

PARISH COUNCIL ELECTIONS

Elections for the Parish Council and for the new Unitary Authority are to be held on Thursday 7th May. I hope that there will be people in Ravensthorpe who are prepared to stand for election to the Parish Council.

If so, you can obtain copy of the application form from the Parish Clerk (Carol Holifield 01788 824425 or ravensthorpepc@yahoo.co.uk). The completed form must be taken to Daventry between Monday 30th March and Wednesday 8th April but Carol can do this for you if requested.

What is the Parish Council for? What is the role of a Parish Councillor?

Parish Councils are elected bodies serving as the first tier of local government in England. They were formed under the Local Government Act 1894 to provide local oversight of civic duties in rural towns and villages. Their activities fall into three main areas: representing the local community; delivering services to meet local needs, and improving quality of life and community wellbeing. Parish Councils have a variety of powers and duties, including aspects of: planning; communal open spaces and buildings; highways and footpaths (including traffic calming and lighting), and War Memorials. Parish Councils receive a precept from your council tax and have limited powers to spend, and to be involved in some areas of legal proceedings.

Parish Councillors, unpaid volunteers, are elected representatives of the local residents and (normally) serve a 4-year term. The main roles of a Parish Councillor are to represent the views of all residents within the Parish, and to listen to and understand the views and needs of different groups in the community. Parish Councils need a wide range of skills which reflect different enthusiasms, skills, attitudes and interests to be able to work as a team.

Local News from Ravensthorpe, Cotton & Teaton

NEWSLETTER

Toilet and Servery Facilities at St Denys Church Ravensthorpe:

The Toilet and Servery are nearing completion, but are now in use with the contractors carrying out rectification works. Photographs (right) give an idea of what the new facilities look like.

Sunday April 26th–12.15pm Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM)

Please join for us the APCM which will be held following the Worship for All Service. Refreshments will be available.

Parish Electoral Role – St Denys Church Ravensthorpe

This is the basic list in the parish of all those entitled to vote on elections within the Church of England, this includes the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM). Those entitled to have their names on this roll have to be 16 years of age or more and they must reside in the parish or be regular worshippers in church whose roll they wish to join. The roll is completely renewed every six years, at which point all members have to re-apply for membership or else their names will be deleted. By this means, the continuing validity of the roll is maintained. If you would like to join the Electoral Roll please contact Gill Douglas. T: 01604 770541

Uplands Group of Churches Lent Course – 7.30pm Wednesday

26th February; 4th 11th 18th March & 1st April – Ravensthorpe Church

This Lent Course will be similar in nature to the Advent Course of 2018 – with new paintings and different themes. To join please contact:

Reverend Allison Twigg E: revallisontwigg@gmail.com T: 01604 846099

St Denys Church Choir: The St Denys Church Choir is looking for new members, if you are interested in joining, please contact Meg Benn: 01604 770629; M: 07960 946789.

Bus Stop Tots: every Tuesday morning during school term—from 8.30am at Ravensthorpe Village Hall.



CONTACT FOR MORE INFORMATION:

The Rector: Rev'd Chris Peck 01604 743734 revchrispeck@hotmail.co.uk;

Associate Priest: Rev'd Allison Twigg 01604 846099 revallisontwigg@gmail.com;

The Uplands Group Office: uplandsgroupoffice@gmail.com; Website: www.uplandsgroupchurches.org.uk

Pastoral Visits and Care: If you would like to talk to someone, or know anyone who would welcome a home visit, please telephone Anne Strudwicke on 01604 743389



SPEAKERS CORNER PRESENTS

LIFEBOATS

A talk by Mike Major on

The Desperate Rescue of WWI SS Rohilla 1914

RAVENSTHORPE VILLAGE HALL NN6 8EH

Thursday April 2nd 7 for 7.30pm



Mike Major is a life-long volunteer with RNLI and now Chairman of the Lifeboat Management Group of Whitby Lifeboat Station. Mike will tell the story from 1914 of the WWI SS Rohilla, carrying medical staff to Dunkirk, floundering in a violent storm off Whitby's jagged coast and the desperate attempt to rescue passengers and ship. The disaster is described by one survivor as "being worse than the Titanic".

Advance Bookings Please; £5.50

For Info/Book/Pay at www.rvhall.online

Call: 01604 770482 Or email: speakerscorner@rvhall.online

Licensed Bar

Speakers Corner is presented by Ravensthorpe Village Hall Charity No: 278283



**Spring Walk & Artisan Fair
at Kelmarsh Hall**

Kelmarsh Hall and Gardens are kick-starting their visitor open season on **Sunday 5th April**, starting with their annual Spring Walk and Artisan Fair! There will be a number of beautiful stalls, including gifts, homewares, food and drinks, and the gardens will also be open to explore, full of spring blooms! Dogs are also welcome.

