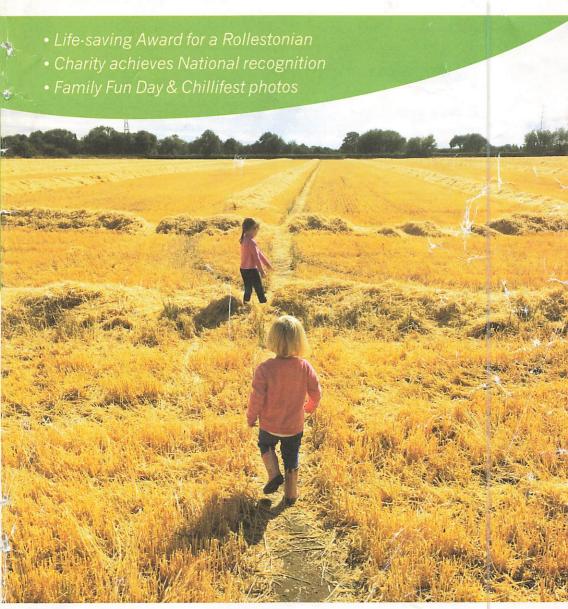
# Rolleston Junction

Edition 20 - Autumn 2019



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### Dates for your diary

Sept 2nd	Parish Council meeting, 7.30pm Village Hall Book Club, 7.30 Village Hall		
Sept 3rd			
Sept 10th	Discovery Day, Southwell Minster, 9.30am - 3.30pm		
Sept 19th	Ninebarrow in Concert, 7.30pm, Village Hall		
Sept 20th	Harvest Supper, 7.30pm, Holy Trinity		
Sept 22nd	Harvest Service, Holy Trinity		
Sept 24-28th	Private Lives, Noel Coward, 7.30pm, Robin Hood Theatre		
Oct 2nd	Book Club, 7.30pm, Village Hall		
Oct 7th	Parish Council meeting, 7.30pm, Village Hall		
Oct 19th	Bramley Festival, 10.00 am - 4.00pm, Southwell		
Oct 23rd	Coffee Morning, 10.00am, Village Hall. All proceeds to Seniors' Christmas lunch		
Oct 31st	Childrens' Halloween Party, 4.00pm, Village Hall		
Nov 4th	Parish Council meeting, 7.30pm, Village Hall		
Nov 7th	Book Club, 7.30pm, Village Hall		
Nov 10th	Remembrance Sunday, 10.30am, St Dennis, Morton		
Nov 28th	Christmas Shopping Event, Southwell		
Dec 1st	Rolleston Festive Fuddle		
Dec 2nd	Parish Council meeting, 7.30pm, Village Hall		
Dec 6th	Wreath making at Field Farm, 2.00-4.00pm. Proceeds to Village Hall Funds.		
Dec 10-14th	Around the World in 80 days, 7.30pm, Robin Hood Theatre, incl Saturday matinee		
Dec 18th	Seniors' Christmas Dinner, 12.00pm, Village Hal		
Dec 24th	Carol Service, 6.00pm, Holy Trinity, Rolleston		
	diarising		

If you have an upcoming event you'd like diarising, please email rollestonjunction@gmail.com

### Hello again from the Junction Team!



Sienna and Natalie Lilley enje the Rolleston countryside. Photo courtesy of their Mum, Tracey.

It's been a busy summer in Rolleston.

Neal Price, assisted by mum Kathy did an amazing job taking over the running of the hugely successful Fast Midlands Chillifest, His father Bob, no longer with us. would have been proud of what Neal achieved.

Laura Bosworth and the Village Hall team organised and ran the Family Fun Day, once again a successful event, one that brings the village together.

Helen Watling, Claire and Pete Foster's daughter, has set up her new business at Field Farm. She is giving craft workshops for adults and children. She teaches everything from how to make scarecrows to how to make a willow bird feeder - see inside for a list of her events.

Enjoy the magazine!

Tony, Carole, Thea and Dan

### Rolleston village coffee morning

There will be a coffee morning at the Village Hall on Wednesday 23rd October 10am to 12 noon to raise funds towards the annual Seniors' Christmas Lunch.

As it will take place during half term, we are hoping that some of our younger villagers will attend with their parents.

There will be coffee, cakes, stalls, bran tub, face painting, a raffle and lots of other good stuff!

Admission will be £2 per person, to include bottomless cup of coffee or tea and biscuits. There will also be cakes available to purchase. Children under 16 are free of charge.

Please do your best to come along and support this event.

