

GREETHAM COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

SEPTEMBER 2019

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Where am I?



Greetham Community Centre
Fun-Family-Friends

Looking Ahead

***Saturday 5th October – Safari
Supper***

***Saturday 26th October –
Children's Halloween Party
4-6pm***

***Saturday 8th November –
Fireworks Night From 6pm***

Planning an Event?

contact us

www.greethamrutland.com/community-centre

Find us on facebook

01572 812389 or mobile 07500 079780

Alternatively email us

at bookgreetham@gmx.com



Family Fireworks Night

Friday 8th November

This is a donation event, if you would like
information on how to donate, please
Contact Pauline on: 07977575056



Children's Halloween Party

28th October

£3.00

Hotdog, Drink and Plenty of Fun

Contact

Maureen on: 813061

Pauline on: 07977575056

For tickets

Bar open for Grown up's



Regular Activities

Day	Activity	Time	Frequency
Monday	WI	7.30pm	2 nd Monday monthly
Tuesday	Petanque League	7.30pm	See fixture list
Wednesday	Community Centre Meeting Parish Council Meeting	7.30pm 7.30pm	1 st Wednesday monthly 2 nd Wednesday monthly
	Outdoor bowls	Evening	Weekly
Thursday	Meet 'Em and Greet 'Em Coffee Morning	10am	Weekly
	Badminton	7.30pm	Weekly
Friday			
Saturday			
Sunday			

The Centre is available for hire at the following rates:

	Residents Rates £ per hour		Non Residents Rates £ per Hour	
	Sum- mer	Winter	Summer	Winter
Hall	13.00	16.00	16.00	19.00
Hall with Bar	17.00	20.00	20.00	23.00
Hall with Bar after 11pm	21.00	24.00	24.00	27.00
Meeting Room	10.00	12.00	12.00	14.00
Meeting Room with bar	13.00	16.00	16.00	18.00
Meeting Room with Bar after 11pm	18.00	20.00	20.00	22.00
Whole facility (excluding kitchen)	20.00	23.00	22.00	25.00
Sports Rate	5.00	7.00	5.00	7.00

Single Charge Rates	
Kitchen - tea/coffee preparation	2.50
Kitchen - reheating	5.00
Kitchen - preparation/cooking	10.00
Stage	25.00
Sound System	25.00
Field (includes changing rooms and showers) - Adults	30.00
Field (includes changing rooms and showers) - Youths	15.00
Table Cloths - Round per cloth	10.00
Table Cloths - Oblong per cloth	6.00
Lights	various

COMING EVENTS IN SEPTEMBER

Sun 1st 9.30am Morning Worship - Greetham Community Centre

Wed 4th Oak House Lunch

Sun 8th 9.30am Morning Worship with breakfast from 9am
Greetham Community Centre
Community gardening

Mon 9th Mobile library
WI

Wed 11th Parish Council

Sat 14th Ride and Stride

Sun 15th 11.15 am Harvest Festival followed by lunch Greetham Community Centre
Village Quiz Wheatsheaf 8pm

Thu 19th The Gathering

Fri 20th Last day for items for October newsletter

Sun 22nd 9.30 Holy Communion Greetham Community Centre

Mon 23rd Mobile library

Fri 27th MacMillan Coffee Morning

Rutland Mobile Library in Greetham

Monday September 9th and 23rd.

Oakham Road Lock's Close 15.05 - 15.25 Times are approximate

For information please contact Oakham Library 01572 722918



Oak House lunch

Our Oak House Over 60s Lunch Club will be on Wednesday 4th September - 1.15pm arrival. Two courses for £7.50. *few spaces available, please book in advance, fabulous 2-course meal for £7.50 per person*. *Must ring to reserve on 01572 812647*



Greetham Community Gardening

Would you like to get involved in a bit of community gardening. Karen Mellor is setting up a group to tidy up the land outside the gate to the vicarage in Church Lane. The land at the moment has been neglected for some years and needs a full make over. If you are interested in having a go, come along at 2pm on Sunday 8th September. Initially we will be clearing the site and digging it over, so a few strong backs are required. Bring a spade and or a garden fork. Let Karen know of you want to get involved or need more information on 812808.

