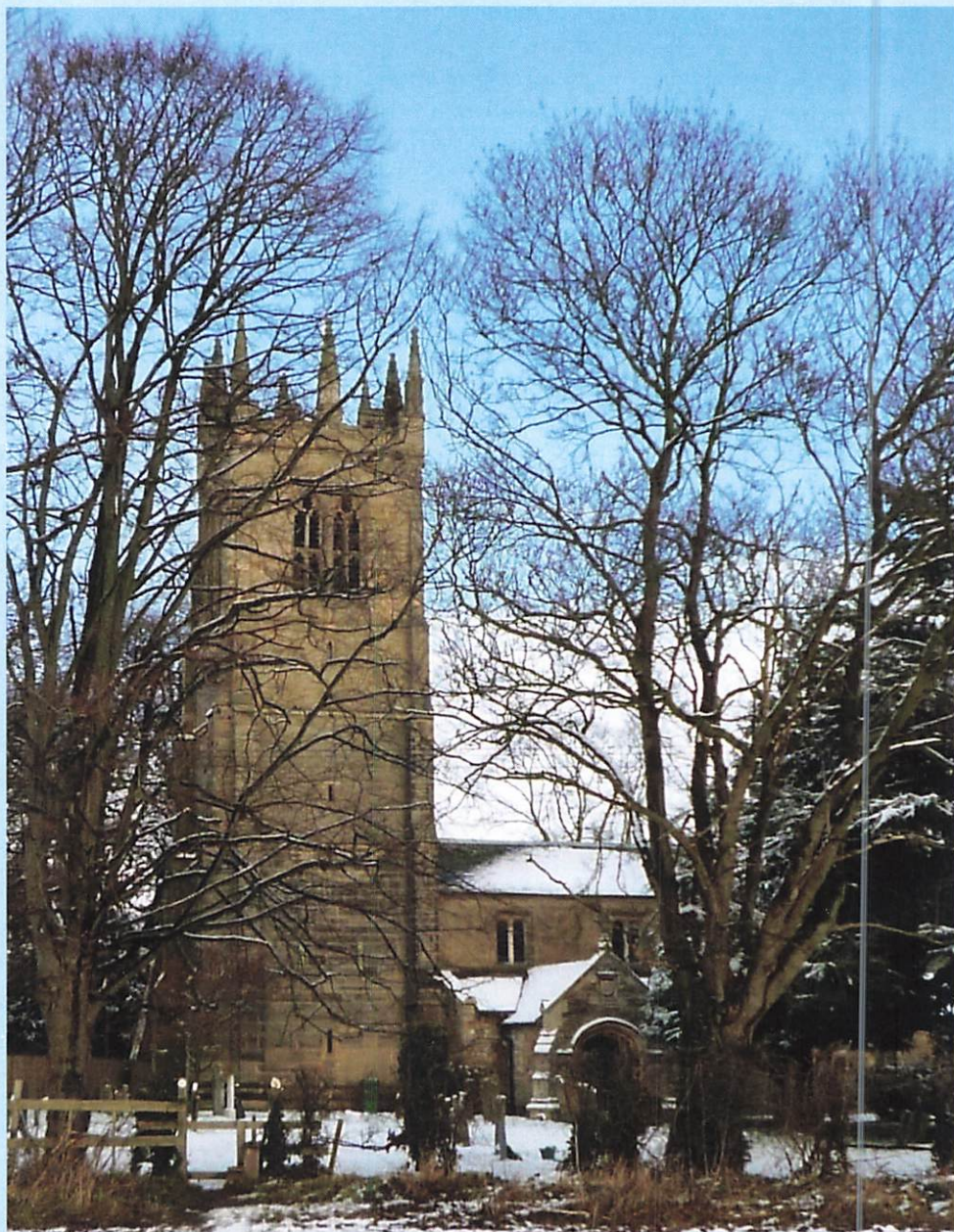


The Rolleston Junction

Edition 9 - Winter 2016



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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

Dominoes

Peter Salter (Capt.)
819197
Julian Ellis (Vice Capt.)
every Thursday evening
except summer)

Skittles

Pat Sawyer
813771
(not during winter)

GORGs

Nick Pearson
816382
Gentleman of Rolleston
Golfing Society
Regular outings

Pilates

Cheryl Sheard
07949 260032
every Wed 7.15 - 8.15pm
and Fri 10 - 11a. at the
Village Hall
£6 per class

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 07779 561934



Where Are You...?

Welcome to the Christmas edition of the Junction – we hope you enjoy the read!

As always there is a lot going on in our village - a really surprising amount for such a small community. This doesn't happen by accident but by people, friends, groups getting together all making their contribution.

One group, your Parish Council, is made up of very active team of village enthusiasts who get involved in many aspects of village life. The PC works very hard for the village, often un – noticed behind the scenes, yet there are seldom more than a handful of parishioners at the monthly meetings. It would be so good if more Rollestonians attended.