Contact Amanda on 07779 561934

### Village Hall Lotto

Here are the latest lucky Lotto winners: Alistair Adan, Tessa Stevens, David Yates. Sally Johns, Christine Salter, Thea Chabaan, Doug Townsend, Keith Gale, Nick Pearson, Steve Johnson, Julian Ellis and June Smith.

Twelve prizes of £50 have been won in the last three months - that's £600! How about taking a lucky number? It's only £20 every 10 weeks - £2.00 a week, less that a cup of coffee in Southwell!

The Village Hall makes a profit from the Lotto and this is a big part of our running costs. We've got five vacant numbers that we need to fill -











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For too long the people of my constituency have put up with gridlock - on a bad day it can take more than forty-five minutes to drive the few miles between Farndon and Winthorpe or through the town after work. Rightly, people are fed up and something needs to change.

Every day in my role as Newark's MP I see how this situation is sucking the life out of our community. Recently a food delivery company owner wrote to me to describe how his business loses as much as one day a week in productivity due to traffic on this route. A paramedic described how traffic on this route prevented him from reaching emergency cases in town on time. And countless commuters have been in touch to express their deep frustration.

My joint petition with the Newark Advertiser is the latest stage of 5 years' worth of campaigning I have led to ensure that we receive the £400m. investment we need to secure the future of our local economy. The dualling of the A46 from Farndon to Winthorpe, as well as efforts to fix the broken roundabouts and unsafe slip roads to the A1 would dramatically improve quality of life in our area.

I have been overwhelmed, but not surprised by the number of residents, community groups. road users and local businesses who have so far signed the petition or written to my office. I am incredibly grateful for this support, which will significantly strengthen our area's case when decisions are made over national road improvement budgets this autumn.

To date, I have lobbied every Transport Secretary and Road Minister. I've secured the project's crucial inclusion in draft government plans for the next investment period, beginning in 2020.

And as Treasury Minister responsible for Infrastructure I've used every opportunity to push it forwards and ensure its regional and national economic value is recognised including persuading the Chancellor to announce at the Budget in 2018 the largest ever investment in our strategic road network, more than £28Bn over the next five years. I've worked with Newark & Sherwood Council. Nottinghamshire County Council, local businesses and groups further afield. The Midlands Engine, the government's champion for the region, led by local man, Sir John Peace, could not have been more supportive. We've worked hard to align the stars.

Especially under a new Prime Minister, it is essential that all our campaigning over the years is amplified. I will be meeting the CEO of Highways England this month and aim to mention a sample of the many messages I was sent about the A46. I will also hand the petition and the letters of support to the new Prime Minister and meet the Transport Secretary in the coming weeks.

Should our bid be successful this autumn. I look forward to a full public consultation where everyone's opinions and ideas can be heard-out. I hope to work with all in the area to build a road that will make Newark and the wider East Midlands better prepared for the future.

If you haven't already, please sign my petition at robertjenrick.com/endthegridlock/ and leave your comments. If you are a local business or community group, please also send my office a letter of support either by email at jenrickr@parliament.uk or by post to The Office of Robert Jenrick MP, 29a, London Road, Newark, Nottinghamshire, NG24 1TN.

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It is right in the middle of Southwell's summer programme of meetings and at the time of writing, the big summer showpieces will all have been and gone for 2019.

Family Fun Day took place back on Easter Sunday, with a huge crowd enjoying the fantastic warm, sunny weather together with a whole host of activities for the kids to get involved in. The great thing about a day at the races here is that all under 18's go free, meaning it is a properly family day out. Also, the inaugural Military Meeting took place on July 16th, with various types of entertainment going on throughout, including jumps from the famous Red Devils parachute display team. Other attractions on the night included a roaming jazz band and a selection of supercars on show too. There was also a seven race jumps card for people to enjoy, which produced a nice local

winner in Overtoujay who is trained by Charles Pogson in Farnsfield.

As the racecourse now heads towards the final quarter of the year, it is time to really start planning and get ready to go racing in 2020, which of course will be the first full year that the course races under floodlights. Once again, Southwell will have the best part of 65 fixtures scheduled to take place with a continued mix of jumps, afternoon all-weather, and most exciting, floodlit all-weather racing.

However at the end of 2019, there are some further big racedays, in particular the Gentlemen's Day on Sunday, 15 December, which again will feature Live Music from the Wild Murphys, after the racing.

For tickets, raceday information and much more, visit www.southwell-racecourse.co.uk or call 01636 814481 for details on all our racedays and to book tickets.



