

EAST DRAYTON UPDATE

Christmas/Winter Edition

December 2017



Less than three weeks to the shortest day of the year on Thurs 21st Dec and after that only 3 more days until children and grandchildren in the village enjoy the shortest night !



ST PETER'S CHURCH - DATES FOR YOUR DIARY.....

- Sun 10th Dec **HOLY COMMUNION** - 10.30am
Mon 18th Dec **CAROL SERVICE** - 18.00pm - [see below](#)
Tues 19th Dec **COMPLINE** - 16.45pm (This is a short 10 minute reflective service, which brings the day to a close and which takes place at the same time on the third Tuesday of every month)
Mon 25th Dec **CHRISTMAS DAY FAMILY SERVICE** - 10.30am
Bring your favourite present - or wear it !!
Sun 31st Dec **GROUP HOLY COMMUNION** - 10.30am

CAROL SERVICE - MONDAY 18th DECEMBER at 18.00pm

This year's Carol Service will be a traditional nativity played out by the children of East Drayton, but from an interesting perspective. Come along and celebrate the true meaning of Christmas, sing your favourite carols and enjoy the children telling you "The Donkey's Tale" ! Mulled wine, mince pies and soft drinks will be served at the end of the service.



DEFIBRILLATOR and CPR TRAINING

You may have noticed that we now have a new CAD in the village!! Our **Community Access Defibrillator** (part funded by the British Heart Foundation) has been installed in the adopted village phone box on Top Street. A huge THANK YOU to the generous donors who "topped up" our grant, to the volunteers who painted the interior of the phone box, security marked and installed the equipment and to the Parish Council for organising this lifesaving asset for our village.



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CPR TRAINING will be organised in the New Year and many thanks to those who have expressed an interest in participating. You will be contacted with details of dates and times, as it will be necessary to run at least two sessions, such has been the interest in this opportunity.



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Wednesday to Saturday

November and December
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BLUE BELL INN

Ivan and Stephen are now well established in our village pub and have a busy season planned. Their website has been updated and now includes far more than can be included here... Do have a look at bluebell-eastdrayton.co.uk where you will find full details of the new menus, special offers, Christmas and New-year events and more - including.....

FREE KIDS CHRISTMAS PARTY - Sat 16th Dec 6-8pm

Upcoming events are also publicised on a new notice board by the pub entrance door.....

VILLAGE HALL

After a bit of a lull, a new programme of events will be launched in the New Year including established favourites - Pudding Night, Race Night, Big Breakfast etc. Please let us know if you have a particular favourite or an idea for something new and outrageous.....!!

We are also in the throes of setting up a cinema system so that we can include film nights in the future.....more news in the next edition.

CHURCH FLOODLIGHTING

Since Steve Ellis upgraded us to LED lighting the costs have reduced dramatically and we've been able to enjoy the floodlit church for a much longer period than in the past. Another huge THANK YOU to this year's sponsors. If you would like to help with costs in the future, please contact Steve on 248095

and finally..... CHRISTMAS WHEELY BIN COLLECTIONS.....

Collection dates always change over the Christmas period and you should all have received a "festive tree hanger" from the council, but just in case, here is a reminder of the abnormal dates for our collections.....

Tuesday 26 th Dec	changes to	Thursday 28 th Dec	GREEN BIN
Tuesday 2 nd Jan	changes to	Thursday 4 th Jan	BLUE BIN
Tuesday 9 th Jan	changes to	Wednesday 10 th Jan	GREEN BIN

HAPPY CHRISTMAS

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