There is time set aside for you to make suggestions and ask questions both at the start and the end of the meeting. You can take part during these slots, not just sit and listen!

To do a really good job it is really important for the councillors to get support, and listen to suggestions and feedback from people living in the village. How about going along to see what happens?

The PC meetings are usually on the first Monday of the month. The next meeting is 5th December at 7.30pm.

Your editorial team wish you a very happy and peaceful Christmas and a great 2017!

Lotto News



Thank you for your continuing support. All numbers are now taken, but if you would like to go on the waiting list please contact

Sandie Pearson 816382 Good luck everyone!

All profits (approximately £3000 p.a.) go to support the running of the Village Hall.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS !!

November

22nd - 26th **'Anne Boleyn'** - a manipulative power hungry witch..?
Robin Hood Theatre (Tickets tel: 07733 179986)

December

3rd **'Just Like That: The Tommy Cooper Show'**
Robin Hood Theatre (Tickets tel: 07733 179986)

5th **Parish Council Meeting** - Village Hall 7.30pm

11th **Trent Choir Carol Concert** - Holy Trinity 4pm

14th **Seniors' Christmas Lunch** - Village Hall 12 for 12.30pm
(Tickets 814585)

17th **Blair Dunlop in Concert** - Village Hall
winner of Radio 2 Folk Awards (Tickets 01636 816370)

20th **Carols and Mulled Wine** - 6.30pm Rolleston Christmas Tree
and Rolleston Manor

24th **Christmas Eve Carol Service** - Holy Trinity 6pm

January

24th - 28th **'Ladies Down Under'**
- Robin Hood Theatre (Tickets tel: 07733 179986)

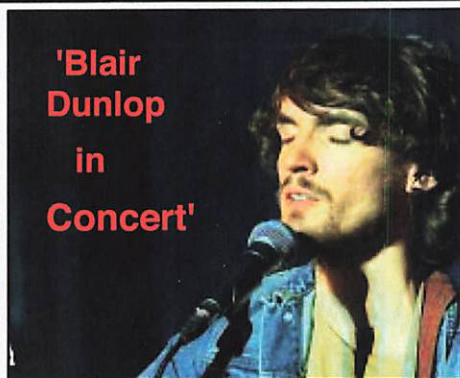
February

3rd **'Learned Friends'**
- Rolleston Village Hall (Tickets 01636 816370)

March

2nd - 4th **'Ton of Bricks'**
- Robin Hood Theatre (Tickets tel: 07733 179986)

**'Blair
Dunlop
in
Concert'**



BBC Radio 2 Folk Award winner, Blair Dunlop presents a special solo show. With albums under his belt, Blair's style is impressive and varied, and he easily switches from thoughtful, drifting ballads to more up-tempo songs with a bluegrass, country or rocky edge.

Saturday 17th December

Ginny Davis Productions presents

'Learned Friends'

A play described as 'serious, but with some comedy'. Set in the barristers' robing room of a Crown Court, we meet Judith (prosecution counsel) and Mandy (defense counsel) who are waiting for a verdict in the trial of a high profile football manager. As time ticks on, serious flaws in the case emerge, which strains their relationship and their friendship, and sees them fighting for what, to each of them, matters most.

Friday 3rd February



MsFts Theatre Company presents

'Women on the Verge of a T Junction'



Three women, three generations, three agendas, one lapse of concentration - all it takes to reduce a grown AA man to tears! No-one's hurt, but who is to blame?

When their cars collide at a T junction, three very different lives get as tangled as their bumpers, in an hilarious and poignant new comedy drama.

Thursday 16th March

ARE YOU BEING SERVED...?

Have you been into Newark recently (though not on a Friday afternoon, I'm sure!)? If so, you will have seen the steelwork going up for the District Council's new offices on the left of the road, just this side of the Castle Station level crossing. By this time next year, they will be occupied, and we will have moved out of Kelham Hall, our home for the last 40+ years.

We will be sharing our offices with JobCentre Plus and the Citizen's Advice Centre amongst others, in order to offer a 'one stop shop' and improve customer service across a range of services.

But since the end of September, the council has opened a customer service point even closer to Rolleston.

Go into Southwell library between 10am-4pm on a Tuesday, or 10am-12.30pm on a Thursday, and you will find District Council staff ready to provide advice and help you on the full range of council activities - from planning to benefits, and from environmental health to housing.

Let me quote from an email I received recently from the Chairman of a neighbouring parish council: "I visited the library and met the District Council staff on duty at the face-to-face helpdesk. They were most friendly and welcoming, and were clearly very enthusiastic. They were well informed across the range of services, and had a full understanding of the recycling service in which I have a particular interest. They seemed to



News from
ROGER BLANEY
leader of
Newark and Sherwood
District Council

be confident in their role, and very happy with the facilities and materials they had, in order to provide their service effectively". A great testimonial!!

