



# FLITCHAM CUM APPLETON VILLAGE NEWSLETTER

November 2016

Produced by the Parish Council for the community

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## CHURCH SERVICES

Sunday 6th at 8 o'clock

### Holy Communion

Sunday 27th at 11 o'clock

### The Family Service

Thursday 15th December at 7pm.

### The Village Carol Service

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## Churchwarden's report

### Lychgate Sale at Sandringham in aid of St. Mary's

A total of over £500 was reached from the sale of home-made goods produced by the PCC and other members of the village. Thank you so much to everyone who helped before and on the day. A great success!

### Sandringham Group of Churches

The Harvest quiz and BBQ held at the Wolferton Club raised £605 for the Group's fund. This fund is used to benefit all the churches in the Group.

### Harvest Festival at St. Mary's

As always our church was filled with lots of beautiful flower arrangements in autumn colours. Children from Flitcham Academy choir sang a harvest song and they helped take produce given by the village up to the altar. This will be taken to the Food Bank in King's Lynn. The PCC want to thank all our flower ladies for their work throughout the year but especially during church festivals.

Two large boxes of produce have been taken to the Food Bank in King's Lynn – these were Harvest donations from the village and the school. They are always extremely grateful for our help.

### CHRISTMAS COFFEE MORNING

As last year, the PCC will join the Community Centre coffee morning on Friday 11th November. In order to encourage school mums to come we will be starting at 9 am and finish at 12 pm. The raffle is always very successful and we would be grateful for any donations – these can be given to Liz Osborne and any member of the PCC. Do mention the Coffee Morning to your friends who live nearby.

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## Flitcham Welcomes

New residents

### David and Charmaine Heffron

Who have moved into the house next door to Margaret Elyard in the cottages next to the Abbey Farm.

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## The Mobile Library Van

This very valuable service comes to our village one Friday each month. You can borrow up to 15 books, audio books, large print books, children's books. You can hire a DVD.

### Next visit

Friday, November 18th

Abbey Rd, 1.20 to 1.35pm

Community Centre 1.40 to 1.55pm

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## Norfolk Coast Ponds Volunteers required

We are looking for volunteers to take part in pond survey work in the Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty. In the first instance, we are looking for 2-3 people this year into next to work on a pilot to test a recording methodology. This will be followed next year in the spring by a survey of the coast's ponds for which we seek assistance from several volunteers. Ponds are such an important habitat, serving as stepping stones in the wider landscape linking areas and providing refuges for wildlife. We need to know more about them, where they are, what condition they are in and what wildlife they are supporting.

If you would like to find out more or be involved in this work - either the 2016 pilot, the 2017 survey, or both - contact

GemmaClark

[gemma.clark@norfolk.gov.uk](mailto:gemma.clark@norfolk.gov.uk)

You do not need to have an ecological background as the survey isn't long and is very straightforward, a briefing session can be provided beforehand.

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## Parish Council An Appeal

The Parish Council has for sometime been operating with only four councillors and we should have seven. It means that if one more person is unable to continue we could lose our independence and be taken over by another local council. The Chair Richard Gray, Roger Young, Geoff Kilham and myself - Joey Smithson are very concerned that this could happen. Please if, like us, you value the Parish, our beautiful and special village, join the council, keep us independent, help Flitcham cum Appleton and become a councillor, it is only 6 meetings a year on a Tuesday. Our next meeting is the first Tuesday of November, November the 1st 2016. You would be most welcome. **JS**

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## Notice

Paul Addyman no longer provides a chimney sweeping service. For those who need a sweep Colin Lukey recommends Steve from Heritage Chimneys Stoves Tel: 07468 446446 who was excellent and very well priced.

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## Social Club MEMBER'S DRAW October

The winner of the bottle of wine in the member's draw for the month of October is -

### Don Addyman

Please collect your prize from the social club bar before the end of November. Unclaimed prizes will be rolled over into the next draw.

