

EAST DRAYTON UPDATE

SUMMER Edition, August 2014

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- > **Sunday 10th August** Holy Communion, St Peter's Church, 10.30am
- > **Sunday 31st August** Group Holy Communion, St Peter's Church, 10.30am
- > **Sunday 7th September** VILLAGE WALK and BBQ - see below
- > **Sat 13th September** RIDE & STRIDE - see below

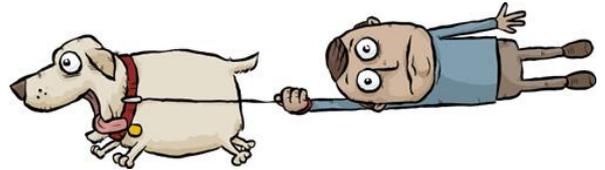
VILLAGE WALK and BBQ

Sunday 7th September ~ 5.00pm

We plan to meet in the beer garden of the Blue Bell anytime from 4.30pm for a glass

or two of something unnecessary. Leave the pub at about 5.15pm 'ish for a guided walk of the village lasting approx 1 hour, ending up at Woodbeck House on Low Street for an informal BBQ & "dog show" - EVERYONE welcome!!

- Dogs and children (on a lead!) will be VERY welcome
Pooper-scoopers will be provided at the start and finish venues, but please bring your own doggie bags for the walk
- At the halfway point, there will be a short cut to the BBQ venue for those who want a shorter walk or please come to the BBQ only if that is preferred
- This is not a fund-raising event, so there will be a nominal charge for the food to cover costs. **Please bring your own drinks** - or leave them at the BBQ before we set off
- PLEASE (please!) ring Chris Mack on 249127 or Lorna Garfoot on 248520 if you'd like to come, so that we have a guide for the catering - thank you!!



BEST KEPT VILLAGE COMPETITION

Neil Stanley reports as follows:-

"As Chair of our Parish Council I am pleased to announce that after many years, our village has been judged the best in Nottinghamshire for villages with less than 300 inhabitants. We have beaten the two South Notts villages that have won it between them for sometime. I would like to thank all the villagers who helped with sign cleaning, footpath and gutter cleaning and grass and hedge cutting. If a few more people would help next year I see no reason why we should not be successful again.

I would also like to thank Bassetlaw council Environmental Health dept for a road sweep in early June and an extra sweep in July."



ST PETER'S CHURCH

It's great to see the Church and the churchyard back to normal since the scaffolding was removed. Even if you're not a church-goer please find the time to go in, look up and be amazed at the magnificent new roof and the wonderful details that have been restored. The core team that has laboured for so long with this difficult project should be very proud of what they've achieved - a legacy for future generations in the village

RIDE and STRIDE - the annual sponsored tour of Nottinghamshire Churches
Saturday 13th September 2014 - 10.00am to 6.00pm

Riders & Striders can find more info at www.facebook.com/NottsRideAndStride

If you can help with refreshments on the day, please call Janet Goddard on 248613

BLUE BELL INN

Lots to enjoy in the village pub as usual. Please do look at their super website for details of events right through 'til next March !! www.bluebell-eastdrayton.co.uk

- **SPEEDQUIZZING** continues every Monday at 8.30pm
- **FREE MUSIC NIGHT** on the First Friday of every month
- **BANK HOLIDAY BBQs** - next one on **Monday 25th August, 3.00-8.00pm**

Sharon, John, Michelle and Little John are delighted and justifiably proud to have been awarded a Certificate of Excellence for 2014 by Tripadvisor.

Remember that Tripadvisor customer reviews are an honest reflection of service provision and this award is a great achievement. Go check it out for yourselves!!

WORLD WAR ONE

Britain declared war on Germany on 4th August 1914 and there are widespread commemorations of this event at the moment.

Gill and Brian Squire have done a lot of work both locally and in France to research the story of "The Young Men of East Drayton" who died in that terrible conflict. Their research will be published in The Retford Times in the near future and we hope that will be followed up by a talk to the village later this year.

SAFARI SUPPER

Just a quick note to confirm the brilliant success of our first Safari Supper - I'm sure it will be repeated!

Everyone who participated had a great evening and we raised a magnificent total of more than £750 to pay for urgent roof repairs to the Village Hall

Thanks to everyone involved, particularly to the hosts who opened their homes and provided a wonderful meal for everyone.

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