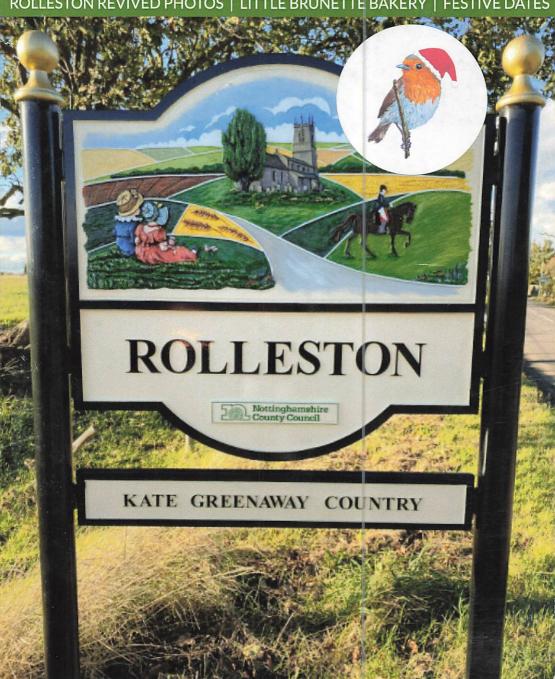
Rolleston Junction Edition 27 - Winter 2021

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November

'Santa Paws' at the Dapper Spaniel

December

6th Parish Council - 7:30pm, Village Hall

8th Seniors' Christmas Lunch - 12:00 for

12:30pm, Village Hall

9th Book Club - 7:00pm at Rolleston Manor

12th Children's Christmas Party - 12:00 for 3:00pm, Village Hall

24th Carol Service - 6:00pm, Holy Trinity Church

Various Dates in December:

Festive Lunch and Dinner Menu, Dapper Spaniel

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19h Parish Council - 7:30 pm, Village Hall

February

Parish Council - 7:30 pm Village Hall 7th

March

7th Parish Council - 7:30 pm Village Hall

19th Kate Greenaway Victorian-style Tea

Party - 2:30 pm, Church



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Hello again from the Junction Team!

Have you noticed the new village signs? They are like colourful quotation marks that punctuate the entering and leaving of our village, as locals and visitors pass through. And they clearly put Rolleston on the map.

Rather than the usual generic message, like, "Rolleston Welcomes Safe Drivers", they say "Kate Greenaway Country", distinguishing us from other villages in Nottinghamshire. The pictures on the signs reference our historical and rural heritage. Thanks to Nottinghamshire County Council, our Parish Council and the private donations from individual residents for funding the new signage. In other stories ...

Two Councils - Two Pieces of Land. Sounds like a Western? Not quite. Roger Blaney updates us on the two developments which have caused much debate in our village. Firstly, the proposal for new housing by NSDC to develop the land adjacent to the Greenaway, and secondly, the NCC proposal to develop the land behind Ullvat's Cottage (18 Fiskerton Road), At time of writing, we are waiting for both of these to become formal applications following the initial consultation period with our community. At that point, as villagers, we all will have the opportunity to voice our opinion whether for or against.

We have some great photos from the "Rolleston Revived!" event, and some heart-warming pictures of a celebratory day for Syrian and Afghan refugees at our Village Hall in August.

There's an interview with two young entrepreneurial sisters, living in our village, who came up with an idea during the first lockdown. And, with a proven formula and rising demand - their start up business in Rolleston has been a recipe for success. If there's not enough clues there, read all about the Little Brunette Bakery and their exciting plans as they open their new shop in Southwell.

I've managed to get this far without mentioning Covid. Okay, I've failed at the final hurdle, but just to say there are festive dates in the diary. As we approach Christmas, I hope that many dates will stay, and we all have a chance to enjoy ourselves. As we go to press there may be further events to announce; we will notify these by village email.

Finally, a huge thank you to Thea Chaaban for her valuable contribution to the Junction over the years. Thea is leaving the team as she begins a new full time job. As a busy mum, this will keep her on her toes. We wish her every success in her new role.

On behalf of the editorial team, wishing you all seasonal greetings as you gather with family and friends. Here's to a happy and healthy new year.



Village Hall News

Our Village Hall is now fully open, and we are happily getting used to a new normal.

We have now welcomed back most of our exercise classes, with Yoga now on two mornings a week, Mondays and Tuesdays at 10am, Martial Arts on Friday and Sunday evenings and Pilates returning in November on Wednesday evenings starting on the 3rd November at 6.30pm. Also, our Indoor Bowls have now resumed on Tuesday evenings at 7pm.

