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Editor's Piece.

Hello and welcome to this month's Newsletter.

Another month gone! By the time you are reading this, we will be into British Summer Time, but why it's called that, I don't know. Summer doesn't officially start until 21st June - at the moment, we are still in Spring. Depending which side you take, that starts on either, 1st March, according to the Meteorological Office or, historically, on the day of the vernal equinox, which usually occurs on the night of 20/21 March. And, yes, midsummer day is 24th June, just three days into summer, which just goes to prove what people have being saying for years, we don't have much of a summer! I could go on, but I think I will leave it there.

The daffodils, which were planted around the village last autumn, will make a splendid display when they are all in bloom. Give them a few years to get established, and they will rival the verges in Bridlington.

Mobile phone owners have once again become the targets of another simple scam. Con-men buy a cheap mobile phone, and, as they know that numbers are distributed in numerical order, they are then able to phone those on each side of their new number. If they are successful, they pretend to be from the phone company, offering free insurance against loss or theft, but in order to receive it, you have to give them your bank card details and pin number for 'identification purposes'. That's all they need to go on a spending spree at your expense - beware!

The photo on the front cover showing a group of very attractive young ladies, along with their personal beauticians, was taken at the Red Nose fund raising event at the Bosville Arms, and yes, you've guessed it, hidden under the make up and wigs are some of the dodgy regulars, getting into the spirit of things.

Martin Frankish, Editor

Announcements

RUDSTON BOWLS CLUB

REMINDER The Special General Meeting will be held in the Village Hall, Monday 6th April, at 7 pm. If you are unable to attend, will you please let me know if you would like to play in the Driffield League, Wednesday Triples and the Sunday Triples, as soon as possible.

I need to know if you are willing to help with the green maintenance or cleaning, on a rota system. Please remember, the more helpers we have, the easier it is to maintain our Club.

ANNUAL CLEANING DAY Tuesday 14th April. Please come.

OPENING DAY Weather permitting, 18th April.

DOMINO

3rd May, start 2 pm. Please let me know at least three days before if you are playing. Afternoon tea - please bring usual refreshments.

SUBSCRIPTIONS

Annual Subscriptions are now due, £20, which includes entries to all competitions.

NEW MEMBERS

Are most welcome. Pavilion keys are provided so you can play anytime. Club equipment is available free of charge.

Flat shoes must be worn, no trainers. Potential new members are offered two free games to help them make up their minds. We have a reputation, of which we are very proud, for being a friendly Club.

The meeting on 6th April, is open to everyone.

Further information from Pauline Warters - Tel: 01262 420410

RUDSTON ANNUAL

DUCK RACE

Monday 13th April At 2 pm.

£50 1st prize for winner of the Grand Final Race

£20 2nd prize £10 3rd prize Booby prize for last duck

Competitions for the best Decorated Egg and Duck Picture Five classes, pre-school to adult

Children's Treasure Hunt

Cream Teas

Tombola

Duck race tickets available from all Village Hall
Committee members

Competition forms from Fiona Turner 01262 420604

Proceeds in aid of Rudston Village Hall

1809 - 2009 DARWIN and BRAMLEY

By now, I expect most of us in Rudston will know that 200 years ago the world famous scientist Charles Darwin was born; he changed the normal view regarding the origin of life on earth and upset a lot of folk with his book The Origin of Species. Readers may be interested to learn that it was in 1809 that our most famous culinary apple variety was born. Yes, the Bramley Seedling. It was in the garden at 73 Church St, Southwell, Nottinghamshire, that a pip was sown by a member of the Brailsford family that became the most popular apple for those wonderful apple pies, loved by most of us in Rudston.

By 1846, a Mr Matthew Bramley occupied the cottage, and from then on the apples were called Bramleys seedling. It soon became well-known and was planted in vast numbers; it is still an important commercial variety. It was a local nurseryman, Mr Henry Merryweather, who budded and grafted the thousands of trees. Later this year, to celebrate the 200 years, a window is to be installed in Southwell Minster by a member of the Merryweather family, who is the deputy Lord Lieutenant. I wonder if the other famous dessert apple Cox Orange Pipin will be remembered in 2030. I am hoping to be here to see, with luck.

