January 2014

Belton News

THURSDAY 20TH **FEBRUARY** IN THE VILLAGE HALL LUNCH FOR THE OVER 65's. IF YOU ARE OVER 65 ON OR BEFORE 20TH FEBRUARY 2014 YOU ARE CORDIALLY IN-VITED TO LUNCH AT THE VILLAGE HALL. ATTEND, AND HOPE YOU WILL, PLEASE CALL TRISH ON 717227 OR TEXT 07713093894 OR

EMAIL

dartveyder@aol.com

PLEASE ADVISE IF Bridge: YOU ARE

VEGETARIAN. THANK YOU.

Come & Sing pre Christmas carol Service at the Parish Church

The organisers of the service wish to thank all those villagers who by their readings or attendance made a valued contribution in making the St Peter's Church: service a meaningful experience. The near capacity attendance enabled Belton village to give £270 to the fund for the distressed people of the Philippines. We extend to you all a very sincere thank you

and we wish you A happy

new year.



Seniors Lunch 20th Feb P.1

Race Night 1st February P.2

St Peters P.3

Quiz Night and Notice Board P.4

717227 or 07713093894 (The Sun Inn)

Mike Bowen Chairman 717800 -

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secretary@beltonhistorysociety.org.uk 630036

Village Contacts List

717623 (Jan)

BBQ (Summer Only)

Aquafit:

IF YOU WISH TO Belton History Society:

WE Belton Recreation Group:

Bulk Oil Purchase:

Email: david@drennan.me.uk Steve Kind Belton and Ridlington Cricket Cricket:

717216

Club, 01572 718769

717760 (Jane Cronin)

717227 (Trish) Darts/Dominoes: **Newsletter:** 717623 (Jan)

Parish Council 717623 or email beltonpc@hotmail.co.uk

Parish Councillors details available as above Petanque: 07540189813 Hugh Neill

Pilates: Amanda 717757 Pre-School 718744 email

beltonpreschool@btconnect.com

Rugby:

Scrabble, card games etc: 717972 Valerie Storer johnhhill1@gmail.com

The Sun Inn Public House: 717227 or email dartveyder@aol.com

Bernie 07703 64746

Village Hall: 717227

The Great Gatsby—Belton Film Club—Friday 17th January—Village Hall—see back page

Dogs, out and about perhaps off the lead and running ahead of visitors in the village, may be responsible for the considerable fouling of the footpaths and roads that we are experiencing. A photograph was sent to the newsletter to illustrate just how bad the problem can be. However the detail is too graphic to show, but even without the vivid image of what appears to be a large dog fouling many times in one area we hope the more than disgusting thought of it will prompt you to approach the handlers of dogs fouling our village and remind them that it is an offence if they do not remove it!

Our sincere thanks to villagers for observing the rules of responsible ownership.

Andrew Carter Brown has most kindly been volunteering his professional services to the village and giving the cemetery a face lift! If you have been walking your dog(s) or riding along College Farm Lane you will no doubt have noticed the vast improvement for which the Parish Council and I have no doubt, the village, are most grateful.

Andrew has written kindly offering any local families who have loved ones at the cemetery his services if they need any maintenance on the graves/headstones. He can offer anything from a one-off clean-up to a full re-setting/ levelling of headstone or even an annual maintenance and clean-up, for a reasonable rate. This would be a way for him to could cover costs and still be able to carry out some more work on a voluntary basis there.

If you wish to contact Andrew you can email him at Andrew Carter-Brown andrewjcarterbrown@yahoo.co.uk

or telephone Tel: 01572 759567 Mobile: 07801 581993



February—Mike Bowen

Slow roast pulled pork rolls with stuffing and Belton apple home made sauce will be available on the night. For £2 you can pick a horse (with a name of your choice), winning takes home a bottle of fizz. If your feeling more generous you can sponsor one of the 8 races on the night at £25. Tickets at £5 including a glass of wine on arrival are on high demand so please see Trish at The Sun Inn for tickets. Last year we sold out in January.

Franks Christmas Cake

A big thank you to Frank McEwan who supplied the infamous Christmas Cake. The girls of the Belton Youth Committee consisting of Jessica Bowen, Imogen Luke and Lucy Brown raffled off this glorious cake to raise a grand total of £60 for the Secret Garden. Cake was won by Sid and Sue Northan. Huge thank you all.