Enquiries and bookings are also now coming in daily, with the Hall being very busy with children's parties, the majority of these being village residents which is fantastic. Our Seniors' Christmas Lunch is on Wednesday 8th December at 12 noon and we have a Jingle and Mingle Christmas Party for all Rolleston Children on Sunday 12th December, 12 noon - 3pm, with party food and a Disco, invites will be tumbling through your letterboxes. RSVP to Laura Bosworth by 28th November.

Everyone is expected to still be aware of COVID Safety Guidelines and be mindful that some people will still want to wear masks, which we support and encourage. Each attendee is still required to provide their own equipment, and encouraged to use the Rolleston Village Hall NHS QR Track and Trace Code. This is clearly displayed in the Atrium on the Office, Bar and Kitchen doors. There is also hand sanitiser gel provided for each attendee use.

We are very lucky that everyone who uses are Village Hall takes great care of it and we are making sure that everyone who books are taken great care of, by making sure that the Hall is cleaned regularly and COVID Guidelines are followed at all times.

Lucy Kyte

Manager, Rolleston Village Hall

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Willage Hall Lotto

Here are the winners since the last issue of the Rolleston Junction:

Pat Sawyer, Stuart and Claire Burbidge (x2), Village Hall (x2), Sally and Brian John, Frank Mitchell, Alison Brothwell, Nicola Grange, Tim Harries, Andrew Stafford and Ross Thackrey.

Vacant numbers:













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Angela Sanders

Rolleston Book Club

We are delighted to have welcomed five new members in the last couple of months and our doors are still open for anyone else in the village who might like to join us.

In September we held an 'open session' in which everyone brought a review of one of their favourite books to share with the group. In October we had an excellent session in which we discussed Jenny's choice of "The Girl with the Louding Voice" by Abi Dare. The books we have decided to read for the next couple of meetings are below.

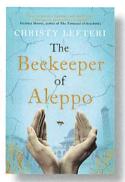
The November meeting will be our last in the Village Hall as in 2022 we are going back to meeting in members' houses. The December meeting will combine a discussion of the book with a pre-Christmas "bring a dish' Fuddle which Michelle has kindly offered to host at her house. All meetings start at 7:30 p.m.

Patti Coleman

Thursday, 11th November

The Beekeeper of Aleppo

by Christy Lefteri





Thursday, 9th December Hamnet by Maggie O'Farrell

If you would like to join the Book Group or you want any other information, please contact Pati Colman.





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ROLLESTON REVIVED

The Bronco bucked, the Rat got Splatted and kids of all ages bounced in the Castle! The band played. The sun shone. This was 12th September, Rolleston Revived, celebrating the end of COVID restrictions, and our community gathering for the Village Photograph.

A big thank you to everybody who helped especially "2Down", the band, who gave their services free and played phenomenally good music, complete with a huge video screen. Karl and Kat came

with their yummy food and drinks, Pati Coleman and Sally John as part of the Kate Greenaway Group with their cake stall, as well as Neil Price, the chutneys and hot sauces maestro!

This was a great event. Thank you to everybody who came. Rolleston is well and truly revived!

The photos tell the story ...

Tony Hillary







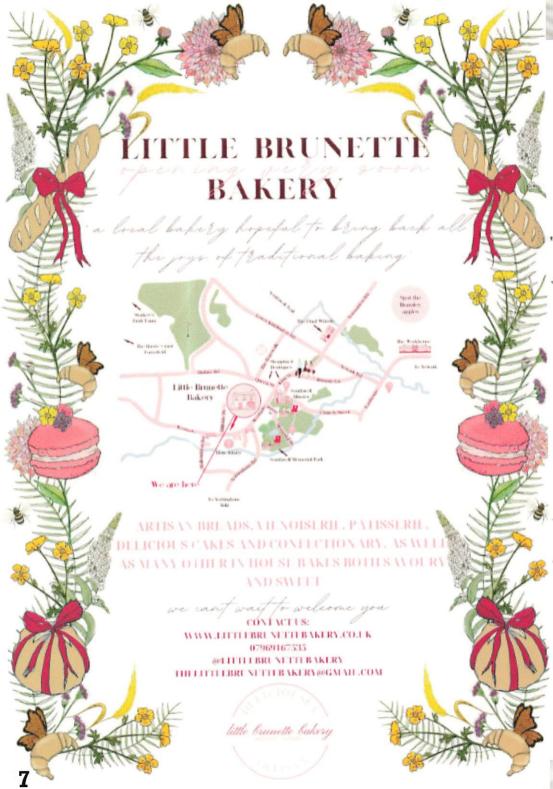












Syrian Families Update

It was two thousand, two hundred and sixty four miles away from their destroyed home in Idlib, Syria. In the peaceful surroundings of Rolleston Village Hall, one of our Syrian refugee families enjoyed a get-together with the other local Syrian families that have made the UK their home. It was 16th August and the first time they had all been together in eighteen months.