Greetham Monthly Sunday Quiz

At 'The Wheatsheaf' on Sunday September 15th at 8pm. Teams of four please. £1 per person entry (to include a light snack) with the money going to good causes - also a lucrative cash snowball.



WI

Next month's meeting on September 9th will be our annual "Members' Night" when the committee relax and everything is done by the members.

Parish Council

The next General Meeting will be convened on Wednesday September 11th 2019 at Greetham Community Centre commencing at 19.30hrs. Correspondence will be available before the meeting from 19.20 hrs.

MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING - FRIDAY 27TH SEPTEMBER 2019

The Paddock, Shepherds Lane, Greetham 11.00 am - 1.00 pm
Everyone welcome, Raffle prizes appreciated
Look forward to seeing you, Sally Cluley - Tel: 01572 813639

'Ride and Stride' Saturday September 14th 2019

Why not visit the churches of Rutland on foot, by bike or by car (if you have limited mobility) and help to raise money for their upkeep.

Rutland Ride and Stride is held once every two years in order to raise money for the preservation of our County's beautiful places of worship.

Greetham Church along with the other churches in our benefice have benefitted from grants and will be receiving more in the near future.

You can take part by participating, sponsoring your friends and family .

Sponsor forms can be obtained from Sylvia Bland-The Little School Main Street, Peter Hitchcox

The Walnuts 69 Main Street or www.RutlandRideAndStride.org.uk

REVIEWS

An August Sunshine Sandwich



You would hope that August would be a good month to hold an outdoors event, wouldn't you? After all its traditional holiday time and we head off in search of sunshine....and whatever else you fancy. So, we look at the August Gathering and feel assured that it will be a warm dry day for the event. However, global warming and other world activities (excluding Brexit!) have an effect on our weather and it threatened to be a washout at one stage. What we did get was a day of heavy rain before; heavy rain on the day after; but a warm dry and partially sunny afternoon and evening on Gathering

day. Yes – a sunny day sandwiched by rain.

The turnout was magnificent, with a record breaking 155 motorcycles turning up – our best yet. The number of cars attending was around 400 - which surprisingly is our lowest turnout this year. However, with the number of classic vehicles attending seemingly increasing each meeting, we are seeing that the word is truly spreading to more distant places. This increase in the number of classics is supported by the number of cars that are now parked in the “overflow” car park

Yet again we were blessed to have some outstanding and rare vehicles on show. Not just old but rare more modern classics. As is now our custom, we won't be putting out a list of the fantastic marques that we are able to attract, but if you are interested, intrigued or just fancy an evening out, then come along to the next meeting (on the 19th September) to see for yourself – or look at our website.

If you haven't already volunteered to provide a cake (or two?) or man the

tea/coffee making in the kitchen, and you can for the September Gathering, then please let Carol know on 813717. Your assistance and support is always appreciated.

A big thank you goes, as always, to all who helped with the organisation and running of the Gathering, whether it be parking of all the vehicles, the food crew with Andy Saunders, the kitchen and cakes



ladies, the Rutland First Responders, the raffle ticket sellers, and of course all who attended and supported us. We look forward to seeing you at the last Gathering for this year and as always, volunteers to help with the event are most welcome. Whether that be marshalling vehicles, set-up, take down, clearing up the rubbish, donating

cakes or raffle prizes – your assistance would be appreciated. Just turn up and make yourself known to any of the helpers in yellow fluorescent jackets.

For more information please see our website

at www.greethamgathering.co.uk, and if you wish to contact us you can email us at greethamgathering@mail.com.

We look forward to seeing you there in September. Martin Fairbairn

Greetham Women's Institute August 2019

27 members and 1 guest were present.

There were birthday posies for Eli, Irene and Gillian.

