

The Rolleston Junction

Winter edition 2015



You might have seen this lady in the Bromley..... or around our village... Find out who she is on page 15

Plus... Gurkha One success... Curry Night... New Vicar in Charge....The Flower Pod and lots more

website: rollestonvillage.co.uk

ROLLESTON'S REGULAR EVENTS

Indoor Bowls

Peter Salter
819197
every Tuesday evening
at the Village Hall

Total Fitness

Jeni Overton
816800
Monday and Wednesday
6-7pm, Sat. 10-11am
Village Hall

Bell Ringers

Bryan Northcote
812579
every Wednesday 7.30pm
alternating between
Rolleston and Upton
churches

Darts

Jayne Carby (ladies)
07843 602458
Nigel Carby (gents)
07843 602376
Ladies Tuesday 8pm
(not during summer)
Gents Wednesday
8.30pm (not during
summer)

Share Club

Ross Thackrey
816133
once a month on Sundays
7pm at the Crown

Skittles

Pat Sawyer
813771
(not during winter)

Pilates

Cheryl Sheard
07949 260032
every Wed 7.15 - 8.15pm
at the Village Hall
£6 per class

GORGS

Nick Pearson
816382
Gentleman of Rolleston
Golfing Society
Regular outings

Dominoes

John Smith (Captain)
01636 814686
Peter Salter (Vice Capt.)
01636 819197
every Thursday evening
except summer)

Rolleston Weekly Coffee Morning and Lunch Club

.....every Wednesday in The Greenaway.

1st Wednesday in the month : Noon. A two course lunch is available at a cost of £2.50, plus £1 to include a raffle ticket if desired. (small prize donations welcome)

2nd Wednesday: 10.30am. Coffee/Tea served with cakes or biccies.. (Free)

3rd Wednesday: 10.30am Coffee/ Tea and cake etc (Free) Bacon cobs (£1)

4th and 5th Wednesdays: 10.30am. Coffee/Tea/ Cakes (Free)

Gluten and caffeine free available. All welcome.

Contact: Amanda on 831165



Welcome to the Christmas edition of the Junction!

Looking back over 2015, it's been a good year for Rolleston. There's been so much going on in this small village of just over 400 people!

Remember the Village Family Day and Bob's Chilli Beer and Artisan Festival? What successes!

The Village Hall team has also been busy hosting several superb Village Ventures productions - the latest being the amazing "Magnificent Men In Their Flying Machines". The Indian Evening was a great Village Hall fund raiser and spectacular success, with over a hundred people feasting on Jamil's award winning Indian food.

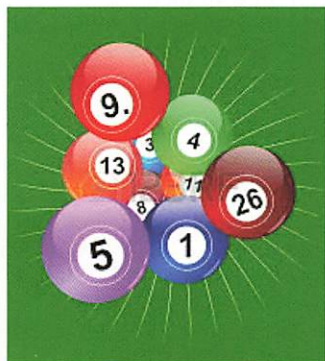
Apart from being fun, doing things together helps create a friendly caring village community that's good to be part of.

As a caring community, our fund raising has included: The Macmillan Nurses, The Notts and Lincs Air Ambulance Service, Cancer Research UK, Vision Aid Overseas, Nepal Earthquake Appeal and there's a Save The Children Coffee Morning at Rolleston Manor on 26th November (everyone's invited!).

A big welcome to local resident Kelly Bryan, a photographic student, and our new volunteer Staff Photographer! Can you give some of your time to the village? Our committees are just groups of friends working together - any help you can give is more than welcome.

Now let's get ready for a really good Christmas and great New Year - there's so much going on in Rolleston!

Lotto News



With the change from the 16th October, whereby the Lotto increased the numbers to 59, we have had to sell a further 10 numbers. All but one are now sold. Great progress - and the village support is much appreciated. The upside is, of course, more funds for the village hall.

Recent winners have been: Graham Overton, Ian Whitehead, Tessa Stevens, Steve Rowles, Ross Thackery, Glenice Walton, Brian Smith, Bram Towse, Carole Chandler and Amanda Hobbs. Well done and again thank you for your support.

Anyone with a query, or wishing to buy the last remaining number 51, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Sandie Pearson 816382

Good luck everyone!

FORTHCOMING EVENTS !!

November

- 20th Martin Harley in Concert - Village Hall 7.30pm
- 26th Save the Children Coffee Morning - Rolleston Manor 10.30am
- 24th - 28th The Pitmen Painters' by Lee Hall - Robin Hood Theatre 07733 179986
- 28th Finale Evening 'Strictly Newark'

December

- 6th Village Start of Christmas Lunch - Steve Johnson 819181
- 6th 'Light Up A Life' Service - Beaumond House
- 7th Christmas Market - Beaumond House
- 13th Trent Churches Choir Carol Concert 4pm - Holy Trinity Church
- 16th Seniors Christmas Lunch for over 70s - Village Hall 12pm for 12.30pm
- 23rd Carols Round the Tree 6.45pm
- 24th Village Carol Service - Holy Trinity Church 6pm

January

- 22nd The Forbidden Door - Village Hall (suitable for 12+)
- 26th-30th Ladies Day' - Robin Hood Theatre

For 25 years the people of Newark and the surrounding areas have offered their continued and outstanding commitment to the work of **Beaumond House**. At Beaumond House our ambition is to ensure that we can help every single person who needs us at their most difficult times of life. We can only achieve that dream with the support of people like you. It is becoming increasingly hard to raise the funds we need to continue to provide our unique care and we are therefore appealing to you to consider making a gift to Beaumond House. Donating just £3 a month for a year could help us to pay for an hour of Hospice care for someone in their own home;



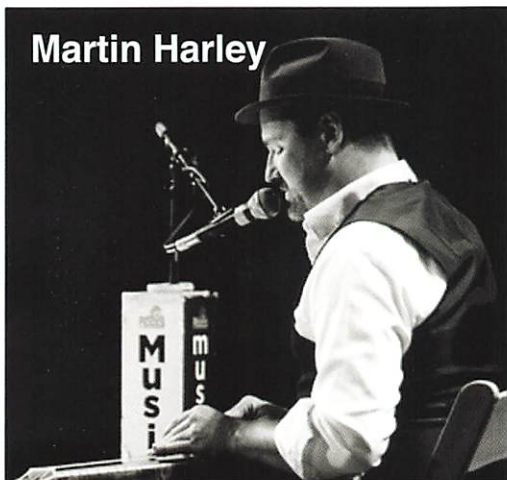
£5.50 a month for a year could provide a day care place and £33 a month for a year could help to pay for a night of respite. Setting up a standing order is simple - you can download a form from our website

www.beaumondhouse.co.uk or call **01636 610556** and send it to Beaumond House and we will do the rest. Your gift will be worth even more to us if you also complete the gift aid declaration.