The Old School Garden

I am trying to research the history of the Rudston School garden, which was located on High Street, just about opposite the church steps. I worked on it as a boy, aged 13, in 1939, but I would really like to find out when it was first started.

I have spoken to a few others who attended the school then, in 1939 - 40. If anybody has any information, no matter how small, I would be very grateful.

The 'garden' is still there, and its most recent use was as a car park, now it is just an overgrown jungle.

Dick Robinson

Wise Words

Knowledge is knowing a tomato is a fruit; wisdom is not putting it in a fruit salad.

Never underestimate the power of those that like things neat and tidy.

If you need five tools to solve a problem in the garden, four of them will be easy to find

ALL SAINTS CHURCH SOCIAL COMMITTEE.

Sorry I missed getting my entry into last month's Newsletter.

The Lambing Lunch in February was again a success, and we were blessed with fine weather. 74 people were fed plus 11 helpers, so thanks must go to everyone, who provided, helped, and also supported in any way. £640 was raised for Church funds.

Mr John Walker again gave a fascinating slide show and talk on Tuesday, 10th March, attended by over 50 people. Thanks to those who provided supper and raffle prizes, and to those who came to support this fund raising evening. £263.70 was raised for Church funds and a good evening had by all. A special thank you to John Walker.

We have planned a SPRING WALK as our next Social event, **Saturday 25**th **April** - this is a new venture for us. Shirley and Bob Harland have prepared a choice of 2 walks for us and timed them. The long walk is about 8 miles and took them almost 3 hours. The shorter walk is about 3 ½ miles and will take about 1 ½ hours to complete. The walks are on public footpaths, bridleways and minor roads, so appropriate footwear is recommended. For those who do not want a walk as such, may I suggest a stroll around the village or just come for lunch.

Walkers need to register with either Shirley Harland - 01262 420584, or June Sellers - 01262 420237 by Wednesday, 22nd April, so we can provide sufficient food and maps. Meet in Rudston Village Hall between 10 am. and 11 am. to have coffee, register and collect a map. You then select your walk and go walking - on your return a sit down lunch is provided. Walk at your own pace and enjoy yourself, and why not bring some friends along too. The cost is £5 to cover coffee and lunch. There will also be a raffle. All proceeds are in aid of Rudston Church. Please let June know if you are just coming for lunch.

EVERYONE WELCOME.

Please inform any keen walkers of this event.

Thank you for your continued support. June Sellers (Church social secretary)

Rudston Village Action Plan - Update Jan 2009

In 2003/4, the village created an Action Plan, a copy of which was distributed as a handbook to every house in the village. The Action Plan needs to be reviewed from time to time and the review is now underway.

Below is a table showing the actions in the plan from 2004, with a brief comment on the current status. This shows that a number of the actions have been completed successfully, and some may now be less relevant.

The Parish Council are now asking the village for their views on how the Action Plan should change to reflect 2009's needs. If you have any views on this, please fill in the form and return to any Parish Councillor.

Neil Watson

No	The Action	Priority	Lead Responsibility	Resource implications	Jan 2009 Status
1	Retain Post office facilities in the village	High	Post Office Counters Ltd	ISDN line to be installed.	Completed
2	Village Hall refurbishment and extension to provide improved facilities	High	Village Hall committee	Needs £200,000 funding.	Completed
3	Part time medical/ social facilities in village	Medium	Village Hall committee		
4	Better access to playing fields	Medium	Playing Field Committee	Funding	No funding found to date
5	Upgrade the playground facilities	Medium	Parish Council Playground Committee	Survey and analysis; cost of improvements	Phase 1 completed. £50,000 funding needed for phase 2.
6	Maintenance of speed in the 30mph zone	High	Parish Council		Flashing signs to be put up. In progress.
7	Improved facilities for under 16s	Medium	Action group	Survey and analysis; cost of improvements; people to lead	Youth Club started 2006 and is flourishing

