There was an excellent turnout at Market Overton Bowls Club Wednesday 26th January for the session presented by Steve Tummon, 26 present. Six residents from the Exton volunteer list were in attendance refreshing their knowledge of techniques. We are lucky to have Bernadette Wallace to look after the Exton defibrilator and do the weekly checks and she has now updated the list as required. Steve is an excellent trainer and his years of serving as a paramedic mean he has attended such a variety of emergency call outs he can explain in real terms a number of different scenarios.

One thing is important for anyone attending a sudden collapse of an individual which may be caused by a heart failure is

YOU MUST FIRST RING 999!

Obviously if you are not alone somebody else can do this while your attention is devoted to the patient. However I must stress it is no good rushing off to find the nearest defibrillator as you will not be able to access it without the required code. The code is given to the caller by the Ambulance service [999]. There are procedures that need to be followed before a defibrillator is introduced. The ambulance service will talk you
through what is required and if and when a defibrillator is brought into play it ‘speaks’ and advises further actions.

For those unaware the Exton defibrillator is sited in a telephone box at the junction of Stamford Road/Empingham Road, opposite the Spinney.

’T FOR TUESDAY – 8\textsuperscript{th} March 2022

All are welcome for a chat over a delicious homemade afternoon tea. We are delighted to remind you of the return of our monthly ‘T’ for Tuesday meetings which take place 2.30-4 pm in the Village hall. Hand sanitizer and face masks are available in the village hall.

If you would rather continue to receive a home delivery of cakes please contact Bernadette 01572 812956.

OBITUARY
Mrs Jean Banks formerly residing 5 Newfield Road, Exton, moved to Rutland Care Village a while ago after leaving Exton, sadly she died 16\textsuperscript{th} January, her funeral took place in Exton Church St Peter & St Paul at 2 pm Thursday 3rd February followed by burial in the churchyard.

STORMS [where do they get the names?]
DUDLEY, FRANKLIN, GLADYS, EUNICE ..... as I write the high winds continue, our hearts go out to those who have suffered harm or lost family members in the UK.
Take care everybody.
ROYAL JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS - ‘STREET MEET’?

Never heard of it? Well I can let you in on a secret that after ‘googling’ some of the complex regulations for some of the suggested Jubilee celebrations I discovered that ‘Street Parties’ may need a Licence and have to be referred to the Rutland County Council 6 weeks minimum ahead of the event.

However if you have a ‘street meet’ you don’t! The difference appears to be - I think - if the ‘party’ is actually on the road. Obviously it is essential to keep access clear. I therefore suggest that where you can in Exton use the term ‘Street meet’ – use the verges/pathways/discuss with neighbours to avoid any annoyance/utilise areas that will not impede progress if needed of traffic – remember it could be emergency vehicles.

I am sure the Exton and Horn Parish Council will help anyone who wishes to have more information and is unable to access the website. To contact the Clerk: 01572 759554/clerk@exton.org To contact the Chairman of the PC: Tommy Cooper: thgc@thomascooper.co.uk, Don’t forget to share any suggestions and ideas that can be placed in the Newsletter

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EXTON INDOOR BOWLS CLUB
SUNDAY EVENINGS

Exton Village Hall 7 pm

FREE TASTER SESSIONS!

Contact: 01572 813148/813413 or 812233
Last year we managed to put on a Mini Produce & Craft Show, despite the ongoing effects of COVID. This year, we would like to have a bigger Show, but find ourselves in a difficult position of only having four Committee Members (due to a variety of personal reasons). This is not a sustainable workload for us to put on a Show in 2022, or to continue this tradition going forward, therefore, we’re looking for two additional volunteers. The positions we want to fill are:

a) Committee Member to aid with Fundraising
b) General Committee Member
Duties include:
(i) Attend committee meetings (five/year) – helping make decisions on the planning and operational execution of the Show.
(ii) For Show Day, help with the set-up and clear down of the Village Hall.
(iii) On Show Day, help out with entrants/exhibits, scoring and fundraising.