Our 2015 **Light up a Life** service will be held on **Sunday 6th December** at **Beaumond House**.

All names and dedications will be entered in our Book of Remembrance. Donating is really easy - you can text 'LUAL32 £25' or any amount of your choice to 70070 Or if you would like to dedicate a light to someone you love contact us on 01636 610556 to make your donation.

Martin Harley

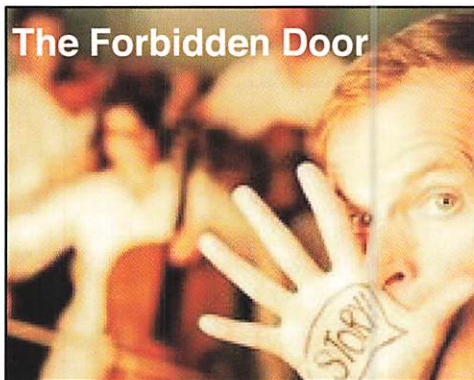


20th November

Martin Harley is a phenomenally talented guitarist, singer and song writer, and his name has become synonymous with the British and American slide guitar scene.

Adults £10, concessions £8, children £5 Tickets available from Julian Richardson 01636 816370 or email: julianrichardson@mac.com

The Forbidden Door



22nd January

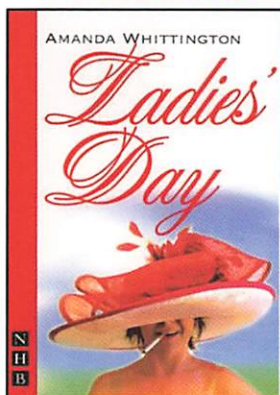
With their visceral combination of mesmerizing live music and dynamic storytelling, **The Devil's Violin** weaves an enchantment of melody and mystery.

Don't open that door! Once the door is opened, then what - adventures! All of us love a good tale, and this is a scintillating one.

Expect love, loss, drama, danger, horror, humour, twists and trials.

Acclaimed storyteller Daniel Morden is joined by virtuoso musicians Sarah Moody (cello), Dylan Fowler (guitar) and Oliver Wilson-Dickson (fiddle) to transport you into the mysterious world of the imagination.

ROBIN HOOD THEATRE - AVERHAM



26th - 30th January

Work, love and life are just one long hard slog for the fish filleting foursome - Pearl, Jan, Shelley and Linda. But their fortunes are set to change when Linda finds tickets to Ladies' Day at Royal Ascot the year it relocated to York. Out go the hairnets, overalls and wellies, as the four ditch work, do themselves up to the nines and head off for a drink, a flirt and a flutter. If their luck holds, they could hit the jackpot - and more besides!

Tickets from 07733 179986

Level Crossing Closures

It is the case, that residents of Rolleston and, for that matter, of Fiskerton, Morton and Bleasby as well, have to drive over a level crossing to reach the rest of the world. That is why, when Network Rail close the crossings to install new automatic barriers, we need to ensure they do so in a way that causes the least inconvenience.

Amazingly, their initial plans might have had all five level crossings closed at the same time! Originally, the work was to have been done this November. Now, however, because of a shortage of trained engineers – astonishing as Network Rail never seem to send one person to do work on our line when ten will do! – the work has been postponed to

Summer of next year. So there is time for us to influence their work programme.

In mid-July, I spoke with Network Rail's Ian Shorthouse. He has agreed to let me have details of that work programme for comment before it is finalised and published. My preference would be for closures to occur one at a time from Bleasby through to Staythorpe. If, though, it is necessary, for operational purposes, to have some linked closures, I would argue for Bleasby and Morton, then Fiskerton by itself and then, finally, Rolleston and Staythorpe. What is important is to discourage diverted traffic using the two smaller crossings at Morton and, especially, Rolleston. Do you agree? If you have other thoughts on how the closures could be better managed, do let me know.



News from
ROGER BLANEY

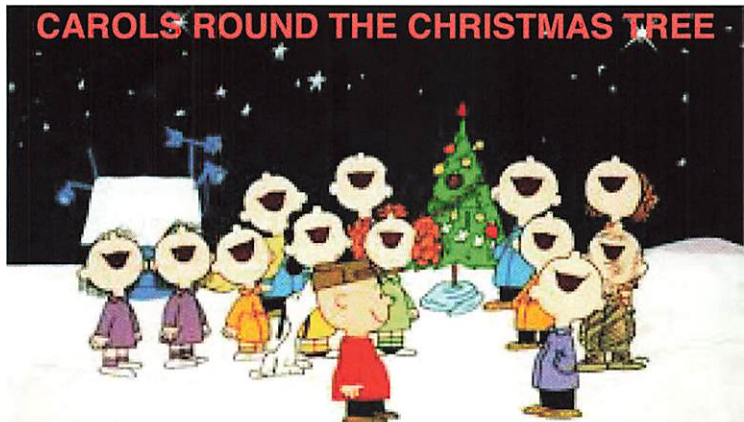
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District Council

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CAROLS ROUND THE CHRISTMAS TREE



Wednesday 23rd December 6.45pm for singing from 7pm and afterwards at Rolleston Manor for mulled wine and mince pies by kind invitation of Michelle and Tony Hillary.

NEWARK - TRAFFIC PROBLEMS

As we are all well aware, Newark's traffic problems are a longstanding issue. That is why, in July, I organised a Newark Traffic Summit to bring together local decision makers and consider what practical steps can be taken to alleviate the problems.