They produced an amazing feast of traditional Syrian food. Their cuisine is very similar to Lebanese; tasty, very varied and usually served as mezzes. Our volunteers bought along traditional British food!

They danced to Syrian music, enjoyed the food, drank the non-alcoholic fruit drinks and just had a good time. Chris Yeomans from Southwell Leisure Centre organised football and other games. The younger kids had a great time in the play park.

Our first Afghan family were also there. Five weeks earlier, ex-UK Army translator Ahmadulla, his wife and four young daughters were in hiding from the Taliban, Now they were here, safe, settling into their new lives, enjoying support and encouragement from the Syrian families. After all, they understood what they had been through as they had also escaped from a deadly war zone.



Talking to the families you do realise how incredibly fortunate we are to have been born in a beautiful part of a safe, peaceful country and living secure lives.

If you think about it, the only real difference between the refugees and us is ... luck.

Michelle, Jane, Jenny, Tom & Tony

Our Rolleston charity, Support for Syrian Refugees has grown and now supports refugees from other countries. We have changed our name to Support for Refugees, East Midlands.



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Claire's Kitchen

Smoked Trout Mousse with a Cucumber Salad

Christmas is often a time when we entertain family and friends. So, I want to share a recipe that I have made for more years than I care to remember. It's a starter that still goes down well, so why not try it? I love the horseradish in it. Prawns are also nice with this mousse, especially if serving as a lunch dish rather than as a first course.

Ingredients: (To serve 8)

- 2 smoked trout
- 8oz cream cheese
- 1/4 pt mayonnaise
- 1 tsp horseradish cream sauce
- 1 dstsp powdered gelatine or 4 leaves dissolved in 4 tblsp white wine
- 3 fl oz lightly whipped double cream
- 1/2 pt cold bechamel sauce a well flavoured white sauce
- 1 cucumber



Method:

For the trout mousse:

- 1. Remove the skin and bones from the fish and pound well.
- 2. Work the bechamel sauce into the cream cheese, in a mixer or by hand and add this to the fish with the mayo and horseradish. Taste, and add salt and pepper to season as required.
- 3. Fold in the melted gelatine and the cream.
- Pour into lightly oiled rings or ramekins or plastic pots saved from bought desserts!
- Chill. You can freeze at this point for a month or so if liked. (Thaw for 12 hours then turn out onto plates and serve with the cucumber salad).

For the cucumber salad:

- 1. Start by slicing the cucumber finely, sprinkle with salt and leave pressed between 2 plates for 1/2 hr then drain
- Mix 1tsp caster sugar, 1 tblsp white wine vinegar, 1/2tsp black pepper and a little chopped dill - dried or fresh will be fine, add to the cucumber and chill well before serving with the mousse.

Claire Foster



I would like to invite you to come together on Friday 24th December at Holy Trinity Church for the traditional 6.00pm carol service. Here we can express a sense of community and look to a set of inspirational values, whatever degree of faith we may or may not have!

It will soon be Christmas with the familiar hocus pocus and the odd nativity scene thrown in for good measure. Don't you just love it?

One thing I love is having a tv that can pause live events! It means I can go and make a cup of tea in the middle of a football match and come back to the same point of play. But of course, it isn't pausing real life at all, it only seems like that.

We may be tempted to look at the pandemic in that way. It has somehow paused life and once it is over, we can press the play button and resume where we left off. But we can't. What is the 'normal' that is restarting, or even the 'new normal'? Isn't it more like the tv recorder is suddenly on fast forward? We find ourselves almost 2 years on in our lives and so much is different. Things are not as they were. The world has changed. We emerge from our Covid 'hibernation' only to stare at some new, and not very pleasant, realities.

But there are things to affirm, some remain but with added value. Not necessarily new things but perhaps old things rediscovered. (I don't mean your grandparents). Instead the value of relationships, hugging your family and friends and the warmth

of human contact. Isn't this what we are made for? If we are out of relational contact are we experiencing something 'less than' we were intended for?

Being spiritual surely isn't just about solitude or staring at your own inner being, but rather being in relationships with others, ourselves and the world around.

The nativity is surely not just a static picture, but a dynamic window into how woman, child, man, animal, 'God', interrelate to bring wholeness out of emptiness.