### Life-Saving Award

#### Congratulations go to Nick Fenton, professional physio who resides in Rolleston.

Thanks to the skills and prompt actions of Nick and two other medical professionals, the life of a Barnsley football club volunteer, Stephen Croft, was saved during a match between Burton Albion and Barnsley FC in September 2018.

Nick was presented with a special award at a ceremony in May 2019.

Stephen Croft, who suffered a cardiac arrest during the game, received life-saving treatment from Nick, who was first alerted to the medical emergency by Burton Albion players. Nick was joined by Barnsley FC's medical team prior to the Air Ambulance Service arriving on the scene.

Thankfully Stephen recovered and his condition continues to improve. He was able to attend the rearranged fixture, and also went to the Awards night in May where he thanked Nick and the other medical professionals in person.

Nick, as physio to Burton Albion, was presented with an Exceptional Service Award at the Football Medicine and Performance Awards along with Craig Sedgwick of Barnsley FC's medical team and Alan Laverie of the Yorkshire Ambulance Service.



### **Holy Trinity Church News**

### What an exciting and busy time we have had at Church so far this year.

Since the Spring Edition of the Junction the churchyard extension has been fenced and work is planned to merge the old and new areas. The Bishop will carry out the consecration of the new land so that it can be used in future for burials.

With the increased land area to maintain, help will be readily accepted from any volunteers! If you are interested in this please contact Peter Salter on 01636 819197.

The urgent repairs highlighted in the Quinquennial Report have been put in hand. So this should mean the roof keeps the water out.

The nave was set out with a Labyrinth in the four weeks after Easter with each of the 7 churches in the Benefice and Bleasby School contributing to the prayer stations.

The whole of the Bleasby School was bussed in to visit the Labyrinth Experience.

After Ascension Day the church was completely cleared of the chairs so that photographs of the architecture could be taken for inclusion in the Pevsner publication.

The Folk Festival weekend was celebrated in Rolleston with a two hour concert in church on the Friday lunchtime with two of the main acts performing to an audience of 150+.

On the Sunday there was a café style service held for the Benefice with support from American folk singer Joshua Cook. He also visited Bleasby School with Rev Phil on the Monday morning to the delight of the children.

The Harvest Supper is to be held in church on Friday 20th September at 7.30 pm and will include a hot supper and quiz.

This is then followed by The Harvest Service on Sunday 22nd September at 10.30 am when produce can be brought.

Peter Salter



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# family fun day

The sun shone again on our family fun day with lots of games, bouncy castle, BBQ, live music and ice creams. Thank you to everyone who helped make the day happen from donations, help and raffle prizes.

It was nice to see so many children come along to enjoy the day, and the live music from the brilliant Moonshiners made an enjoyable afternoon. We held a raffle, a silent auction and a guess the sweets in the jar. The money raised will help towards other events that we plan to put on for villagers.

If you have any suggestions of events you would like us to run please drop me an email or text and we will discuss them at Village Hall meetings.



Thanks again go to Tony and Michelle Hillary. Pati and Arne Coleman, Steve and Linda Bosworth, Graham and Jeni Overton, Elizabeth Blakey, Nigel and Jane Carby, Southwell Racecourse and also the Parish Council for having the grass cut ready for us to play on. We hope to see you all next year for another Fun Day.

Don't forget the Childrens Halloween Party is Thursday, 31st October 4pm. Tickets available from myself at £5 per child to include disco and food.

Laura Bosworth

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# We have lots of exciting events for the whole family coming up at The Old Barn this Autumn and Winter....

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#### Pumpkin Fun -

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### Elf Workshop -

14/15 Dec 2.00-4.00pm £16/family; £10/additional sibling; under 3s free. Inc festive refreshments

# Fri 6 Dec 2-4pm ROLLESTON VILLAGE WREATH MAKING

Special event reserved for the village, profits to the Village Hall.

£20 inc all materials, tuition, mulled wine and festive fare.

### Adults

All adult workshops £25 per person, including drinks and 2 course meal

Everything Apples! Baking/Juice/Craft 13/16 Sep 7.00-9.00pm

Fall Floristry
Pumpkin Centrepiece

Sun 27 Oct 12.00-2.00pm Mon 28 Oct 7.00-9.00pm

Make a Willow Bird Feeder Thu 7 Nov 1.00-4.00pm

Christmas Wreath Making Sun 1 Dec 2.00-4.00pm 2/3 Dec 7.00-9.00pm

### Dogs

### Dogs chance to meet Santa!

21 / 22 Dec 2.00-4.00pm Santa Paws – £20 per dog and their family (up to 4 humans!) inc festive refreshments

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Call: **07834 689878** or log onto the website:

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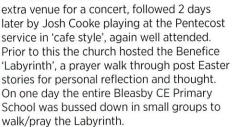


### Reverend Phil

#### Dear All,

Holy Trinity, Rolleston has been able to offer a number events open to the community, not counting the usual ones on most Sunday mornings of course!

