

RUDSTON NEWS

SEASON'S GREETINGS

CHRISTMAS 2010



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Editor's Piece.

Hello and welcome to this month's Newsletter.

Please note that there will be no newsletter next month (January 2011) any articles ,acknowledgements etc will be published in February 2011

Well it looks like we are going to have another year of that lovely white stuff ! Great fun for the kids, I'm sure, but for us other beings it can be a bit daunting . The E R Y C have given some guidelines for dealing with snow and ice, If you go to page 13 there is some helpful Info from them to read. Also on page 5 Chris Gatenby has kindly pointed out some "Scams" we should be aware of !!



On the 15th December there is a Christmas Carol Concert at the village hall with the Excelsior Brass Band, sure that will be a great night. I think music is food for happiness which we all need, especially this time of year. Santa will be coming along too, so why not get into the spirit of Christmas and join in with the event.

IA very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all our readers, from all of the Rudston Newsletter team.

Rosie Mitchinson, Editor



Announcements



LIFEBOAT POSTAGE STAMP APPEAL

Please save all your postage stamps, especially over the Christmas period.

When you have collected your stamps please pass them onto Sue Gilbank at 7 Kilham Road, Rudston or call 420049 for further information.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD SHOE BOXES

Another brilliant result 89 shoe boxes are on their way to HAITI this year, where Samaritan Purse Charity have been working to bring fresh water supplies to the victims of the earth quake, so when we're having and enjoying our Christmas festivities here they will be receiving our gifts from **Rudston**. Thank you very much for your generosity. We also received £50 in donations, plus a bag full of scarves, gloves and hats and a bag of soft toys.

May I at this point include my personal thanks for all the prayers, cards, food and good wishes in my recent illness. You will all be pleased to know I have had a good report 99.9 percent healing, I now have to see the Oncologist for any further follow up and preventative medicine.

Many thanks.

Doreen Turner



ALL SAINTS CHURCH SOCIAL COMMITTEE

You are invited to a COFFEE MORNING in aid of Church at the BOSVILLE ARMS on the 3rd DECEMBER from 10am until 12 noon. There will be stalls, games and a raffle. Come along and have a coffee and chat before the Christmas rush. Tickets are £2.00 from Jean Corner in advance and available on the day at the door.

We are lucky to have the EXCELSIOR BRASS BAND performing **A Christmas Concert with Carols** on Wednesday 15th December in Rudston Village Hall at 7.30pm. Doors open at 7pm. Tickets are available now from Jean Corner (420622) at £3.50 each and include coffee or tea and mince pies during the interval. There will also be a raffle. All proceeds to Rudston Church.

We have also been promised a visit from **Rudolf and the Lions Santa** as he will be visiting Rudston that night and does not want to disappoint you. We warned his elves that you may be out at our concert when they call at your door so they have agreed to call in at the Village Hall.

Any raffle prizes for these events will be gratefully received by Jean Corner and thank you to all those who have already given some to Jean. Thank you for your support in the past and we look forward to your continued support in 2011. A date for your new diary - Flower Festival in Church on the week end 14th May.



We hope you have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.
June Sellers Church Social Secretary.

STAY SAFE

I have had warnings from both Farmwatch and other Parish Councils of several scams to be aware of.

1] There is a gang initiation reported by the local Police where gangs are placing a car seat by the road with a fake baby in it waiting for a woman, of course, to stop and check on the baby. Note that the location of the car seat is usually beside a wooded or grassy area and the person woman - will be dragged into the woods, beaten and raped, and is usually left for dead. If it's a man, they're usually beaten and robbed and maybe left for dead, too. **Do not stop, dial 999 and report what you have seen.**

2} Also if you are driving at night and eggs are thrown at your windscreen do not stop, do not operate your wiper or wind-screen washer. Eggs when mixed with water become milky and block your vision forcing you to stop the car.