No	The Action	Priority	Lead Responsibility	Resource implications	Jan 2009 Status
8	Bus shelters	Medium	Parish Council	Dual purpose structure could help gain funding	Status
9	Improved frequency of bus service	Low	Parish Council		No expectation of improvement
10	Broadband access for village				Still an issue as is speed.
11	Internet café / bus to allow non-computer owners access to internet	Low	Action Group	Cost of equipment, software, security and supervision	Low demand
12	Community education	Low	Action Group		Low demand
13	Improve street lighting	Low	Parish Council	Cost of new lights and running costs	
14	Increase recycling options to include cans, plastic etc	High	Parish Council	Reduces Parish Precept	Provision improved & application for more in progress
15	Plant more spring bulbs around the village	Medium	Conservation Group	Donated bulbs	Actioned 2008/9
16	Maintain improvement to the Gypsy Race environment	Medium	Conservation Group	Cost of tools	Ongoing
17	Improve the natural habitat around the village e.g. the old car park	Medium	Conservation Group	Cost of tools	
18	Investigate a subsidised taxi scheme (links to action 9)	Low	Action Group		
19	Support the Village Shop where possible	Medium	Parish Council		Village shop closed. New shop opened at Bosville Arms

Action Plan Update Suggestions						
The Action						
How it should be tackled						
Priority						
(High / Medium / Low)						
Partners (Who is needed to make it happen?)						
Timescale						
Lead responsibility (Who should make it happen – be realistic)						
Resource Implications (What major resources will be needed?)						
Name						
Address						
Date:						
Signed:						

BOSVILLE ARMS COUNTRY INN RUDSTON

CAR BOOT SALE

SATURDAY 11th APRIL 2009

FREE PITCHES

(GRASS OR HARD STANDING) (BRING YOUR OWN TABLE)

Sellers between 8 am. – 9 am.

OPENS 9:30 am. till 1 pm.

BURGER BAR, **REFRESHMENTS**,

PLAY AREA FOR CHILDREN

PLEASE CALL PAULINE
OR PAULA ON 01262
420259 TO BOOK A PITCH

RUDSTON YOUTH CLUB

DANCE LESSONS - We have managed to secure some funding to hold more dance lessons with Keighley, as the taster session we held was a great success with those that participated. We have been given funding from East Yorkshire Sport Unlimited Fund to hold 10 weeks of dance lessons starting 24th April 2009. The juniors will be dancing from 6.30-7.30 and the seniors from 7.30-8.30. On the last session we plan to hold a musical production open to the public, to raise funds for the youth club. Can anyone interested in taking part, male or female, please attend a meeting on 27th March 2009, 6 pm, at the village hall, even if you put your name down to try it then decide you don't want to carry on. There will be plenty of other activities to get involved in, such as script writing, scenery/prop making, drama classes, costumes, etc. - so something for all, even parents or young people, who would like to get involved. So please if you're interested come along.

Thank You, Tony, Fiona and Ruth

You may receive this after the meeting but if you do fancy getting involved in our production, please do not hesitate to contact one of the above. I am sure there will be still be plenty to do.

After the tragic loss of Rebecca, one of our longest standing members of the youth club, who was so full of fun and got along with everyone, we have very kindly been donated a large sum of money from her parents. The youth club members will be having a meeting to discuss what they feel Rebecca would have liked them to spend it on.

We will be holding our annual general meeting on Thursday 16th April at 7.30 pm in the village hall. Adults and young people are most welcome to attend. Also, anyone interested in volunteering at any level, be it 2 hours a month or 3 hours a week, please contact Tony, Ruth or Fiona on or before this date.

We are joining with Langtoft youth club on Friday 15th May for an evening of safety, mainly based on road traffic accidents. There will be representation from our local PCSO's, The Fire and Rescue Service and Paramedics. This will be aimed at our senior club as it is deemed very hard hitting.

Rudston Tennis Club

The days are getting longer and the summer season officially gets underway on **Sunday April 26th** with a very **informal mixed doubles afternoon** starting at 2 pm – all members and anyone interested in joining the club are welcome – just turn up, you don't need a partner.

Subscriptions for this year, set at the AGM, are:

Family (2 adults and children up to 18 yrs) £50

Adult (18 yrs and over) £25

Junior (up to 18 yrs in full time education) £5

Students (studying away from home and playing in vacations only) £12.50

A quick recap on last season's competitive results:

In the Driffield League, the Men's A Team finished mid table in Division 3 and the Men's B team second to bottom in Division 6, so play in Division 7 this year. The Mixed Team finished mid table in Division 6. The Scarborough League Team finished second in Division 2.