Please can I ask anyone who would like to join our small, dedicated Team, to contact me, using the details below by **Monday 14th March 2022**.

Thank you, David Collins, Chairperson Exton Produce & Craft Show
T: 811054, M: 07801236456 Email: extonproduceandcraftshow@outlook.com

**DOG FOULING**

It is with reluctance I return to this topic once again. I have been compiling the newsletter now for about 12 years and the problem does not go away. In fact the problem is that dog owners just do not all pick up! It is a small ask surely? I now have on file photos of one or two such owners who have been caught attempting to walk away and a resident has caught them on camera. Sadly many are particularly lazy when walking their dogs in the dark. There is no difference in the law whether its night or day **YOU MUST PICK UP AFTER YOUR DOG**.

There are dog bins in the village and no caring dog owner should ever be without poo bags in their pockets. We tried the pink chalk if you recall during the time I was Parish Clerk. Supplied by the RCC this was to highlight dog waste to avoid pedestrians stepping into it. Where is the conscience of these owners? If this was regularly appearing at your doorstep how would you feel?
We recently highlighted the situation at the churchyard. Is it because owners think it is out of sight? Dog walkers will not be seen? We know we have lots of visitors, many walking dogs, but in truth we also know there are dog owning residents who are responsible for this thoughtless behaviour. I have even been asked to ‘name names’! I could but I will not. If you have any respect for your fellow villagers at all then please do not insult them by behaving with such lack of consideration.

*Having gone on at length on the subject we have to say there are a lot of very good thoughtful dog owners in Exton, please do not tar them all with the same brush!!.....Ed*

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**NOTIFICATION OF ESSENTIAL MAINTENANCE WORKS**

**A1 Wothorpe to South Witham – northbound carriageway**

- Resurface the carriageway and slip roads
- Replace the high friction surfacing as required
- Reinstate all traffic loops, road markings and road studs
- Reinstate the affected bridge expansion joints

Once completed, all road users will benefit. Our work is due to start on **28th February 2022** and is scheduled for completion by the end of **May 2022**.

Please note that all our planned roadworks may be subject to change due to weather conditions or unforeseen circumstances.

To keep our programme for these works as short as possible and to minimise inconvenience and disruption to the local community, residents and road users, we will work under full carriageway closures between **8pm and 6am Monday** to **Friday**.

Some elements of our work will require full weekend closures to the slip road
OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD - SHOE BOX APPEAL
Thank you again to all of you who packed a shoe box in 2021, the total that left the UK was 277,350. Our boxes went to two locations, Liberia which is in western Africa between Cote d'Ivoire and Sierra Leone where 50.9% of the population live below the poverty line and Albania which is in south eastern Europe between Greece to the south and Montenegro and Kosovo. 600 of those that went to Albania were given to Aghan refugee children in a camp with their parents......Patricia Hagger

KEEPING EXTON TIDY – Saturday 21st February was the ‘pick up’ day and goodness what weather, wind and rain and a bit of snow. How grateful we all should be to the stalwarts who turned out. Organised as usual by Ed Heckels.

“Many thanks to the nine teams that turned out in the middle of Storm Eunice to help in this year’s Exton village litter pick. Some 30 sacks of rubbish and assorted larger items were gathered for collection by the Council on the drive of Edward Heckels, the organiser. Particular thanks are due to Tommy Cooper and Dave Healey who drove round collecting the rubbish from verges around Exton. And thanks as well to the Fox & Hounds for opening early to provide liquid refreshment to the litter pickers!..................Ed Heckels”
EVENTS ARE COMING BACK!

RUTLAND SHOWGROUND
Apple Tree Grafting Workshop
Saturday March 19th 10:00 -13:00

The Rutland Show is back! The 2022 show will take place on the Saturday 4th June during the Queen's Jubilee Weekend.

