

# EAST DRAYTON VILLAGE UPDATE



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Welcome to the last newsletter of a beautiful Summer! As we head into Autumn, we have lots going on in our lovely village, and surrounding areas. Why not add these events to your diaries and get out and about!

**STOP PRESS...** Many thanks to all who helped or attended the Summer Tea on Bank Holiday Monday. An amazing £450 was raised for St Peter's Church, East Drayton!

**Do you know about MILTON MAUSOLEUM** – the historic gem on your doorstep? (Image above)

Situated on The Avenue between Milton and West Markham this iconic building was built by the 4<sup>th</sup> Duke of Newcastle to honour his young wife who died in childbirth in 1822. The family's home was Clumber House. The Mausoleum is open for guided tours on **Sunday afternoons between 2 and 4pm, until the 28<sup>th</sup> September.** Knowledgeable and enthusiastic guides will share the story of the Newcastle family and you can see the stunning memorial to Georgiana. For the history buffs amongst you – the Mausoleum (and the Saxon church in West Markham) are open from 10am – 4pm on Saturday and Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> September for the national Heritage Weekend. There will be fascinating displays of local and social history from the parish of Markham Clinton. For more information contact the Friends of the Mausoleum at [milton.mausoleum@outlook.com](mailto:milton.mausoleum@outlook.com)

**Monday September 1<sup>st</sup>** Book Group, from 7pm in East Drayton Village Hall. All welcome. £2 per session, includes light refreshments. No set text, meet, have a laugh and a chat with like minded book lovers.

**Monday September 8<sup>th</sup>.** Move to Music, our own fitness class, returns after a summer break. We meet every Monday from 10am until 11am. All welcome! £3 per session.

**Monday September 8<sup>th</sup>.** Meet n Eat, our fortnightly community lunch, returns. Soup, sandwich and cake, with bottomless tea or coffee. From 12 noon. £5 per person, all welcome.

**Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> September** Ride and Stride

This annual event raises money for Nottinghamshire Historic Churches Trust. This trust helps to maintain historic churches, chapels and meeting houses, for posterity. Half of money raised goes to the trust, and half to a nominated church. Axel, Mel & Family are cycling for **St Peter's Church East Drayton** and are looking for sponsors. If anyone would like to join in the event, or sponsor this family, please contact Janet on 01777248613.

**13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> September** The Headon Church Support Group are holding an arts and crafts weekend and are inviting local people to take part. Rent a pew for £10 and then your creative works will be showcased. This could be paintings, needlework, knitting, patchwork, woodwork, metalwork, home made jams, honey, pickles etc, in fact anything hand made. It is also a chance to meet like minded creative people in the local community and there will be refreshments in the church as well. If you would like to take part or find out more please ring Jill on 01777248285 as soon as possible.

And whilst talking bikes...if you or your child is in need of a change of bike, visit **RECYCLED** on Low Street. There, John Parker, literally, recycles and repairs all sizes of bikes. Why buy new if recycled will do?

**Sunday September 14<sup>th</sup>** East Markham and Headon Gardening Association AUTUMN PRELIMINARY PROGRAMME. For membership forms, and detailed information about the shows, please contact the membership secretary, Alison Hunter-Wyatt [www.facebook.com/groups/11179876457771/](http://www.facebook.com/groups/11179876457771/)

**Monday September 22<sup>nd</sup>** Move to Music from 10am until 11am in our V. Hall. All welcome. £3 per session.

**Monday September 22<sup>nd</sup> MacMillan focused Meet n Eat** On this occasion, a buffet lunch of sandwiches and cakes, tea and coffee, suggested donation of £5pp, all proceeds from this event to be donated to MacMillan. From 12noon in East Drayton Village Hall. Please support this event if you can.

**Saturday September 27<sup>th</sup>** Bingo, Quiz and Supper Night, in aid of Camp International trip to Peru. More information and tickets from Sarah Hilditch [sarah@nngd.org](mailto:sarah@nngd.org)

**Thursday October 2<sup>nd</sup>** Book Group, from 7pm in the Village Hall. All welcome. £2 per person.

**Monday October 6<sup>th</sup>** Move to Music, from 10am until 11am. All welcome. £3 per session.

**Monday October 6<sup>th</sup>** Meet n Eat, community lunch. £5 per person. From noon, in the Village Hall.

**Saturday October 11<sup>th</sup> HARVEST SUPPER & QUIZ** in East Drayton Village 7pm. 2 courses for £12.50. Steak pie, peas & gravy, followed by pudding. GF or veggie option can be pre ordered ASAP. Bring your own drinks. Raffle prizes will be gratefully received.

Book your tickets early from Janet 01777 248613 or 07889861881. To avoid disappointment.

**Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> October Harvest Festival Service in Church at 10.30 am.**

If you would like to help decorate the Church for this service or provide produce, you will be most welcome. Packet & Tinned foods or suitable gifts will be taken to the food bank. Other produce will be taken to Bassetlaw Hospice.

**Library Bus:** This will be visiting the Blue Bell Inn, East Drayton between 1425 and 1445 on these dates: 3/9/25, 1/10/25, 29/10/25, 26/11/25, 21/1/26

For more information, call 01623 677200

**Green Initiative** Stephen Bennett is continuing his campaign to help save our planet and raise funds for our Village Hall at the same time. To support his efforts, please deposit any cans, scrap metal, old tools, cutlery etc. in the clearly marked blue bin at the rear of the village hall. Collection of larger items can be arranged by contacting Stephen on 07967 972762.

### **Church Service Dates**

7th September Benefice Holy Communion at East Markham Church 10.30am

14th September H.C with baptism **East Drayton Church** or Harvest service at Stokeham both at 10.30am

21st September Holy Communion at Laneham 10.30am

28th September East Markham 8am Holy Communion or 3.30pm Choral evensong

5th October 10.30am East Markham Harvest & Apple Day

12<sup>th</sup> October 10.30 am **Harvest Festival at East Drayton Church**

Your Village Hall Committee Contacts

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