Team Entries remain the same as lat year, with Paul Good captaining the Men's A team, Mike Sellers the Men's B team, Jo Frend and Mike Boocock the Mixed team and Jane Crossley the Scarborough League team. **Match Fees** are £1.50 per match for league matches (any refreshment/court hire charges are in addition to this). Driffield League matches start on Tuesday 27th April.

Club Sessions are Wednesday evenings, starting **Wednesday 1st April 6pm onwards** and Sunday mornings, 10am onwards. Scarborough League home matches will be played on Sunday afternoons or Friday evenings but, as only 2 courts are needed, social play will still be possible on Friday evenings, even when there is a match scheduled.

Junior Coaching – we are hoping to organise coaching again this year, more details later.

One of the strengths of our club is that you can play at whatever level you wish - from serious competitive match play to friendly, relaxing club sessions or a casual knock around with friends. **New members** are always welcome and the club needs new members to continue to thrive. We are having an **open weekend** on 18th and 19th April from 10am to 12 noon so if you or anyone you know are interested, please come/encourage them to come along to the open weekend, a club session or the beginning of season tournament and join. If you would like any further information, please contact Jane Crossley on 01262 420462

Banter From The Bosville

Red Nose Day was a great success here at the Bosville. We raised £582.21 thanks to the efforts of all the people who took part and who attended on the night. As you know, if you were here that is, the main event was the Mizz Rudston Beauty Pageant with a difference. The difference being it was fellas in frocks who were the contestants.

Now the problem I have is that the fellas took to wearing the frocks with just a little bit too much enthusiasm. They also seemed to enjoy the leg and chest waxing, now is that worrying or what? I won't mention the makeup and the nail varnish that was applied by the girls of Bellize Academy, or the squabbles over the wigs etc. Right, to get to the point, is there something in the water of the Gypsey Race that affects the men of Rudston or what?

I have asked our local historian, Walt Burgess, to consider doing a historical search on the affects of the water from the Gypsey Race on the hormonal balance of the men of Rudston through the ages. Hopefully, this may shed some light on this rather puzzling phenomenon. If Walt Burgess accepts this rather baffling historical search I will endeavour to keep you informed of his progress in the pages of this dignified journal.

Word has just reached me that a certain Veg Man and his brother are well known for donning Ladies' doodads at the drop of a hat, NUFF SAID.

Sports News

Dominos

I think they won the other night, but what the score was I'm not so sure.

Tarts Darts

They lost then won again, keep it up girls.

Pool News

We won, then lost - oh well, we will carry on working to Charlie's master plan.

Events.

SEE CAR BOOT NOTICE. So start digging in your sheds, garages and lofts, you know what they say: - One man's junk is another man's treasure.

That's all for now folks, Alan.

What A Mess!

As I was walking through the village last week swinging a bag of 'goodies' that my dog had just deposited on a convenient strip of grass, I was approached by a Rudston resident who said, "It's nice to see someone with a dog bag in their hand." He went on to say that he and his grandson had taken a short walk around the village recently and during that short walk he had counted 36 separate instances of dog owners failing to clear up the mess their dog had made. This is an unacceptable state of events and, regrettably, those dog owners who fail to take appropriate responsibility for their animals, by association, blight those of us that do. This cannot continue.

Clearly, the ongoing debate surrounding dog fouling seems to be having no impact on those dog owners failing to take the necessary responsibility so the following instructions may just be helpful.

It is abundantly clear that inherent in owning a dog is that the owner will assume responsibility for the welfare of the animal. An owner (in the main) will not neglect to feed their pet, will take it to the vet if required and will ensure that their best friend receives sufficient exercise. Of equal importance is cleaning up the mess that dogs make and it is in this regard that **SOME** dog owners let themselves down. As is the case with many things, preparation is the key to ensure a good result, and so the following process should be followed when taking your dog out on the mean streets of Rudston:

- 1) Decide you will take your dog for a walk.
- 2) Put on coat, hat, gloves and shoes as required.
- 3) Ensure that you have your dog(s) and lead.
- 4) Check pockets for pooper scooper bags or similar.
- 5) Check bag for holes (Vital step!).
- 6) Leave the house, locking the door behind you.
- 7) Whilst walking remain vigilant and when the inevitable moment comes, take out a bag and insert one hand into it. Carefully place your hand over the deposit your dog has just created and gently and thoroughly scoop the deposit into the bag. Once your have all of the target material in your hand (protected by the bag), using your other hand, turn the bag inside out thus surrounding the mess in the bag.
- 8) Tie a knot in the bag, to stop the content falling out, and either deposit the bag in the nearest bin or take home and place in your own dustbin.