The conclusion drawn, was that the congestion problems can be solved, but this will be an expensive endeavour. The solutions we need include the dualling of the A46 bypass and improvements to the Cattle Market, Brownhills and Winthorpe roundabouts and A1 slip roads, and are likely to cost in the region of £200m. As such, there is no short term fix.

However, I am delighted that progress is already being made, and the design phase of the works has started. A sustained period of lobbying will now be required to secure the funding to complete the works. I firmly believe that alleviating these

problems will improve the quality of life of residents, bring in investment and create jobs in the area. I know that many Rolleston residents also have grave concerns about the proposed gravel extraction site at Averham. You will be pleased to know that I have already voiced my concerns about the site with Nottinghamshire County Council and will continue to do so at every available opportunity.

I maintain my reasons for opposing an application for this site as follows:

- **Increased traffic through the villages along the already congested A617**
- **The addition of further heavy lorry traffic to the overwhelmed Kelham Bridge, resulting in increased noise, vibration, pollution and a possible increased risk of accidents**
- **The impact on the landscape of this most**



News from
ROBERTJENRICK
our local MP

attractive, rural area.

Please be assured of my full support fighting against any application for Flash Farm.

As always, please do contact me to share your thoughts and concerns:

Email:
robert.jenrick.mp@parliament.uk
Tel: 01636 612837
Write: 29A London Road,
Newark, Nottinghamshire
NG24 1TN
Twitter: @RobertJen

Seniors' Christmas Lunch

Wednesday 16th December 12.00 for 12.30pm
at Rolleston Village Hall

A welcome drink, followed by a delicious three course Christmas lunch

Lucky Raffle, Music you Love, a quiz .. and lots of fun!

Free to all village residents over 70 and their partners and

Wednesday Coffee Club regulars. Other guests welcome (£10)

To reserve your place phone Kathy on 814585 or Amanda on 819583

Come along and have a really good time..

We can pick you up and drop you home if it's a bit of a struggle.





THE FLOWER POD



All of us who garden, either professionally or as enthusiastic amateurs, know how good it makes us feel. It is cathartic, refreshing, satisfying and healing for soul and spirit. Not surprising then, that many organisations and charities have cottoned on to this and encourage their clients to grow things.

One of the best examples is Flower Pod - a social enterprise which is part of the Nottinghamshire charity 'Reach Learning Disability'.



Currently, Reach runs over forty courses from their bases in Southwell, Newark and Mansfield, in subjects as varied as Healthy Cookery to Money Management. They have now expanded

into horticulture.

'Flower Pod', based just outside Southwell, is an English cut flower and confetti business, which offers support and horticultural tasks to people with learning disabilities. It is a new social enterprise and a fabulous idea. Things are progressing well since the first growing season in 2012. Tons of soil has been shifted, poly tunnels erected, planting beds created and now - blooming and environmentally perfect - a terracotta coloured, straw bale building with a workshop, kitchen and mess room, sits proudly on the beautiful one and a half acre site overlooking the pepper pot spires of Southwell Minster.

The clients and volunteers are involved in growing, harvesting and selling high quality flowers and natural confetti to local people and businesses. Flower Pod takes orders for bouquets ranging from £15-£45 every day, and regularly produces table arrangements for events and functions. Weddings and funerals are also part of their regular income. Through their involvement, the clients learn valuable skills, and the flowers





own venue or at Flower Pod, explaining how the enterprise came about, and enlightening people on the species grown and the comparison with the imported cut flower market.

enliven the vases of their neighbours and make many a bride happy on their Wedding Day.

Anna Joyce, Flower Pod's project manager, enjoys spreading the word, and regularly talks to groups at their

For more details regarding Reach - see www.reachuk.org

For information regarding talks and tours please contact Anna Joyce on 01636 819066 or anna.joyce@reachuk.org or pop in to see us at Reach Learning Disability, Prebend Passage, Southwell, NG25 0JH

PROPOSED GRAVEL EXTRACTION AT FLASH FARM AVERHAM

Many of you will be aware of the proposal to extract gravel from lands at Flash Farm adjacent to the A617. As yet, no planning application has been submitted. However, given the amount of expensive preparatory work that has already been done by the company, we consider that it is highly likely that an application will be made in the near future. If permission were granted, the site would be up and running in 2016 and would continue in operation for almost 20 years.

The proposal states that gravel would be extracted and then distributed from the workings out along the A617. The majority of the 100 plus lorries will turn left out of the site towards Averham, Kelham to the junction with the A46. The remaining lorries will pass through Hockerton and Kirklington to the A614. These lorries would bring 'inert' waste back to the site to be used as landfill. If all this goes ahead, the nature of the local area would change from predominantly rural to industrial. A group of people from the wider community have come together to work to prevent this application from being approved and preserve our current green and pleasant living environment. However, we need the involvement and support of like-minded people with the knowledge and skills to enable us to prepare a well-informed and convincing objection to the plans. If you are interested in contributing to the current work of the group, please contact us at nogravelpitt@gmail.com or via telephone on 01636 679717/704437. *Linda White (Chair) and Valerie Willcocks (Secretary) Community Action Group*

MY JOB



- by Debbie Baldock -

My name is Debbie Baldock. I live in Rolleston, and have been a National Trust volunteer now for two years.

I am a member of the Dorcas Sewing Team at **Southwell Workhouse**, and I also help to edit *The Pauper* - which is the in-house newspaper there.

Built in 1824, The Workhouse was a means of relief for the Victorian poor. It influenced the New Poor Law of 1834, which established similar institutions across the Country. Although run as a harsh regime, which aimed to act as a deterrent, the Workhouse founder, the Revd J T Becher, also had in mind the moral and temporal

welfare of the community. He aimed to equip inmates for a better life outside.

Southwell Workhouse is the most complete example in existence, and was designed to house around 160 inmates. They lived and worked in a strictly segregated environment, with virtually no contact between the old and infirm, able-bodied men and women and children. However, this austere building was a refuge for those in need with nowhere else to turn, and who might otherwise have died in poverty. However, it was also a terror for the idle and dissolute! This was demonstrated in the BBC Television's '24 Hours in the Past', partly filmed at The Workhouse and shown earlier this year. This series featured a group of celebrities, including Alisdair McGowan

and Anne Widdecombe, who experienced Victorian life in the raw. Many of our volunteers acted as extras in this production, which was an interesting experience, and it also provided valuable funds for the National Trust.