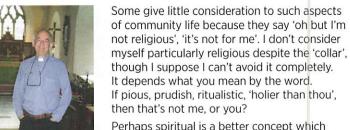
The Folk Festival in June filled the church as an



I wonder if you were able to take advantage of these? Or looking ahead - the Harvest Supper, Friday, 20th September and the Harvest Celebration Service, Sunday, 22nd September?

Or perhaps you are one of those who take a private moment in our church... every day during daylight hours thanks to the rota of people who lock and unlock? For which, thank you by the way.

Gladly no one has taken 'advantage' of the new churchyard extension which is now ready for official consecration. Nevertheless it also is there for the Rolleston community to be a bit more of a community.



Perhaps spiritual is a better concept which might include most of us in some way of another? Arguably being aware of the transcendent, non-material, intangible; having values of love, peace, non-violence; experienced through music, art, quiet reflection, being outdoors, reading ... is anyone totally immune to a bit of spirituality!? Is it something we could do with a bit more of, in todays high speed, material world of instant gratification?

Does being 'scientific' exclude sensing 'the spiritual'? Or is there a risk of being too dualistic, too black and white, overly us and them? Isn't this one of the problems of our time?

The church building, worship, engaging with Christian narrative, a sense of community and belonging... are they not a part of a spiritual perspective? Anyway it's there, you are welcome, whatever degree of spirituality or religiosity you think you might (not) have!

Blessings,

Revd Phil.



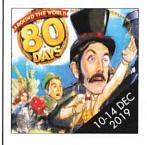
## Robin Hood Theatre Company

**Private Lives** by Noel Coward, Director - Jean Lebeter 24 to 28 September

Private Lives is described by its author Noel Coward as an intimate comedy of manners. It concerns a divorced couple who, while honeymooning with their new spouses, discover that they are staying in adjacent rooms at the same hotel. Despite a previously stormy relationship, they realise that they still have feelings for each other. And that's the trouble......



Coward wrote the play over several weeks in 1930, whilst convalescing from a bout of flu in Shanghai. It was premiered the same year, with Coward taking the role of Elyot opposite Gertrude Lawrence, with Lawrence Olivier as Victor. It has proved a lasting success and has been revived many times, with some very well known names taking the leading parts. They include Elizabeth Taylor and Richard Burton, Maggie Smith and Robert Stephens (their son Toby taking the same part as his father opposite Anna Chancellor in a more recent revival.) And of course the late, great Alan Rickman with Lindsay Duncan, who won an Olivier award in the same production at the Albery Theatre, since renamed the Noel Coward theatre. Private Lives is probably Coward's most well-known play, and is characterised by his trademark witty and acerbic dialogue. It certainly hasn't lost any of its humour and will delight and entertain a modern audience, as it has done since Coward first thought of it all those years ago in Shanghai!



Around the World in 80 Days by Jules Verne, adapted by Laura Eason, Director - Dave Baliol-Key 10 to 14 December (incl Sat matinee at 2.30pm).

This classic story follows Phileas Fogg of London and his newly employed French valet, Passepartout, as they attempt to circumnavigate the world in 80 days.

Tickets from £8. Please call the Box Office on 07733 179 986

### Parish Council News

Following the Local Elections held in May, your Parish Council now has a slightly different "look", with four former Councillors, Tony Hillary, Christine Salter, Lucy Sole and myself, re-elected, and now joined by newly-co-opted Councillor Richard Thackeray.

Interest has been expressed in the remaining vacancies and it is hoped that an announcement of further co-opted Councillors can be made shortly.

My thanks go to all those who put their names forward to serve on the Parish Council. I know that their individual contributions make a positive difference to the village and are appreciated by parishioners.

At the first meeting of the new Parish Council, Councillors were allocated specific roles and responsibilities, and details of these are published on the village notice board, so villagers have a point of contact for any issues they may wish to raise outside the monthly meetings.

Meetings of the Parish Council held in June also ratified the audit of the Annual Return for the

2018/2019 financial year, and the financial summaries have been available for public inspection on both the village noticeboard and Parish Council website. I am pleased to report that expenditure during the year was once again within budget and within the annual precept. This has enabled the Parish Council to continue to build on its capital base set aside for identified one-off projects.