So, do try out our new service for yourself. It's part of our commitment to make your council more responsive, accessible and efficient. After all, that's why we're here: to serve you.

Roger Blaney
Cllr, Trent Ward

Bus Timetables

The P.C. has recently received timetables from NottsbusConnect, operated by Travel Wright. Service 300 runs on Mon, Wed, and Fri between Hoveringham and Newark.



From Rolleston to Newark: Fiskerton Rd 09.57

From Newark to Rolleston: Bus Station 13.25.

Paper copies of the timetables are in the Village Hall and full details are available on

PUSH TO IMPROVE LOCAL LINKS

It has been a busy time in Parliament, with everything from the Budget to Brexit occupying my time. However, first and foremost, I have been working to ensure the best deal for the people of Newark. A big part of this has been my work lobbying for investment in our local roads.

It will come as no surprise to anyone reading this article, that Newark's roads need dramatic improvement. That is why I have written to the Chancellor and the roads minister, asking them to bring forward the building of a £150m northern bypass for Newark. The bypass is currently on

track to be built in the period between 2020 and 2025, but given the huge inconvenience that that traffic is causing in people's day to day lives, I am convinced that this is not soon enough. We have successfully lobbied to bring forward the planning stage; the next step is to ensure that the building phase follows swiftly.

But this alone is not enough. I have also been pushing to extend the Robin Hood railway line, to improve the A52, and to increase the quality of rural roads.

Newark is a wonderful place to live, and a place where enterprise thrives.



News from
ROBERTJENRICK
our local MP

With more sound infrastructure, I am

convinced that it can become even better, and that this will benefit everyone in Rolleston - whether by bringing more jobs into the area, or simply by cutting some time off your commute.

Robert Jenrick MP



The Seniors' Christmas Lunch



The world famous Rolleston Seniors' Christmas Lunch is happening on Wednesday 14th December. It's a great opportunity to chat, devour lots of turkey, Christmas pud, and wine.

There will be music we all love, a quiz, a raffle....and above all, a lot of fun!

If you haven't been before, come along. We're all very friendly and you'll have a good time!
Contact Kathy 814585



Isabel Hughes - an honorary Rollestonian!



Typically she wanted her funeral to be a lively, happy celebration of her life. She carefully planned the service, held at Holy Trinity, choosing the hymns and order of service.

As instructed, champagne was served at the Village Hall, while a live brass band played "On Ilkley Moor bah

On 18th September, Jane Geraghty's mum, Isabel, passed away at the tender age of 90.

Although she lived in Southwell, Isabel was often seen at Gurkha 1, devouring curry with her family, and regularly enjoyed herself at our village events.

tat" to celebrate her Yorkshire roots.

Some lady – we'll miss you Isabel!

Our condolences to Jane and her family.

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RESILIENCE

It is perhaps the time of year to give a reminder on some aspects on making the village more resilient.

Resilience can cover a variety of incidents - not just flooding, but problems on road, rail or with the Power Station. We cannot become complacent, given the changes in recent weather patterns.

The Parish Council has built up good relationships with the various agencies who deal with emergency incidents, and in recent years we have managed to make the village more resilient, particularly with the work on the Greet banks.

The racecourse is working on a flood alleviation plan. In theory, this should not affect the village, or local landowners, but we are monitoring the work as it progresses.

Many villagers have a copy of The Rolleston Community Emergency Plan. (Where did we put our copy?) This contains a valuable list of contacts and a telephone cascade system to warn of incidents. However, it is very difficult to keep up to date, and incidents do not occur when everyone is at home or available.

Our preferred approach is to establish the area and potential impact of problems and then let people know if they could be affected. Other parts of the village can be contacted as and when necessary.

The Resilience Store, near the Village Hall, contains various resilience items inside and sand / filled sandbags outside. In an emergency, the store will be left open but please do not remove sand or sandbags unless your property is in danger of flooding.



Some Emergency Numbers are:

Notts County Council Floodline 0845 330 4259

Severn Trent Emergency No. 0800 783 4444

Environment Agency 0845 988 1188

You can also sign up with the Environment agency to get flood alert warnings. Most often these are to make you aware of possible problems in our area of the Trent/Greet and can come at any time of day or night. Incidents can occur at any time. As a village, we have pulled together in the past, with many people giving freely of their time and resources.

We may need to do this again in the future. Please be aware that I may not be in the area and my fingers are not big enough to fill all the leaks!

The benefits of ...

PILATES

Pilates is a form of exercise created by Joseph Pilates.

His program, which was originally called 'Controllogy', used exercises; to strengthen and lengthen the muscles, to correct poor posture, to create a strong lean and flexible body. The movements themselves are precise and often small - working mindfully, observing breathing and letting go of any unnecessary tension in the body.