> Every blessing, The Revd. Phil

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Please note:

A service to remember our loved ones is being held at St Mary's Bleasby at 10.30, on 21st November 2021.

Rolleston Parish Council

As 2021 draws to a close there is the opportunity to reflect on the work of the Parish Council over the year.

The year started with the country entering its third lockdown, in response to an upsurge in the prevalence of the Covid-19 pandemic, which again forced the Parish Council to resume holding its monthly meetings on-line via "Zoom". The flexibility of parishioners being able to attend meetings from the comfort of their own homes actually resulted in a marked increase in the number of members of the public participating in meetings, and consequently a much broader representation of views was expressed. Many felt that it would be a positive outcome if some way could be found to take forward this increased level of participation.

Continuing the trend experienced during the previous year, there was again a marked increase in the number of planning applications coming before the Parish Council during 2021, several of which generated significant local engagement and a range of strong and diverse opinions. A considerable amount of effort was involved in ensuring that the considered interests of the Parish were properly represented to the local planning authority, whilst maintaining focus and balance throughout. In some cases, the applications were deemed so significant as to require the Parish Council to become actively engaged in scrutinizing and challenging details of the applications and, as a result, several beneficial revisions to applications were secured.

Much progress was achieved during the year towards addressing essential im-

provements to the several local amenities of which the Parish Council is custodian, notably the children's playground, the Jubilee Garden and the re-named Kate Greenaway Garden, despite the hugely limited funds available. Grateful thanks are particularly due to the diligent groups of volunteers who support the work of the Parish and commit their time and effort to help make the village such a lovely place in which to live and work.

The year also saw the unveiling of the village new pictorial signs, complete with tag line "Kate Greenaway Country".

As the Country emerged from lockdown during the Summer, the Parish Council was at the heart of village initiatives to celebrate the return to normality in the village, notably the "Rolleston Revived" event and village photograph which saw over 200 villagers come together for a hugely successful fete.

There is no doubt that the coming year will present its own new challenges and opportunities, but the Parish Council is in fine fettle and looks forward to continuing to support the village and its residents.

Tim Harries
Chairman Rolleston Parish Council

Clir Roger Blaney

In recent issues of Rolleston Junction, I have written about plans by Newark and Sherwood District Council to develop its land behind Greenaway for a mix of social and market housing. These plans were shared with residents and the Parish Council at the meeting on 24th June. By way of an update, negotiations with a potential developer are near to being finalised and. once done, a planning application will be submitted, probably before the end of November. If approved, unlikely to be before the New Year, a start on the site could be made next Spring or early Summer. Whilst on the subject of planning applications. I am aware of the community's interest in Nottinghamshire County Council's plans for a residential development on their land to the rear of Ullvat's Cottage. These plans have. I know, been the subiect of consultation and I acknowledge the several representations that I have received from residents already. However. at the time of writing (17th October), the expected planning application has yet to be submitted to Newark and Sherwood for consideration. If one is submitted, it is likely to come before the council's Planning Committee for determination. As its current Chairman, it would not be appropriate for me to comment further but, as Ward Councillor, I will be taking a keen interest in the detail of any application we do receive.

Planning applications are the most frequent reason for residents to contact me. However, in recent months, I have received a number of complaints about changes to the East Midland Railways (EMR) timetable, introduced in June without any prior

warning. Some key services have been withdrawn so that, now, the only trains arriving in Nottingham before 10.00 leave Rolleston at 06.07 and 06.33 whilst there is now a wholly unacceptable 8-hour gap in eastbound services between 08.24 and 16.21 This makes rail an even less viable transport option for those working, studying or just wanting to shop in Nottingham. Recently, I met with EMR and I can confirm that will be addressed in the new December timetable, not least an 07.42 arriving in Nottingham at 08.11, whilst further improvements are likely in the subsequent. May 2022 timetable.

Perhaps of wider interest than the train timetable, are the occasional barrier failures at one or more of our level crossings. These are the responsibility of Network Rail and I keep reminding them that, as residents of these Trentside villages, we can only get to the rest of the world over a level crossing - or by swimming across the river!

Sue Saddington and I have had several meetings with Network Rail already and we have another one in mid-November to see what more can be done - if I can get across a level crossing... Watch this space!

> Cllr Roger Blaney Trent Ward, NSDC

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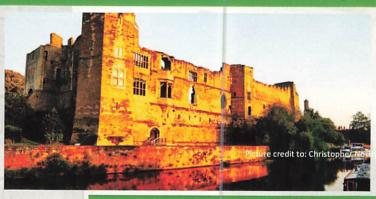
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Country File

"Dad, we've found you on Tik Tok!" My children showed me what they call a meme, which is a bloke who points to some tiny dot in the sky in the distance, naming the species of the bird. The next scene is the same Dad struggling to find his ketchup in the kitchen.