Two other scams which we have heard of once before, but worth repeating the warnings:

3} You receive a call from the "security office" of your credit company, asking if you have made a certain high value purchase. When you say no you are told that "this is a fraudulent company we have been watching we will refund the money to your account. Is your card in your possession ? Can you confirm this by reading the security number on the back of the card" When your next statement comes you will see a purchase of the amount they mentioned. You may even assume that the refund is on the next month and not to worry until the next statement comes. Of course the whole thing is a scam and you have given them your security number ! Your credit card company would not need to ask you for this number.

4} You have a card through your door saying that a parcel delivery company has come while you were out, and to ring them to arrange delivery. The number given is an 0900 one, which is premium rate. A quick call to this number can cost you several hundred pounds ! If you have to ring to arrange delivery of a parcel check out the number given.

5} If around Christmas you get a new television, computer or whatever remember that the box from this, broken up by your dustbin or used for rubbish tells anyone who goes by about your new purchase.

6} Also be prepared for bad weather, make a few simple preparations like checking you have a good torch, candles and matches and some tinned food in stock.

In the New Year it is hoped to have a meeting to discuss the possibility of re launching Neighbourhood Watch. If you are interested, especially if you would be prepared to help please either call me or have a word with one of the Parish Council.

Chris Gatenby Tel 01723 890464

Here is an extract from a Pam Ayres poem entitled "Crabby Christmas "

Hear the rasping of the tinsel and the rattle of the cash,
The streets are full of shoppers and the shops are full of
trash,

Christmas is a comin', tally - ho and toodle-oo

There's Santa on the chimney and his leg is down the flue.

There's a reindeer on the rooftop, there are sleigh - bells on
the sled,

There is flickering and flashing, and they're going white and
red,

The silent starry night is by illumination rent,

I know God said "I am the Light" but is this
what He meant ?



DECEMBER IN THE ESTATE WALL GARDENS

I expect most of us would think this month would be a quiet one in the garden, nothing much to do except perhaps a few pickings of sprouts or cabbage when required in the the kitchen. To the gardens in the many estate gardens in the U K especially in pre World War 1 and World War 2 days there was no such thing as a quiet time especially as Christmas approached, outdoors the empty plots had to be manured and then hand dug, to allow the winter weather to work its wonders on the soil structure, no machinery in those days !

The fruit trees which included dessert and culinary apple varieties, pears, plums, damsons, sweet and acid cherries, peaches and apricots all needed to be correctly pruned, slightly different for each one, hardy fruits were grown as free standing bush, half standard and pyramid shapes and on the walls fan and espalier trees, plus cordons and other forms of training. Pruning was a cold job, especially when working on the wall trees, shoots to be tied to wires or wall nails, while balancing on a ladder, this operation was then followed by spraying with a winter wash, usually a tar - oil mixture, this was to kill over wintering eggs of various pets and also to clean up the trees from lichen growth.

Most of the gardens had a complete range of glasshouse which produced not only pot plants, but cut blooms, such as the perpetual flowering carnations, chrysanthemums and different species of orchid. Melons, cucumbers and in some gardens pineapples were grown in low, half buried glasshouses, known as pits. Grapes, peaches, nectarines and figs were trained to wires in long lean to glass houses, these later fruits were pruned in December and was a pleasant job in bad weather.

Most glasshouses were heated from boilers sighted in deep stoke holes, these had to be kept fed with coke or coal and kept free from ash and clinkers. Garden staff varied in number, some large estates employed as many as 30 or 40 gardeners and labourers, and all came under the watchful eye of the head gardener, a very experienced man, often rather severe, some a little more friendly. Young men known as 'journeymen' lived either in the Bothy, or near to gardens, garden boys were at the bottom of the 'pecking order'

All the rough jobs fell on the young ones, middling the soil, manure spreading and pot washing, all plant pots, clay unglazed, had to be cleared on both inside and out, cold water was used, although some gardens did use hot water taken unlawfully from the heating system. The very large estates had a foreman to each department, thus we had the fruit foreman, the glasshouse foreman, and the vegetable foreman, all responsible directly to the head gardener.