Well, that's the science bit out of the way!

Of all the disciplines I have taught over the years as a fitness instructor and personal trainer, the Pilates programme needs the least amount of ongoing promotion.

This is due to the fact that once you begin to practise regularly, you very soon feel the benefits. In fact, for several years now, myself and many of my colleagues have continued our classes through the summer holidays and only taking short breaks, because it becomes part of your lifestyle. Your body feels so much better with the exercise, that no one wants to leave their Pilates class for too long!

Pilates has many health benefits. Strengthening your abdominals and working on your posture can significantly ease back pain, which is why many physiotherapists advise client to take classes, or have an in house Pilates class. It is a discipline easy on the joints. With the slow, mindful movements, there is minimum impact. Indeed, it is a little mindfulness brought into your week, where you can focus completely on yourself and your body.

It's your hour - your reward to you and your body. After all, you only get one body, one vehicle to transport us through life. Pilates will help you to keep that body in the best possible shape!

Cheryl Sheard runs Pilates and Pure Stretch classes at **Rolleston Village Hall** on a **Wednesday evening at 7.15pm** and a **Friday morning at 10am**.

Classes are £6.00 pay as you go.

Call now on 07949 260032 to book a place or find out more information.

MY JOB

Hi. I'm **Marg Finch** from Holly Court.

Apart from my involvement with the Rolleston Junction, my voluntary work consists of half a day a week at Newark Hospital.

My time there is spent at the Fernwood Centre, which is a rehabilitation Ward for people who have been discharged from hospital, but are not yet able to go home. These patients include those who have had hip or knee operations, strokes and a variety of other conditions.

Apart from the general nursing care that takes place there, they have



physiotherapy, occupational therapy (e.g. crafts, games, cooking) and home visits – to make sure that everything is in place and they can manage at home – before they are discharged. It is always good to see how much patients have improved when I go in the following week.

I spend my time talking and listening to patients, playing games (e.g. dominoes – nothing too energetic!) and other activities.

I am always impressed as to how highly the patients talk about their experience there. They talk, with smiles on their faces, about the wonderful care they are receiving. It is always a pleasure to go in on a Thursday and hear all about their interesting lives.

Although they are being well cared for during their time in Fernwood, they are always delighted to be leaving. After all, there's no place like home!



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News from

SUE SADDINGTON

our County Councillor

As I write this report, over the last few weeks, the Trent villages have undergone inconvenience whilst the rail crossings have been closed for work to be carried out resulting in the barriers becoming automated.



On the whole, with a few exceptions, I think the work has gone to

plan and residents have coped with inconvenience and the inevitable niggles very well, so thank you to all for your patience.

You will all be looking back over the Summer and Autumn, having enjoyed

time in your gardens, and now will be thinking of the dark, colder nights ahead.

However, I am sure there are planned events in Rolleston over the Winter months, not least the Senior's lunch and the Carols around the tree.

I hope to join you and will check times and dates with the Parish Council.

I do enjoy attending your Parish Council meetings if only for a short time, as I am always made welcome.

The Parish Council and I will continue to address problems within the village, not least the road through the village which I have requested Highways Officers to inspect.

Finally, I send Christmas Greetings to you all and Best Wishes for a Healthy New Year .

Kind regards,

Sue Saddington



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www.southwell-racecourse.co.uk or call 01636 814481.*

Dominoes

The 2016/17 Season has now started, and we have been boosted by two new players taking part. We have not had the best of starts to the season, and could be described as the strongest team in terms of carrying the rest. We can only improve from here.

If you are also keen to play, please contact me on 819197.

Peter Salter

Indoor Short Mat Bowling

In the Summer edition, I made a spelling mistake in the description of the game. I said it was a 'gentile' game. This was amended by the editing team to 'gentle'. However, I meant to say 'genteel'. Well, I knew what I meant.

Please come along and give it a try on any Tuesday evening at 7 pm. You will be assured of a warm welcome, and the coffee and biscuits at the interval always go down well. (Occasionally sausage rolls as well!)

ROBIN HOOD THEATRE - AVERHAM

'Anne Boleyn'

by
Howard Brenton



A celebration of a great English heroine, Anne Boleyn dramatises the life and legacy of Henry VIII's second wife, who helped change the course of history. Often seen as either a pawn of her ambitious family or more recently, in Hilary Mantel's distinguished novels *Wolf Hall* and *Bring up the Bodies*, as a manipulative, power-hungry witch, Anne is portrayed in Howard Brenton's play as a daring, intelligent, modern woman, who embraces Henry and revolutionary religious ideas with the same ardour.