This reminded me of summer evening stroll in the back field when I shout, "look at that sparrowhawk being mobbed by all those swallows." All that the girls can see is lots of tiny specks flying about in the distance.



Sparrowhawk

The Sparrowhawk seems to have been a bit of a star in our garden. On a very rainy day I was looking out the back window whilst on the phone and working from home. I saw the sparrowhawk land in one of our trees and start to eat his dinner, with feathers of some small bird flying in all directions. I described the gruesome scene to my colleague. An even better sighting, my sister recently shared a video of one killing a starling in her garden, which put up a brave fight, but did not stand a chance.

Another visitor to our village I am starting to see more often is the Red Kite. In my "Birds of Britain" book from the 1970's. this bird's range is just in West Wales and Scotland. But you now see them regularly, hovering and gliding gracefully above the motorways, in various parts of England, I have seen that a couple of pairs seem to live around the Epperstone area on my hikes and so they seem to be flying over our village on regular occasions. I think they look really spectacular so I am always happy to see them - you can recognise them guite easily as a large bird with a fork tail. Apparently, they have got a reputation in terms of trying to get at food in gardens, as people eat Al fresco more often nowadays. They are more of a scavenger bird - than a hunter.



Little Owl

My highlight, however, was at the end of a walk near Southwell, I noticed, in an old brick barn upper entrance a Little Owl resting. He seemed just as interested in me, as I was of him!

> Mark Robinson All photos by Mark!

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Morton, Fiskerton & Rolleston WI



Tuesday 14th September 2021 was our first WI meeting of the Autumn. It was lovely to see WI members and visitors at The Arthur Radford Sports Hall.

Our speaker was Andrew Ward from Norwell Nurseries. His talk was entitled: 'A Year of Garden Colour' showing slides of flowers, plants, shrubs and trees which will give gardens colour throughout the year. He also supplied a list and an explanation as to the planting and positioning of each item.

A Pilates class started on Thursday 16th September at The Arthur Radford, 10am -11am with Cat as our teacher. Cat has moved into the area during the last year and is a qualified Pilates and fitness instructor.

The class costs £5 per session (pay as you go -cash) and non-members are welcome to join us. Please contact Elaine, Beryl or Susan for more information.

On Thursday 23rd September there was a Nottingham WI Federation Kurling com-petition held at The Greenaway, Rolleston. There were 10 teams of WI ladies who en-joyed the evening. The winners were MFR WI who were presented with a trophy.

The meeting on Tuesday 12th October was 'The History of Brackenhurst'. The talk by Julia Davies, a lecturer at Brackenhurst, was very interesting. Julia explained, with the assistance of many old photographs, how Brackenhurst started as a Country House estate in the mid- 1800s. The house and estate changed through the two world wars and many social changes. After the wars it became a place for further educa-tion run by Nottinghamshire County Coun-cil. It is today a branch of Nottingham Trent University with 1700 students.

Julia's fee for the talk will go towards the fundraising for renovation of the gardens at Brackenhurst.

MFR WI meets on the second Tuesday of the month at The Arthur Radford Sports Hall, Fiskerton at 7.30pm.

Visitors welcome.



Elaine Maiden, 01636 830842



Beryl Northcote, 01636 812579



Susan Bosworth, 01636 812881

Kate Greenaway Action Group

The new pictorial signs going into and out of the village are of particular significance to the Kate Greenaway Action Group because not only do they feature two small Kate Greenaway-style characters, but they proclaim that Rolleston is now formally 'Kate Greenaway Country' for which we

thank the Parish Council and Notts
County Council.
The Kate Greenaway Trail through the

village is now firmly established and our accompanying leaflets have been very popular with walkers.

The group has been focusing on other ideas to promote the village connection with Kate Greenaway.

- We are now set up to give talks to local groups and have our first booking in February 2022.
- We are currently exploring ideas about placing images of Kate Greenaway style figures in the village.
- We will be putting a photograph of Kate Greenaway in the Village Hall (otherwise known as 'The Greenaway').
- We are working on designing cards for Christmas and notelets.
- We continue to work on developing the Kate Greenaway Garden and are looking at planting flowers at the base of the new pictorial signs.
- We have prepared a submission regarding the need to protect the cultural heritage of the village by preserving 18 Fiskerton Road; the house in which Kate Greenaway spent her early childhood and most of her summers until around the age of 20.

