

HALAM NEWS April 2024

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Latest Menu Attached

This edition of Halam News is sponsored and dedicated in memory of Dorraine Hoggard from all her Family.



Dorraine Hoggard ne Glazebrook 1938 - 2024



On February 7th our much loved Mum, Granny and Great Granny passed away at home with her family.

Dorraine had lived her entire life in Halam, her father Robert was a market gardener, and her mother Harriet kept the village post office. She attended Halam School as did her own children and grandchildren. In 1957 she married Cyril a local farmer. Together they had three children Denise, Duncan and Lynn. The photo below shows her in the foreground in 1964 doing the school run.

As well as working on the farm and selling homegrown produce on the stall at Newark Market she also served for many years as village post lady, parish councillor and president of the WI.

She was a loving, supportive (often stubborn and outspoken!) Mum, Granny and friend and her loss is felt very deeply. Thank you to everyone who has given

their love, support and kindness over the last few months, especially Rev Mary Foden-Currie and all at Halam Church and also the district nurses and staff at Southwell Medical Centre.



New Halam WhatsApp Group

I have set up a new WhatsApp group intended to keep the residents of Halam up to date with all things Halam, from security warnings and flood announcements to advertising events and general news items. Please use the QR code to join.

The **chat function has been disabled** as I don't want it to become annoying for those who just want to recieve the updates. If you would like to post anything to this group please message me privately and I will post on your behalf.



Halam Events Team - Leap Year Ball

Thank you very much to everyone who had anything to do with this event, It is safe to say that it was a huge success with everyone enjoying themselves and in turn raised over £1800 for Nottinghamshire Mind which is an amazing achiement. You should all be very proud of yourselves.

Halam WI

Our April meeting (on Tuesday 2nd, 7:30pm at the Village Hall) will feature a talk on "Aging Well" from local GP, Dr Emma Pooley. As always, new members and visitors are very welcome (donations appreciated!) Follow our Facebook and Instagram (@HalamWI) for the latest updates and news from your local WI.

Notice of Road Closure

School Lane will be closed to traffic at certain times during the week commencing 8th April to allow the felling of trees that are overhanging the highway. Please use an alternative route and allow extra time for your journeys.

Halam Flood Action Group

Several residents on the Turnpike have formed a Flood Action Group with the intention of generating discussions about flood mitigation in the village with the Risk Management Authorities. We are aware that there may be others in the village who have also been flooded, or have an interest in flood mitigation, and would like to be involved in any discussion with the Risk Management Authorities.

A flood action group is a community group supported by the National Flood Forum from whom we have received advice. It is not associated with the Parish Council who don't have a duty regarding flooding although they have facilitated support for past events and have a nominated flood warden. If you would like to participate in the group, please let us know at by contacting us halamflag@gmail.com

Flooding in Halam

The County Council Lead Flood Officer, Mr Marshall will be attending the Annual Parish Meeting on 11th April in the village hall at an earlier start of 7.00p.m. He will discuss possible ways of flood mitigation and what can be done in the village to reduce the problems of flooding. Please send the clerk, Pat Ricket any issues in advance that you would like Mr Marshall to discuss - rickett@live.co.uk

New Glass Bin Collections

You should now have received your new glass recycling bin. This bin is going to be emptied for the first time on Tuesday 16th April, and should be collected every 8 weeks after that. I have included the new bin in the schedule at the top of this newsletter and will continue to do so. For full details of how this new service works and what you can put in this bin please scan the QR code

Farnsfield Walk for Parkinsons.

A "Farnsfield Walk for Parkinsons" event is being held this year on Saturday 20th April. The walk will take place over an 8.3 mile route commencing at The Plough, Farnsfield at 10.30am. Families and dogs on leads are welcome to join in.

