

Swaton Newsletter - August & September 2018



## <u>Defibrillator and CPR training</u> <u>Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> September</u>

Can you believe a defibrillator has been sited in our village for around 5 years so we thought it was a good time to hold a refresher course which is free and open to everyone - young or old.

This is ideal for newcomers to the village who are unfamiliar with the process of CPR and the use of a defibrillator as well as children who were possibly too

young when the last course was held as well as those who'd like to remind themselves of the process.

Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (or CPR for short) is an emergency procedure that combines chest compressions with artificial ventilation in an effort to manually preserve intact brain function until further measures can be taken to restore spontaneous blood circulation and breathing in a person who is in cardiac arrest or unresponsive with no breathing or abnormal breathing. Now that might sound a little frightening to those unfamiliar with CPR but it really is very quick and easy to learn and could save a loved one's life.

With the assistance of L.I.V.E.S, we will be holding a CPR and defib training session in <u>The Hut on the</u> morning of Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> September.



The Hut will be open as usual so come along, refresh your CPR skills or learn something new and grab a cuppa and a bacon roll or piece of cake at the same time. **EVERYONE IS WELCOME** 



<u>SWATON COMMUNITY HUT - BBQ</u> Friday 24<sup>th</sup> August 2018 - 6.30pm- 8.30PM HOT DOGS AND BURGERS BAR OPEN UNTIL LATE

COME ALONG FOR A RELAXED, FUN EVENING. ALL THE FAMILY WELCOME



Swaton Park Fete On Sunday June 10<sup>th</sup> we held a summer fete in the park. The sun was really shining down on us that day bringing out the crowds and the event was very much a roaring

success, so much so it's been suggested we make it an annual event !

A lot of hard work and effort went in to the planning and preperation including the restoration or creation by Alan Wilson of the games which were a great success and enjoyed by everyone – young and old.

Many people as well as businesses donated new goods for the tombola. There was a '*guess how many M&Ms are in the jar*' competition which was won by Amelia Gibbs who was spot in with her guess of 650. There was also a bric-a-brac and a book stall as well as an ice cream van. Saff Murphy and her steel band entertained everyone superbly accompanied by the singing talents of Holly Arnold and Corin Murphy. The tea tent looked amazing with a table weighted down by the many donated and very delicious cakes. We had horse riding in the adjascent field overseen by Trisha who had generously donated her time and horses. The games were great fun and included a coconut shy, skittles, hook a duck, welly-wanging, a skilful ball in a bucket and so much more.

The fete was held to raise the deficit of the much-needed funds to complete the next phase – the installation of football goal posts and ball-stopping safety fencing which is going to cost around £2,500.00. We are delighted to say the event raised over £900 so we are now ready to start the next stage - production of the fencing and goal will hopefully commence in September.

The day was a resounding success thanks to the hard work of many people too numerous to list here who helped in both the preperation prior to the event as well as on the stalls – you know who you are so THANK YOU, we couldn't have done it without you.

A mention to some of the shops who generously donated goods for the Tombola is a must so **Thanks** to Homebase for the BBQ – our star Tombola prize, Tesco who donated goods for the tombola as well as Tea and Coffee as did the COOP who also helped clear the park of weeds and nettles a few days before as part of their 'Community Clean Up'. Also thanks to Paper Kisses, Sleaford Jewellers who donated some earrings, Glitz & Glamour for a lovely evening handbag, Sleaford Fun House who donated 3 free entries, M & Co for some jewellery, Wise Owl for a fab Children's cake cook book, Four Seasons for £20 in vouchers, Dulux Decorator store, The Barge & Bottle for a free Sunday carvery for 2 voucher, Millers Bar & Restaurant in Sleaford who gave a free bottle of prosecco as well as Boots in Sleaford, The Yard Sale in Billingborough & Boyes for their £5 gift token.

There were many generous villagers who also donated goods for the bric-a-brac and Tombola stall including wine and champagne. There were over 80 tombola prizes so a big THANK YOU TO ALL.

# SWATON COMMUNITY TRUST - August & September

## SOUP KITCHEN – 2<sup>nd</sup> MONDAY OF EVERY MONTH



Next Soup Kitchen dates are **Monday 13<sup>th</sup> August & 10<sup>th</sup> September**. There's always choice of delicious homemade soups with fresh bread and /or jacket potatoes with various fillings. Its great value and very social. Forget that boring lunchtime sandwich – come along for a tasty, hot lunch amongst friends and support <u>your</u> Hut.