Please note that instead of the Victorian Gala in the Village Hall originally planned for 4th December, (as advertised in the previous edition of the Rolleston Junction) we have planned something quite different. We shall be holding a Victorian-style tea party, Saturday, 19th March 2022, 2:30pm in the church.

In fact, this was something we had hoped to do this year to celebrate Kate Greenaway's 175th birthday on 17th March 2021, but sadly due to Covid, we were unable to hold the event. So, we are only one year late!

At the March 2022 event, there will be tea and cakes baked to Victorian recipes and period games for children and adults plus music performed and sung by the Kate Greenaway Singers. You are welcome to come in costume if you wish (entirely optional), but we hope to have a dressing up box for those who don't happen to have their own Victorian clothes!

We are always pleased to welcome new members, so, if you would like to find out more about the group and the dates of future meetings, please email me.



Little Brun

Editor's note: Many of you may have heard of the Little Brunette Bakery, and have already sampled its delicious artisan breads and cakes. Up to now, the little bakery with the big heart has been operating from the family home in Rolleston. I met recently with the two sisters behind the quirky brand name, Amelia and Jessica Wells, to discover the next exciting step in their business venture - opening a shop at 48 Westgate in Southwell.

The family moved to Rolleston in 2016. after living in Farnsfield for more than 20 years, to enjoy a guieter village with a lovely rural environment. They felt they made the right choice as they love living here, citing the friendliness of the village and the countryside walks on their doorstep as the main attractions, which they enjoy with their dogs, Dudley and Brinkley. At the time of my visit to their new premises, if all goes to plan, the shop will open in mid November. They've already created an eve-catching shop frontage and are well advanced in the process of modernising the shop's interior to suit their artisan food business.

The brains behind the bakery was Amelia, who started the company on a small scale working from home during the first lockdown, joined by sister Jessica. (Yes, both are brunettes and hence the name!) It should also be mentioned that Amelia's boyfriend, Jonny, is an integral part of the bakery. The sister's Mum and Dad, (Kay



and Andrew), provide continuous encouragement and practical support. This really is a family affair.

The qualifications of all three young entrepreneurs are impressive. Amelia studied Prue Leith's beginners course for chefs whilst studying her A-levels, followed by an extensive course at The School of Artisan Food on the Welbeck Estate, achieving her Diploma. She then went on to work at

ette Bakery

Fiona Herbert Catering in Kirklington, and learnt yet more intricate skills at a famous chocolatier in Nottingham. Jonny has been a chef for 9 years, initially working at Tom Browns, and eventually becoming Head Chef at Fiona Herbert's (where he met Amelia) followed by a Head Chef position at All Mine Cakes at Maythorne.

Jessica studied a Fashion and Photography degree and eventually worked for famous fashion retailers such as Abercrombie & Fitch and Mango. It is easy to see how she complements the business with her skills in social media, marketing, interiors and creative design.

They describe their Mum, Kay, as a driving force behind the business. Jess said, "Mum is also the cuddle that brings us all together to make sure we don't fall out!" Dad, Andrew, already part of another long established family business, is always ready with practical advice, especially during these extensive building works, and is also known to be a willing taste tester!

The Little Brunette Bakery will offer a range of artisan breads, including sourdough, wholemeal, white bloomer, ryebread, baguettes, ciabatta and focaccia. For the sweet toothed, they offer celebration cakes to order, and a full range of home-made cakes and pastries. When their new premises open, customers will be able to enjoy barista coffee, homemade sausage rolls, pies and sandwiches as takeaway options, with a view to eventually offering an in-house menu.

As to the future, their plans include children's parties and bread making courses for everyone to enjoy. With such a mouth-wa-tering range of real food, I for one, can't wait for their new shop to open as I know it will be well worth a walk up Westgate!

Carole Chandler

Editor's note: The Little Brunette Bakery has become one of our magazine sponsors. We wish them every success. To order bakery products, please see their advert in this edition.



Children's Christmas Party Sunday, Dec 12th Village Hall 12 -3pm

Rolleston Village Hall committee invite all Rolleston children to a Mingle and Jingle Christmas Party at the village hall 12th December, to enjoy a disco free of charge. Families are welcome to come along

for 12pm for the children to have some food before the disco starts at 1pm.

Please RSVP by 28th November to laurabosworth22@hotmail.co.uk or text 07821900838

All invites were sent out to children at the end of October; please let us know if you haven't received one.

Did you know the village hall is available to hire for children's/other parties at a discounted rate for Rolleston residents? Please see our website for more information: www.rollestonhall.org.uk or make an enquiry to Lucy Kyte,

bookings@rollestonhall.org.uk (mentioning you are a resident of Rolleston).