Dorcas Group make all the authentic costumes used in The Workhouse, including outfits for The Master and Matron, various Workhouse staff and of course, the Paupers. Southwell Workhouse is a valuable teaching resource, and is used by many schools and colleges as part of their curriculum. Our



sewing group also make, maintain, repair and launder all the Pauper costumes, comprising, shirts, skirts and bonnets which schoolchildren change into as soon as they arrive for their interactive visit. All these costumes are painstakingly researched and professionally made and finished by a very dedicated team of women. The group also provide various crafts for sale in the shop,

and have previously produced a variety of home-made household goods, gifts, hand-knitted dolls and tree decorations for a stall at the Victorian Christmas Fair held each year in early December at The workhouse. We also make ragdoll kits and lavender bags for various family-focused events.

I recently found myself darning an original 1950s eiderdown used in the flat upstairs at The Workhouse, which was still in use up until the 1970's (a sobering thought!).

Being a volunteer is a rewarding experience on many levels, and I feel privileged to be part of such a hard-working and professional team who are also very friendly and good fun to work with. "Most National Trust properties would not survive without their armies of volunteers" – The National Trust's words, not mine.

There are many benefits to being a volunteer - from new friendships formed and skills learned, but the main appeal to me is knowing that what I do at

Southwell Workhouse makes a difference to people's lives – from children's education, to people researching their family history.

If you would like to know more about volunteering for the National Trust, the contact details are below:

Tel: 01636 817260

www.nationaltrust.org.uk/theworkhouse

VILLAGE HALL UPDATE

The village hall finances are currently in reasonable shape - which is great news, but, conscious that we need to keep the coffers filled through hall hire and fundraising events, we have a few things in the pipe line.

Firstly, we have some events lined up which will not only raise funds for the hall, but also provide some great entertainment for the village.

On December 6th is the Start of Christmas Lunch. You will find details of this elsewhere in the magazine. It's a great way to start Christmas with your friends, so why not come along.

On 16th January, we are having a quiz night; on 26th March, a Race night and on 21st May a 'What's my Beer?' evening. More details of these to follow.

However, one you definitely need to put in the diary is the Valentine Romance Evening! We've got some great entertainment lined up - a fab singer in the Michael Buble mould. We are planning a special Valentine's Day menu and you will be able to dine at a cosy romantic table for two. Make sure you pencil this in for 13th Feb.

As for hall hire - the Caravan club are visiting us again. The hall is perfect for them in the winter, and it's a great earner for us. It's an official club, who provide us with all the necessary undertakings regarding care of the hall



and the two acres, and we are confident there will be no disruption to the village.

Finally, by the time you read this, the hall will have been painted - big thank you to everyone who helped with this and particularly to Abs Chaaban who generously gave of his time, experience and skill to supervise and support the event. You will also notice the floor has been re-varnished, and we are currently looking at replacing the atrium carpet.

Thanks to everyone who continues to support the hall - by helping with, or attending events, or booking the hall for their own activities.



Please visit:

www.southwell-racecourse.co.uk

for details on other non-feature racedays and to book tickets to all meetings.

For further information, please contact:

Will Bowler – Marketing Assistant

Southwell Racecourse

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wbowler@southwell-racecourse.co.uk



Save the Children

Save the Children Coffee Morning

Michelle is hosting a coffee morning for Save the Children at **Rolleston Manor** on **Thursday 26th November**.

There will be coffee, homemade cakes and various stalls - including bags and accessories, make-up, cards and others.

A great opportunity to have a coffee and a chat and support a good cause at the same time!

Getting to know you...

Our Rollestonians

Shelia Taylor... was born in Nottingham - and it's a miracle she is here at all -



having been dropped down the stairs of the hospital at just a few days old (but thankfully caught by a passing doctor, who sounds like he would have been a good addition to the England rugby team)!

Sheila attended school in Nottingham, but was evacuated during the war and went to stay with her father's friend, Austin Walker, at White Hall in Morton.

It was whilst at Morton, that she saw the German bombers flying up the Trent to bomb the Ordnance Factory in Nottingham (but

hitting the bakery by mistake and killing 500 people).

Sheila returned to Mannings Grammar School in Nottingham, leaving at 16 to go to Millers Business College.

Like many Nottinghamshire lassies, she then went to work in the office at Players, also joining the Red Cross, and becoming a member of the ice dancing team at the Nottingham ice rink. She went on to marry Derek, a director at Foreman's, in 1950. They then relocated to Birmingham with their young son Russ.

Following their divorce, Sheila and Russ returned to Toton. Russ joined the RAF and Sheila went to work at Boots, with responsibility for the 'No7 Girls', and later to

work in their staff first aid station.

It was during this time that she meet Harold Taylor. He offered her a lift home from a night club and the rest, as they say, is history! Harold was an engineer at the army depot in Chilwell, but both fancied a change, so wrote to Courage asking if they would consider them for a country pub. The answer was 'yes' as long as they were married....they weren't, so they promptly did just that! It was 1973.

After a 2 week course at Buxton, which included learning how many sugar lumps to put on a tray with a pot of coffee, they arrived at the French Horn in Upton. Three years later, they took on the Railway Inn in Doveholes whilst waiting for



Sheila and Harold at The Bromley

the imminent vacancy at the **Bromley Arms, Fiskerton.**

In 1977, they arrived at the Bromley where they stayed as successful landlords for 14 years.

Sheila and Harold then retired to Rolleston and became very popular members of the community. Sadly, Harold passed away in 2001 but Sheila continues to be an active Rollestonian. She is on the committee of the WI; helps look after the

'old folk' at Kings Court Southwell on Mondays and attends Rolleston and



Morton luncheon clubs.

She loves the theatre, sewing and socialising and has just celebrated her 89th birthday. Oh, and she is a lifetime member of the Royal Country Dancing Society (although she doesn't do much dancing these days!)

Many thanks to Sheila for agreeing to be the first to feature in 'Our Rollestonians'. We will be looking for someone for the next edition. Please do get in touch if you would be willing to chat to us about your life.