At its July meeting, the Parish Council was pleased to be able to report that it had been successful in its application to Nottinghamshire County Council Local Improvement Scheme Capital 2019/2020 for grant funding towards one such project, bespoke signage for the village. There will now be a campaign to raise match-funding to enable the project to go-ahead, and pledges have already been received.

There was no Parish Council meeting in August, and we resume on the first Monday in September, so I hope you all had an enjoyable Summer.

Tim Harries, Chairman

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### HIDDEN HISTORIES -THRESHING DAY

### We are indebted to Frank Mitchell for his memories of an important day in the farming calendar, Threshing Day...

When I was a boy, there were thirteen farms and small holdings growing cereal crops in Rolleston. The cereal crops had to be threshed in Winter.

'Threshing Day' was an important date in the farming calendar; a time to get some cash from all of the work in the past year to provide funds to survive the next, although most farms kept cows to supplement their income throughout the year.

Advance preparations were needed. For example: arrange for the threshing set (the machinery) to come on a certain day, ensure that sufficient workers could be in attendance, hire sacks for the corn, have storage ready for the corn, chaff and straw - and get in cheese and bread.

The number of men required would be normally about thirteen. Additionally, two would come with the threshing set. Most farms did not have any labour other than family, so extra men needed to be found. This was done by exchanging 'days', whereby if you helped a farming neighbour with two days of labour, they in turn would give you two days of their time. There were also a few men who did not have regular jobs but picked up casual work wherever the threshing set went.

Most of the threshing in this area was done by Bob Hough who brought with him Tommy.

If Tommy had any other name, I didn't know it. I suspect few others did either.

Bob Hough has been dead for many years so I can write about him without fear of a libel suit. He was a gross, crude character with no redeeming features whatsoever.

I can only think of one good thing to say about him: he always kept his threshing equipment in good working order. The farmers couldn't afford breakdowns, certainly with a dozen men standing around expecting to be paid.

When I was young, Bob used to drive his set with a steam engine. but it was soon retired in favour of a Marshall single cylinder diesel tractor. The machine that threshed the corn and separated it into corn, straw and chaff was called "the drum". It must have been quite difficult placing the drum, elevator/baler in position by the stacks with the ungainly steam engine and lining up the belt drives. But I think he missed the steam engine because it always had a supply of coal to throw at Tommy.

My father, who had steam engine experience whilst working on the roads in Lincolnshire, used to get up early in the morning to fire up the engine so that it would be ready for work at the allotted time.

What follows refers to the time when I became a worker, and when the tractor was used for power. It describes how the men were located during Threshing Day.

Four men would work on the stack. This work was easy at first, whilst the stack was higher than the drum, but it got increasingly harder as the stack went down and every sheaf needed to go upwards (and the drum seemed to get higher!)

Two men, (sometimes three) were required for bagging off the corn, weighing it, and then carrying it into the barn. This was heavy work – each bag of wheat weighed 18 stones while barley weighed 16 stones. Sometimes we had to carry the sacks up wooden steps to the granary.

Two men were stationed on top of the drum, one cutting the sheaf bands and Tommy feeding the drum. Tommy was a real expert at this job. The sheaves were fed into the drum so smoothly that the sound of the drum never varied. Rarely. one of the men on the stack managed to get an uncut sheaf straight into the drum, which made it bang and shake, which in turn got Tommy into awful trouble. Another great skill of Tommy's was calculating how fast to feed the drum when a stack was being finished. It was important to Bob that a day did not finish early, say midafternoon, thus causing him lost income. (It was just as important for the farmers to finish as early as possible of course).

One man stood by the 'chaff hole', carrying away the chaff. This was the lightest job of all; probably also the filthiest. When we were threshing this job was mostly done by Bill Kershaw, who lived in a



caravan down Occupation Lane on the site which is now the equestrian centre. A small man, not very strong.

 One man was stood by the 'pulse hole', where pieces of straw larger than chaff but smaller than straw came out. This had to be forked into the baler.

One man, (Bob Hough), threaded the needles into the baler and tied off the baler wires after the pulse hole man had threaded them back to him.

Two, or sometimes three men, carried off the bales and stacked them.

There would be a mid-morning break. Tea, bread and cheese would appear. The set would be completely stopped for this period. At most farms the tea would be in a big enamel bucket and the bread and cheese would be in large 'hunks'. This was the time for exchange of information about neighbourhood matters. The afternoon break was shorter and the set was kept running at low speed.

In my time, I did all of the various jobs, but mostly band cutting, and helping at the chaff hole and the pulse hole. Eventually I was always sent to do the pulse hole/

threading wires back position. I think this was because Bob Hough demanded that I do it - mainly for two reasons: I didn't keep him waiting for the wires to come back, and even more importantly, I never threaded a wire in until the next bale had started to form. To thread in a wire too soon would cause severe problems for Bob.

