

NEWSLETTER

With the compliments of the Parochial Church Council of St. Denys Church, Ravensthorpe

Harvest Festival – Sunday 1st October 2017 – All ages welcome, followed by refreshments and an auction of harvest produce for our Bungoma (Bangladesh) Charity. There will also be a small prize for the best children's home made or home grown contribution (any food, craft, picture or decoration) to display in church or to the auction.

Brunch @ 11 – Sunday 15th October 2017 – at Guilsborough Village Hall, open to all. Relax with bacon & sausage rolls, fresh coffee, tea and juice. Newspapers, games and activities for children. Thought for the day. Free of charge and in a relaxed family atmosphere.

Service for Remembering the Departed – Sunday 29th October 2017 – St Etheldreda's Church Guilsborough – There will be an opportunity at this service, to light a candle in memory of your loved ones.

Remembrance Day Service – 10.55am Sunday 12th November 2017

The Alpha Course – An opportunity to explore the Christian faith for the first time or afresh. Plenty of time to ask questions and discuss.

Open to all and starts with a meal at 7.00pm, ends by 9.00pm. At Cafe Doris, back of St. Andrews Church in Spratton. Starts **Wednesday 4th October 2017** then weekly until Wednesday 8th November 2017 with an away day on Saturday 25th November 2017. To book your place telephone Chris Peck on 01604 743734 or the Uplands Office on 01604 743444 or by email: revchrispeck@hotmail.co.uk or uplandsgroup@btinternet.com

Shoe Box Appeal. Shoe boxes filled with pencils, paper, toys, toothpaste, soaps etc. for children & adults for Christmas. Forms will be in P.O. & Church. A box is in the church for donations of items for boxes. You can bring filled boxes to Church on Sunday October 22nd 11am. or to: Tricia Freeman, 2 Orchard Close. Tel 770855. More details are available here: shooboxappeal.org

RAVENSTHORPE PARISH COUNCIL

NOTICE OF CASUAL VACANCY RAVENSTHORPE WARD

Following a resignation, a vacancy for a Councillor has arisen on the Parish Council.

Anyone who is interested in being co-opted to the Council to fill this vacancy is invited to apply in writing, providing contact details and a brief resume as to why you would like to be a Councillor, to the Parish Clerk - ravensthorpepc@yahoo.co.uk.

For further information about what is involved in becoming a Councillor, please do not hesitate to contact either the Parish Clerk, Carol James (771141) or the Parish Council Chairman, Richard Marsh (770868)



Marie Wernum (above left)

With special thanks to her daughter, Toria: Marie and Pip Wernum & children moved from London to Uppingstone House in 1970.

"Mum was born in the Republic of Ireland (in 1936) where she was a musical comedy actress. She was such a bright light in our lives she had one of those personalities that just oozed charisma and charm so gregarious and confidently outspoken always provoking fun. She was utterly caring and always put everyone else before herself".

Marie was an active member of the WI in Ravensthorpe and loved her tennis. Pip set up the village newspaper *The Raven* and was its "colourful" editor for many years. Pip died in 2005 and Marie continued to live at Uppingstone House until 2013.

Marie was living in a care home close to Toria in Hampshire when she passed away in June this year. She is dearly remembered by special friends in Ravensthorpe.

Eileen Spencer (above right):

with special thanks to Marjorie Atkinson & Anne Smith; Pauline & Yvonne Reeve.

Eileen died 5th July 2017 aged 91 years. She came to Ravensthorpe in 1971 with her husband Peter and son Chris.

"Eileen had a terrific sense of humour. We used to laugh a lot and go to Daventry WI coffee mornings (where) she would always talk to people in shops. She loved Ravensthorpe and was a member of the WI, joining in everything they did, including the Christmas Panto's, usually stealing the show. At the Christmas Party, we often have members read items they like and it was Eileen who entertained us with poems from Pam Ayers, stories from Joyce Grenfell, but her favourite was passages from Gervase Phinn. He was from the north, as was Eileen, so she managed to sound authentic with the accent. She loved the Senior Citizens afternoons at Lin Hudsons' and the luncheons in the Village Hall, all of which she appreciated very much.