Laura Bosworth



Cllr Sue Saddington

I was delighted to accept your kind invitation to the Rolleston Revived event on September 12th. Although the weather was not as warm as we might have hoped, many came out to celebrate the end of what has been a miserable 18 months. The children clearly had fun particularly on the Bucking Bronco, others enjoyed the drinks and hot food. It was a lovely day, thank you to all the volunteers who clearly made this occasion so successful. Many of you may be interested to know that over 12,000 Nottinghamshire residents filled in the Big Survey, which was designed to shape the future of Nottinghamshire, with the help from residents as to what issues are the most important to them.

It is my understanding that Green Issues and Health featured high on the list. This brings me to the Health Scrutiny Committee which I chair at County Hall. We are looking at the Maternity unit at the 2 main Nottingham Hospitals, they have recently received a CQC report rating them as Inadequate and Requiring Improvement. The Committee are also looking into Access to Primary Care throughout the County and the problems patients experience when unable to book an appointment with their GP.

We had a briefing on Mental Health at our last meeting, but I have decided to put that on hold for a while, as we appear to have opened a hornet's nest with our two big reviews and we will be looking at them

for many months to come.

The purpose of the Health Scrutiny Committee is to find out what issues are affecting our residents and how we can make recommendations for the issues to be resolved. It involves interviewing partners and agencies to understand what is going wrong, we are able then to make recommendations to the Secretary of State for Health.

That said, I do consider Mental Health to be a big issue, both before and following Covid. We will look into the effect Covid has had on all age groups, but not until our other two major projects are nearing completion. By the time you read this edition, you will be thinking of Christmas and looking forward to seeing friends and family.

I look forward to joining you at some of your Christmas Events, in the meantime, take care.

Sue
Cllr Sue Saddington
County Councillor

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Church News

The Carol Service will be held on Christmas Eve at 6.00pm. Let's hope we can get the church full once again!

Seniors' Christmas Party

Wednesday, Dec 12th Village Hall: 12 noon for 12.30pm.

The event is free to all our senior residents over 70 and their partners, and also to our regular Wednesday morning coffee attendees. All others are welcome at £10 per person.

There will be a 3-course Christmas Lunch, a raffle, quiz, wine and live entertainment. Contact Michelle Hillary for more details or bookings (if you require a paid ticket).

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Club Updates

Dominoes

This has now restarted although the number of teams has reduced down to five with another hoping to start again in the New Year. There is an alteration to the start time having brought it forward half an hour to 8.00pm.

Indoor Bowling

We have started playing again at the Village Hall on Tuesday evenings from 7.00pm to 9.00pm. We have changed our charging; there is now a 'pay and play' charge of £3 per night which includes coffee/tea and biscuits. No experience or equipment is necessary just bring your enthusiasm with you. Any queries or if anyone wishes to be included in either Dominoes or Indoor Bowling - please call me!

> Peter Salter 01636 819197

Aloe Vera Plants for Sale



I have more than 20 aloe vera plants to raise funds for Rolleston village events. They have great health benefits and healing properties. They usually sell for a lot in the shops but as it is to support the village Children's party and also the Seniors' Christmas party, I thought people might like to purchase to support these activities

They are £3 - £5 depending on the size. Many thanks for your support.

Rachel Lund

07939 001605



The Old School House, Station Road (next to the Church)



Messages of Thanks

"Thank you to everyone involved in putting on the most enjoyable 'Rolleston Revived' afternoon for all villagers to enjoy. A massive effort by many people, all done voluntarily. I think it is all too easy for those of us who attend such events to overlook ALL of the hard work behind the scenes taking place. It was greatly appreciated."

Eileen & Ken Beadles and family

Cake Stall



"A big thank you for all your generous donations of homemade cakes to sell on the Kate Greenaway Action Group's stall at the Rolleston Revived event. We made over £130 which was a fantastic result."

Sally John

Poppies of Remembrance

Many thanks to Richard Thackeray and his son, Oscar, for putting up the Remembrance Poppies on the lampposts around the village. As well as showing that we care, they are uplifting to see, in the Autumn sunshine. If you've noticed that they are more widely spread this year, the Parish Council ordered some additional poppies in exchange for a small donation to the British Royal Legion.

In Wainwright's Steps



"I would like to say a big thank you to all the friends and neighbours who offered support, encouragement and congratulations on my recent 192-mile, 15day, solo Coast to Coast walk from St Bees in Cumbria to Robin Hoods Bay in Yorkshire. It rained, it was hilly and at times it was pretty tough, but it was also rewarding and a great way to meet interesting new people (and lots of sheep). Complying with C2C tradition, I dutifully selected a pebble from the Irish Sea shore on day one, for release into the North Sea on the final day. When that moment came, it was an unexpected moment of joy and release for me too. The customary pint that

followed in Wainwright's Bar.... was almost as good as one at the Dapper Spaniel!"