SUE SADDINGTON our County Councillor



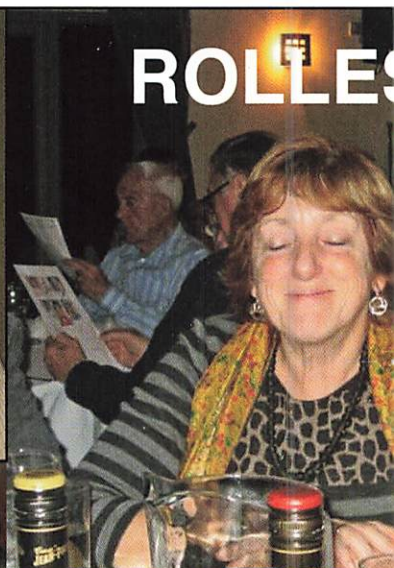
Tim Harries and I have met with Highways to discuss the loss of the 7.5 tonne weight limit on Station Road. Highways cannot justify the reinstatement of the 7.5 tonne

weight limit, as when they undertook a survey, it showed a tiny amount traffic weighed more than this. A weight limit has to be legally enforced, therefore, NCC would have to install a weighbridge. This would not warrant the cost - particularly when it appears that most of the traffic weighs less than 3.5tonnes.

Considering other options, it was decided that there should be stronger official signage to try and prevent the horse boxes travelling through Rolleston. Highways will be able to access funding for this in 2016-2017. The Parish Councillors agreed the proposed signage, and I have confirmed their acceptance with NCC to include signs at the junction of the A617; signs at the level crossings at Rolleston and Fiskerton; one at the junction of Fiskerton Rd and Station Rd Rolleston, and one at the junction of Main Street and Station Road Fiskerton.

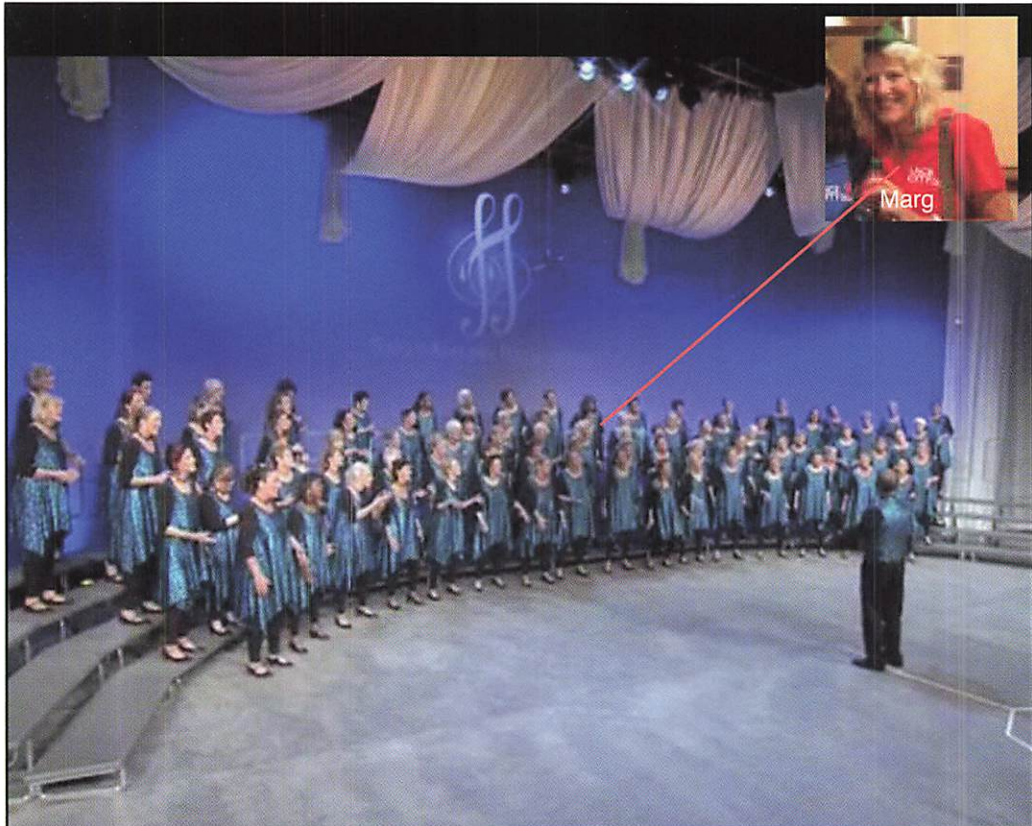
I have offered £140 from my County Divisional Fund towards the Christmas Lunch which I thought would help the organisers to include a few extras.

Finally, I wish you all in advance "A Very Happy Christmas and Healthy New Year, and I look forward to representing Rolleston in 2016....."



STON FUN !!





LACE CITY CHORUS HITS LAS VEGAS !!

Not only did **Marg Finch**, as a member of Nottingham's **Lace City Chorus**, win the **National** Sweet Adelines Barbershop Competition last year, they then went on to come 16th out of 34 choruses in the recent **International Convention** in Las Vegas.

The standard is incredibly high, and to come first in the National Competition meant beating some brilliant choirs from

the UK and the Netherlands (well, it's Region 31 actually, which is a bit bigger than just the UK). Then, at an International level, they have to compete against World class competition from countries such as USA, Australia, Canada and Sweden.

So, to finish 16th in the World is a fantastic achievement. Well done Marg, and good luck for next year!

Calling All Women

**Free singing course - cheaper than therapy
healthier than drinking - more fun than
working out!**

Have fun learning 2 songs over 6 weeks with **Lace City Chorus** at Frank Seely School, Flatts Lane, Calverton. Every Monday evening 2nd Nov - 7th Dec 7.30pm - 9.30pm then perform in our spectacular Christmas Concert.

Contact: chrisstimson@hotmail.com

PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

Rolleston PC communicates with villagers in the best way possible - by being part of the village. There are few social gatherings that do not include a Parish Councillor, or spouse, taking part. Most of Rolleston now receives PC information by email. If you aren't on our list, you can email Cllr Linda Mason lmason@rollestonvcb.net. All important information is posted in the notice board in Jubilee Gardens. This, and our website at www.newark-sherwooddc.gov.uk/rolleston, are the official locations for notices.