The Hall, Gardens and Tearoom will then remain open on set days for visitors until **Wednesday 30th September**, with a number of events throughout the year! Visit the Hall's fine rooms full of grandeur and history, experience Victorian working life in the Servant's Quarters and explore the beautiful grade II* listed gardens, full of beautiful blooms throughout the year. The Kelmarsh Tea Room will also be open throughout the season. For opening times and dates, please see the website: www.kelmarsh.com.

Ravensthorpe Memorial Playing Field

Help: *Is there anybody who would be prepared to help organize the food and bar for the bonfire night in November? For more information please contact Alan Worthington: 07801 051402.*

Lottery winners for February: Alan Brown (£50); Martin Wilkes (£20).

Please use the designated dog-poo bins: *Could dog-walkers please not put dog-poo bags into the general waste bins on the Playing Field? There are now 3 designated, red dog-poo bins which are collected every 2 weeks by the Council (paid for by the Parish Council). The green bins are emptied voluntarily by members of the Playing Field Committee and it may or may not come as a surprise that it is unpleasant, hazardous and completely unnecessary to have to be removing dog-poo bags from the general waste bins.*

**BRIXWORTH
MUSIC
FESTIVAL**

**FRIDAY 8TH MAY -
SUNDAY 17TH MAY 2020**

ALL SAINTS CHURCH, BRIXWORTH

Music to suit all tastes: classical and popular music; orchestral and chamber music; gospel, show tunes and choral music.

TICKETS £12.50 FESTIVAL PASS £28

16s and under go free when accompanied by an adult
www.brixworthmusicfestival.co.uk

Book Club

The next Book Club is on **Wednesday 12 February at 7.45** at Mary Worthington's (The Old Mill House, High Street). It will be a "bring and swap" session.

Information about the Book Club from

Sue Goodfellow 01604 770135

John P's 90th!

On Sunday 23rd February, village stalwart John Patrick celebrated his 90th birthday with family and friends at the Chequers. Congratulations John!

Pocket Park - Woodland Widening

In January residents did an amazing job creating a woodland ride in the pocket park, see the before and after photos. Rides are wide tracks through woodlands. These allow more light for the ground flora to establish, increasing the wildlife diversity. The coppiced trees will regrow and then be cut on a shorter rotation. The dead wood is left on-site as a micro-habitat.

In early March we will be re-planting a gap in the old lane hedgerow, with saplings kindly donated by The Woodland Trust.

If you are interested in volunteering, receiving seasonal wildlife news, and updates about pocket park events and activities please contact Ruth Rolls on ruth.rolls@gmail.com or 07553 406 884.



PARISH COUNCIL NOTICE: DOG FOULING

There continues to be a significant problem with dog-poo left along the side of the field from Coton Road across to the Millenium Wood. Apart from being a bio-hazard, this access to the wood is down to the kind permission of the landowner and this privilege must not be abused. Thank you.

NEWSLETTER

The deadline for contributions to the next Newsletter is Monday 23rd March. For any queries, please contact the editor, Alan Worthington (07801 051 402) and contributions to ravensthorpenewsletter@gmail.com. Thank you.

Ravensthorpe Village Hall -

What's on in February?

<https://www.ravensthorpe.me.uk/the-village-hall/>

<https://www.facebook.com/RVHall1>

Sunday 1st: 10am Zumba call Lina 07725 984674.

Monday 2nd: 9.30am Pilates with Sophie call/txt 07764586990.

Tuesday 3rd: 8.45am-10.30am. **Bus Stop Tots** call Alice 07803 595106. 2.00pm - 4.30pm **Afternoon Bridge Club** Call Bernadette 770424.

Wednesday 4th: 10.30am – Noon. **Morning Coffee.** All Welcome. Fresh Coffee and home-made treats for just £2. **6.30pm Zumba** call Lina 07725 984674.

Thursday 5th: 9.30am Pilates with Sophie call/txt 07764586990.

Friday 6th: 9.30am: **Yoga** with Caron Lindley 07786 911593. 11.15am: **Zumba Gold**—call Lina 07725 984674

Saturday 7th: 9am **Back Care Pilates** with Tina: 07810 380636

Sunday 8th: 10am Zumba call Lina 07725 984674.

Monday 9th: 9.30am Pilates with Sophie call/txt 07764586990.

Tuesday 10th: 8.45am-10.30am. **Bus Stop Tots** call Alice 07803 595106. 2.00pm - 4.30pm **Afternoon Bridge Club** Call Bernadette 770424. 7.00 for 7.30pm **Village Cinema** presents **Little Miss Sunshine** (see Box).