The speaker was Ruth Lees ably assisted by Eli Barker. They told us about the two Dove Cottage Day Hospices, one at Stathern in Leicestershire and the other in Ridlington, Rutland. Ruth told us how the Stathern one started from an old barn, converted and finally opened in 1996. It cost £100,000 to set it up, the money coming from trusts, donations and fund raising events. It now takes guests Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.

Rutland's Dove Cottage has been open for about 3 years and at present only has the funds to operate Tuesdays and Thursdays, usually taking 8 guests per day. Unfortunately, funding from the NHS is now very small.

The hospices provide physical, emotional, spiritual and social care for those with life limiting illnesses. The guests are receiving palliative, end of life care. Dove Cottage aims to give:-

- Day care
- Carer respite
- Bereavement support
- Complementary therapies such as massage and aromatherapy

Chaplaincy support for those who wish it.

It was also clear from photos that guests are given a happy day out and a good three course lunch! This is obviously very beneficial to the guests and also gives their usual carers a few hours to themselves, confident that their loved one is receiving the best of care.

Volunteer drivers provide transport when this is required. It costs £60,000 per year to run the Rutland Dove Cottage. Staff costs are kept to a minimum – a manager nurse and administrator both paid for two days a week and another nurse from a bank which includes Eli. All services are provided free of charge so fund raising is a serious issue. There are five charity shops and one tearoom. Special events, donations and trusts are other ways in which funds are raised. Volunteers are always needed for cooking lunch, playing games, driving, fund raising, etc., etc.

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GENERAL

Rutland North Neighbourhood Police

Leicestershire Constabulary 101

Through the force website – www.leics.police.uk and following the link – Your Community.

Rutland County Council 01572 722577

Crimestoppers 0800 555111

URGENT Remember, in an emergency always call 999.

Temporary Closure of Greetham Church

We are delighted to tell you that the work to replace the nave roof of the church will begin in September. The church will be closed from Sunday 18th August to allow us time to sort out the interior before the scaffolding is erected. **Please be assured that services will still take place in Greetham but at the Community Centre and all are welcome to join us. All services will start at 9.30am (the only exception is 29th September which is a Benefice communion at Stretton starting at 10.30am and there will be no service in Greetham on that day.)**

Harvest celebrations will take place on 15th September with a service at 11:15 and a two course lunch at 12:30.

We hope to be back in church for Remembrance Sunday on 10th November if not before.

Operation Christmas Child – Shoebox Appeal

It's time to start thinking about filling shoeboxes again, to help bring joy to many children. This is a wonderful very simple way of showing Jesus' love to children in many different countries who may never have received a gift before. The children chosen to receive the boxes may be orphaned, sick/terminally ill or living in very poor circumstances. The instructions for what to include and what not to include have been changed this year so be sure to pick up a leaflet with all the details. I will place leaflets in Cottesmore, Exton and Greetham churches or please telephone me and I will deliver. The completed boxes will need to be with me at the beginning of November and I will put a reminder and final date in the October newsletter. Boxes may be left in the three churches mentioned or delivered to my home 3 New Field Road, Exton and it is fine to leave them in the porch. Otherwise just telephone me (01572 813118) and I will collect.

Patricia Hagger

PARISH COUNCIL

No meeting to report in August.

JOB VACANCY

CLERK TO GREETHAM PARISH COUNCIL

This is an important role and a good opportunity to become involved in village activity.

Clerk's duties include:-

- Preparation and publication of agendas
- Taking minutes at meetings, writing up and distributing
- Looking after financial matters as Responsible Financial Officer
- Handling communication on behalf of the Parish Council
- Arranging and liaising with trades people as and when required for minor works within the village

Applicants should :-

Have previous suitable experience. This would be helpful but not essential

Have computer skills in Word and Excel

Have previous experience handling financial affairs

Have good organisational skills

Be a good team player

Be reliable and be in a position to attend monthly Parish Council meetings.