In those days before we had warfarin, rats were quite a problem and when we first took over the farmyard which is now Manor Farm Close, our dog killed more than thirty in a day on more than one occasion.

A little more about Tommy. He was a rather dirty, little man, seemed quite old, though he may not have been. He lived in lodgings in Newark; I think they must have been rough ones. Bob Hough lived at Bathley, and the arrangement was that Tommy would cycle to the Fox at Kelham and Bob would pick him up there. Unfortunately, there would be occasions when either Bob was a little early or Tommy a little late. But Bob never waited.

Tommy, arriving after, thought Bob had not yet come. So he waited until he realised that Bob must have already gone. By the time he had then biked to Rolleston he was later than ever, which earned him a good kicking round the yard.

Bob bullied Tommy unmercifully for any misdemeanor (and sometimes none). Tommy sometimes escaped, but Bob needed him for his skill in feeding the drum and always got him back. I can't understand how. Perhaps Tommy couldn't get any other work.

Sometimes Tommy would have a sly laugh at anything that went wrong for Bob (such as when the goat ate part of Bob's jacket) – but heaven help him if Bob caught him laughing at his expense.

Of course, the advent of combine harvesters changed everything. And farmers generally were pleased about that. But they brought severe problems of their own, particularly drying the grain to a low enough moisture content for it to store. On our farm we went into combining later than many others, and then only when we had put in drying facilities.

Frank Mitchell

### Rolleston's Own Chillifest!

The 2019 East Midlands Chillifest took place in Rolleston during July. It was a huge success.

Over the three days this amazing chilli festival attracted over 4,000 visitors. There were sixty stalls selling a range of products from chilli based items and snacks, to artisan beers.

The Chilli-eating contest was won by Edda Toma, a lady who had travelled from Germany to take part! The Children's Churros eating contest was won by 12 year old Dylan Burnett who managed to eat a grand total of twelve in a record time. (Hope he wasn't too sick when he got home!)

During the day there were childrens' entertainers, acrobats, hair braiders, dancers and an underwater display by Mermaid Cove. In the evening bands played into the small hours.

This was the first year without "ChilliBob" Bob Price. Neal Price assisted by mum, Kathy, did an amazing job producing this best ever Chillifest!







# From the Horse's Mouth

It was a cold morning in late March and I was being brought in from the field. I was grateful - I wasn't used to living outside. Only a few weeks earlier I had been living on a big yard in Ireland.

I was a racehorse, but dismissed from my duties. I was sent to the sales and bought by this lady in England that is now brushing the mud from my fur; she was careful not to brush over my cut knees and flanks. I had a bad fall in a race and my trainer in Ireland had decided I was not longer fit for service.

A short while later the barn door opened again and the lady walked in with a small girl and her parents, I was introduced to them as Benjamin, the girl walked into my stable and stroked my face, she smiled at me and said I had kind eyes. The lady tacked me up and took me into the menage where the girl rode

### Rolleston Book Club

The Rolleston Book Club are now meeting monthly 7.30pm at the Village Hall with occasional meals out at the Dapper Spaniel.

Books recently discussed included "The House on The Strand" by Daphne DuMaurier and "The Man Who Didn't Call" by Rosie Walsh.

Come and join us! Forthcoming meetings: 3rd Sept, 2nd Oct & 7th Nov. Contact Jenny on 07925 485954

me around, I tried my best to do what I was asked but my body ached. The girl dismounted and put me back in my stable, stroked my neck, said goodbye and left the barn. I knew I was for sale; this was the third person in four days that had come to visit me.

A few days later a horsebox pulled on the yard and I was loaded on to the box. Where to next I thought? After a long journey the horsebox came to a stop and the door opened, the girl that had visited me in my stable a few days earlier with her parents stood before me. She carefully led me off the horsebox and into a stable. I stood still whilst she put rugs over my frail body, stroked my face and told me I was safe and I had a home for life.

I slowly settled into my new home. The girl tended to my cuts and aching body. I had physio to help my body heal, the farrier to help my sore feet and good food that helped me gain weight. I began to feel stronger, how a 6 year old thoroughbred should feel. Once my body had healed, I began being ridden again. It took me a long time to adjust to my new ridden life.

I wasn't sure about leaving the yard on my own to start with. I used to go everywhere with my friends when I was a racehorse. When I was exercised in the menage, I could see my field companions and I would try my best to stay by the gate where I could see them. I had no confidence on my own and I wasn't nice to ride sometimes but my girl reassured me everything was going to be okay and my confidence grew.

