# HINTS VILLAGE NEWSLETTER October 2018

### Editor's notes (Peter Edwards)

Please remember that the deadline for inclusion of items in the Newsletter is the 25<sup>th</sup> of each month. I need to print 61 copies of the newsletter. If you are willing to receive it by e-mail, send me an e-mail saying so. So far, I've had 78 "e-mailers" (the number is slowly increasing!). Please help by saving postage and printing costs. Sorry it's a bit late this month!

#### Pilates (Emma Wollaston)

Every Wednesday in the village hall. Beginners 6.30 intermediate 7.40. Also Mondays at 10:30. For more information contact Emma at <a href="mailto:ewpilates@yahoo.co.uk">ewpilates@yahoo.co.uk</a> or 07974 145055.

### Hints Walking Club (Deb Whittaker)

The Hints walking group open to all ages will meet on the  $13^{th}$  and  $27^{th}$  this month. Walks start at the Village Hall at 10.00 and last around 2 hours. All ages welcome, a good pair of stout shoes and able to climb stiles. Please note from August there will be a charge of a £1.00 for use of the Village hall facilities and tea and coffee at the hall. The walk is FREE OF CHARGE! For more information contact Deb on debjmwhittaker@qmail.com

# Wagon Wheels Line dancing (Daphne Neill)

We have been running the line dancing club for over six months now, and it is proving to be a big success with the ladies and gentlemen who attend. We are a very friendly group who welcome all newcomers, even offering a free cup of tea or coffee afterwards. If anyone would like to join us please come to one of our classes on Tuesday mornings 10.30 to 11.30, the more the merrier.

Wagon Wheels Line Dancing Club. neilldaphne@yahoo.com.

#### **Breakfast Club (Graham Whittaker)**

The breakfast club is on 28<sup>th</sup> October. Still only £5. Contact <u>grahamawhittaker@gmail.com</u> to book.

#### Football pontoon (Graham Whittaker)

Thank you to every one of the players this season. We have now raised £3000 for the church. The game will be back for the new football season. It is only £1 a week so contact grahamawhittaker@gmail.com if you wish to play.

## Pamper Evening (Deb Whittaker)

Friday October 5<sup>th</sup> in the Village hall will be hosting a Pamper Evening 7.00 - 9.00 pm, sampling beauty products and treatments and the opportunity to see local crafts people including jewellery, art and soft furnishings. Tickets are £5.00 to include a glass of prosecco. All profits to be shared between the village hall and church. Tickets available from Deb Whittaker at  $\frac{debjmwhittaker@gmail.com}{debjmwhittaker@gmail.com}$ 

#### Art for St Bart's (Val Edwards)

We have started again for the autumn on Monday evenings from 7.30 to 9.30 in the village hall, courtesy of the Village Hall Management Committee. £4 per

session (including refreshments), £3 to St Bartholomew's Church, £1 to the Pathway Project. The theme this year (of non-European art) is totally new, so newcomers are as welcome as ever! We are looking at aspects of Chinese art at present. For further details contact Val Edwards on 01543 480088 or val.weardrive@btinternet.com

### Altar Flowers in Church (Val Edwards)

Church services in October are on 7<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup>. The October service is our Harvest service (see Lloyd's notice on this elsewhere in the newsletter): it would be lovely if we could have floral decorations in the windows as well as the usual two vases of flowers on the altar. If anyone would like to provide flowers please contact me on 01543 480088 or val.weardrive@btinternet.com

### Parish Council (Geoff Kynaston)

Thursdays HS2 drop in centre was very well attended by villagers and the wider community. We have been advised that we now have a personal contact at highways for minor road concerns that have an affect on safety. I have already had a face to face meeting in Canwell about the continuing flooding outside Wellsmead Mowers. Our chairman, Sue, has also got a meeting arranged to discuss Hints problems, especially the flooding outside Weeford Lodge. Concern has been expressed about certain unsocial behaviour in the ford area and the resultant debris left. Our County Councillor has suggested that he can supply a police contact to address this ongoing problem. The parish council is continuing to finance the village web site even now that we have our own dedicated web site that was financed by government grants. Our next two meetings will be in Quinney Hall Canwell on November 13th and January the 8th both at 7.30pm.