The boilers were looked after by the weekly duty man, who started his work on a Saturday and finished the following Saturday. He fed the boiler every night to see them through to next morning a new man took over after seven days. This duty was in addition to the normal daily work. The foreman of the glasshouses often went round the heated glasshouse to check the thermometers, a sixty degree fahrenheit was the aim at 10pm and by 6.30am the next day 50 degrees was acceptable in December.

. In December the vegetable garden was not as busy as the rest of the departments, the usual soil cultivation's and general clean up. The usual vegetables were grown, leeks, parsnips, sprouts, broccoli Jerusalem and Chinese artichokes, and rows of white and pink trench celery., no self blanching hybrids then. In the cellars rhubarb was advanced and mushrooms were produced on beds of well rotted horse manure.

Once the year began, the cold frames were sown with early dwarf carrots, lettuce and baby beetroot. It was the job of the garden boy to visit the cook at the big house each morning to ask what produce was required, he then returned with the produce, and maybe a chance to chat up one of the young kitchen maids !

There were of course many other works in these old walled gardens, but it was the Christmas period that was the most exciting, plants and foliage to be moved into the "big house" to decorate, a skilled job which usually fell to the head gardener, plants and flowers also went to the local church. Sometimes a concert for all the estate staff was held in the big hall, and work eased off a little. Holly was cut from the grounds and where the mistletoe grew, this too was harvested.

For Christmas Day and Boxing Day, a foreman or even the head gardener would take over the duty mans job, to allow all other garden staff to leave for the two whole days. The days just described have now gone, some would say “and a good thing too”, but in those days the estates in rural areas did provide employment and a start for a young gardener a chance to advance his chosen career in the world of horticulture.

Happy Christmas to all our readers

Dick Robinson

NORTH WOLDS LIONS

The Children in Need Big Bingo was a great success and raised **£700** Thank you for your support.

RUDOLPH will be pulling SANTA on his sleigh starting at GRINDALE at 5.30 pm. Galloping to BOYNTON and RUDSTON on **Wednesday 15th December so please be listening out for his music and the elves knocking at your door.** (He will be calling to see those who are at the Brass Band Concert at the Village Hall and will no doubt be ready for a mince pie too.)

EVERYONE IS WELCOME AT THE BRIDLINGTON LIONS CHRISTMAS CONCERT ON MONDAY 13TH DECEMBER AT 7PM. IN THE SPA ROYAL HALL. IT IS FREE BUT THEY HAVE A RAFFLE AND A COLLECTION. Please let June and Mike know if you would like to go but have difficulty finding transport (420237)

**A HAPPY CHRISTMAS TO YOU ALL
FROM THE LIONS**

MIKE SELLERS, YOUR VILLAGE REP.



CHRISTMAS WORD SEARCH

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AMERICAN TURKEY STUFFING

(this recipe has been handed down from generation to generation)

75g white bread cut into 1cm cubes

225g onions chopped fairly small

4 sticks celery, cut into 1cm chunks

450g pork sausages, skinned & cut into 1cm chunks

225g bramley apples cored and chopped (no need to peel)

110g walnuts, chopped

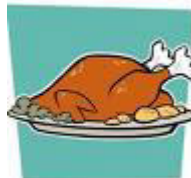
50g butter

Zest of 1 lemon

1dspn chopped thyme

Half tspn ground mace

seasoning



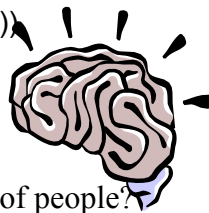
Begin by melting the butter in large frying pan , lightly fry onions, celery, chunks of sausage, until they become golden (about 10 mins) Tip these into a large mixing bowl & add remaining ingredients. Mix very thoroughly, seasoning well.

The Brain Teaser (Answers on page 18)

1} Mum and Dad have 5 daughters, each daughter has one brother, how many people in the family ?

2} Why wasn't Bertha put in jail after killing dozens of people?

3} If it has a quart capacity, how many pennies can you put into an empty piggy bank.?



RUDSTON VILLAGE HALL

We are delighted to report that the new dishwasher is now fitted and working, the people who have used it are very happy with it and think that it will be a great asset to the hall.