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## Draw for November

There will be a draw of paid-up member's names during the month of November. The lucky member will win

### A Bottle of Wine

The winner will be announced in the newsletter for December. If you want to be in with a chance make sure your membership subscription is up to date.

## Community thanks

to

**Terry Elyard** for cutting the war memorial grass.

**John Blyth** for taming the war memorial hedge.

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### For Sale

## Quality Bone China Mugs - £6

Three designs available: HM The Queen's portrait 90th Anniversary; Scenes from 90 years of The Queen's life; and St Mary's Church, Flitcham.

Available in the church or call John or Buffy Ross, 600018, or Harry Verney, 609099.

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## The Wolf Folk Club

At Wolferton Social Club  
admission always free

Thursday 10th Nov 8.00pm  
*Club singaround*

Thursday 24th Nov 8.00pm  
*Club singaround*

Call Roger on 01485 600948 for more information.

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### Social Club

Saturday 26th November 7.30pm

## Tiago's Steak Night

**Steak & chips with Veg**

served with a peppercorn sauce.

**£8.50 including dessert**

Limited numbers so please book at the club on 600703.

## SOCIAL CLUB

Sarah Jary has resigned from the committee due to pressure of work. We are sorry to lose her and thank her for her good work. This means we are looking for a replacement. Anyone interested in helping to organise social events in our community should contact the Steward or a committee member.

### Dates for your diary

Saturday 5th November 7-30pm

#### Cider Supper

Enjoy a 2 course meal. Sausage & Mash with Veg followed by Apple crumble along with a free glass of the very special Cider or Apple Juice lovingly made in our own village.

**£7-50 per person**

Thirty covers available and so booking is essential. Phone Gavin on 600703 or Andrew on 07810310757

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Saturday 17th December

#### Tiago's Meal Night

Details to be announced, inquire at the club

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Wednesday 28th December 7.30pm

#### Storytelling night

You are invited to join us for an evening of friendly entertainment by candlelight. Bring a short story (ten minutes max). Maybe you would prefer to read a poem or give us a tune or two. Alternatively just relax and listen while enjoying a mince pie and a glass of mulled wine. All contributions will be welcome. We would love you to come.

Saturday 31st December

#### New Year's Eve Party

Details to be announced, inquire at the club

Saturday 28th January

#### Burn's Night Meal

Details to be announced, inquire at the club

## The future of your Social Club is in the balance

By **Edward Cross**  
Treasurer (07875 257919)

During October I gave the financial report to the AGM of Flitcham Social Club. We made a modest loss in the previous year, so our financial reserves continue to get lower. We are not in an urgent situation, but over the next year or so we need to turn this round and get back to a more secure position. The Social Club committee think the best way of doing this is to put together a good, well-planned programme of events to attract people in. We really need a couple more people on board to help with organising this. We have a well established committee and there are more of us than a few years ago, but to move things forward we do need more support.

The Social Club makes an important contribution to the Community Centre – over £5,200 in 2015-16. So, supporting the Club will also help keep the Community Centre open too.

If you are able to offer any assistance do please contact one of the committee. We also welcome any suggestions for events you would like to see us put on especially ones that you would like to attend.

(Other committee members are Joey Smithson, Justine Cullum, Roger & Patsy Young, Richard Gray and Gavin Austen (the Club steward))

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### This Flitcham Newsletter

is available to your friends and relations who live outside our parish but who would like to know what's happening. It is already sent by email to 16 addresses outside our parish. If you have friends who would like it please send their email address to the editor with a request for it to be added to the list.

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### Copy deadline

Copy needs to be received before the 16th day of the month to allow time for editing, printing and distribution. This is to ensure that it is out before the month starts. Please email or hand submissions to the editor. Regular subscribers will get an email reminder. Editor: Roger Young 01485 600948 or Email : [youngroger235@gmail.com](mailto:youngroger235@gmail.com)