Recruitment

Belton Recreation Group (Secret Garden) are in recruitment mode. If anyone from the village is interested in joining a fun, lively and productive committee to help with The Secret Garden, please contact Michael Bowen Chairman of Belton Recreation Group on 01572 717800 or thebowens1@btinternet.com



St. Peter's Church Belton with Wardley

Christmas services in Belton

We welcomed the Pre-School on Tuesday 10th December for their nativity play, which was very much appreciated by the congregation of parents and supporters.



A special carol service was held at Belton House residential Care Home, on the afternoon of Friday 20th December with the usual readings and carols, followed by mince-pies etc. Later that day St. Peters held a carol service with an almost full church. Thanks to Philip Shelton and Linda Deadman for organising this service, at which the collection was given to the Disasters Emergency Committee - Philippines Typhoon Appeal, and amounted to nearly £260.

The Blessing of the crib and the arrival of the Posada on Sunday 22nd December was enjoyed by both children and adults. The Children's Christmas Workshop, held on the following day resembled organised chaos but 16 happy children had great fun while learning more about the Christmas story.

Attendances at the Midnight and Christmas Day services were slightly down on previous years.

"Quartet" the benefice magazine

January is the start of a new subscription year. If you would like to receive your own copy of the Uppingham benefice magazine, giving full details of all church services, at both Uppingham and Belton, together with articles from the diocese etc, please contact Mrs Eileen Hill. (01572 822271). The annual subscription is just £6, which includes free delivery within the parish.

Flowers in Church

Thank you to everyone who decorated our church this Christmas, and throughout the year, and for donations towards the mulled wine, flowers and the Christmas tree.

To avoid confusion or disappointment in 2014, we have placed a list of flower decoration locations in the church, and request our "flower ladies" to sign up for their preferred areas for Easter, Harvest and Christmas. If you would like to place flowers in the church at other times, please add your name to the appropriate list **Annual Parochial Church Meeting**

This will be held in St. Peter's church, on Tuesday 8th April, at 7:00 pm; put it in your diaries! All parishioners on the Church Electoral Roll are eligible to vote at this meeting. A new roll was created last year, so please contact Margaret Bacon (01572 717613), Electoral Roll Officer, if you would like your name added to the current roll. Remember its your church, so please come and hear what we're doing, and have your say.

NOTICE BOARD

Belton 100 Club

Firstly, many thanks to all of you who spent the time filling in the Gift Aid forms for the 100 club. Unfortunately the Inland Revenue has decided that, because there is an element of chance and one stands the chance of a return on one's money, they will not allow this to be considered for Gift Aid. May I also put in a request that as many as is possible of you consider using BACS to pay your annual subscription next August. Details will be in the newsletter. The first 3 draws were done late as it took 3 months to confirm those who wished to be included. We wish to avoid this in future.

Draws for December and January will be done by the end of the month.

Jane Cronin

Rates for the Village Hall 2014—will be in the next newsletter

Moves are afoot to raise money for a defibrillator for the village. Watch this space.

Would you like this free delightful plant in your home. Contact 717935



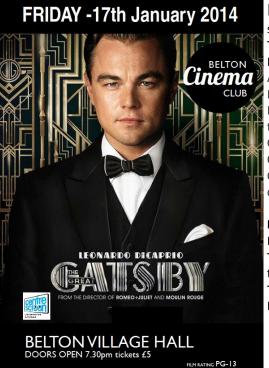
QUIZ NIGHT AT THE VILLAGE HALL SATURDAY 8TH MARCH

GET YOUR TEAM TOGETHER OR JOIN OTHERS ON THE DAY TO SEE IF YOU CAN BEAT LAST YEARS WINNERS

£6 A TICKET TO INCLUDE NIBBLES AND TABLE PLATTERS

EXCELLENT WINES AVAILABLE AT THE BAR TO FACILITATE MEMORY BY THE GLASS OR BY THE BOTTLE!

WE LOOK FORWARD TO WELCOMING YOU AT THIS FUN EVENT. DOORS OPEN AT 7.00



Belton Film Club kicks off the new season on Friday the 17th January with The Great Gatsby starring Leonardo Dicaprio.

An adaptation of F. Scott Fitzgerald's Long Island-set novel, where Midwesterner Nick Carraway is lured into the lavish world of his neighbour, Jay Gatsby. Soon enough, however, Carraway will see through the cracks of Gatsby's nouveau riche existence, where obsession, madness, and tragedy await.

Dates for your diary:

Friday Feb 14 - Summer in February Thursday March 13 - Salmon Fishing in the Yemen

Thursday April 17 - TBC Friday May 16 - Film TBC

Lesley Jennings