

EAST DRAYTON UPDATE

Autumn Edition
(Let's not mention the summer!!)

September 2016

LES FRANÇAISES
ARRIVENT.....

* Ooh la la! *

CHORALE CORDIALE!.....

When Gillian and Brian Squire lived in the Loire valley region of France, Gill sang with a local community choir "Les Baladins". This choir expressed an interest in singing with an English choir. For the last three years Gill has been a member of "The Dukeries Singers" and the French choir's interest has now come to fruition.

LES BALADINS arrive in East Drayton on Tuesday 25th October. Over a three day period they will visit Lincoln, Newark, Retford, Sherwood Forest and other parts of The Dukeries.



The visit will culminate in a joint concert, "Chorale Cordiale", in St Peter's Church on Friday 28th October at 7pm.

Generous villagers have already offered to host the 28 visitors, but there is still an opportunity to host one or two guests. A bed and a simple breakfast is all we ask. The Village Hall has been reserved as a base for the group during their stay. Transport has been arranged for all the visits and hosts are most welcome to come along. If you are able to help, or would like to know more, please contact Gill and Brian on 248310.

Tickets for the concert (£5) will be available from mid-September - also from Gill as above.

Don't miss this unique opportunity to celebrate our village and rural community and make new friends. To paraphrase JFK "think not what your community can do for you, but what you can do for your community!"

Merci..... Gill et Brian Squire



MARATHON MAN.....



It seems ages ago, but you will remember that Derrick Small entered his first London Marathon in April and he is delighted to tell you that he completed the course in 4hours 10mins & 36secs and raised the staggering sum of £5000 for his chosen charity - [The Lullaby Trust](#). A HUGE well done to him and a HUGE thank you from Derrick to everyone who sponsored him this year.

Derrick hopes to get another entry next year (and hopes to take at least 30mins off his time!), so watch this space for details.....

DANCE FITNESS.....

Classes will resume in East Drayton Village Hall next week. Every Monday from 10 - 11am starting on 12th September. Everyone welcome, so come & join us, have a laugh & dance yourself fit - at your own pace!!

For more information please contact Janet on 248613



HARVEST FESTIVAL.....

St Peters Church, East Drayton on Sunday 9th October at 10.30 am.

Harvest produce will be donated to Bassetlaw Hospice.

If children or adults would like to bring a Harvest gift they will be gratefully received.

BEST KEPT VILLAGE.....

East Drayton came joint second in our class this year mainly thanks to the massive effort put in by Parish Council Chair, Neil Stanley. Special thanks should also be given to Jean Stone for maintaining the various planters in the middle of the village and to all of Janet's "volunteers", who cut the grass and keep the church yard looking so good.



INFORMATION and TECHNOLOGY

There are 2 websites providing masses of information about our village.....

bluebell-eastdrayton.co.uk

- regularly up-dated website telling us all about events, menus and more at our wonderful village pub.

eastdrayton.org

- the source of all knowledge relating to the village including the Parish Council, the church, history, crime, news and more.

Thanks to Steve Ellis for managing this resource

[Hi-Speed Broadband](#)

- Have you up-graded your broadband connection to take advantage of the fibre-optic provision now in the village?? If so, what do you think of the service and have you noticed an improvement. We would like to know !!

If you have any comments, items for inclusion, special birthdays, anniversaries etc, please send them to Hugh Mackintosh at Woodbeck House, Low Street, Tel 249127 or by email to chrisnhughm@gmail.com