22nd - 26th November 7.30pm

Tickets 07733 179986

'Ladies Down Under'

by
Amanda Whittington

In the sequel to Amanda Whittington's *Ladies Day*, follow the fortunes of four fish packers from Hull who won a packet on the races and are now following the dream of a life time by holidaying 'Down Under'.

In the great land of Oz these four fearless ladies find there's more to life than money and fish factories. Indeed, as Pearl discovers, 'life is what happens when you are busy making other plans'.

24th - 28th January

Just Like That!

The Tommy Cooper Show



Tommy Cooper was a true comic genius. His impeccable timing, misfiring magic, trademark fez and quick-fire gags made him an international star.

Just Like That! embarks on a nationwide tour after sell-out success at the West End's Museum of Comedy. This all-encapsulating show stars John Hewer (Tony Hancock, Hancock's Half Hour - The 'Lost' Episodes) giving 'a perfect illusion of time travel' and delivering 'nuances both obvious and subtle' as the man in the fez.

Complete with live musical accompaniment, this critically acclaimed tribute show is full of magic and mirth and is the perfect celebration of Britain's favourite comedian.

Sat. 3rd December 7.30pm



Penny's

Puzzles



As Christmas is approaching, I've devised some devious, brain-teasing, Christmas-themed anagrams for you. You'll find the answers include all sorts of Christmas things – carols, food, decorations, characters etc etc etc.

Have fun!!



1. A CYNICAL ODDITY VERSION
2. ATTACH FRESH RIMS
3. BEAT NON-HUMAN
4. TO YE! FALI OF MUCHELLA
5. COSMIC KNIGHTS STAR
6. M C WAITING FOR THE MESSIAH MID AIR
7. RIO DEACON STREET

8. DERNIERE
9. THE BELMONT HOTEL – FEW TOIL
10. ON! NORTH TO MAINE
11. HEAT RESISTANT
12. BUNNIES BEAD STALL
13. SERPENTS
14. MERRIEST CHATS



15. ADRIAN MEALING
16. NOTABLE BAIRNS
17. SS LEVANT SEA
18. MUTT HEARING AID COMPLIANCE
19. SO ACKNOWLEDGES GIN
20. I WAKE ANARCHISTS

Answers on page 27

PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

A common topic of discussion at Parish Council meetings, and one regularly commented-on by parishioners during the public open sessions, is the marked deterioration in the appearance of the village; whether it be the poor condition of our roads and pavements, unkempt rural verges, ageing road signs or dog fouling.

The Parish Council works hard to maintain those village amenities owned by the parish, including the land at Corner Farm, the Millennium Garden, the children's playground and the 2-acre field. However, parishioners increasingly feel that this is not being matched elsewhere in the village, where the responsibility mainly lies with Nottinghamshire County Council or its agencies.

In response to parishioners' concerns, Cllr Hillary presented a discussion paper at the October meeting of the Parish Council, entitled 'Improving the Presentation of Rolleston' which highlighted 4 key areas for improvement, and prompted a lively discussion on how the Parish Council might act as a catalyst for bringing improvements about.

The 4 main action points arising from the discussion were:

1) The Parish Council will exert as much pressure as possible on Nottinghamshire County Council and its agencies, to meet its obligations, and to prioritise essential improvements to roads and pavements in the village. Our local representative on the County Council, County Cllr Sue Saddington, who attended the meeting, offered her support to the parish and provided details of key contacts.

2) It was recognised, however, that the appearance of the village was likely to be

impacted by budget constraints within Nottinghamshire Council for some time, and it was suggested that the Parish Council send out a call to everyone in the village, inviting them to come forward with suggestions as to what personal contribution they might be willing to make to achieve other improvements to the village. There is already a huge amount of voluntary work quietly carried out by parishioners, whether it be litter-picking, maintenance of verges outside houses, tidying the churchyard etc, but more help is needed.

For example, would anyone be willing to get a small team together to take on a project of fund-raising to replace the village signs with more distinctive signage (similar to that which Staythorpe now has) perhaps with local sponsorship?

3) Some low-cost initiatives could be quickly progressed by the Parish Council, including smartening-up the village telephone box, re-siting of the village notice board to a better location, and repair to a damaged bench by the bus stop.

4) The appearance of the village would be greatly enhanced if dog owners took greater collective responsibility for eradicating dog fouling and villagers were urged to report incidents to the District Council dog warden.

The appearance of our village is clearly an important issue for many parishioners.

The Parish Council is committed to support initiatives, and will update villagers at future meetings.

VILLAGE HALL NEWS



The outside of the Hall has now been painted, and the Committee are considering further upgrades to facilities by giving consideration to Light and Sound equipment. Julian Richardson has booked a superb series of Village Venture events through the Winter and Spring, so please keep on the lookout for details.

I am extremely grateful to Christine, Gayle and Beryl for sorting out the pot cupboard.

They have found some plates that do not belong. So, if you remember forgetting one, please let me know - I have a box full of oddments.