The walk will break at Norwood Park Golf Club at approximately 12.00 to 12.30pm where a light BBQ meal will be provided. Additional refreshment stops will be held at The Waggon in Halam and at The Old Reindeer PH in Edingley. The return to The Plough will go along the Southwell Road to arrive at approximately 3.30pm

A registration fee of £17 is required to participate in the walk which will provide a donation direct to Parkinsons UK and cover cost of the food at Norwood Park Golf Club. Registration for the walk can be made on the "Eventbrite.co.uk" website on the "Farnsfield Walk For Parkinson's" page. A cap of 200 walkers is being set for this

years event on a first come first serve basis. This is necessary to ensure the maximum enjoyment and the safety of walkers is maintained on the day.

If you are unable to attend the walk or are unlucky enough to apply after the cut-off has been reached we would be delighted if you could sponsor the walk by way of a donation through the "JustGiving" website page or to the one of the organisers in person. Last years event was a great success which raised £4,001 and has given us the platform to make this years event even better. Overall £10,381 has

been raised over the past 3 walks. More information or queries can be raised through John Butler on 07870 948297 or Bruce McDowall on 07759 137634.





at the Lancaster Memorial, School Lane.

(Halam church if weather is bad)

All are very welcome to attend.

"We will remember them"



Science Week

We celebrated an amazing science week by inviting in many visitors to school.

We had visits from: Chemical Engineer, Particle Cosmologist Professor Copeland, Veterinary nurse, Commercial Pilot, Ophthalmologist, Vet, Cardiologist and the CSI. A big thank you to all our parents and visitors.

Whole school visit to The Deep

Last week the whole school visited The Deep in Hull. We saw all sorts of different sea creatures including penguins, sharks, sting rays, piranhas, and lots more. Each class had a workshop on climate change and did different experiments to see what happens to the fish if the water has too high a Ph level. We all had a wonderful day.

By Alexa and Chloe

St Michael the Archangel

We are extremely fortunate in Halam to have a church that is open daily and has services every Sunday, many rural parishes are not so lucky; this is due to the diligence and work undertaken by the churchwardens and Rev. Mary supported by the PCC.

The Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) on 25th April, in church at 6.30p.m. (refreshments available at The Scypen from 6.00p.m) is an opportunity to hear what has happened over the last year and to ask any questions.

There are in fact two meetings, the first, The Vestry Meeting, is for the election of churchwardens for the year; all parishioners who are entered on the local government electoral register or are on the church electoral roll can vote. Nominees for the role of churchwarden must be on the church electoral roll.

The second meeting is for the election of PCC members by those on the church electoral roll. All nominees, proposers and seconders must appear on the church electoral roll.

All the relevant notices and nomination forms have been posted on the notice board in the church porch along with full details on the criteria for nominating and electing people to these essential roles.

April services everyone is welcome.

7th April - 11.00a.m. Second Sunday of Easter - Morning Prayer

14th April - 11.00a.m. Third Sunday of Easter - Holy Communion

21st April - 11.00a.m. Fourth Sunday of Easter - Informal Service (followed by coffee)

28th April - 11.00a.m.Fifth Sunday of Easter - Sung Eucharist

Contacts: Priest - Rev. Mary Foden Currie 01623 479838 Wardens - Glenys Herbert 01636 812335 - Penni Wells 01636 813491

Food Bank: There is a collection point in the Church porch. Very many thanks to all who contribute during these very difficult times.

Message from Rev. Mary

April is one of my favourite months of the year. Nature is revealed in its fresh green glory. I've just mowed the lawn too! I was married in April as well.

There is a lovely sentence in Morning Prayer which reads "As we rejoice in the gift of this new day, so may the light of your presence, O God, set our hearts on fire with love for you."

With Jeremy and Briony I regularly go into our church school at Halam to take assembly. I would like to thank all the staff, governors and children for their dedication and the wonderful atmosphere in that place. We are proud of you all. April 23rd is St. George's Day, our patron saint who bore witness o the risen Lord by his courage.