"Eileen was a very independent person but friends in the village supported her, enabling her to live in her own home until she went into hospital near the end of her life. She is greatly missed".

Ravensthorpe Village Hall What's on in October?

Food Bank Collection: No food-bank collection this month!

Play Keyboard: Monday 2nd, 16th & 30th. 2.00-3.30pm. Call Andrew & Gillian Pitts 771451 or email aandgpitts@gmail.com.

Bus Stop Tots: Tuesday 3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th, 31st: 8.45am—10.30. Call Alice Cooper 07803 595106

Bridge Class. Tuesday 3rd, 10th, 17th, 31st: 2.00-4.30pm. Improvers & beginners welcome. £6 per session. Bernadette & Tony Watson 770424. Email: abwatson72@gmail.com

Raven Arts & Crafts (RAC): Monday 9th 2.00-4.30pm. Embroidery Demonstration. Call Ros Smith 770471. Also, Monday 23rd: 2-4.30pm

Village Cinema: Tuesday 10th 7 for 7.30: *Cinema Paradiso*—a classic foreign language film set in Sicily. Tickets £6 from Mike Cobbe mike@mikecobbe.com

Morning Coffee. Wednesday 4th & 18th. All welcome. Fresh coffee & home-made eats for just £2. 10.30-noon.

Speakers Corner: Wednesday 11th: 7pm for 7.30: *"The Ghosts of Rorke's Drift"*. Bar. Tickets £5 from Ravensthorpe PO or call Di Hayes 770482.

RVH Lunch. Wednesday 11th: 12.15 Call 770466 or 770562 to book.

WI Thursday 19th: 7.45pm.

Pilates & Yoga at the RVH
(See box on reverse side)

For information on these sessions or any other items relating to the Village Hall, call 771277.

Macmillan Coffee Morning 23 September:

First count adds up to over £880. Well done & thank you everybody! JP

Coffee Morning: at Ann Fowler's – Home Farm Saturday 25th November
In aid of pancreatic cancer research & Village Hall. 10.30 – 12.00 All welcome!

Parish Council Notice

It would be greatly appreciated if householders who have gardens bordering the village footpaths could ensure that any vegetation which is overhanging the footpaths or encroaching onto them is cut back so that pedestrians are not forced to take avoiding action such as ducking or walking into the road.

Speakers' Corner

WEDNESDAY 11th OCTOBER 7 for 7.30pm

THE BATTLE OF RORKE'S DRIFT

Our next speaker is travelling from South Africa. Charles Aikenhead will be talking about the *Battle of Rorke's Drift* which was fought in South Africa in January 1879. Up to 4,000 Zulu Warriors attacked 100 Riflemen of the British Army. The British position was defended successfully and 11 VCs were awarded to the combatants.

Charles, who is a former Guards Officer, will present first hand accounts of five of the defenders; in his illustrated talk, he brings home the drama of this fierce battle.

Wine and beer will be on sale, the beer will come from the Phipps brewery following our highly successful talk in September. Proceeds to the Army Benevolent Fund.

Do join us in Ravensthorpe Village Hall. We can promise a good evening.

Tickets £5 available from the Ravensthorpe Post Office or by contacting Di Hayes 01604 770482.

For your diary:

Thursday November 16th at 2.00pm for 2.30:
Brenda Ball's Talk
"After the Verdict—The Judicial Journey".

Village Cinema:

Tuesday 10th October 7 for 7.30pm

Cinema Paradiso—a classic foreign language film set in Sicily. Tickets £6 from Mike Cobbe mike@mikecobbe.com

We are now superbly equipped. See details of the autumn programme on the village website: <https://www.ravensthorpe.me.uk/files/view/village-cinema/Autumn2017Programme.pdf>

Are you a young cinema fan? Take a look! <https://www.ravensthorpe.me.uk/files/view/village-cinema/September 2017 Newsletter.pdf>

Bonfire & Fireworks Display
At Ravensthorpe Memorial
Playing Field Friday 3rd
November



Book Club

The book this month is *The Children Act*, by Ian McEwan. Tuesday 17 October at 7.45pm at Linden House, 25 Guilsborough Road. New members welcome to come and join the discussion - all very light-hearted! Information from 01604 770868

Playing Field

September lottery winners:

Pat Foss (£50); Carol James (£20). The Chequers Accumulator prize was unclaimed.