The PC recently polled the village via email on a forthcoming agenda item. Thank you to those that replied. This concerned the Corner Farm grass area that NSDC has asked the PC to take over in perpetuity.

At the time of writing, no final decision has been made, as there are outstanding issues that require evaluation before due diligence can take place.

An update of the Resilience/Emergency Plan will be sent out in the near future. The PC has made representation on the Southwell Racecourse Alleviation Plan, which proposes to erect a bund around the racecourse to stop floodwater entering the site. We are opposed to any scheme which would increase the risk of flooding to Rolleston residents.

Many thanks to the majority of dog owners who clean up after their dogs. Unfortunately, there have been a few isolated incidents, and complaints, particularly near the play areas, where this hasn't happened. This is unsightly and a health hazard. We realise these areas are well used by visitors outside Rolleston though.

Cllr Chris Salter's responsibilities include the play areas, and we would like to thank all those who help keep this area a safe and tidy area for children to play in.

The PC would like to wish all residents a
Merry Xmas and Happy New Year!

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Allotment Update

Allotmenteers have had a mixed few months since the last Rolleston Junction.

On a sad note, we were burgled. Initially, we thought the unwelcome visitors had taken a lawn mower, petrol, spade, fork, wheelbarrow and a variety of hand towels. (I was secretly happy that my onions were all still there!) However, on closer examination, we realized that our entire water system had been decimated! They had stolen the solar panels, batteries, control box and had even lifted the pump from the bottom of the bore hole. This caused huge disappointment. Not only was it expensive and had been bought by money 'loaned' to the Rolleston Allotment society, but it was hours and hours of work.

We are still in negotiation regarding our next move - lots of discussion regarding how to keep the next water system safe. People get very 'imaginative' when they are angry- but we are determined that by next summer, we will be up and running with water again.

On a brighter note, most of us have had a good crop this summer - home grown beetroot, sweetcorn, runner beans, potatoes, onions, garlic, spinach, lettuce etc. It is true, that food you have grown yourself tastes sooo much better!

You might have seen a group of us being artistic at the Peace Garden in front of the Millennium Garden. Brian's famous bacon butties kept us going for the morning. As I write this, the plot will be looking worse, but within the next few weeks, the plot that has now been cleared and sprayed will be covered with membrane, top soil, planted and barked as soon as possible. (see the 'before' picture below).



Future plans are - to organize the allotments for winter; put additional security in place; maintain the Millennium Garden and to enjoy ourselves!

Anyone wishing to take on an allotment please contact Bob Marshall on 07702616664.

IDEAS FOR CHRISTMAS

from Claire



As the Christmas season approaches, I thought a couple of ideas for small eats to have with drinks would be a good idea.

The first is a classic recipe for **Cheese Sables** that I first made at the Cordon Bleu school way back and still make today. They are great with a glass of something sparkly!

Take 3oz plain flour, sift with a pinch of salt and a pinch of cayenne pepper. Rub in 3oz butter and stir in 3oz grated cheese with a roundbladed knife until it comes together.

Press it all into a ball.

Roll out quite thinly and cut into strips 2" wide and then into triangles (or any small shape you like).

Brush with beaten egg and bake at 375 degrees c / reg.5 until golden brown - approx. 10 minutes.

You can sprinkle the sables with sesame seeds before baking if you like. The sables freeze really well.

Pop in the oven from frozen to warm before serving.



Cheese Sables

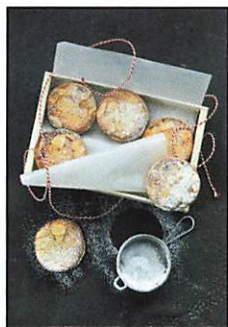
The second thing I always make at this time of year is:

Mince Pies with Frangipane Topping

Line small patty tins (1" diameter) with shortcrust pastry.

Fill with a teaspoon of mincemeat. (I don't like candied peel much, so make my own or buy any sort and jazz it up with a few dried cranberries and some grated apple).

Make the topping:



Whisk an egg white until it just holds its shape, then fold in 2oz caster sugar and 2oz ground almonds.

Spoon on top of the tarts. Try to seal it to the edges as much as possible.

Bake for approx. 20 minutes in a moderate oven 375/reg.5

Not suitable for freezing complete, but I tend to have a couple of tins lined with pastry in the freezer ready to fill. These are good anytime and people like the smallness of them.

Nice to serve a sweet item to signify the end of a drinks party too.

Happy Baking!

Church Dates and Activities

On Saturday 26th September 2015, Holy Trinity Church Rolleston hosted a concert by **'The Minstery of Sound'**, organised by the Friends of Holy Trinity. This vocal trio, formed from ex-choristers from Southwell Minster, specialise in Renaissance music.

Alex at Royal Holloway. All keen ensemble singers, the trio between them have sung in the Cathedral choirs of York, Leeds, Wakefield and Norwich, as well as Royal Holloway, St John's College Cambridge, the National Youth Choir and the Sixteen's training scheme; Genesis 16. On top of this, they all sing with many one-a-part groups - like The Minstery of Sound.



Alexander Turner sings counter tenor, **Ben Inman** tenor and **Sam Hucklebridge** bass.

After leaving Southwell, Sam went on to study at York, Ben at Leeds and York and

As a fledgling group, the trio are very keen on promoting local music and are planning future concerts and exploration of lower voice repertoire, along with recordings and development of the ensemble.

An appreciative audience was treated to a mixture of sacred and secular, serious and humourous music from 1300 to the present day. Such fine voices singing together in harmony, in the wonderful acoustics of our church, was something to behold, and something that will live on in the memories of those fortunate to be present on this unique occasion. I say unique, but if the Friends of Holy Trinity have their way, they will have these boys back again sometime in the future.

Harvest Supper and Quiz

-hosted by the Friends of Holy Trinity on Friday 18th September in the Village Hall

Sixty people sat down to a fabulous supper of cottage pie and peas, with a choice of five sweets.