We would like to give our grateful thanks to the NORTH WOLDS LIONS CLUB for their generous donation of £300 towards the cost of the dishwasher this is very much appreciated.

We would like to thank the groups who were very understanding during the fitting of the dishwasher, we do hope you were not too disrupted during this time.

As many of you will be aware we have had some vandalism at the hall, the police are aware of this and are now paying more visits to the village, and request that if anyone does see anything suspicious that they report it immediately to them.

Shirley Clark

RUDSTON NEWSLETTER

We apologise to the people who were disappointed not to receive their November newsletter on the first of the month, it has never been said that the newsletter will be out on the first of the month, although we do try to produce it as near to this date as possible.

As the newsletter is produced entirely by volunteers, who give a great deal of time to the editing, printing, proof reading, stapling and delivering it must be appreciated that they are not always free at the same time, although the team try to fit in with each other whenever possible.

We do also have technical hitches from time to time, none of us are experts.

We would like to thank all the contributors who send in their reports as without them there would not be a newsletter, so please do keep them coming in.

Our thanks go to the editor, proof reader, printers, stapler and folders and the distributors, you all do a sterling job and we do appreciate your efforts.

Shirley Clark

GUIDELINES FOR CLEARING SNOW AND ICE

(as published on line at www.direct.gov.uk/preparingforemergencies)

The guide is to help you act in a neighbourly way by safely cleaning snow and ice from pavements and public spaces.

As long as you are careful in clearing snow and ice from the pavement outside your property and use common sense to ensure that you do not make the pavement more dangerous than before there is not a likelihood of you being liable.

Practical advice from highway engineers is :

Start early, it is much easier to clear fresh snow, compared to compacted ice that has been compressed by people walking on it. Do not use hot water, this will melt the snow, but may replace it with black ice, increasing the risk of injury.

Be a good neighbour, some people are not able to clear the snow from the paths leading to their home.

If shoveling snow, consider where you are going to put it, so that it does not block people's paths or block drainage channels.

Make a pathway down the middle of the area to be cleared first. Then you can shovel the snow from the centre to the sides .

Spreading some salt on the area you have cleared will help to prevent any ice forming. Table or dishwasher salt will work. The salt found in salting bins will be needed for the roads.

Particular care and thought should be give to steps and steep gradients to ensure snow and ice is removed. You may need to apply additional salt to these areas.

Use the sun to your advantage, removing the top layer of snow will allow the sun to melt any ice beneath, however you will need to cover any ice with salt to stop it freezing overnight.

If there is no salt available then a little sand or ash is a reasonable substitute and should offer grip under foot.

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Vicar: Rev Glyn Owen (01262) 420313
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Rudston with Boynton, Carnaby and Kilham

December services

5 th	9.30am	Holy Communion and <i>Trailblazers</i>
12 th	9.30am	Morning Prayer and <i>Trailblazers</i>
19 th	5.30pm	Carol Service and Nativity by <i>Trailblazers</i>
24 th	11.30pm	Christmas Eve Holy Communion
25 th	9.30am	Christmas Day Holy Communion
26 th	10.00am	Joint Benefice Holy Communion at Rudston

January services

2 nd	9.30am	Holy Communion (no <i>Trailblazers</i>)
9 th	9.30am	Morning Prayer and <i>Trailblazers</i>
16 th	9.30am	Holy Communion and <i>Trailblazers</i>
23 rd	10.00am	Burton Fleming: Joint Benefice Holy Communion
30 th	9.30am	Morning Prayer

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

From the Vicarage,

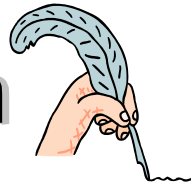
By the time you read this, the countdown to Christmas will be well underway. We had a wonderful pre-Christmas celebration on the 21st November at Kilham Church when The Bishop of Hull confirmed 16 people as members of the Church of England; three of those were

Rudston folk. So congratulations to them and all those who were confirmed and may their Christian journey be an exciting one. Celebrations will continue at All Saints, Rudston helping to make our Christmas a rich one. We're looking forward to the Carols Service and Nativity. Last year the children (*Trailblazers*) certainly brought the service alive and not even the snow and sub-zero temperatures dampened the celebration! There will also be services at Rudston on Christmas Eve, Christmas Day and Boxing Day (which falls on a Sunday this year). Spare a thought for the Vicar!