Talking about pots, we still have some Queen's 90th China Beakers available, and they are now at the bargain price of 2 for £5.00. When they are gone they are gone. (I am sure I have heard that before somewhere). If you wish to buy please contact me.

I am already receiving Booking Requests for 2018, so if you have an important birthday/ wedding anniversary, and do not wish to miss out, please let me know. The booking number is **07398 670139**.

As mentioned in the Summer edition, The Hall is a registered Charity for the benefit of the village, and is run by volunteers. If anyone is interested in helping in any way, please contact me.

Peter Salter

Blast from The Past – The Siege Walk 2006

Celebrating the anniversary of the Civil War siege of Newark, a band of Rolleston Royalists marched from Lincoln to rescue the daughter of the Governor of Newark and bring her safely to Rolleston.



After 2 river crossings and 35 miles of walking their ranks swelled as they neared home.

A large crowd finally marched into Rolleston to join the celebratory party at the Village Hall.



It was a great fundraising event - and thanks to Steve Rowles for the inspiration and organisation.



Memories of Rolleston



by Eleanor Brettle

Did you know we once had a Natter Club in Rolleston?

In the 1960s and 70s there were over 30 children under the age of 12 in the village, belonging to 16 young mums.

In summer, we met at one another's homes once a week, where the children played in the garden while the Mums nattered over a cuppa.

In winter, the Mums met, (minus children), in the evenings, to play Monopoly and Scrabble, or occasionally to listen to an invited guest speaker – very few people had television in those days.

Most of the children attended Sunday School, which was held in the Church, and at Christmas we performed a Nativity Play. There was also a Christmas party in the Old Schoolroom

where the Mums provided the food, and old Mr Crilly came as Father Christmas with presents for everyone.

In summer, we had outings to Skegness and Alton towers, and during October

half term week, boys and girls alike collected rubbish from residents and wood from the farms, in preparation for November 5th. They could be seen most days dragging trollies, they had made themselves, through the village to the big communal bonfire they had built on the Clay Pits. Someone usually provided an old armchair on which to sit the guy. On the night we used the nearby vicarage kitchen to prepare soup jacket potatoes and toffee apples.



For several years, before our first village hall was built, we held our Harvest Supper at the Racecourse. The food was prepared in people's homes and taken via the level crossing in our cars. We seemed to all spend ages waiting for trains to pass, so preparations took all day.

Friends came from surrounding villages, and we usually catered for about 200 people.

The farmers, who numbered about 15 at the time, took turns at mowing the churchyard and stood in as firemen when the local Fire Crews went on strike. On another occasion, a group of teenagers helped to unload fertilizer bags from a lorry which was hit by a train on the crossing.

Most of the 150 villagers got together to raise a lot on the money needed to build our first village hall, where we held lots of dances - Hands up those who can

remember '3 T's with Sugar?'

We started with a concrete floor, which sweated after a couple of hours. The ladies' shoes and the hems of their long dresses got so wet, they often danced (or paddled) in their stockinged feet.

We began fundraising again so the we could have a wooded floor fitted.

Rolleston was one of the smaller villages in those days, but there was a lot happening and always plenty of community spirit.

Long may it continue to be so!

ANOTHER BRITISH RECORD !



Amanda Hillary has smashed yet more British Power Lifting records!

Competing in the Amateur British Power Lifting Championships for females weighing under 60kg, she achieved an amazing British record 115kg squat (that's where you have the weight bar on your shoulders, squat right down then up again!). In addition she achieved a class British record overall total of 307.5kg, which is calculated by adding

up each of the maximum weights lifted for squats, dead lifts and bench presses.

How can someone weighing just under 60kg, 9 stone 6lbs achieve this? Amanda's answer, "Very hard work, a lot of self discipline and a carefully planned diet".

Nice one Amanda!

Tony - proud dad!



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LOOKING BACK...

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**THE GRAND OPENING
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A very young Conor Pearson
cutting the ribbon at the opening of
the new Village Hall.

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CLAIRE'S TURKEY PIE

A lovely recipe for feeding family and friends over the holiday period, either using left-overs after the big day, or perfect for those early celebrations with all the flavours of Christmas without the timing issues - and great to prepare in advance.

Ingredients

2 tbsp Olive oil
Knob butter
1 onion finely chopped
500g sausagemeat
Grated zest 1 lemon
100g white breadcrumbs
85g ready to eat apricots
50g chestnuts, canned or vac packed
2 tsp fresh chopped thyme
100g cranberries
500g chicken breasts
500g shortcrust pastry
Beaten egg



Method

Heat oven to 190C/fan 170C/gas 5.

Heat 1 tbsp oil and the butter in a frying pan, then add the onion and fry for 5 mins until softened. Cool slightly. Tip the sausagemeat, lemon zest, breadcrumbs, apricots, chestnuts and thyme into a bowl. Add the onion and cranberries, and mix everything together with your hands, adding plenty of pepper and a little salt.