- 9) Continue to enjoy your walk until you get back home.
- 10) Reward your dog for good behaviour (if appropriate)
- 11) Repeat this process as necessary.

Residents may also aid this process by keeping grass verges cut short and/or making sure that all overgrown areas are kept tidy. It is far easier to remove dog deposits from short grass or well kempt verges. Residents who witness dog owners failing to clean up after their dog may also like to politely point out to the dog owner that they have failed in their duty and invite them to clear up the mess. I for one would not object if someone asked me to do this.

Pragmatically, we should all remember that however vigilant a dog owner may be, there is always going to be a time when the owner is distracted and so fails to spot that their dog has left a mess. We may have to accept that this is a reality; however I remain convinced that most dog owners who fail to clear up after their animals do so out of apathy, laziness or simply just believe that they won't get caught or that there are no consequences even if they are.

So come on dog owners of Rudston, accept your responsibilities, follow the process above and let's make sure that the instances of owners failing to clear up after their dog falls to an absolute minimum.

Now who's going to clear up the mess the cat's just left in my border?

Peter Slack

The Brain Teaser (Answers on page 22)

- 1) An Arab sheikh tells his two sons to race their camels to a distant city to see who will inherit his fortune. The one whose camel is slower will win. The brothers, after wandering aimlessly for days, ask a wise man for advise. After hearing the advice they jump on the camels and race as fast as they can to the city. What does the wise man say?
- 2) An articulated lorry is crossing an old suspension bridge that can only support 10,000 kilograms and that's exactly how much the wagon weighs as it starts to cross. Halfway across the bridge a 30 gram sparrow lands on the cab, but the bridge doesn't collapse. Why not?
- 3) Why is it very common to have a 9 minute snooze interval on electronic alarm clocks, why not 10 instead?

The Crossword

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A model may use one.

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Across	Down

7	Disappear.	1	Vehicle for hire.
8	Strikingly different, maybe from distant lands.	2	All the way round.
9	Tin bath material.	3	Gives a drawing depth.
10	Planned out before construction.	4	A large animal or a brutal person.
11	Possibly a girl's best friend.	5	Passes on good wishes to.
13	Often follow horses.	6	Gave instructions.
15	Frequently.	12	Without end.
16	Places where football or cricket may be played.	14	Happening slowly.
18	Created something new.	17	Does not depart.
19	A long time.	20	Individually.
21	Difficult to let go of.		

Nature News

The first bird migrants heralding spring have arrived in Rudston. Chiff-chaffs have been both seen and heard in a couple of places. On the other side of the coin redwings and fieldfares, which have spent the winter in this country, have been seen heading eastwards to their Scandinavian breeding grounds and they have been showing signs of their breeding plumage. Other local birds obviously paired up include robins, pied wagtails which have taken up territories, and mistle thrushes have become quite aggressive protecting their territories against all comers, Bird feeders are however still being used regularly, particularly by long - tailed tits judging by the number of reports from all areas of the village.

Apart from the attractive show of planted bulbs and early primulas in and around the village, a few other species have been encouraged by the recent good weather and lesser celandine, coltsfoot and dog violet have been recorded, along with dandelions and red dead nettle. In gardens, hanging catkins of hazel and garrya eliptica have shown well, and many people have had to mow lawns after a surge in grass growth.

Several of the mammals have already produced young and there are small rabbits everywhere, Leverets have also unusually been seen at about a month old and much of the village is witness to the activity of the mole population. Badgers, both alive and road casualties, have been seen and there have been several reports of roe deer, both in the fields and crossing the roads.

Several local ponds have reported the presence of frogspawn and toads have been seen, but as yet there are no reports of their strings of spawn. Among the insects queen wasps, bumblebees, honeybees and ladybirds, together with a number of flies, have all been seen, along with brimstone, small tortoiseshell and peacock butterflies. In the middle of the month, a moth trap produced an astonishing number of individuals, 148 of 9 species in one night, including one species, the grey shoulder knot, new to the area but known to be spreading north.