She taught me to jump and I went to pony club events and out with the local hunt. I didn't always fit in with the others. I was called difficult by many and my health let me down sometimes but my girl stuck with me and as the years passed I grew to understand my new life, I became settled and learnt to take everything in my stride.

I'm 21 now and retired from my duties. I'm still living at Rolleston Manor where I arrived 15 years ago and I'm still loved and cared for by my girl everyday. I have a home for life here.

#### Ben

(with thanks to my owner, Annie Johnson)

### Claire's Kitchen

### The Best Chocolate Brownies I know!

#### This is what you'll need:

- 150g butter, diced
- 150g dark chocolate melt together and then leave to cool a little
- 100g self-raising flour
- 1tsp. baking powder
- · 2tbsp cocoa powder
- 260g light muscovado sugar mix together in a bowl, breaking up any lumps of sugar
- 3 eggs, lightly beaten with 1 tsp vanilla essence
- 100g milk (or white) chocolate chips

#### Instructions:

- 1) Line a 20cm square tin and set the oven to 150C
- Add the egg mix to the dry ingredients with the cooled chocolate mixture and fold in the choc chips.
- Pour into the tin and bake for 45-50 minutes until the cake is firmer but still gooey in the middle.
- 4) Leave in the tin on a wire rack to cool then cut up and dust with cocoa powder.



#### SSR WINS NATIONAL AWARD

Rolleston Charity "Support for Syrian Refugees" works with Newark and Sherwood District Council, Homestart, The Furniture Project and The Notts Refugee Forum to help displaced Syrian Families resettle in Newark under the UN Vulnerable Persons Scheme. People in Rolleston have been very generous, donating bicycles, televisions, childrens' clothing and household goods.

The Municipal Journal, the main publication that serves the local authorities and other government departments, runs an annual awards event in London covering a number of categories. The project was awarded Runner Up in the Transforming Lives category. Tony Hillary said "We fought off strong national competition, didn't win outright, but came a good second! Very happy - and also thank you Rolleston for your support".





#### WELCOME TO THE GILBERTS

A warm welcome to Mick and Janet Gilbert. They have recently moved into Nick and Sandie's previous residence on Holly Court.

Formerly living in Bilsthorpe for over 20 years, the Gilberts sold up and went travelling for a while and made Maythorne, near Southwell their home base, (in their motor home), while searching for their permanent new abode. Eventually after looking round a number of nearby villages they found what they were looking for in Rolleston.

Mick, who is semi retired, still lends a hand in the plumbing business which he originally founded and which he has passed on to his son. Janet says she is kept busy with their sixteen grandchildren ranging from twenty-eight to three years of age, plus a one-year old great grandchild!

Whenever they get the time they still like to travel in their motorhome and their hobbies include fishing and reading.

Mick and Janet said, "People in Rolleston have been so friendly and given us such a warm welcome. We would like to say a big thank you".

#### **FAREWELL TO NICK & SANDIE PEARSON**

In June, we saw the departure of Nick and Sandie Pearson who have moved onto pastures new in Southwell.

Many Rollestonians know the Pearsons extremely well as friends, neighbours and stalwart members of our community. We are very grateful for their positive contribution during the time that Rolleston was their home, their commitment to village life and their generosity of spirit.

#### Here is a personal message from the Pearsons ...

"The time has come for us to sadly downsize and move to a smaller house and garden.

We have enjoyed the friendships we had made during the last twenty-six years. We have so many memories: we will always remember the wonderful support from the villagers towards the church bells, Jubilee Gardens and the new village hall. We also remember the very first 'Village 'Olympiads' which took place in our garden - such fun and extremely competitive!

There were many memorable and enjoyable 'dos' in the old village hall when we were all trying to raise funds for the new one. Two that spring to mind are: School Dinners with Martin Fish as headmaster and Chris Stanley as headmistress and the last do held in the old hall which was named the Titanic Evening.



We recall working with Heather decorating the old hall as the infamous ship – it was so well supported. The Ladies Nights were fun as were the other evenings held in the new village hall and of course we shan't forget the fabulous parties we have celebrated at home on Holly Court too. Our precious dogs Muppet, Fossie, Scooter, Beaker & Sky have enjoyed the garden and the walks through the local countryside. We have so many memories to take with us - Thank you Rolleston.

We'd like to wish Mike and Jan Gilbert, who have moved into our former home on Holly Court, a warm welcome and hope that they enjoy village life as much as we have."