Cut each chicken breast into three fillets lengthwise and season all over with salt and pepper.

Heat the remaining oil in the frying pan, and fry the chicken fillets quickly until browned, about 6-8 mins.

Roll out two-thirds of the pastry to line a 20-23cm springform or deep loose-based tart tin. Press in half the sausage mix and spread to level. Then add the chicken pieces in one layer and cover with the rest of the sausage.

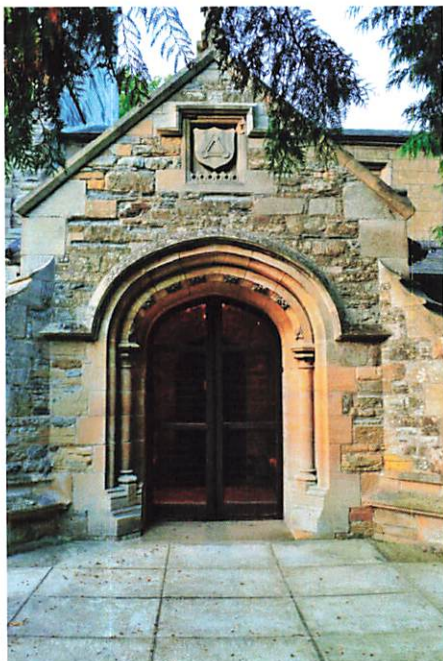
Press down lightly. Roll out the remaining pastry. Brush the edges of the pastry with beaten egg and cover with the pastry lid. Pinch the edges to seal, then trim. Brush the top of the pie with egg, then roll out the trimmings to make holly leaf shapes and berries. Decorate the pie and brush again with egg. Set the tin on a baking sheet and bake for 50-60 mins, then cool in the tin for 15 mins.

Remove and leave to cool completely.

Serve with a winter salad and pickles.

OUR CHURCH ... OUR HERITAGE

It's incredible how much history there is associated with our church; for instance, you will see the article on the Rolleston Pewter, also in this edition.



There are many reasons why people like to visit our church; sometimes it's for historical interest, or for personal reasons, or just to be there in the peace and quiet.

The Church Council would like to leave the church unlocked every day, and they now have the support of the insurers to do this. To achieve this aim, the church needs to be locked every evening and unlocked in the morning. The best way of doing this seems to be to set up a rota, whereby somebody holds on to the key for a week at a time, before passing it to the next person on the rota.

If anyone would be willing to join the rota, Julian Ellis would be delighted to hear from you. It will be great to be able to pop in at any time, and as we write more in future editions, looking at the lives and stories surrounding the church, we will all be able to investigate the secrets revealed in its structure and contents.

For now though, why not have a look, next time you are passing, at the symbol on the door jamb. Just pop into the porch and look on the right-hand side of the door. It is supposed that this is a consecration cross. When churches were consecrated in the Middle Ages, it was customary for the Bishop to make the sign of the Cross with his thumb dipped in holy oil on twelve different places in the building. Afterwards, crosses were incised or painted at these spots.

The door is not in its original position, as the side aisles are later additions, but the stones are original and were all carefully re-sited when the door was moved.



The Consecration Cross

CHURCH NEWS

The Funding Campaign, reported in the Summer issue, is now drawing to a close, and Peter Salter would be grateful if any outstanding forms could be sent to him.

The task was to increase giving by £6,500 to continue our work and care for the buildings. This is a big challenge, and we are extremely grateful to all those able to respond. So far, you have been able to achieve £2,200 of this total.

Advent and the Christmas Season will soon be upon us and details of some of the services are shown below, and other services will be shown on the Church Notice Board and in other publications.

Sunday 11th December - Trent Choir Carol Concert at 4.00 pm

Saturday 24th December - Christmas Eve Carol service at 6.00 pm

Sunday 25th December - Christmas Day Holy Communion Service at 10.00 am

Answers to Penny's Puzzle:

1. ONCE IN ROYAL DAVIDS CITY 2. FATHER CHRISTMAS 3. OH TANNENBAUM 4. O COME ALL YE FAITHFUL 5. CHRISTMAS STOCKING 6. I'M DREAMING OF A WHITE CHRISTMAS 7. TREE DECORATIONS 8. REINDEER 9. O LITTLE TOWN OF BETHLEHEM 10. NO ROOM AT THE INN 11. STAR IN THE EAST 12. TINSEL AND BAUBLES 13. PRESENTS 14. CHRISTMAS TREE 15. LAID IN A MANGER 16. BORN IN A STABLE 17. SANTAS ELVES 18. IT CAME UPON A MIDNIGHT CLEAR 19. GOOD KING WENCESLAS 20. CHRISTIANS AWAKE

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NEWS IN BRIEF.....