April 25th is the feast day of St. Mark. He went with Barnabas and Paul on their first missionary journey. Mark's gospel is generally thought to be the earliest gospel and most likely written in Rome. He gained much of his material from Peter's preaching.

Thank you for all you do to care for one another and with our food bank.

Enjoy the gift of April., Every blessing, Rev. Mary

Burial of Saxon Bones

We propose to re-inter the Saxon Bones in the churchyard on Sunday 14th April following the 11am service of Holy Communion.

Prayers will be said during the service and at the graveside. Anyone is welcome to attend the service or the burial which should be 12-12.15. Later a small stone with appropriate inscription will be placed at the site. A talk about the Saxon settlement may be arranged at a later date in the village hall as has been suggested by some in Halam.

Penni Wells and Glenys Herbert. Churchwardens



Report for Halam News: Halam Parish Council Meeting Thursday 14th March 2024 held at Halam Village Hall

Please Note: Official parish council minutes will be available on our website after they have been approved at the next parish council for archive and full details please use the QR Code





Present

Mr Simon Bust (Chair), Mr Andrew Paris, Mr Chris Bevans, Catherine Blackburn, Mrs Chris Denyer, Mr Ganesh Subramanian and Mr Charlie Wright

Open Meeting

A parishioner highlighted the issue of flooding on Radley Road near the s-bend at the end of the village. There is an issue with water running down the already saturated fields. This and other flooding issues can be discussed next month at the Annual Parish Meeting with County Council Lead Flood Officer, Mr Marshall.

Village Hall

The charges for the village hall broadband are set to increase. Financial Officer to talk to present provided (BT) to see if a better deal can be negotiated. A budget of £35 p.c.m. was agreed unanimously.

Andrew Paris to source a small plaque for the Millennium flag pole – agreed unanimously.

Chris Bevans reported that several regular bookings are now taking place at the hall.

Grant Application

The letter to parishioners has been revised to comply with data protection aspects, and to allow for verification of responses to reduce duplication of returns. Letter will now be circulated, one to each household in the parish. Any information gathered will be solely for use in the survey and will be destroyed after counting. Unanimously agreed.

D-Day 80th Anniversary - 6th June 2024

The initial proposal is for the church bells to be rung at 6.30 p.m. The parish church has declined to hold any church service to commemorate the event. It was stated that villagers could attend the service being held at Southwell Minster if they wished. A village "bring your own" supper in a marquee will be held in the field by the Waggon from 7.30p.m. subject to permission from the pub. The pub will be asked if they would like to provide a bar. 1940s music (and maybe some singing) may be arranged. A beacon will be lit at 9.15 p.m.

Commemorative Mugs

There are still a few Queen's Platinum Jubilee and Kings Coronation mugs available. There is also a handful of Queen's Golden Jubilee (2002) mugs spare. Please contact the editor, Chris Bevans if you or your family would like another mug.

Allotments

 $Registration\ of\ Title-still\ in\ progress.$

Roads & Hedges

- 1. Some potholes have been patched on Radley Road.
- 2. School Lane is to be closed Monday 8th April, until Friday 12th April. Unfortunately, this coincides with the Lancaster Memorial Service on 10th April. There will be a sign-posted diversion in operation, and there may be some (limited) pedestrian access.

3. The hedge at the bottom of Halam Hill has been cut back, but there is still encroachment by soil and vegetation at the bottom of the hedge. County Cllr Bruce Laughton has been sent photographs showing the narrowing of the road at this section – Chairman to progress this with Cllr Laughton.

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Civility and Respect Policy

The Financial Officer produced the certificate to confirm the parish council's signing up to this policy.

Correspondence

- 1. Nottingham
shire & Nottingham Waste: Local Plan no action required
- 2. Hedgehogs R US more relevant to suburban settings, nothing to report
- 3. Free portrait of His Majesty The King, fully funded by the UK Government agreed to apply for the portrait (5 for with 2 against)

Planning

1. The Waggon at Halam, The Turnpike: Replacement signage on listed building

The roadside sign has now been dropped from the application. Resolved to support the application unanimously.