It will very soon be the main bird migration season, so please let me know if you see a swallow or anything else which arrives and passes through the area.

Tony Ezard

VILLAGE HALL NEWS

The committee would like to apologise for having to cancel the evening with Barry Peters, unfortunately Barry was unwell and was not able to make an appearance.

As you will see elsewhere in the Newsletter, we are again holding the annual duck race, and we ask for your support. The race will be run as last year with two heats and a grand final. Duck tickets can be purchased from any committee member.

There will also be various competitions, tombola and light refreshments. We will be grateful for any tombola prizes, buns or cakes for the refreshments or any help on the day. Please come along and bring your friends and family to enjoy this fun day out

There is to be another Village Day on Sunday 23rd August when there will be a return visit of Pinky Ellis who entertained us so well last year. There will be more details of this event later.

We are aware there has been some concern about the smell in the toilets; this is being dealt with and by the time you read this it should be sorted, and we apologise for the upset this has caused. We are continually trying to keep the hall in a good state of repair and in the near future you should see other improvements.

Shirley Clark

COFFEE MORNING

Wednesday 22nd April - 10 am to 12 noon

at Littlethorpe, Rudston for

REAL AID

A charity helping children throughout the world www.realaid.org.uk

Tombola Cakes Games

Admission £1.50 Further information from Chris Gatenby 01723 890464

Church News



Vicar: Rev Glyn Owen (01262) 420313 Reader: Mr John Walker (01262) 603170

Church services for April

5 th	9.30 am.	Holy Communion and Trailblazers (4-11 year olds)
9 th	7.30 pm.	Maundy Thursday – Holy Communion
11 th	8.00 pm.	Easter Eve, Saturday - Service of Light
12 th	9.30 am.	Easter Day – Holy Communion
19 th	9.30 am.	Holy Communion and Trailblazers
26 th	10.30 am.	Wold Newton: Joint Benefice Holy Communion

There is a service of Holy Communion each Wednesday morning at 10.30 am. followed by coffee.

From the Vicarage.

I'm writing this after hurrying back from the Bosville Arms! A good few folk have just raised a glass to Marie Louise Thompson (an exceptional lady from the village whose funeral service we had at church). The service was made all the better for having the new hearing loop and sound system. So, many thanks to all of you who contributed to the cost of installing that, as it will be a great blessing to many.

Often death or adversity reminds us that we need to make the most of the time left to us. "Today is the first day of the rest of your life," we might say. That's an expression used so often it has become a cliché. But for any of us as Christians it is a statement that captures a deep truth of Easter. The same truth that the Apostles discovered as they huddled frightened behind locked doors when all of a sudden the risen. Lord Jesus appeared among them. The same truth that broken-hearted women discovered as they found the tomb empty and the stone rolled away. The same truth countless generations have discovered since the risen Lord Jesus has transformed their lives. For each one suddenly life began again; a clean sheet, a new chapter. Let's join together at All Saints to listen to their story this Easter, reflect on their experience, and celebrate the new life God offers to each of us too.

Glyn

Chocolate

Easter will soon be on us, along with what must be millions of tons of chocolate, but what do you know the nation's most popular nibble? Here are a few interesting facts about the brown stuff.

The word 'Chocolate' comes from the Aztec word, 'cacahuatl' or 'xocolatl'. This means 'bitter water'.

Chocolate is derived from Cocoa Beans. It was Cacao originally, but became Cocoa as a result of misspelling.

The Mayans and Aztecs believed that the Cocoa Beans originated from Paradise and would bring wisdom and power to anyone consuming them.

The precious Cocoa Beans were used as a currency and as a unit of calculation in the Mayan and Aztec Cultures.

Chocolate contains hundreds of chemicals including the feel-good stimulants - Caffeine, Theobromine, and Phenyethylamine.

Theobromine helps boost low blood-sugar levels and another chemical, Chromium, helps to control blood sugar. However, it is highly toxic to dogs, cats, and other household pets. It over-stimulates their cardiac and nervous systems, and can cause instant death. This is why you should not risk giving your pet any chocolate other than that specially made.

For humans though, Chocolate is a wonderful energy source. Napoleon supposedly carried along Chocolate on his military campaigns, and always ate it to restore energy. Nowadays Sports-persons are often given Chocolate energy bars after sporting activities to restore carbohydrates.

