

EAST DRAYTON UPDATE

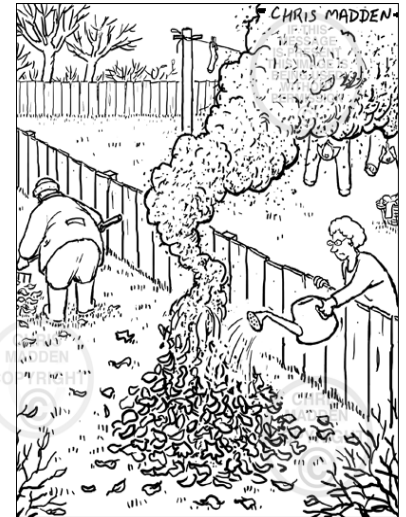
Autumn Edition

October/November 2013



The falling leaves
.....drift by the window
The autumn leaves
.....of red and gold

And so on.....
I'm sure you get the gist...
But who first made it famous ???
Last edition before Christmas,
so here's what's on up to New
Year.....



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

Tuesday 5th Nov

Friday 8th Nov

Sunday 10th Nov

Saturday 16th Nov

Friday 22nd Nov

Sunday 8th Dec

Friday 20th Dec

Tuesday 31st Dec

Bonfire Night, Blue Bell Inn - see over

Comedy Hypnotist Evening, Blue Bell Inn - see over

Remembrance service, St Peters Church 10.30am

Church Open day and Lunch - see below

Take II music duo, Blue Bell Inn - see over

Holy Communion, St Peters Church 10.30am

Travelling Nativity with Carols 6.30pm - see below

New Year's Eve, Blue Bell Inn - see over

CHURCH OPEN DAY AND WONDERFUL WARMING LUNCH

Come along on **Saturday 16th Nov 11.00am to 2.00pm** and support the church roof appeal.

Guided tours to see the work in progress with the church roof and hear about progress towards the staggering £38,000 we need to raise to meet the English Heritage grant and/or..

...then enjoy another feast provided by Lorna and Gary Garfoot in the Village Hall, all proceeds towards the roof appeal.

Temptations on offer will include, SOUP, JACKET POTATOES (various fillings), APPLE PIE, HOT DRINKS ETC. All items individually priced and great value!!

It would help with catering if you would like to book a table, but "walk-ins" will be very welcome! Please call Gary 248520 or Muriel 248230 or Josie 248095

TRAVELLING NATIVITY

Obviously there will be no Carol service in the church this year, but plans are being formulated for this alternative at **6.30pm on Friday 20th Dec**. The suggestion that three (or more) wise men might retire to the pub later on is receiving enthusiastic support!

Full details will be on the Church Notice Board, so keep an eye out for that.

BLUE BELL INN

Loads to enjoy in the village pub as usual and full details at www.bluebell-eastdrayton.co.uk

BONFIRE NIGHT - hot dogs, burgers & soup outside with free fireworks starting at 7.00pm

COMEDY HYPNOTIST - ADAM NIGHT Fri 8th Nov Tickets £12.50 to include the act and a three course meal. Some seats still available, so book soon for this renowned entertainer.

TAKE II - LIVE MUSIC DUO Fri 22nd Nov A brilliant evening covering all musical tastes and great value at £15 including a 3 course meal.

NEW YEAR'S EVE DINNER DANCE - Carve your own beef with all the trimmings at your table and enjoy the resident Video Disco in the marquee or see in the New year in the bar area with a free buffet and great atmosphere throughout. Dinner Dance tickets, which include a 4 course meal are selling fast, so speak to the Blue Bell team (249410) to secure your table

This Newsletter is the last before Christmas, so on behalf of the whole team Sharon would like to thank everyone for their continued support and wish all their friends and customers a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

BEST KEPT VILLAGE COMPETITION

It seems a long time ago, but in the final judging we were placed THIRD in Nottinghamshire for villages of less than 300 inhabitants - FANTASTIC! The first 2 places were taken by "stone" villages from the south of the county, so we could rightly claim to have won in our area, which is brilliant. Well done and a big thank you to Ann and Neil Stanley for leading this initiative and please note Neil's polite (for him!) reminder to keep on top of winter care around the village to give us a good start for next year's competition.

THANK YOU.....CHURCH HARVEST SUPPER

A very big thank you everyone who supported the Harvest Supper and to those who organised and helped on the night. An informative talk on "Bats in the Belfry" was followed by a Mellors pie and pea supper, which was enjoyed by all who attended. Not surprisingly this event was over-subscribed and raised a magnificent **£618** for the Church roof appeal.

Sadly this success was tarnished by a serious act of mindless vandalism. During the evening the front tyre of a guest from outside the village was attacked with a knife. Fortunately the lady driver made it home with no more than a flat (& unrepairable) tyre, but obviously a high speed blow out would have been much more serious. The replacement tyre cost her £126 !!

It beggars belief that this could happen in our community, but may be a sign of the sorry state of the world we now live in? The Police are involved in this incident.

CHRISTMAS REFUSE COLLECTION DATES - Mark them on your calendar NOW !!

USUAL COLLECTION

31st Dec

7th Jan

14th Jan

CHANGED TO

Friday 3rd Jan **GREEN BIN**

Thurs 9th Jan **BLUE BIN**

Wed 15th Jan **GREEN BIN**

ALL BINS TO BE OUT FOR EMPTYING BY 6.00am

CRIME

Apart from the above incident, crime remains encouragingly low, but a night-time prowler has been seen in the village in the last 2 weeks and statistically November is the month with the highest number of reported burglaries. You have been warned !!

If you have any comments, items for inclusion, special birthdays, anniversaries etc, please send them to Hugh Mackintosh at Woodbeck House, Low Street, Tel 249127 or by email to chrisnhughm@gmail.com