# SWATON SWIGGERS - 8.30pm EVERY FRIDAY

With a good selection of wines, beers, soft drinks and snacks available at very reasonable prices the Friday night bar is an ideal place to meet friends & neighbours for a catch-up chat and it's only a short walk home. Please come along and support the Swiggers bar – use it or lose it !



DON'T FORGET it's a BBQ on Friday 24th August.

# SATURDAY MORNING CAFÉ – 9.30am – 12 noon.



Every Saturday, 9.30am until 12 noon. Tea, coffee, bacon rolls, homemade cakes and chat. Newspapers (available by pre-order only from Liz 421217). **The Hut Committee is looking for more people to help in the kitchen – please let us know if you are able to volunteer !** 

Don't forget to pop along for the Saturday CPR refresher Sept 15th

# CINEMA CLUB – Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> August, 1st September

First Saturday of the month is Cinema Club – you'll find full details of the films being shown on display in the hut or film and membership information can be obtained from Nicola Arnold (421 566). Doors open 7pm, film starts at 7.30pm. The bar will be open and refreshments available.





# CRAFT CLUB - Every Tuesday morning from 9.30am.

If you enjoy arts and crafts then come along on a Tuesday morning and work on your project amongst friends. It's a great opportunity to share your knowledge or learn a new skill. For more detail please contact Liz (421 217).

## WORD FROM OUR REV & SOME DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Many thanks to all who came to see 'The Rocking Revs' at Swaton Church on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> July, it was a good night and raised just over £470 for church funds. I hope the songs brought back a few memories.

Playing music with others has been an enjoyable part of my sabbatical thus far. Although the Rocking Revs have no further bookings at present, the other band



I play with, Smuggler Jack, are playing on **18<sup>th</sup> August at Kirkby Underwood village hall**. With Smuggler Jack I have an opportunity to be more creative as most of the material we play is selfpenned and I get to play plenty of improvised guitar solos.

Created as we are in the image of a creator God, I certainly believe all of us have a creative side to us in some shape or form. I am always impressed by the variety of creativity I see at the Swaton Craft Group that meets at the Hut each Tuesday morning at 9.30am. Such a high standard too. Not sure when the next art and **craft exhibition** is at Swaton (maybe the group will organise one), but there is one at

Heckington Church on 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> August from 10 am till 4pm.

Not sure if you have heard of it, but on the **24<sup>th</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup> August the Greenbelt Christian Arts Festival is being held once again at Boughton House, near Kettering, Northamptonshire** - see <u>www.greenbelt.org.uk.</u> It is a wonderful festival with music, theatre & comedy, visual arts, words & ideas, spirituality, workshops, for all the family and set in beautiful parkland. I went many years ago in my life BC when managing a rock singer who was on the bill and found it very different (in a good way) to the usual festivals I frequented in those days (1970-80s). I have wanted to return but unfortunately have usually been too busy. This year I hope to make it at least for one day.

Enjoy your summer.

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#### **Services in St Michaels**

Our usual services at St Michael's Church throughout the summer will be on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month at 11am (Morning Praise) and the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday at 9.30am (Holy Communion).

<u>Refreshments are served after each</u> <u>service next door in the Hut.</u>



#### HARVEST FESTIVAL

I can't believe during a summer heat wave we are already thinking about Autumn but it will be here soon so here's advanced notice for what is usually a popular event . . .



This year's Harvest Service is on **Friday 5<sup>th</sup> October at 7pm**. Please contact Jill Abbott (421278) or Wendy Kirby (421930) to book your tickets which includes a supper afterwards – its always a good meal. See you there.

Enjoy your summer. Rev 'Captain' Chris - Rector of Heckington & Helpringham Group of Parishes.

# **Quick Quiz - Airports and Famous Names.**

These airports are named after famous people, who?

- 1. New York
- 2. Liverpool
- 3. Virginia, Washington
- 4. Belfast
- 5. Paris
- 6. Orange County, California
- 7. Venice
- 8. Buyant Ukhaa, Mongolia
- 9. Delhi
- 10. New Orleans





Its astonishing that we are still getting complaints about dog poo !

Dog poo is an eyesore and a health hazard and yet despite new bins at both ends of the village there are still a few dog walkers who consider it's not their place to clean up after their pets !

Aside from dog poo left along

North Drove, Parsons Drove, Pepper Lane and the pathway along the A52, there have been complaints of dogs fouling the grass verges directly outside resident's houses.