2. The Manor House, Radley Road: Single Storey side and basement extension

Agree to support the application -5 for with 2 against.

Planning Decision

Pepperbox Cottage School Lane: Construction of retaining walls for new access, double gates, boundary walls, pedestrian gates and steps (retrospective)

Application approved by Newark & Sherwood District Council

Finance

Unanimously agreed to pay for:

- 1. website address (domain name)
- 2. clerks wages
- 3. Recharge for the elections in May 2023 (cost to the village)
- 4. Donation to Halam Parochial Church Council in remembrance of Mrs Dorraine Hoggard for the upkeep of the church. Mrs Hoggard was a parish councillor for a number of years.

Date of next meeting

Thursday 11th April in the village hall – please note earlier start of 7.00p.m.

The County Council Lead Flood Officer, Mr Marshall will be at the meeting to discuss flooding issues in the village.

Members of the public are reminded that they are welcome to attend any parish council meeting to find out about the work of the council. There is an opportunity to raise issues with the parish council at the meeting during the open part of the meeting.



District Cllrs Karen Roberts and Peter Harris Report for March 2024



Full documentation for each of these meetings are on the Council's website - see The Council-Calendar of Meetings for links to each of the papers and reports.

Cabinets Feb 20 and Mar 6 The Cabinet [and subsequently the Council] approved the Capital programme including the £5,5m project for the replacement of the swimming pool - subject to getting the land required free of charge. A Cost of living response was agreed. Two solar panels at Council property have been installed with further ones to come.

The Playing Field strategy was approved - still showing significant deficits in grass pitches for both football and rugby, and space for netball. A new 3G artificial pitch is recommended to be built as well as protecting all current provision from degradation.

Active for Today's [A4T] performance was reviewed. A grant of £147k to support swimming operating costs was gained, but despite this A4T expects an increased deficit of £457,000. Membership and other income at Southwell has already dropped by £43,000, adult membership to December had dropped by 200 and children by more than 100 since March 2023.

Arkwood, the wholly owned development company of N&SDC made a profit last year of £407k. It is involved in 3 developments in Cambridgeshire, Derbyshire and Lincolnshire as well as one in Balderton and the old Marks and Spencer's building in Newark. Arkwood is looking to build 1000 homes across the country next year.

Licensing and GP Committees Feb 29 reviewed the location of our polling stations, but are propose to continue to use the Barn at the Hearty Goodfellow, despite its location away from nearly all of the ward's housing, as the better located Army Cadet Drill Hall continues to be unsuitable due to its gravel driveways. There are no changes proposed

The Policy & Performance Improvement Committee of Mar 4 considered two reports on Active Lifestyles and a second on improving Members involvement of and information on Council activities in our Ward. The later has not been implemented yet, but we will let you know how this information can be passed onto the councils

Audit and Governance Committee Feb 21 received a number of statutory reports and strategies

Planning Committee Feb 15 and Mar 14 considered unacceptable alterations to the former barn at Foxglove Edingley and the request for permission for these retrospective changes were rejected. The impacts of the new Biodiversity laws were reviewed - they require a minimum of 10% gain in biodiversity on most significant applications from April 2. This stipulation may be met by developers buying land away from the site to comply. This is a complex area and you are advised to seek guidance from the Planners for further information. Enforcement action was also reviewed. There have been an increasing number and a significant number of 'enforcement notices' are being delivered, although none in our area were highlighted.