### St Bart's Macmillan Coffee Morning (Val Edwards)

Thanks to everyone who donated cakes, plants, floral arrangements and tombola prizes, and to everyone who helped out on the day whether by serving refreshments or (very importantly!) by turning up and joining in. Rounded up the sum raised was £510 and a cheque for this amount has been sent to Macmillan – another bumper result to follow on from last year! Please everyone, keep the last Friday in September 2019 free in your diaries so that we can have yet another coffee morning next year.

# Village BBQ (Kevin Caine)

Thank you to all villagers and friends who supported our recent BBQ. An amazing 92 people enjoyed a relaxing afternoon and it was good to see a number of ex villagers who no longer live in Hints but like to come back.

# Weeford Church Harvest Festival (Janice Eagles)

Sunday 7th October at 11:30am

# **Harvest Praise - (Lloyd Ansermoz)**

Our Harvest Praise service is open to all on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> October at 18:30, and we welcome everybody who is in or outside of our village to give thanks and praise for the gifts given to us from the land around us locally and for those given from around our world. After the service we will be serving bread and hot soup followed by tea, coffee and cakes. Gifts of food (especially non-perishables like tinned and dried foods) would be gratefully appreciated and will be sent to the Pathway Project as usual after the service.

### **Beetle Drive (Lloyd Ansermoz)**

Another great night of Fun where the Bar opens at 7.00 on Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> October and light "entertainment and competition" will take place promptly at 7.30. This very popular evening will test the skills, well more like luck, of everybody present and has always proven to be a very popular night of fun for all. There will be a half time Fish and Chip Dinner and prizes for 1<sup>st</sup> place, last place and treats for the children (big and small) throughout the night. The now famous Hints Beetle Drive raffle will take place before the end of night. Please reserve your tickets now with Jeanette on 01543 480066 or Val on 01543 480088 or Lloyd on 07900 606070. Tickets are available at £8 per adult and £4 for children over 7 years of age.

#### Hints Garden Guild (Kevin Caine)

Members met on 13th Sept. for an interesting talk about apples by the horticulturist Geoffrey Croft. Although we refer to English apples this fruit actually originated from China and Kazakhstan, and there are now near 5,000 varieties with many new ones being developed now, and older ones losing popularity due to a susceptibility to disease, or a tendency to bruising during handling. Whereas apple trees used to take 10 years to reach maturity and fruit, new varieties may fruit in 3 or 4 years, and they are also smaller trees making them more suitable for farmers to harvest. Mr Croft then demonstrated an apple press and members sampled tasty fresh juice from a crop of apples provided by Geoff and Pam. The next meeting on October 11th promises to be fascinating as it is about carnivorous plans. We meet at 7.30 and visitors are most welcome. £3 including refreshments.

### Art Group (Ann Meadows)

We meet in the Village Hall on Thursdays from 10:00 – 12:00. Please note that the contact is now Gill Smith 0121 308 1776.

## **Art Group (Lynne Mott)**

Please note that we have extensions to our usual hours for workshops on the following dates: September  $13^{\text{th}}$  and November  $18^{\text{th}}$ . We only charge £15 a month and we are managing at least 8 workshops a year which recently have been free to members, non-members have been able to participate at cost price. There could be more workshops with more members. We meet on Thursdays weekly from 10-12.

# Quiz Night (Graham Whittaker)

Quiz night on  $10^{\text{th}}$  November – watch this space or contact Graham.

# Comedy Night (Graham Whittaker)

This year's comedy night is on 6 October. Tickets are £15 including a fish and chip supper. Please contact grahamawhittaker@gmail.com to book.

# St Mark retreat day (Lynne Mills)

Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> November 10.00 am – 4.00 pm. Entry by donation, but please book in advance (see back page). Thomas Spencer Church Hall, Whittington. WS14 9LE.

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### St Bartholomew's Church Services October 2018

Sun 7 October 18:30 Harvest Praise

> Dr Trevor James Job 1:1: 2:1-10

Readings: Hebrews 1:1-4; 2:5-12

Mark 10:2-16

Sun 21 October 10:00 Parish Fucharist

Fr. Jason

Readings: Job 38:1-7 (334-end)

> Hebrews 5:1-10 Mark 10:35-45