Even though Chocolate is high in fat, it does not appear to raise blood cholesterol. Yippee!

Despite the popular, lingering myth, Chocolate does not cause acne. Acne is usually due to an improper diet or a hormone imbalance.

Henri Nestlé of Switzerland was the first to create Milk Chocolate by adding condensed milk to the mixture when making chocolate bars.

Chocolate syrup was used for blood in the famous shower scene in Alfred Hitchcock's movie, "Psycho". This scene, which is of 45 seconds, actually took 7 days to shoot.

Crosslands Column

There were about 35 of us present on the 9th to hear about Low Caythorpe Gas Storage plans. Though "hear" was the wrong word for those with deficiencies in that area! At least I think we got the gist of it from the computer slides shown. The new company, Centrica, are better known to us all as British Gas, and being a large concern are very aware of the need for local liaison during their projects. Regular meetings with all interested parties, including Rudston Parish Council, are planned over the next three years, which is about how long it will be before gas is actually stored there. More immediately, there is some dismantling of generators and other redundant equipment to take place, involving much movement by road. Some of these will be abnormal loads - motorists beware, especially between now and July. They intend to avoid school times, and only work during daylight hours with those trips. Work at the site will also be monitored to ensure minimum light and sound disturbance.

Then, the night before the parish council meeting, there was the Affordable Housing business. What was understood to be a "drop-in any time" display, turned out to be another computerised presentation after which those present (about the same number as above by the time I arrived), were addressed by various people, before getting the chance to pose questions. That was quite lively, with others sharing parish council views of whether these homes are actually needed, and unsuitability of Rudston for them in any case. However, there are some who hold the opposite view, and the next step is for the parish council to compile a short questionnaire for distribution in the village.

Thank you to the editor for bringing attention to the "Fix my Street" service. Funnily enough, I had queried at the January meeting whether I should still report highways matters by post, as I no longer receive replies. It was decided that was still the favoured practice. This did not come up again at the last meeting, but separately we have learned that Rudston is earmarked for a "Streetscene" visit in August this year.

It is a pity that the subject of dog waste has had to be raised again. It happens often in today's society of course, but that the actions (or inaction) by only two or three people can cause nuisance to everyone else is always up-

setting. Anyway, East Riding council are in the process of introducing new countywide legislation. Although still at the consultation stage and therefore probably some months away, we shall see what comes of that in due course.

If any village group leaders are working on special projects at the moment, they may be interested in a day (10 am. to 4 pm.) "Project Management Training Session". Organised by Wolds Action Group, it is to be held at Staxton Village Hall on Saturday, 16th May, with a speaker from Wakefield College. Places will be limited, so there is a £20 deposit refundable on the day. Anyone wishing to attend must let them know by 1st May. A notice will be displayed during April, but I can pass on further details to anyone interested in the meantime.

The next meeting should be the "annual" one at which chairman and vice-chairman positions come up for re-election. This will be on 6th May at the usual time of 7.30 pm.

P. Crossland (Clerk)

ALL IN A WORD

The word "queue" is the only word in the English language that is still pronounced the same way when the last four letters are removed.

Of all English words, the word "set" has the dictionary most definitions.

"Almost" is the longest word in the English language in which all the letters are in alphabetical order.

"Rhythm" is the longest English word without a vowel.

The Brain Teaser (Answers from page 15)

- 1) The wiseman tells them to switch camels.
- By the time the lorry has reached the middle of the bridge it will have used more than the bird's weight in fuel.
- 3) By setting the snooze time to 9 minutes, the alarm clock only needs to watch the last digit of the time. So, if you hit snooze at 6.45, the alarm goes off again when the last digit equals 4. They couldn't make it 10 minutes, otherwise the alarm would go off right away, or it would take more circuitry.



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Alphasudoko - We are all fairly familiar with the traditional, number based sudoko, so why not have a go at this - same rules apply. The solution is shown below, but no peeking!

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DIARY OF FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Sat. 25th April, 10 am. and 11 am. Wed. 22nd April, 10 am. to 12 noon.

Mon. 13th April, 2 pm.

Spring Walk, Village Hall

Spring Walk, Village Hal Coffee Morning Littlethorpe, Rudston Duck Race, Village Hall

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