deliver them elsewhere the following week. Boxes may be left in the churches already named, delivered to me at Horseshoe Cottage, 3 New Field Road, Exton or telephone me if collection is needed. [full details see October Newsletter] ...Patricia Hagger 01572 813118

THE LEPROSY MISSION

USED STAMPS AND COLLECTABLES
I am trying to help raise much needed funds for the above charity which has its headquarters in Peterborough. They are able to raise cash on used stamps of any country and I have placed a collecting box in Greetham church (please leave a border of no more than 5ml), or if you have a large quantity I will collect. They also accept postcards (posted or unused), coins and bank notes (of any country), medals, cigarette cards and tea cards. Please deliver to me at Horseshoe cottage, 3 New Field Road, Exton or contact me if you need a collection.
Patricia Hagger, 01572 813118

FIREWORKS ..... 
If you are thinking of a having a firework party please be considerate to your neighbours. Let them know it is happening. Many prefer not to hear the bangs as they are noisier each year. Those with pets from bunnies in cages, birds in avaries, to horses will probably wish to keep them indoors or sheltered in some way as it can be very traumatic for some. Farm animals are not excluded from this so wherever you are and whatever you plan just consider the effects on your surroundings.
EXTON INDOOR BOWLS CLUB

SUNDAY AND FRIDAY evenings!
Exton Village Hall 7 pm

New members always welcome – no experience necessary, good company and pleasant social evening

COME AND HAVE A GO!

No equipment required just bring flat shoes - we will supply the rest

FREE TASTER SESSIONS!

Contact: 01572 813148/813413 or 812233

ANOTHER SCAM? I had a call on 14th October 2021 from the number below and because I was suspicious I searched the ‘Who called me from this number?’ on line. It came up with the following:

01322 466599 is a landline located in Dartford UK. Calls started 2nd September 2021. ..........Says been searched 156 times...

They firstly said National Call company something or other researching as they see I am paying far too much from Openreach for landline and wifi and want to change it...etc etc........ I put the phone down after a few minutes while he said he was checking something. They immediately rang back and a lady who said she was checking rates..... I said I do not believe you and put the phone down again. They did not ring back that time. .......
More Sat 23rd Oct…. Call from ‘Visa’ did not want numbers from me but telling me of two fraudulent payments from my account…. £900 and £400 …”.your Fraud office from your bank will call you shortly” – I rang my bank’s fraud dept and no it was not true – another scam they would have called and pretended to be bank! Numbers to be aware of: 01733286348, 01733573189, 0013154940252. What a nightmare it is these days with all these people out to try and defraud us ? .......... BE AWARE ......BE CAUTIOUS.......IF IN DOUBT PUT PHONE DOWN If it is authentic you will always be contacted again ..........Ed

EXTON 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 24th. Bedroom? Kitchen? Sitting room? Whichever is best for people to see - you will be asked to display your number.

This is such a nice way to run up to Xmas – Do come and join in and view ALL the windows up to Xmas Day

Merry Christmas!”
FOR SALE

I have a collection of Teddy Bears that belonged to my first late wife Pat. When I had a gift shop in Stamford, Pat used to sell Teddy Bears upstairs. The business was called ‘Room for Bears’ and she had her own collection.

Since she died in 2000 I have kept her collection of special bears for over 20 years. Now as I get older I don’t want to burden my children with the task of knowing what to do with the bears and I have made the decision to sell them all.

If you love teddy bears or want a special bear for a child or grandchild then please get in touch.

They are individually priced ranging from £20 for the smaller bears to £150. Many bears are limited edition.

Anyone is more than welcome to come and have a look at them at 10 Blacksmiths Lane Exton LE15 8AJ

Contact JOHN GARNER

garnerjohn9@btinternet.com or message to 07929 347904
HOW DO YOU FANCY GETTING OUT AND ABOUT?

Rutland Walking, Cycling and Outdoor Festival:
The second week kicks off for the school holidays. Looking for free things to do with the kids, come along and join in with some of our walks or rides. To book or to find out more visit our website: https://www.activerutland.org.uk/walkingandcyclingfestival

Active Together Champion:
Take the dog for a walk each day? Cycle to school with the kids? Or attend a regular activity session at a local club? We need you! Active Together are looking for local Leicestershire, Leicester, and Rutland people to help us inspire your neighbours and local communities to get out and move a bit more. Sign up to become an Active Together Champion here: https://www.active-together.org/.../09/we-need-you-yes-you

Weight Management:
Rutland has a dedicated Weight Management Service for residents who may be concerned about their weight and the impact it may be having on their health. Weight Management Rutland offers a free 12-week telephone support programme that pairs service users with a dedicated nutritionist or dietician. Together service users set personal, sustainable weight loss goals and work towards them each week. Nutritionists or dieticians will provide guidance towards weight targets with a focus on fun, inspiring food ideas. This service is being delivered in partnership with Leicestershire. For more information visit: www.leicestershirewms.co.uk, email: weightmanagement@leics.gov.uk or call: 0333 207 2201.