If you want a full-on children's service on Christmas Eve you might think about going to Kilham at 5pm where we will be trying something a bit different. In recent years we have had a Crib service (where we dress the crib with Christmas characters and creatures). Quite a few people have asked if we could have a Christingle service so this year we will be combining the crib service with giving a Christingle. That makes the service a Crib-tingle! The collection at that will go towards the work of the Children's Society. So do come along to that short service for all the family (if you want to dress up as a Nativity character that would be great). Throughout the season I hope we'll have fun and celebrate the greatest gift of all; Jesus, come among us. Have a very merry and blessed Christmas, Glyn



Crosslands Column



News from East Riding of Yorkshire Council is again dominated by preparing for bad weather. Most will have seen from their East Riding News that the road snow and ice clearance programme remains unchanged around Rudston. Any queries about that or the use of salt bins and you can ring a “customer care line” on 0845 6001666. As for pavements and footpaths, the Department of Transport has issued a “guidance note for those who wish to act in a neighbourly way”. Apparently, these good neighbours are only to be found among those with access to the internet though (!), because it can only be downloaded from www.eastriding.gov.uk/winter, or <http://transportwinterresilience.independent.gov.uk/docs/final-report/>

There is also a warning about leaving things of value in plain view in cars. Thieves are tempted by relatively simple things, let alone sat-navs and laptops, and quite often the cost of the broken window is more than the value of the item stolen. At this time of year, this includes Christmas presents on the back seat, and there is a special message from Cllr. Jane Ivison “when preparing for the festive season, the added stress of having to deal with car crime is not something anyone needs. Christmas is supposed to be a joyous time of the year, and I would urge everyone to make sure their valuables are not only out of sight, but not left unattended in vehicles.”

While still on criminal activities, a few days after reading in the last newsletter of Mr Sugden’s unfortunate experiences, the latest graph of reported anti social behaviour in the area came through. This is only for the period to 30th September, but Rudston registers already. It is only the second of these graphs, but

most of the smaller villages are on “Nil” so it is particularly shaming that Rudston should now be bracketed with larger places and their problems. Is this a one - person crime wave, and is this the sort of respect they hold for their home village ?

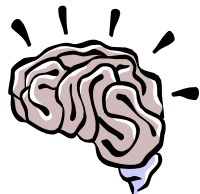
Indeed with the separate news that the Youth Club is open to those up to the age of 21, there is room for a little amateur detective work here. It is probably that the person responsible is also under 21, and likely that he or she doesn't belong to the Youth Club. That must narrow it down for a start. Of course, all this speculation may not be needed - maybe the culprit has realised the error of their ways and has apologised to Mr Sugden. Maybe they are so ashamed that they seek forgiveness from a higher authority - there are no confessional booths in Rudston Church, but no doubt Glyn would happily arrange to hear a confession in absolute privacy !

As mentioned previously there is a Parish Council meeting on the 1st December. After that, the next one should be around the end of January or beginning of February. So, on behalf of the Parish Council, seasonal best wishes to everyone for Christmas and the New Year.

P Crossland (Clerk)

The Brain Teaser (Answers from page 11)

- 1} Seven. Four daughters have only one brother making five plus Mum and Dad
- 2} She was a hurricane.
- 3} Just one - after that it won't be empty.



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CHRISTMAS JOKES

What do you call the fear of getting stuck in a chimney ?
-Santaclaustrophobia

What does Santa call reindeer that don't work ?
-Dinner

Good King Wenceslas phoned Domino's for a pizza
The salesgirl asked him:-
-"Do you want your usual? Deep pan, crisp and even?"

Where does Santa go to learn how to slide
down a chimney?
- Chimnasium



What do you call Santa Claus's dog ?
- Santa paws

What does Santa Claus's cat want for Christmas ?
- Some new Claus

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