

EAST DRAYTON VILLAGE UPDATE

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Hello, everyone! Here we are in Flaming June! At least the ducks are happy, and the grass is lush!

Local Bus Service

Nottsbus On Demand offers a chance for you to book direct journeys to and from all listed locations by using their app; and if you have a concessionary pass you can use them on Nottsbus On Demand after 09:30. Your helpful local County Councillor will assist you with any more questions you may have about the scheme, which can be found on the NCC website. <https://www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk>

Village Hall Hire.

With the weather so unpredictable, why not consider booking the hall for your summer events! At £10 per hour, it can be a useful alternative to shivering and dripping under brollies with soggy burgers!

GREEN INITIATIVE.

Our Green Warrior, Stephen Bennet has been extremely busy this month, with three trailer loads recycled!

More cash generated towards the upkeep of your Village Hall! Thanks to Stephen for his stoic effort. Please keep



up the great work everybody. Im sure by now, you know what to do! Remember, if you're having a clear out of your garage or shed, please donate unwanted metal to this great cause. Your donations can be deposited in the specially labelled blue bin at the back door of the Village Hall (on Church Lane), or leave it at St Peter's Cottage, Church Lane

Move to Music Join us in the Village Hall from 10am every Monday, for a gentle workout to music! Follow the leader at your own pace and ability in a supportive and friendly environment. £3 per hour long session.

Meet and Eat We are now taking a Summer Break. Our last, well attended lunch was on **Monday June 3rd** and we will be re- commencing on **Monday September 2nd**. Thank you to all who have supported this popular community event, be it as a diner, or as a helper. It could not have taken place without you. Our combined efforts have raised over £700 since we began in January!

Book Group This month, the East Drayton Book Group will be held from 7pm on the second Thursday of June, rather than the first Thursday, due to the use of the hall for the General Election. in the Village Hall. We gather to enjoy a cuppa and biscuits, while discussing favourite reads, and swap, or lend and borrow from a wide range of books. Junior age children are now welcome to join us, at no charge, with a paying and attending adult. Book themed activities and games will be provided and the kiddies are welcome to bring and swap their own used texts.

Mobile Library Visits. (Contact number-01623677200) We are fortunate to have visits from the mobile library service. The location will be at **The Blue Bell Inn, E.D. 14:25 until 14:45**, on the following dates:

July 10 th. Aug 7 th. Sept 4 th. Oct 30 th. Nov 27 Jan 22 (2025)

Village Defibrillator, and Book Exchange Sited on Top Street, opposite the Village Hall, the old red phone box serves two important purposes:

First, **the phone-box houses the village defibrillator**. Please, visit the phone box and make yourself familiar with the means to access and use this vital piece of equipment. Visit the St John's Ambulance website for more information. <https://www.sja.org.uk/get-advice/first-aid-advice/how-to/how-to-use-a-defibrillator/>

The phone-box is also the Book Exchange, which provides a free reading resource for the village. Drop off a book and take a book...simple as that! If you have good quality children's book lurking on your shelves, please consider donating them. Books for younger readers should be placed on the lower shelves, please, for easy access.

Book- exchangers, please ensure access to the defibrillator is not impeded by thoughtless placing of books. It is the responsibility of everyone to ensure that access to this important equipment is unhindered at all times.

Church Services, July and August

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July 7th - 10.30am East Markham Church. Benefice Holy Communion for everyone.

July 14th - 10.30am Holy Communion at East Drayton with Rev. Dick Lewis

10.30am Morning Worship at Laneham Church

July 21st - 10.30 am Askham Church & 9am at Grove Church

July 28th - 10.30am Rampton Church

August 4th - 10.30am Benefice Holy Communion at East Markham

August 11th - 10.30 H.C East Drayton & 10.30 Morning worship. Rampton

August 18th- 10.30 M.W Askham. 10.30am H.C Laneham

Final Reminder! East Drayton Festival, June 22nd/23rd

Message from Mrs A Stanley

"This is our village, and **all** are invited to participate in the range of activities over the weekend.

A specially composed poem about our village has been written by Julie Wheatley and is the basis for Saturday's activities and displays.

On Saturday all activities will be in either the St Peter's Church or the Village Hall. The church will be decorated encompassing some of the themes in the poem and residents' specific creative skills will be on display.

The church will be open between 10-00 a.m. and 4-00 p.m.

A collage depicting our village will be assembled during the day. Please come and contribute to its construction. No specific skills are needed, and all materials will be provided. Tea, coffee and biscuits will be available.

Sunday activities will be held at the Cricket Field by kind permission of John and Ian Bingham. Children's races (three different age groups 4-6 years: 7-9 years and 10+) will commence at 11-30 and include spoon and potato race, running races etc.

A game of 'rounders' start at 1-00 p.m. - please let either me or Clare Small know if you would like to take part and the Cricket will commence at 2-00 p.m. If you would like to play, contact Ian Bingham or Graham Small.

Home made refreshments will be available plus teas and coffees etc. for a small fee. There will be a tombola and by special request, a game of SKITTLES. **Come and join in the festivities!**

Forthcoming Events

Wednesday 31st July and 21st August... Meet and Eat Summer Tea from 3pm. A buffet style tea, with sandwiches, savouries, cake and free glass of Pimms-type Fruit Punch (non- alcoholic version available) £6.50 per person.

Saturday 17th August... Table- top Sale, with coffee and cake. Contact members of the committee to book your table...£5. 10am until 12 noon

Watch out in your newsletter for dates of upcoming: morning dog walk with bacon butties, return of Meet and Eat, and Harvest Supper.

If you have any news, information or upcoming events which you would like to be in the next newsletter, please email me details, garfootlorna17@gmail.com or leave a message for Lorna on 01777248520.

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