

# EAST DRAYTON UPDATE

Autumn Edition

October 2012



I'm sorry to confirm that the days are now officially shorter than the nights and will remain so until 20 March 2013. But **WHAT A SUMMER** to remember!

Obviously not the weather, but starting with Bradley Wiggins triumph in the Tour de France, followed by the incredible performance and success of our Olympic and Paralympic athletes, who were quite inspirational and rekindled a wonderful sense of national pride. The absence of politicians and so-called "celebrities" made it even better, with the exception of the wonderful Clare Baldwin, who repeatedly struck gold with her brilliant and informed commentaries. With our incredible recovery to win the Ryder Cup, it has been the best sporting summer ever. All that's left is to decide who should win the BBC Sports Personality of the Year !!

## **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY: full details elsewhere in this Newsletter**

- **Friday 12<sup>th</sup> October** Country & Western Night at The Blue Bell Inn
- **Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> October** Harvest Festival at St Peter's Church
- **Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> October** Halloween Ball at the Blue Bell Inn
- **Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> October** British summer time ends at 2.00am, so put your clocks back an hour before you go to bed on Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> and enjoy a lie-in!
- **Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> October** Kids Halloween Party at the Blue Bell Inn
- **Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> November** Skiffle night at The Blue Bell Inn
- **Monday 5<sup>th</sup> November** Bonfire party at The Blue Bell Inn
- **Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> November** East Dayton Sports Club, Dinner/Quiz/Presentation
- **Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> November** Pudding Night in the Village Hall

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## **ST PETER'S CHURCH, ROOF REPAIR - LATEST NEWS FROM OUR PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL**

"During the summer months Stage 1 of the English Heritage grant of £18k has been used to determine the scope of work required to rectify the damage caused by death watch beetle and to repair the drainage system. The reports and plans to preserve the original timber where possible and to improve the ventilation and drainage will be presented to English Heritage in November. If they are satisfied, then Stage 2 of the grant, £146k, will be awarded in February 2013.

The PCC are also applying for further grants, as we must raise a further £38k to complete the work. East Drayton Parish Council has already pledged £1500 and their chair, Neil Stanley has made an urgent appeal for funds to restore the roof and to help minimise the risk of closure that faces so many rural churches:

**"PLEASE can you help in any way - by direct contribution, by fund raising or in any other way"**

To get the appeal off to a flying start, **NOA NOA of Lincoln** held a fashion show in St Peter's last Thursday. An enthusiastic audience packed the church and lovely models, Pimms and canapés made for a great evening. The magnificent sum of **£815** was raised for the roof appeal.

A very big **THANK YOU** to Rebecca & staff of NOA NOA, Claire Taylor, friends and relations for organising this wonderful event.

## **EAST DRAYTON SPORTS CLUB**

Dinner - Quiz - Annual Trophy Presentation night on **Sat 17<sup>th</sup> November 2012.**

7.00 for 7.30pm for a 5 course meal in The Marquee at the Blue Bell Inn,

plus a General Knowledge Quiz and the Annual Trophy presentations

Tickets £20 each from Jean Bingham on 248797

or email [jean.bingham@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:jean.bingham@hotmail.co.uk)





## HARVEST FESTIVAL

A Family Service will be held at 10.30am on Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> October 2012.

All are welcome and donations or baskets of produce will be given to Cedar House Hospice in Retford.

## THE BLUE BELL INN

All the December functions, including New Year, have already sold out, but there are plenty of events coming up before then....

- Fri 12<sup>th</sup> October **Country & Western Night** with Charlie Watson. £7.50 per ticket including chilli con carne & rice with nachos and dips
- Sat 27<sup>th</sup> October *Halloween Black Tie Ball. £25 per person. Carve your own topside of beef at the table + starter & dessert. Prize for the best Halloween dress on the night.*
- Wed 31<sup>st</sup> October *Kids Halloween Party in the Marquee, which will be dressed in style. Games from 6.30pm to 8.00pm. Full menu with a Halloween twist in the marquee or the pub.*
- Fri 2<sup>nd</sup> November **Skiffle Night** with Kick 'n Rush. £7.50 per ticket including pie, chips & peas
- Mon 5<sup>th</sup> November **Bonfire Night Firework Party** with great food, toffee etc

As usual, keep up-to-date with all the news and activities in the pub at [www.bluebell-eastdrayton.co.uk](http://www.bluebell-eastdrayton.co.uk)

## PUDDING NIGHT

By popular demand, last year's successful Pudding Night will be repeated on **Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> November in The Village Hall - 7.00pm for 7.30pm** Tickets are £10 per person to include a tasty light bite of sausage and mash followed by at least 3 puddings of your choice.

Tickets available from Chris Mackintosh (249127) or Sue Ogle (249096)

All proceeds to go to the Church Roof Appeal

This was a great evening last year, so do come along and over-indulge!!



## VILLAGE SPORTS DAY AT THE OUTCLASS FITNESS CENTRE

"The OutKlass Games" at the beginning of September were a great success and another huge thank you to Luke and Martin from the OutKlass Fitness Centre for organising such a wonderful event for the village and for their endless enthusiasm and generosity in bringing it all together.

Luke and Martin are already planning an even bigger event for next year, hopefully towards the end of the summer term. If you weren't able to attend this year, look out for info here in the New Year.

## RURAL BROADBAND

If you're frustrated by slow broadband speeds in our community, either at home or at work, then please pledge your support for the campaign being co-ordinated by Nottinghamshire County Council at [www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/broadband/](http://www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/broadband/) (It only takes a few seconds)

...or by clicking the link from the Parish Council page of the village website at [www.eastdrayton.org](http://www.eastdrayton.org)

## CRIME

All incidents are logged on the village website as above, but please be aware that both heating oil and catalytic convertors (particularly from 4x4's and vans) continue to be prime targets in our area and we have already suffered thefts of both in the village this year.

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If you have any comments or items for inclusion, special birthdays, anniversaries etc, please send them to Hugh Mackintosh at Woodbeck House, Low Street, Tel 249127 or by email to [edupdate1@gmail.com](mailto:edupdate1@gmail.com)