Wednesday 11th: 12.15 **RVH Lunch.** Call 770466 or 770562 to book. 6.30pm **Zumba** call Lina 07725 984674.

Thursday 12th: 9.30am Pilates with Sophie call/txt 07764586990.

Friday 13th: 9.30am: **Yoga** with Caron Lindley 07786 911593. 11.15am **Zumba Gold** call Lina 07725 984674.

Saturday 14th: 9am **Back Care Pilates** with Tina: 07810 380636

Sunday 15th: 10am Zumba call Lina 07725 984674.

Monday 16th: 9.30am Pilates with Sophie call/txt 07764586990.

Tuesday 17th: 8.45am-10.30am. **Bus Stop Tots** call Alice 07803 595106. 2.00pm - 4.30pm **Afternoon Bridge Club** Call Bernadette 770424.

Wednesday 18th: 10.30am – Noon. **Morning Coffee.** All Welcome. Fresh Coffee and home-made treats for just £2. 6.30pm: **Zumba** call Lina 07725 984674. 8pm: **Parish Council Meeting.**

Thursday 19th: 9.30am Pilates with Sophie call/txt 07764586990 7.45pm WI Meeting: "To the Frings & Beyond" with Ginny Davis.

Friday 20th: 11.15am **Zumba Gold** call Lina 07725 984674.

Saturday 21st: 9am **Back Care Pilates** with Tina: call 07810 380636

Sunday 22nd: 10am Zumba call Lina 07725 984674.

Monday 23rd: 9.30am Pilates with Sophie call/txt 07764586990.

Tuesday 24th: 8.45am-10.30am. **Bus Stop Tots** call Alice 07803 595106. 2.00pm - 4.30pm **Afternoon Bridge Club** Call Bernadette 770424. 7 for 7.30pm: **Village Cinema: Knives Out** (see Box).

Wednesday 25th: 6.30pm **Zumba** call Lina 07725 984674.

Thursday 26th: 9.30am Pilates with Sophie call/txt 07764586990

Friday 27th: 9.30am: **Yoga** with Caron Lindley 07786 911593. 11.15am **Zumba Gold** call Lina 07725 984674.

Saturday 28th: 9am **Back Care Pilates** with Tina: call 07810 380636

Sunday 29th: 10am Zumba call Lina 07725 984674.

Monday 30th: 9.30am Pilates with Sophie call/txt 07764586990.

Tuesday 31st: 8.45am-10.30am. **Bus Stop Tots** call Alice 07803 595106. 2.00pm - 4.30pm **Afternoon Bridge Club** Call Bernadette 770424.

Thursday 2nd April: **Speakers Corner** presents a talk by Mike Major "Rescue of the SS Rohilla 1914". (See box)

For further information on any item, call 771277. Or email bobpike@church-hill.com



RAVENSTHORPE

VILLAGE CINEMA

Ravensthorpe Village Hall: Admission: £6—Students £4

Seat reservation recommended:

Enquire/book/pay cash 01604 328822 or email: cinema@rvhall.online. Book/pay online: www.rvhall.online

Tuesday 10 March: Little Miss Sunshine

2006; Cert 15; 100 mins.

This heart-warming Oscar winning comedy follows a dysfunctional family on a frantic road trip across the US in a decrepit Volkswagen van to deliver their youngest to a child beauty pageant on time. Olive Hoover (Abigail Breslin) is an ordinary little girl, but she has a dream cast in stone – to win the *Little Miss Sunshine* child beauty pageant. Her heroin-snorting grandfather (Alan Arkin) coaches her in some rather unorthodox and grown-up techniques – when he's not on the nod. Her mum (Toni Collette) and dad (Greg Kinnear) are at each other's throat because dad has sunk their entire worth into a self-help business that's a total non-starter. Her philosophically-constipated older brother (Paul Dano) has taken a vow of nihilistic silence and her suicidal gay uncle (Steve Carell) has come to stay for a while after yet another failed attempt to cash out early. Has Olive got a chance? No, she hasn't, but it's the journey that matters, not the destination – ultimately the message of this touching comedy.



Directors: Valerie Faris, Jonathon Dayton.

Cast: Greg Kinnear, Toni Collette, Steve Carell, Paul Dano, Abigail Breslin, Alan Arkin.

Tuesday March 24: Knives Out

2019; Cert 12A; 130 mins.

Acclaimed writer and director Rian Johnson (Brick, Looper, The Last Jedi) pays tribute to mystery mastermind Agatha Christie in *Knives Out* a fun, modern-day murder mystery where everyone is a suspect. When renowned crime novelist Harlan Thrombey (Christopher Plummer) is found dead at his estate just after his 85th birthday, the inquisitive and debonair Detective Benoit Blanc (Daniel Craig) is mysteriously enlisted to investigate. From Harlan's dysfunctional family to his devoted staff, Blanc sifts through a web of red herrings and self-serving lies to uncover the truth behind Harlan's untimely death.