Nick and Sandie

### CONGRATULATIONS TO DAN OUR DELIVERY MAN

Congratulations to Dan Sanders, our 'delivery man' for the Rolleston Junction! He gained 10 GSCEs, and picked up a number of A\* and A grades. He is looking forward to attending Nottingham High School 6th Form to study Physics, Maths and Music Technology at A-Level. He would like to eventually become an Acoustic Engineer.

Many congratulations go to: Sophie Arbuckle, George Burton and Tom Wilson, who have also taken GCSE exams this year. We wish you all the best.



### Rolleston Regular Events

#### **Pilates**

Cheryl Sheard - 07949 260032 Weds 7.15-8.15pm and Fri 10-11am, Village Hall, £7 per class Chair Pilates -Fri 9.15-10am, £5 per class

#### **Darts**

Javne Carby (ladies) - 07843 602458 Nigel Carby (gents) - 07843 602376 Ladies Tues 8pm, Gents Weds 8.30pm (not during summer) at The Dapper Spaniel

#### **Book Club**

Jenny - 07925 485954 Meets monthly

#### Skittles

Pat Sawyer - 01636 813771 (not during winter), The Dapper Spaniel

#### **Total Fitness**

Jennie Overton - 01636 816800 Mon & Weds 6-7pm, Sat 9-10.15am, Village Hall

#### GORGS

Nick Pearson - 01636 816382 Gentleman of Rolleston Golfing Society. regular outings

#### Bell Ringers

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

#### 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

#### Yoga

Mandy - 07773 551916 Tuesdays 10-11.30am, Village Hall



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 Coffee/Tea/Cakes (Free)

Gluten and caffeine free available. Contact Amanda on 07779 561934

### Local services & businesses

JDP Windows - Window cleaning service	01636 816662	
Chili Bobs - Rolleston's own chilli farm	07901 820914 / www.chillibobs.co.uk	
Lucy's Bees - Local honey & beeswax candles	01636 814585	
Arne Colman - Village Handyman	01636 813260	
Meadowfield Camping and Caravans	07710 267969 / 07812 353622	
Racecourse Farm Bed and Breakfast	01636 812176	
Brambles - Stabling, grazing, schooling	01636 816800	
Steve Bosworth - Joiner & Building Contractor	01636 815542 / 07976 894449	
Robert Marshall & Sons - Landscape Contractors	07702 616664 info@robertmarshall-landscaping.co.uk	
Fiskerton Post Office & Village Shop	01636 830230	
Rolleston Kitchen - Laura Derham Home made cakes & biscuits	07814 546267	
Elite Beauty - Treatments, massage, nails	07971 507798	
Turnbull and Sons - Professional tree & hedge care	01636 816361 / 07970 633150 turnbullandson@outlook.com	
The Old Barn at Field Farm - Arts, entertainment	07834 689878	
Penny Lester - Child minder, Cleaner, Dog Walker	01636 814242	
The Stable Salon - Ladies Hairdressing, Fiskerton	01636 830044	
The Dapper Spaniel	01636 918380/bookings@thedapperspaniel.co.ul www.thedapperspaniel.co.uk	
Harwood Decorators - Abs Chaaban	01636 815979 / 07788 962707 abs.chaaban@hotmail.com www.harwooddecorators.com	
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<b>Village Hall Chair</b> - Julian Ellis	01636 831165	<b>Member of Parliament</b> - MP Robert Jenrick	01636 703269
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Lucy Kite	07398 670139	Minster Vets	01636 812133
Holy Trinity Vicar - Rev. Phil White	07720 010066	Southwell Racecourse	01636 814481
Pavements, pot holes, stree	et lighting	Community Car Scheme	01636 611220
standing water: Nottinghan telephone no. 0300 500 80	nshire Council	Police - emergencies non emergencies	999 101

### It's good to keep in touch!

If you don't know what's going on, how can you get the most/out of the village? This is how we do it...

- •The Rolleston Junction email list held securely by the Rolleston Junction editorial team. We do not share your information.
- Rolleston Village Facebook page for instant updates
- Rolleston Village web site rollestonvillage.co.uk
- Our leaflet distribution helpful if you aren't on line
- The notice board on Corner Farm
- The Rolleston Junction rollestonjunction@gmail.com

- We are a quarterly magazine dependent on our advertisers and sponsorship.
- We do need more donations and advertising income - if you have a business your advertising support would be appreciated. A quarter page costs just £30 per issue.
- It's your magazine and we welcome articles, announcements, snippets and photos from you. Send us an email or phone Tony on 07775 510000 or Carole on 01636 815089
- New neighbours? Let us know and we'll pop round with a welcome package and a Junction!



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