Steady Steps:
Steady Steps is a 24-week programme tailored to those who have previously fallen or worry about falling and is designed to help improve balance and stability. There are a few local sessions so please get in touch if you know anyone who could benefit. Contact details are on the poster attached.
CINEMA FOR RUTLAND TAKES PLACE ON THE FIRST THURSDAY OF EVERY MONTH AT THE RUTLAND COUNTY MUSEUM, DOORS OPENING AT 7PM FOR A 7:30PM SHOWING.

Cinema for Rutland
Rutland County Museum
Thursday 4 November 2021

LOVE SARAH

Starring Celia Imrie, Shannon Tarbet, Shelley Conn, Rupert Penry-Jones and Bill Patterson.

Doors and Cash Bar open at 7. for 7.30 pm
Tickets £5 from Oakham Wines, www.wegotickets.com and on the door if available.

We are following Government guidelines more information at https://www.a4r.org.uk
THE VILLAGE BARROW -
OPENING MONDAY 8th NOVEMBER 9.00AM
FRESH FRUIT, SEASONAL VEGETABLES & HERBS
AVAILABLE FROM
THE VILLAGE BARROW
17 WEST END EXTON

CHECK OUR WEEKLY SPECIALS BOARD FOR EXCITING
UNUSUAL PRODUCE AND RECIPE IDEAS

FREE EXTON DELIVERIES FOR PENSIONERS,
ANY QUANTITIES SUPPLIED

FRUIT AND VEG BOXES AVAILABLE TO ORDER
FROM 1ST NOVEMBER

CONTACT ALY ON
07747618424 OR E-MAIL roxburgh246@btinternet.com
FOR MORE DETAILS
[Normal opening hours Mon, Tues, Fri, Sat, Sun 9am to 6 pm
Others by arrangement]

BRING YOUR OWN BOX OR BAG IF POSSIBLE!
‘T FOR TUESDAY – 9th November 2021

All are welcome for a chat over a delicious homemade afternoon tea. Please remember the return of our monthly ‘T’ for Tuesday meetings which take place 2.30-4 pm in the Village hall. To comply with the village hall requirement we ask that upon entry to the hall everyone uses hand sanitizer and you wear a face covering. Once seated this may be removed. If you would rather continue to receive a home delivery of cakes please contact Bernadette 01572812956

Thank you to the School for printing the Newsletter

PLEASE NOTE : December Newsletter contributions must be with the Editor by November 20th latest to be sure of inclusion. PLEASE NOTE THERE IS NOT A JANUARY NEWSLETTER.
Contributions/adverts/ free of charge to annetteoliver63@gmail.com
Or by hand to 20 Stamford Road.
Our community is....

As part of an RLT art project, all of the children have completed artwork with a title of ‘Our Community is…’ As part of this the children were asked to consider what makes our school community special, what makes our local community special and British Values. The children were all keen to represent the inclusive nature of what a community should be, and that their artwork should also represent our school behaviour statement: ‘We are kind, we are honest, we forgive’. Different children approached the artwork in different ways. Pictured (from the top) are pictures from EYFS, year 6, year 3, and year 2.

If you would like to find out more about the school, do visit our website— www.extonschool.co.uk.

We are happy to show prospective parents around the school. Please contact the school office on the phone on 01572 812380 or by email at extonoffice@rltschools.com.
I am sure those of you with Facebook will have been shocked to hear about the attack in Empingham shop on Friday 22\textsuperscript{nd} October.

By including the information here we can at least try and broadcast the details.

Let us hope they are caught before anybody else suffers the same .........Ed
ST PETER AND ST PAUL PARISH CHURCH, EXTON

Services
November
14th  11.15am Remembrance Service

28th  11.15am Holy Communion

THERE WILL BE A SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE AT THE VILLAGE WAR MEMORIAL AT 11AM ON THURSDAY NOVEMBER 11TH.

The names of the fallen from the village will be read out and wreaths laid on behalf of the village and by the children.

Thank you to everyone who contributed so generously to the Harvest gifts for the Food Bank and thank you to Bernadette and Mark Wallace who delivered them.

Another thank you to Ann Bell who organised another excellent Harvest Supper. It was as always an enjoyable evening.

Thank you also to Ed Heckels who organised another fun Quiz won by the team ‘Clueless’ who were far from it. Congratulations to them.

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

All Souls Service on October 31st at 4pm in Exton Church.

A chance to remember all those people from the village who have died in the past two years and to light a candle for them and for our own loved ones.

Everyone is welcome. Sally Miller, Churchwarden

ST THOMAS OF CANTERBURY - Holy Mass

Sunday 9 a.m.