The supper was followed by a quiz, set by **Julian Ellis**, on a range of general knowledge questions. Each table formed a team and the competition was taken as seriously as several glasses of wine would allow!!The evening was rounded up with a raffle.

Thanks must go to the Friends of Holy Trinity for organising the event; those who prepared the food; the people who donated the sweets and raffle prizes and Julian for the quiz.

God willing, we shall all be able to do it again next year,

Macmillan Coffee Morning

- Friday 25th September

After jointly hosting this important fund raising event with Clive when he was at The Crown, this year **Beryl Northcote** hosted it herself at church. Charging just £3.00 for coffee and

cake - with as many refills as you wanted - a steady stream of visitors enabled her to raise £175.00, which has been paid over to Macmillan Cancer Support.



Thanks must go to Beryl for the organisation, to those who donated cakes and raffle prizes and to all who came and supported this so worthy a cause.

Looking ahead...

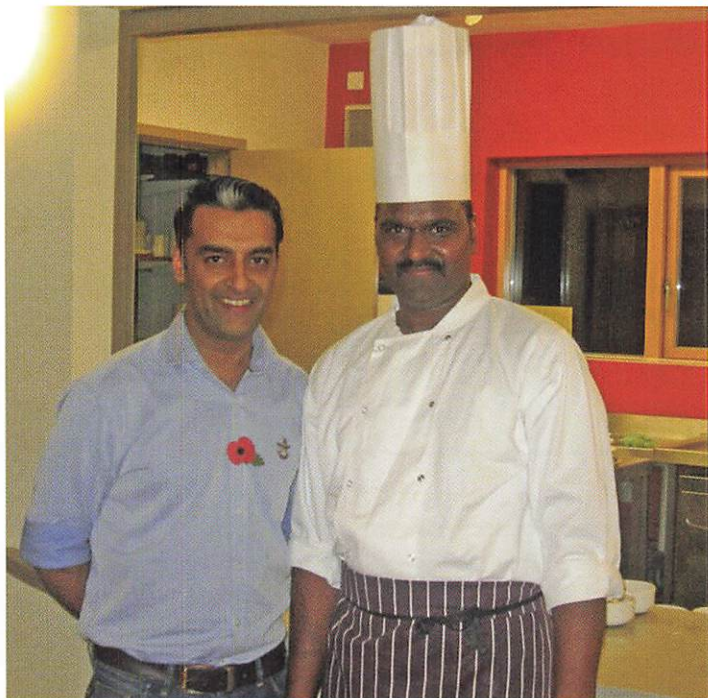
Saturday 31st October - Autumn Craft Fair in our Holy Trinity Church 1 - 4 pm. See Church notice board for details in due course.

Sunday 13th December will see us hosting the Trent Churches Choir for their carol concert at 4pm, helping them to raise money for their chosen charity.

As always, the village Carol Service will be at 6pm on **Christmas Eve**, when, hopefully, we will again see the church full. Will we beat the record congregation of 250 this year.....?



CONGRATULATIONS !!!



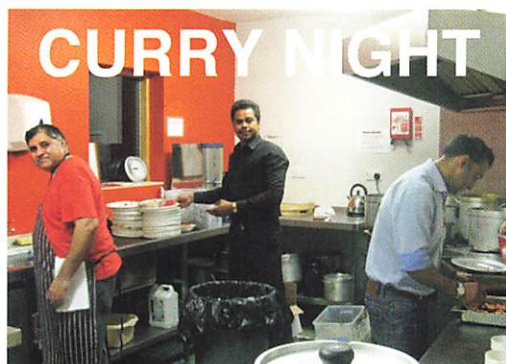
'Best Curry in the Country!!!'

When so many villages are losing their pubs, we all know how fortunate we are to still have our great village pub, the Crown. Then of course, this year we have had the addition of a fantastic restaurant, **Gurkha One**.

The food they serve is just fabulous, and we've all been saying that this the best restaurant for miles around. Now we have the proof - Gurkha One has been awarded '**Best Curry**' in the recent **English Curry Awards**. At a huge event in Manchester, it not only saw off competition to become best in the East Midlands, but won the award for the best in the country too!

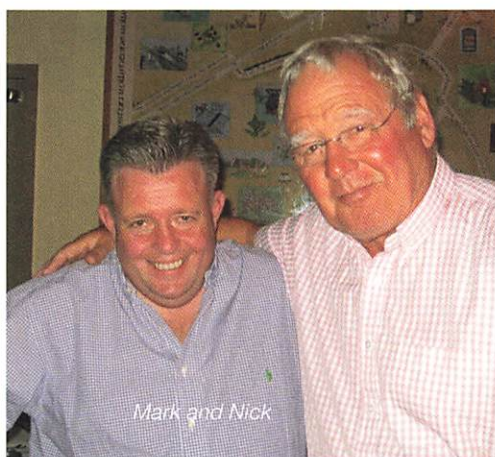
Not only is the food excellent, but the welcome and the service are second to none. So, congratulations from us all to Jamil, Michaela, Beth and Annie, and of course all the kitchen staff, waiters and their very talented chef. **Well done!**

BREAKING NEWS!! Gurkha One is also nominated for the **British Curry Awards** to be held in London in November. Good Luck guys - fingers crossed!!



Saturday 17th October saw 110 people take their places in the Village Hall, ready for the Rolleston Curry Night. We enjoyed a fantastic three course meal, prepared by Jamil and his team at Gurkha One.

It was a lovely atmosphere, and we raised £550 for the village hall too. Thanks to all at Gurkha One, and to Mark Sanders and Nick Pearson for a great evening.



Mark and Nick

Jamil also held a collection for the **victims of the earthquake in Nepal**. The money raised will be given to Doctor Bajracharya of Southwell surgery, who will be taking it direct to Nepal to help people still in desperate need of our help.



If anyone would like to make a donation please contact Jamil.

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Puzzles



Christmas Songs

Can you work out what the songs are?