Remuneration: £2,500 per annum

Application deadline: 30th September, 2019

Job Commencement Date: 1st November, 2019

Applications in writing with CV to be sent via:

Email to: greethampc@gmail.com

Post to: Ken Edward, Ivy Farmhouse, Great Lane, Greetham, LE15 7NG

FOR YOUR DIARIES

GREETHAM SAFARI SUPPER **Saturday 5th October 2019**

Do you love to entertain, enjoy good food and great company?
Then come and join us for this years annual Safari Supper.

The evening begins with a sparkling reception at Greetham Community Centre.
Followed by three courses, at three different houses, with different people at each course.

Dress code - Black Tie and Posh Frocks.

To register your interest and request a booking form, please contact Vicky on 812893 or vickyp28@icloud.com

BOOKING FORMS AND PAYMENT NEED TO BE COMPLETED AND RETURNED NO LATER THAN SATURDAY 7TH SEPTEMBER

This is a fund raising event in aid of Greetham Community Centre future projects.

Vicky, Steph & Helen

HOPE AGAINST CANCER CHRISTMAS LUNCH
SUNDAY 24TH NOVEMBER 2019 AT GREETHAM COMMUNITY CENTRE
2 COURSE CHRISTMAS LUNCH - TEA/COFFEE & MINCE PIES
£10.00 per person (must be pre-booked) Under 10's £5.00
Lunch served at 1.00 pm - Bar will be open Raffle prizes welcome
Tel: Sally on 01572 813639

OCTOBER NEWSLETTER

Please send details of all forthcoming events to Clare Hitchcox

***by Friday September 20th
please***

*The Walnuts, 69 Main Street,
Greetham. LE15 7NJ
email: greethamnews@aol.com*

WOULD YOU LIKE TO SPONSOR THE NEWSLETTER?

The newsletter is collated, printed and distributed to every house in Greetham. Obviously costs are involved and we invite businesses and individuals to sponsor the newsletter with a donation of £25. Sponsorship is duly recognised in the newsletter. If you are interested please contact the editor at greethamnews@aol.co

As we have not lived in Greetham for 6 years, but still enjoy reading the Newsletter on a regular basis, we thought we would take the opportunity to sponsor it! Greetham is such a special village! Barbara and Gerald

Greetham Garage >>>

Beginning our **41st** year serving
the local community



The Greetham Advertiser

Promoting local businesses, tradesmen, handymen and others.

To advertise your services here please contact Pauline Kelly
07977575056

Sheerwood Skip Services Recycling & Transfer Station

Wood Lane ~ Greetham ~ Rutland LE15 7SN
email: sheerwoodskipservices@hotmail.co.uk

Suppliers of - Skips
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Tel: 07850 144 367 • 01780 460065
answer machine service

Christmas 2019

at Greetham Valley

December Party Nights

Private Parties

Christmas Restaurant Menu

Boxing Day Buffet

New Year's Eve Celebration

New Year's Day Luncheon

*Bookings being
taken now
don't miss out!*

**Christmas 2019 brochure
available now!**

collect yours from Reception or
download from our website

Greetham Valley

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Exton and Greetham CE Primary School
Serving the communities of Greetham and Exton

What makes our school special?

Perhaps the only people who can truly answer this question are those from the community we serve. Here are a few comments from cards, report replies and questionnaires received at the end of July.

From the moment we first stepped into the school to view it, we knew it was the place for us. You have exceeded all of our expectations. Our children have flourished under your care, and as a family we couldn't be more grateful. We can't sing your praises enough. Please never change, as schools like this are rare and should be treasured.

Parent Card July 2019

One of the most important things I have learned is that it does not matter what others think of you, but what matters is that you should know you're amazing the way you are.

Year 6 pupil

Strengths of the school: The school fosters a real love of learning. The atmosphere of the school is hugely supportive. The staff – we think you are lucky to have such a positive, helpful and caring staff team. We've found that everyone at the school makes a positive contribution to the caring and supportive atmosphere, which in turn makes learning more fun for everyone. We think you should all be hugely proud to have created such a lovely school.

Parental Survey July 2019

School website: www.extonschool.co.uk

Phone: 01572 812380 to arrange a visit.