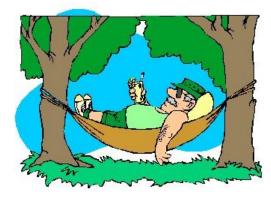


Summer Edition

July 2015



"SUMMER TIMEand the livin' is easy....."

OK all you speed-quizzers - you have 10 seconds......

- > Who wrote this (fantastic) song?
- > When?
- > For which opera?
- > Who had the first Top 20 hit with this song?

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Various Church services - see below

Various East Drayton Cricket Club home fixtures - see below

Sun 16th Aug Broadlea Open Garden, 2-5pm - see below

Sat 12^{th} Sept Ride + Stride for Churches 10am-6pm - see below Sat 14^{th} Nov Advance notice - PUDDING NIGHT - back by popular

demand, more info to follow



The National Gardens Scheme - "Gardens Open for Charity" - has been running since 1927 and has already raised over £45m for nursing and caring charities.

For the second time, Jean and David Stone's magnificent gardens at Broadlea, North Green are included in the scheme and will be open from 2-5pm on Sunday 16^{th} August

If you haven't seen this "hidden gem" in our village, then don't miss this opportunity - the garden at Broadlea, North Green will be signed from the middle of the village.

PLANTS FOR SALE and REFRESHMENTS.

Admission is only £3 for adults and if by any chance horticulture isn't your thing, then come along anyway because the afternoon teas are mouth-watering!!

BEST KEPT VILLAGE COMPETITION

After all Neil Stanley's hard work, it came as no surprise to learn that after preliminary judging, East Drayton was again placed in the top four in our category and has gone forward to the next round of judging, which will take place sometime in July.

Neil has asked that everyone please keep their roadside gutters clear to help maintain the high standards in the village



This wonderful charity provides support and community dogs to help children and adults cope with a range of physical and mental disabilities.

Sophie Goddard (a leading light in the local Young Farmers) has set herself the daunting task of sponsoring a puppy by collecting one mile of copper coins!!

Sophie has already passed the first quarter mile and would encourage everyone to donate all those spare copper coins that accumulate from day to day. Please call Sophie on 248864 if you can help. Thank you.

EAST DRAYTON CRICKET CLUB



The East Drayton cricket ground is another "hidden gem" in the village. John Bingham works tirelessly to maintain a first class square and this superb facility comes as a surprise to many visiting teams.

If you'd like to come along and support our local team, the remaining home matches this season are:

If you would like to be involved with the cricket club in any way, please contact Jean Bingham on 248797. You may even like to help with preparing the teas for the home matches, which are provided by a small team of volunteers in the village.

CHURCH SERVICES at St Peter's Church

9th August - Morning Service with Baptism 30th August - Group Service & Holy Communion

St Peter's is also now open all day on Saturdays



.....IS BACK - Saturday 12th Sept, 10am-6pm

A sponsored bike ride (or walk) visiting local churches, including ours!

If you would like to participate or can help with refreshments or staffing the church on the day please contact Janet Goddard on 248613

BLUE BELL INN

Last but not least our village pub continues to provide a great range attractions which can be seen in full on their comprehensive website at :-

www.bluebell-eastdrayton.co.uk

SpeedQuizzing continues on Monday evenings, the menu is regularly up-dated with yummy new dishes and now is the time to enjoy al-fresco socialising in the outdoor family seating area.

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