CONGRATULATIONS..!!



...to **Ella Pearce**. Ella plays the harp, and for the last 4 years she has been a member of the National Children's Orchestra of GB.

She has now been selected for a Junior Guildhall in London. The Guildhall school of music and drama is one of the top music universities in the world.



Well done Ella. What a fantastic achievement!!

... to **Kathy Price**. In June 2016 Kathy won a global 1st Prize in the Hot Sauce Awards in Louisiana USA – Best Relish Category – for her Sa Va Túng.

.. to **Rolleston's Latest Nonagenarians!**

In September, **Sheila Taylor** (former Rolleston Junction Cover Girl) celebrated her 90th birthday with a party at the Village Hall organised by her son Russ. Starting in the afternoon, and not finishing until late evening, Sheila and her guests exhibited real staying power! It was a great day, with singers, bands, magicians, speeches, food, cake, champagne and of course lots of laughter.



The evening finished off with a firework display – a great end to a great evening.

In December, **May Fearn**, another stalwart of the Rolleston community, and a mean indoor bowls player, will also be celebrating her 90th birthday. Congratulations May and we hope you have a wonderful time with friends and family.

hot Relish. Competing against 13 other countries and 34 USA States, this was a fantastic win and Kathy duly received her trophy a few weeks later.



Kathy and Bob Price

CONDOLENCES ... to **Beryl and Bryan** on the loss of Beryl's mum, **Iris**. Iris was a regular at the Wednesday coffee mornings in the Village Hall, and earlier this year celebrated her 97th birthday. She will be sadly missed.

LOCAL SERVICES AND BUSINESSES

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Arne Colman	Village Handyman	813260
Meadowfield Camping and Caravans		07710 267969 or 07812 353622
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Fiskerton P O and Village Shop	Veg from Field Farm	830230
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Bramley Pips Nursery & Pre-School		0775116280 bramleypips.co.uk

If we've missed your business out and you would like to be included in the next issue, please contact our editorial team on rollestonjunction@gmail.com

THE ROLLESTON PEWTER

Have you heard of The Rolleston Pewter?

It is the earliest known commemorative pewter tankard, and it belongs to us!

It has been in the possession of the church since at least 1764, since, that is, when we have a record of a repair made to it, costing one shilling.

It may have been given to the church by Margaret Sutton, Lady Lexington, or her husband. They were originally buried in Rolleston church, although their remains were later reburied at Kelham. The tankard, which holds four wine pints (64 fluid ounces) is extensively decorated with images of Charles II and his wife, Catherine of Braganza.

Although not made until between 1683-5, much after their wedding in 1662, it may still have been a wedding souvenir, and may also have been made as a propaganda piece: Catherine was a Roman Catholic, and there was pressure on them to get a divorce.

However, there are love birds on the thumb piece, indicating that they were in love and had no intention of bowing to the pressure. What a lovely romantic and fascinating piece of history!

If you want to know more, visit the church web site www.rollestonchurch.org.uk.

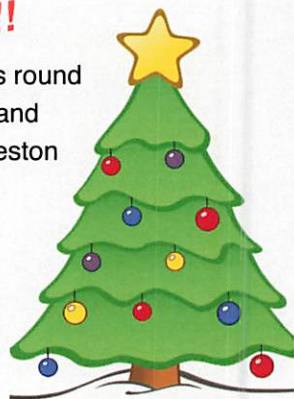
This also includes details about the research carried out by the Pewter Society and the Victoria and Albert Museum.



If you want to see the tankard, it is currently on loan to the National Civil War Museum in Newark, where it is on display.

CAROLS AND MULLED WINE !!

Come and get into the Christmas spirit by singing carols round the tree in Rolleston and then moving onto mulled wine and mince pies kindly provided by Tony and Michelle at Rolleston Manor!



6.30pm Tuesday 20th December

Useful Contacts

Flood Warden

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Steve Johnson 819181

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KEEP IN TOUCH

There are 3 holders of the village email list - the Rolleston Junction editing team, Julian Richardson for the Village Hall and Christine Salter for the Parish Council. Between us we have a pretty comprehensive email list for the village. We work together to make sure we keep as many of you updated with news as possible and over time this has proved to be really useful:

- ☐ we have reunited owners with cats, dogs and even model airplanes
- ☐ we have been able to inform you of events and activities – not to be missed!
- ☐ we have circulated requests for help
- ☐ we have been able to update you of important issues that impact on our community such as crime or flooding

It's well worth being on the list and if you are not, and would like to be so, just drop a line to rollestonjunction@gmail.com. Even if someone in your house is on the list we are very happy to add on anyone else who lives there too.

If you think you are on the list but haven't been receiving anything from us, or have changed your email address recently, again just drop us a line so we can check your details

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