Good New Clothes Sale
at Borrison Lodge Hotel & Restaurant near Oakham, Rutland LE15 8AH
Friday 4th March 2022 5.00pm - 8.00pm

Tickets £20
Available from
01572 724400 info@forrutland.org.uk

Sat 5th March 2022
8.30am - 1.00pm
Admission £5
on the door

www.forrutland.org.uk • info@forrutland.org.uk
A Huge Thank You!
We’d like to give a huge thank you to the local community in Exton, and especially to Christina and Simon at the Fox and Hounds and David Healey for the money raised for the school over Christmas at the pub and from the Exton Christmas trees. We have ordered some new equipment for our EYFS area – photographs to follow once this arrives.

Making use of our Library
Over the summer holidays we relocated our non-fiction library within the school and purchased some new shelving, making it easier to find different books. Here are some pictures of our year 2 and 3 children making use of the library for some research in their science work just before half term.

If you would like to find out more about the school, do visit our website – www.extonschool.co.uk. We are always 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.
We operate an extensive transport scheme for frail, elderly, disabled and vulnerable people in Rutland who have difficulty in travelling independently around the area covered by the Social Car Scheme.

This is a door-to-door service where volunteer drivers use their own vehicles to pick up clients and return them to their homes. The driver will wait for a reasonable time until the visit or appointment is over. Clients who travel with our transport scheme are expected to contribute toward the cost of their journey according to a set tariff.

We welcome enquiries from those who find it difficult or impossible to use public transport, people who are geographically isolated and those with physical, sensory or learning disabilities.

Thank you to the School for printing the Newsletter

PLEASE NOTE: APRIL Newsletter contributions must be with the Editor by March 20th latest to be sure of inclusion.

Let us have your news and views

Contributions/adverts/ free of charge to annetteoliver63@gmail.com
Or by hand to 20 Stamford Road
Extonbury is back! Join us on 9 July to see 11 of the best bands in Rutland delivering great music in a beautiful best location to a fabulous audience, all raising funds for the Air Ambulance. As always there'll be the best festival food & drinks courtesy of Simon & Christina at the Fox & Hounds. We've missed this for the last 2 years, let's make 2022 a year to remember! Tickets are on sale now from the festival website www.extonbury.com; prices have been held at pre-covid rates and are a bargain at £10 per person in advance, £15 on the gate with kids 12 & under free. For more info including the full band line-up check out the website and follow our Facebook page.

And for a preview of one of our acts come and see your village band, the mighty Extones at The Grainstore on Saturday March 26th at 8.30pm. Let's take this year by storm!!

THE VILLAGE BARROW -17 WEST END
FRESH FRUIT, SEASONAL VEGETABLES & HERBS
CHECK OUR WEEKLY SPECIALS BOARD FOR EXCITING UNUSUAL PRODUCE AND RECIPE IDEAS
FREE EXTON DELIVERIES FOR PENSIONERS, FRUIT AND VEG BOXES AVAILABLE TO ORDER -07747618424/ roxburgh246@btinternet.com
ST PETER AND ST PAUL PARISH CHURCH, EXTON

Services
March

2\textsuperscript{nd} 6pm Ash Wednesday Service at Cottesmore Church
13\textsuperscript{th} 11.15am Morning Service
27\textsuperscript{th} 11.15am Mothering Sunday Holy Communion

The Thanksgiving Service for Nick Sparks has been rearranged for Saturday April 2\textsuperscript{nd} at 2.30pm in the church.

Gracie Rose Robinson was baptised last month. Her parents Ashley and Sophie live in Stamford and were married in Exton Church.

The funeral of Jean Banks, late of Newfield Road, was held last month. She was buried in the churchyard with her late husband Ron.

Two future dates for your diaries:

**Saturday July 16\textsuperscript{th}** when Arts for the Heart of England will be putting on a concert and

**Saturday September 17\textsuperscript{th}** when the Corby Male Voice Choir will be performing in the church. Two treats in store!

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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ST THOMAS OF CANTERBURY

Holy Mass - Sunday 9 a.m.