Steve Rowles

Carol Singing

Kate Greenaway Action Group will be signing caroles around the village on 20th, 21st, 22nd December at 7:00pm. This year we are raising funds for the group and also for Reach, our local charity, supporting learning disabled adults. Any singers in the village are welcome to join us.

The usual 'Carol Singing Round the Tree' will be announced shortly by village email.



MP FOR NEWARK

As the winter sets in and we all start to look toward Christmas where we can finally spend time with our loved ones after the recent tough times, the work does not stop.

Over the last year two proposals for the A46 have been launched. With the public consultations closed I have been work-ing with Highways England to find out which route will be taken, and I have been assured that we will know soon. This work is years in the making, but having the road duelled from Leicester to Lincoln will hopefully alleviate the traffic problems in the town and the surrounding roads, benefitting villages like Rolleston where traffic will no longer back up along past the rugby club towards Kelham.

Alongside this new road, the Town Fund is starting to take shape, with the first student enrolled at the aviation centre and the plans coming to fruition restoring the old Marks and Spencer Store. I hope that these great investments and changes will

bring more investment to Newark, stimulating the local economy and all of those around Newark. Newark is situated at a prime transport spot, with the A1, the A46. the East Coast Mainline and East Midlands Railway, All these transport routes are back to near pre pandemic levels, apart from the latter of East Midlands Rail. The line is currently running at 60% of pre pandemic levels, compared to just 70% in December last year. I know locals across the area rely on these services which allow them to commute to either Lincoln or Nottingham and I know that the reduced services have been an issue to many, especially as we start to go back to the office or begin in a new era of hybrid working. Recently I met with East Midlands Rail to raise these concerns and call for more regular trains, which I hope will return in due course as demand increases, especially in the lead to Christmas with many choosing to shop locally to support our towns and cities

> Robert Jenrick MP for Newark



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Festivities at

After a very long 18 months, including a very strange Christmas 2020, we are looking forward to celebrating properly this year.

Karl has created a fantastic festive menu which will be available for lunch and dinner sittings throughout December (with an early bird discount for groups booking by November 1st). We are also offering personalised menu options for larger groups upon request. Our popular 'open mic' nights will continue on the first Friday of every month. We will be hosting some very talented musicians every Saturday night, starting on November 27th, and continuing throughout December. We also have a very special dinner and entertainment evening planned with a Tom Jones tribute artist (details to be announced shortly).

'Santa Paws' will be making a special journey from the North Pole to visit us on Sunday, November 28th and all the good doggies are invited to meet him. We will have special treats for pups and their humans and tickets will include a photo with Santa.

We are taking part in the "Tree of Giving" project again this year to give gifts to less fortunate children and we would like to encourage everyone to get involved; details will be available in November, so please ask us for more information.

If you have out-of-town relatives or friends visiting this year, don't forget we have accommodation available onsite. Your guests will be most welcome, just give us a call.

We have lots going on and we are looking forward to having a fantastic Dapper December with all of you!

Kat and Karl







the Dapper Spaniel





Rolleston Regular Events



Cheryl Sheard - 07949 260032 Wes 6-7pm at the Village Hall, prebook only Online Zoom classes available weekdays

Darts

Barry Thomas - 01636 830064 The Dapper Spaniel

Book Club

Patti Colman - 01636 813260 Meets monthly in the Village Hall or by Zoom

Total Fitness

Jennie Overton - 01636 816800 Village Hall

Bell Ringers

Bryan Northcote - 01636 812579 Wednesday 7.30pm, alternating between Rolleston and Upton churches

GORGS

Bram Towse - 01636 813901 Gentlemen of Rolleston Golfing Society

Dominoes

Peter Salter (Capt.) - 01636 819197 Julian Ellis (Vice Capt.) Thursday evenings (except summer) at The Dapper- Spaniel

Indoor Bowls

Peter Salter - 01636 819197 Tuesday evenings, Village Hall 7pm - 10pm

Yoga

Mandy - 07773 551916 Pre-booking is essential for all classes Monday: 10-11.30am Gentle Stretching & relax Tuesday: 10-11.30am General Hatha Yoda



Coffee Morning and Lunch Club Wednesdays in the Village Hall

1st Wednesday in the month - Noon Two course lunch (£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

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Note: Please contact individual organisers to check events are running or for bookings.

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