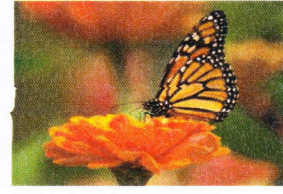


# EAST DRAYTON VILLAGE UPDATE

Issue 7, August 2025



Here we are, almost in August already, and what a summer we're having! Lots going on in our lovely village, so pop some dates in your diary and take the opportunity to make the most of our wonderful community!

**HUGE THANKS** to Alex and Suzanne Tod who have joined our village hall committee, filling the post of treasurer. If you would also like to join our friendly team, please pop along to our next committee meeting on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> August, from 7pm in East Drayton Village Hall. You will be made most welcome!

**MEET N EAT** is on a Summer Break, but we will be back with our community lunches in September.

**SUMMER TEA** Our July Summer Tea was a terrific success! Thank you to all who attended, baked, helped, or all three! **You raised an amazing £290** for St Peter's Church. If you couldn't attend this time, our next tea will be on **Bank Holiday Monday, 25th August from 3pm**. Enjoy a complimentary glass of prosecco on arrival...alcoholic or non-alcoholic. You can then tuck into a buffet style tea with freshly made sandwiches, assorted savouries, home made cakes and scones and of course, tea and coffee. The cost will be £10 per person. Proceeds to St Peter's Church. Please support if you can. There will be a raffle...donations of prizes would be most welcome. You can drop raffle prizes off with one of the committee members...(details at the end of this newsletter) or bring them with you on the day.

**Book Group** The next meeting will be held on **Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> August**, in the village hall, from 7pm. £2 covers hall hire and light refreshments. All welcome...no set text, just come and enjoy a chat and review texts with other book lovers!

**Library Bus:** This will be visiting the Blue Bell Inn, East Drayton between 1425 and 1445 on these dates: 4/8/25, 3/9/25, 1/10/25, 29/10/25, 26/11/25, 21/1/26  
For more information, call 01623 677200

**THE VILLAGE DEFIBRILLATOR** is located in the red phone box opposite the village hall, on Top Street. When using the Book Exchange, also sited here, **PLEASE DO NOT OBSTRUCT THE DEFIBRILLATOR**.

Treat yourself to a fun evening of Bingo, quiz and supper, on Saturday **SEPTEMBER 27<sup>th</sup>** in the Village Hall, to raise funds for Alice's trip to Peru, on Camp International.

Please support if you can. Donations of raffle prizes would be most welcome. Further details to be announced in the next newsletter!

## CALLING ALL ARTS AND CRAFTS PEOPLE....

The Headon Church Support Group are hoping to have an arts and crafts weekend on 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> September and are inviting local people to take part. The idea is that individuals rent a pew for £10 and then showcase or sell their creative work..this could be paintings, needlework, knitting, patchwork, woodwork, metalwork, home made jams, honey, pickles etc, in fact anything hand made. It is also a chance the meet like minded creative people in the local community and there will be a refreshments in the church as well. If you would like to take part or find out more please ring Jill on 01777248285 as soon as possible.



**Shout out!** ...If you are clearing out your loft or sheds during the summer, please donate your unwanted items to Jack Hilditch. He is hoping to boost his savings to go to Camp International in Peru by attending the Car Boot Sale in Torksey, on August 6<sup>th</sup>. Jack and his family are happy to collect items...just email [sarah@nngd.org](mailto:sarah@nngd.org) with details.

**Green Initiative** Stephen Bennet is back to full health and is continuing his campaign to help save our planet and raise funds for our Village Hall at the same time. To support his efforts, please deposit any cans, scrap metal, old tools, cutlery etc. in the clearly marked blue bin at the rear of the village hall. Collection of larger items can be arranged by contacting Stephen on 07967 972762.

### **EAST MARKHAM AND ASKHAM GARDENING ASSOCIATION**

You don't have to live in East Markham, or Askham to be a member, we have members in most of the surrounding villages. It is still only £5 per year per household, from June 2025-June 2026. This gives free entry to the shows, and monthly meetings. Come along and have a look for free, the Autumn show is open to the public from 3pm, prize giving 4pm.

AUTUMN PRELIMINARY PROGRAMME, SUNDAY 14th SEPTEMBER

For membership forms, and detailed information about the shows, please contact the membership secretary, Alison Hunter-Wyatt [www.facebook.com/groups/11179876457771/](http://www.facebook.com/groups/11179876457771/)

### **Church Services**

3rd August. Benefice Holy Communion at 10.30am East Markham

10th August H.C with a Baptism at **10.30am EAST DRAYTON** come & join us welcoming this child & family to Church.

17th August Morning Prayer at Askham & Holy Communion Laneham both at 10.30am

24th August 8am East Markham, & 10.30am at Grove, Holy Communion

10.30am Morning prayer at Rampton Church

31st August Benefice Holy Communion with Baptism at 10.30am Stokeham.

7th September Benefice Communion 10.30am East Markham

### **RIDE AND STRIDE** Saturday 13th September

This annual event raises money for Nottinghamshire Historic Churches Trust. This trust helps to maintain historic churches, chapels and meeting houses, for posterity. Half of money raised goes to the trust, and half to a nominated church.

Axel, Mel & Family are cycling for **St Peter's Church East Drayton** and are looking for sponsors.

If anyone would like to join in the event, or sponsor this lovely family, please contact Janet on 01777248613.

### **And speaking of bikes...Message from John Parker....**

*"Hi, my name is John Parker and I live on low Street East Drayton. You may have seen a selection of bicycles outside my bungalow with a sign reading **RECYCLED**.*

*The school holidays are here, so children, do your bicycles need any running repairs, punctures repairs, seat or handlebar adjustments so that you can ride them safely during the school holidays? If so, please bring your bicycle and an adult and for a small fee, I will help you to solve your bicycling problem.*

*If the bikes are out, then I'm about!"*

### **Your Village Hall Committee Contacts**

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