With grateful thanks to Shane Pearson, the author of this quiz

1. S C is C to T
2. TheLD B
3. R, the R N R W C F of N Y
4. S N
5. D T K its C
6. J B
7. F the S
8. It's the M W T of the Y
9. R A the C T
10. G R Y M G
11. The H and the I
12. S into C
13. H the H A S
14. I S M K S C
15. O C all Y F
16. O L T of B
17. O H N
18. L C
19. It's B to L a L L C
20. G K W
21. The F N
22. I W it C B C E
23. M and W
24. A in a M
25. D H for C
26. A I W for C is M T F T
27. H Y a M L C
38. J to the W

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New ...

PRIEST IN CHARGE

The Holy Trinity Church Rolleston

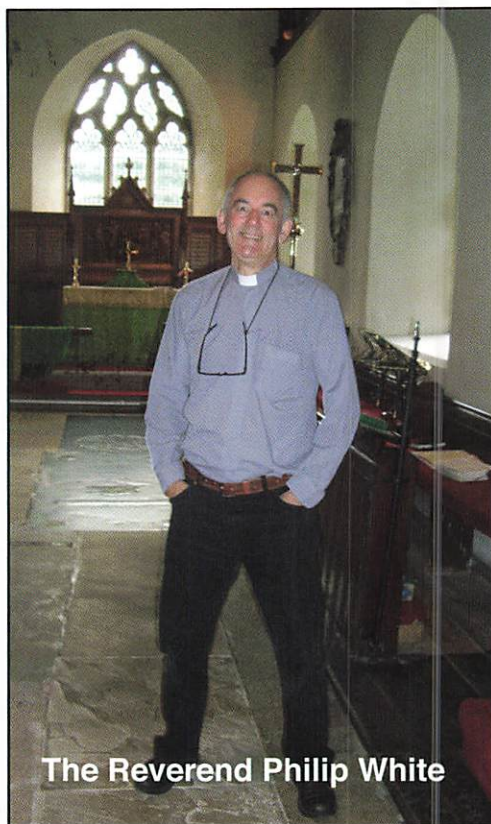
On Wednesday 7th October 2015, at the Parish Church of St. Michael, Hoveringham, our new Priest in Charge, the **Reverend Philip White**, was licensed by the Right Reverend Paul Williams, Bishop of Southwell and Nottingham, and installed by the Venerable David Picken, Archdeacon of Newark. An invited congregation filled the church and then had an opportunity of meeting Phil (as he prefers to be known) informally, in the adjacent village hall, over light refreshments.

Phil grew up in Loughborough and trained as a teacher in Durham. After ten years teaching in Hull, he moved to Middlesbrough as a Scripture Union Regional Schools Worker.

After ordination in 1991, he served as a curate in York, then as a team vicar, before moving to Scarborough in 2001 as Priest in Charge of St. James' Church.

After 12 years, during which he served as the Diocesan Lay Training Coordinator, he took on the role as Priest in Charge of Cayton with Eastfield as well as St. James'.

He loves sport of all kinds and played hockey into his 40's and cricket until recently. He is an avid Manchester United supporter, but I'm sure Forest fans will not hold that against him! As Priest in Charge of Bleasby, Halloughton, Hoveringham, Morton, Rolleston with



The Reverend Philip White

Fiskerton, Thurgarton and Upton (known as the West Trent Group) he will be returning closer to his roots and also his daughter, Ruth, and her husband Pete, who, with their daughter Annabelle (18 months), live in Nottingham. Phil has a son, James, who lives in Edinburgh.

He is very much looking forward to working with his new group of churches, and we will be ensuring that there will be many opportunities for our community to meet and get to know Phil in the next few months.

Bryan Northcote and Peter Salter
- Church Wardens

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Answers to Christmas Songs Quiz: 1 Santa Claus is coming to town, 2.The Little Drummer Boy, 3. Rudolf the Red Nosed reindeer, 4. White Christmas, 5. Fairytale of New York, 6. Silent night, 7. Don't they know it's Christmas, 8. Jingle Bells, 9. Frosty the Snowman, 10. It's the Most Wonderful Time of the Year, 11. Rocking Around the Christmas Tree, 12. God Rest You Merry Gentlemen, 13. The Holly and the Ivy, 14. Swing into Christmas, 15. Hark the Herald Angels Sing, 16. I Saw Mommy Kissing Santa Claus, 17. O Come all Ye Faithful, 18. O Little Town of Bethlehem, 19. O Holy Night, 20. Last Christmas, 21. It's Beginning to Look a Lot Like Christmas, 22. Good King Wenceslas, 23. The First Noel, 24. I Wish it Could be Christmas Every Day, 25.Mistletoe and Wine, 26. Away in a Manger, 27. Driving Home for Christmas, 28. All I Want for Christmas is My Two Front Teeth, 29. Have Yourself a Merry Little Christmas, 30. Joy to the World

"RIDE IT LIKE YOU STOLE IT !!"



Two Rolleston ladies completed their "coast to coast" challenge on August 18th, raising £2000 for their chosen charities.

Penny Shaw and Carole Chandler cycled the 190 mile route, from St Bees to Robin Hood's Bay, across the Cumbrian Hills, the Yorkshire Dales and the North Yorkshire Moors. The money raised went to Cancer Research and Vision Aid Overseas.

Carole commented "It was tough going at times. We faced 1 in 4 gradients, some mechanical issues with the bikes (which had to be fixed half way through) and some unforgiving weather. But the chips, the

chocolate, the mugs of tea and the welcome we received in each B & B kept us going! "

Both ladies would like to say 'thank you' to everyone who donated and posted kind messages of support on their Just Giving and Facebook pages.

One particular message that kept them smiling on their journey was "Ride it like you stole it!"

To see photos and an account of their adventure just google "Penny and Carole cycle coast to coast for charity".

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This month we celebrate our first birthday. It is now a year since we produced the first edition of the **Rolleston Junction**. We hope it has added something to the village and enhanced your enjoyment of living in our friendly community.

We have been fortunate to be able to produce this magazine at no cost to the village, through very generous sponsorships and donations, and take up of advertising space.

A big THANK YOU to those of you who have been so generous over the last year.

To continue to be able to produce the magazine, we will continue to need funds, and if anyone feels that they would like to support us financially, please do get in touch with Nick Pearson who will be happy to chat to you. There are options for small adverts or advertorials, small donations or larger sponsorships. You can contact Nick on **01653 816382** or at **pearson.nick9@gmail.com**

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