Dog bins on the Playing Field: the new red dog (poo) bins on the Playing Field are emptied every week by Daventry DC. Dog-walkers are asked not to put dog-poo into the other bins as these are not emptied by Daventry DC and are for general rubbish only.

Race-night in the Chequers: Friday 13 Oct in aid of the Playing Field. A great night's fun! Come and have a beer & a bet, but if you can't come then buy a horse from Dave. £2.50 wins £10!!



Pilates & Yoga at the RVH

Sunday October 8th

Caron Lindley's Special Yoga Workshop "Essential Rest"

4.00-5.30pm in the Village Hall.
£15 Special offer for

Ravensthorpe residents. Purchase a ticket for yourself and bring a friend for free. Contact Caron: 07786 911593 or 01788 822975. Email: caron@redhatyoga.co.uk

Plus, **Yoga** on Friday mornings at 9.30 with Caron Lindley.

Back Care Pilates

Saturdays: 2 sessions at 9.00 & 10.00 with Tina Sheridan (www.tinapilates.co.uk)

Pilates

Mondays & Thursdays: 3 sessions each day at 9.10, 10.15 & 11.20 with Natalie Carter (www.easthaddondance.co.uk)

CRABTREE POCKET PARK

ANNUAL RAKING DAY

SATURDAY 14TH OCTOBER FROM 10.00AM

The meadow area in the park is annually mowed and raked to encourage new wild flowers for the next season. Everyone of all ages are most welcome to come along and help. Please bring gloves and wear suitable footwear. If you have a wheelbarrow that would be useful too.

If we have enough people it is hoped to continue our work improving the pond. Refreshments will be provided

Does anyone have any spare natural stone/rock which could be used to make a home for reptiles? Contact Liz Peachey on 01604 770894 or email lizpeachey@yahoo.com

RAVEN ART & CRAFT

Village Hall

October 9th. 2:00-4:30 pm.

£2 to include refreshments.

There will be a demonstration of

MACHINE EMBROIDERY

given by one of our members. See how effective this is and perhaps be inspired to try it yourself! Bring along your own craft activity, too. Everyone welcome, including friends and visitors. Contact: Ros Smith 770471



Saxon
Spires Patient
Participation Group

**KEEPING YOUR
JOINTS
HEALTHY**

Speaker: Dr Simon Twigg

2 similar meetings will be held on

Tuesday, October 3rd

7 pm at Guilsborough Surgery

& Tuesday, October 24th

7 pm at Brixworth Surgery

All patients of the practice are welcome

Come and learn how we can help ourselves

Date	Time	Service Type	Led by	Location	Flowers
Sunday 1 st October	11.00am	Harvest Festival	Clergy	Ravensthorpe	Liz Reader/Lynn Holt/Team
Sunday 8 th October	10.00am	Group Common Worship with Communion	Clergy	Thornby	N/A
Sunday 15 th October	9.45am	Modern Communion - with refreshments	Clergy	Ravensthorpe	Liz Reader/Lynn Holt/Team
	11.00am	Brunch @ 11	Lay Team	Guilsborough VH	N/A
Sunday 22 nd October	11.00am	Worship for All	Clergy & Lay team	Ravensthorpe	Liz Reader/Lynn Holt/Team
Sunday 29 th October	10.00am	Group Common Worship with Communion	Clergy	Spratton	N/A
Sunday 5 th November	8.30am	Traditional Communion	Clergy	Ravensthorpe	Susie Pasley-Tyler/(Sally Marsh)
	5.00pm	Evening Service (Taize style)	Clergy & Lay team	Ravensthorpe	
Sunday 12 th November	10.55am	Remembrance Day Service	Clergy	Ravensthorpe	
Sunday 19 th November	9.45am	Modern Communion - with refreshments	Clergy	Ravensthorpe	
	11.00am	Brunch@11	Lay team	Guilsborough VH	
Sunday 26 th November	11.00am	Worship for All	Clergy & Lay team	Ravensthorpe	

Please note the change to the time of the 9.45am Modern Communion service has now been cancelled, it will remain at 9.45am.