Full Council Feb 13 debated the petition from 2300+ signatures on the closure of Southwell's Swimming Pool. Sent into the Council in December, this should have been scheduled for a debate in the Council. However, this was not tabled in February and again not on the agenda for March. After an intervention by both the proposer and Peter, the petition was discussed at the March meeting. Peter Harris was not permitted to speak first to the petition. Only after the Leader and another Cabinet member had spoken was Peter called to speak. The Council's Leader, Cllr Paul Peacock [Edwinstowe and Clipstone] repeated the position that the Council will not repair the pool and is planning to rebuild but will only start work to plan anything on this after the land issue has been resolved. One member commented that they would prefer the money to be spent elsewhere in the District Karen Roberts was not able to attend as she was away. This position was agreed by the Council with only Peter voting against it.

The organiser of the petition, a Southwell resident, has complained to the Council on how the petition was dealt with as the Constitution was not followed and none of the signatories were able to attend and very few knew that the debate was to be held.

Dingbats – Last month's answers were "Diamond in the Rough" & "Back in the Day"



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Opening Hours

Monday & Tuesday Closed Wednesday to Saturday 12 till 11pm (Food Served: 12 till 8.30pm) Sunday 12-4pm (Food Served: 12-3pm)

Two Courses £23 Three Courses £26

Starters

Bowl of Soup & Homemade Bread

Crispy Stuffed Cheddar & Spring Onion Potato Skins, Sour Cream & Chive

Smoked Salmon, Baby Capers, Shallots, Watercress & Marie Rose Sauce

Korean Fried Chicken, Pickled Vegetables & Toasted Sesame Seeds

Asparagus, Soft Poached Egg & Hollandaise

Mains

Slow Roast Shoulder of Lamb, Dauphinoise Potatoes, Crushed Minted Peas, Oven Dried Tomato Salsa Verde & Red Wine Gravy

Creamy Mushroom & Spinach Lasagne, Shaved Parmesan, Basil Oil & Rocket Salad

Roast Chicken Supreme, Spring Onion Mash, Purple Sprouting Broccoli & Onion Gravy

Stoppard's 7oz Rump Steak, Mushrooms & Onions, Skinny Fries, Peas & Pepper Sauce (Steak £2.50 Supplement)

Shin Beef, Real Ale & Chestnut Mushroom Pie, Chunky Chips, Peas & Gravy

Waggons Steak or Crispy Chicken Burger, Onion Slaw, Dill Pickles Barbecue Sauce & Fries (Add Bacon & Cheese £1)

Pan Fried Seabass, Spring Onion Mash, Asparagus & Pink Grapefruit Hollandaise Sauce (£2.00 Fish Supplement)

Twice Baked Cheddar Cheese Soufflé, Creamy Spinach Sauce, Fries & Salad

Beer Battered Haddock & Hand Cut Chips, Chunky Tartar Sauce & Minted Mushy Peas

Side Orders

Mixed Seasonal Vegetables £3.50 · Beer Battered Onion Rings £3.50 · Hand Cut Chunky Chips £3.50 · House Dressed Salad £3.50 · Fries £3.00

Please note set menu prices are per person. If choosing a one course meal this will be charged individually so prices may vary. All our products are locally sourced whenever possible. All food is freshly prepared to order so your patience is appreciated. If you have any allergies or dietary requirements, please let us know and we will do our best to adapt the menu to your needs.



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Desserts

Triple Chocolate Brownie, Vanilla Ice Cream & Chocolate Sauce
Warm Profiteroles, Honeycomb Ice Cream & Dark Chocolate Sauce
Lemon Pannacotta & Raspberry Sorbet
Rhubarb & Ginger Crumble & Vanilla Custard
A Selection of Thaymar's Luxury Ice Creams
Wedge of Cheddar or Stilton, Balsamic Onions & Homemade Bread

To Accompany

Château Loupiac Gaudiet 75ml £5.50

Taylors LBV Port - 50ml £3.95

To Finish

Americano £2.90 Espresso £2.50

Cappuccino £2.90 Double Espresso £3.00 Liqueur Coffee £6.00

Latte £2.90 Hot Chocolate £2.95

English Breakfast Tea, Earl Grey, Peppermint, Chamomile, Green Tea, All £2.50 Each

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