With an all-star ensemble cast including Chris Evans, Ana De Armas, Jamie Lee Curtis, Don Johnson, Michael Shannon, Toni Collette, LaKeith Stanfield, Katherine Langford and Jaeden Martell, *Knives Out* is a witty and stylish whodunit guaranteed to keep audiences guessing until the very end.

Director: Rian Johnson

Cast: Daniel Craig, Chris Evans, Ana de Armas, Jamie Lee Curtis, Michael Shannon, Don Johnson, Toni Collette, LaKeith Stanfield, Katherine Langford, Jaeden Martell, Christopher Plummer, M. Emmet Walsh, Frank Oz



Join us for:

A chance to chat while the children play

Tea, coffee, croissants, & baby or toddler drinks & snacks

A simple craft, and 10 minutes of bible stories & songs for babies and pre-school children (we usually do this about 9.20 am)

Tuesdays - 8.45-10.00 am Drop in at any time
 Ravensthorpe Village Hall Just £1 per child
 Open to all families in the area

Brunch@11

For families wanting a taste of faith and good food. Third Sunday of each month:
 11.00am Guilsborough Village Hall
 Dates for 2020:
 15th March
 19th April; 17th May
 21st June; 19th July;
 16th August; 20th September
 18th October; 15th November;
 20th December.
 Next date: 15 March: 11am-12.30
 Activities for all ages, and of course the usual, excellent bacon & sausage rolls, croissants & jam; along with freshly brewed coffee, orange juice & the Sunday newspapers.

Easter Eggs & More
 Good Friday (10th April)
 Guilsborough Village Hall 10-12
 Hot cross buns, children's snacks
 Hot & cold drinks
 Fun Easter crafts & activities for adults & children
 Easter story & songs
 Drop-in any time—all ages welcome

Lent Lunches - 2020
 A variety of tasty soups, fresh fruit and coffee or tea. These will take place from 12noon to 2pm throughout Lent and a minimum donation of £6 is expected with half the proceeds going to St. Denys Church and half to a charity selected by the hostess. Everyone is welcome:
 Wednesday 4 March: hostess Ann Fowler (Home Farm); Wednesday 11th March: hostess Lorna Jones (Teeton Road); Wednesday 18th March: hostess Tricia Freeman (2 The Orchards); Wednesday 25th March: hostess Susie Pasley-Tyler (Coton Manor); Wednesday 1st April: hostess Charlotte Matts (Manor Farm).

Easter Flowers
 There has been a tradition in this village that a donation at Easter is a special way to remember a friend or family member. Money has been raised for lilies, being the traditional Easter flowers, but we use other spring flowers too. If you would like to give in this way, please post your donation through my door at New Barns, 18 High Street (Sally Marsh 770868)

CHURCH SERVICES					
March	Time	Service Type	Led by	Location	Flowers
Sunday 1st March	8.30am	Book of Common Prayer Communion	Clergy	Ravensthorpe	1st Sunday of Lent—
Sunday 8th March	10.00am	Uplands Group Service- Common Worship with Communion	Clergy	Guilsborough	2nd Sunday of Lent—
Sunday 15th March	9.45am	Common Worship with Communion	Clergy	Ravensthorpe	3rd Sunday of Lent—
	11.00am	Brunch@11	Lay Team & Clergy	Guilsborough Village Hall	
Sunday 22nd March	11.00am	Mothering Sunday Service	Lay Team & Clergy	Ravensthorpe	4th Sunday of Lent— no flowers Mothering Sunday
Sunday 29th March	10.00am	Uplands Group Service—Common Worship with Communion	Clergy	Creton	No Flowers—Lent
April (provisional)					
Sunday 5th April	10.00am	Palm Sunday Uplands Group Service—with	Clergy	Cottesbrooke	
Monday 6th April	7.00pm	Compline Service	Clergy	Ravensthorpe	
Thursday 9th April	8.00pm	Maundy Thursday Liturgy with optional foot washing and altar	Clergy	Creton	
Friday 10th April	10.00am	MMM—Easter Eggs and more	Lay Team and Clergy	Guilsborough Village Hall	
Sunday 12th April	11.00am	Easter Day	Clergy	Ravensthorpe	Flower Team
Sunday 19th April	9.30am	Common Worship with Communion	Clergy	Ravensthorpe	Flower Team
	11.00am	Brunch@11	Lay Team & Clergy	Guilsborough Village Hall	
Sunday 26th April	11.00am	Worship for All	Lay Team & Clergy	Ravensthorpe	Flower Team