If you are a dog owner, you have a legal duty to clean up every time your dog messes in a public place unless you are registered blind and own a guide dog. Please remember to keep a few poo bags in the car or your dog walking coat – it's an offence not to have bags with you when walking the dog and not clearing up after your dog could cost you an 'on the spot fine' between £50 & £80 or even an appearance in court and a £1000 fine. If the kids walk the dog tell them to clear up after their pets too!

#### **HIRE THE HUT**

The Village Hut is an ideal place to hold a group activity. The Hut can hold up to 60 people. It's a great place to have a business meeting or a kid's birthday party as well as an adult 'get together'. Tables and chairs are supplied and there is a licensed bar and kitchen. If you're looking for a location to hold an event why look any further than Swaton. Very reasonable charges. To book the Hut contact Jonathan on 01529 421663.



#### Answers to quick quiz: 1. JFK 2. John

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3. Ronald Reagan4. George Best7. Marco Polo8. Genghis Khan

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#### NOTES FROM THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING TUESDAY July 24<sup>th</sup> 2018

"These are Notes from the meeting and could be changed before being accepted as Minutes."

**PUBLIC FORUM, 7.30pm.** Two members of the public were present as well as village representatives Mrs J Patrick and Mr C Campion.

# Public Meeting:

There were comments about bad behaviour and minor criminal damage activities ongoing in the village. The PCSO has been made aware but it was stressed that all such incidents require reporting through 101 so as they can be recorded.

Most of the potholes have been done along West End and the repairs look good. The bench at High Street/West End – a parishioner asked about repositioning it as it was seldom used. This was discussed and noted.

# The Chairman opened the meeting at 7.50pm.

**PRESENT:** Cllrs A Deptford, (Chairman), Mrs E Penketh, Cllr Mrs Murphy-Mann, A Wilson, two village representatives, and the Clerk, Mrs S McIntyre.

**PLAY AREA UPDATE.** The Summer Fete was very successful and over £900 was raised. A planning application for the next phase is being organised. There is just over  $\pounds$ 3k in the park fund, possible grants and donations were discussed.

**FLOODING.** The details had been circulated in regards to reducing flood risk Swaton Eau & Project update 2018.

**DATA PROTECTION.** Some generic forms had been circulated. The Clerk and Mrs Patrick will make slight amendments and 'personalise' them for Swaton PC. They will then be brought to the September meeting.

**LITTER PICKING.** All agreed the resolution to apply for NKDC funding for this year. The annual report had been submitted earlier. A Litter Picking risk assessment was prepared by Mrs Patrick & accepted.

# **DEFIBRILLATOR TRAINING.** This has been set for September 15<sup>th</sup> in the Hut

# HIGHWAYS MATTERS.

**Potholes** – Most have been repaired, some small ones remain, the contractors may be back.

**Parking deterrent stones.** There was a discussion about the legality of these. **Overhanging nettles.** These affected some parts of footpaths & will be checked. **Speeding and the SIDs (Not on the agenda)** Cllr Mrs Penketh is liaising with Community Speedwatch regarding the use of the SIDS & creating a Community Speed Watch group. D/Cllr Mrs Cook plans to hold a cluster group meeting inviting a Speedwatch member to talk to a group of parish representatives. CSW is on the agenda for September.

**DATES OF NEXT MEETING:** Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> September.

# MOBILE LIBRARY



Linconshire Libraries operates a

Mobile service which is available to

anyone who cannot reach a static library due to location, health or mobility issues.

Swaton is lucky enough to be included in this service with a 4-weekly visitation from the mobile Library where staff will deliver items right to our door.

The Mobile Library sites itself quite centrally opposite St Micheal's Church on the High Street between 2.45pm & 3.15pm.

The next dates are :

August 17 <sup>th</sup> ,	September 14 <sup>th</sup>	October 12 <sup>th</sup>	November 9 <sup>th</sup>
December 7 <sup>th</sup>	January 4 <sup>th</sup>	February 1 <sup>s</sup>	March 1 <sup>st</sup> & 29 <sup>th</sup>

If you have any enquiries or renewals you can phone Customer Service Centre on 01522 782010.

# **QUIZ NIGHT - Saturday 27th October**

Tickets can be purchased for teams of up to 6 people or come along on your own or as a couple and make up a team with others. It's a great night out that includes a delicious homemade 2 course supper. For more information or to pre-book tickets contact Liz on 01529 421217





# BANK HOLIDAY BIN COLLECTION

As it is a bank holiday, your BLACK BIN will be collected on Saturday 25th instead of the Monday.