

PUBLIC NOTICE: Park Update – 7.15pm Thursday 30th June

The Parish Council is holding a meeting to discuss the park and finalise supplier details. The meeting will open at 7.15pm with the first 15 minutes open to any members of the public if they wish to attend. The meeting will be taking place at Goosegate House (opposite the Hut). The **next Parish Council meeting is in the Hut on Tuesday 19th July** starting at 7.30pm with the first 15 minutes open to the public for comment and questions.

<u>CINEMA CLUB – Saturday 2nd July – 3.30 pm & 7.30pm</u>

A listing of 2016 films is on display in the Hut & on the village notice board. The bar opens at 7pm & the film starts promptly at 7.30. Hot dogs, ice creams & hot drinks are available during the interval. Membership \pounds 10pa or \pounds 2 on the night. For membership info contact Nicola Arnold on 07905 155 359





KIDS CINEMA – doors open 3pm for 3.30pm start – hotdog, drink and sweets all in the entrance price & ice creams also available during the interval. For more info contact SAFF on 421 487

IMPORTANT NOTICE: Due to a church function in the hut, the August Cinema Club has moved to 30th July.

VINTAGE DAY

Thank you to everyone who helped to make Swaton Vintage Day an enjoyable day out for the many thousands of visitors who attended; whether as a volunteer on the entrance gate, in the tea and beer tents, as a contributor of cakes, litter picker and many more. With the vast amount of visitors this year it was 'all hands on deck' with the number of cars coming through the main gate so a big thank you also



goes to the Scouts for helping direct the traffic. The live music was excellent and the giant tortoises were a popular feature with all ages – imagine being 28 years old and still got 20 years to go before being fully grown at half a tonne ! The Egg Throwing Championships was it's usual fun with Chairman Andy Dunlop keeping competitors in order. Luckily the weather held out despite looking very bleak only 12 hours earlier.

The Vintage Day committee meet on Monday 4th to finalise a list of beneficiaries and despite not having sponsorship and donations as in previous years, Vintage Day's estimated profit will be almost £8,000 with perhaps a further £2000+ being raised by charities who were on the field. A financial success from which many good causes both locally and nationally will benefit.

REGULAR ACTIVITES IN THE HUT

SATURDAY MORNING CAFE - 9.30AM TO 12PM



A range of delicious cakes are on offer as well as freshly made bacon rolls and hot beverages - *a great way to start the weekend!* You can also collect your Saturday newspaper (which must be ordered in advance from Liz Harborow – 01529 421 217).

SOUP KITCHEN - MONDAY 11TH JULY

12PM TO 1.30PM - Second Monday of every month. You'll find a choice of soups as a starter or main course as well as freshly baked jacket potatoes with beans &/or cheese and side salad. Excellent value – a bowl of soup & bread is \pounds 1.50 or two bowls for \pounds 2.50, Jacket spud with fillings and salad also \pounds 2.50.



EVERYONE WELCOME – NO NEED TO BOOK . . .

SWIGGERS BAR - 8.30PM TIL WE CLOSE



The bar is open every **Friday evening from 8.30pm** so come along for a drink and support YOUR VILLAGE HUT. The bar has a selection of soft drinks, bottled / local beers & chilled lagers, red / white wines and a variety of spirits. Crisps, chocolate and snacks are also available - all offered at competitive prices.

SWATON CRAFT GROUP - EVERY TUESDAY 9.30AM

If you're creative & enjoy any form of art or craft why not come along and work on your creative project amongst friends, have a chat, enjoy a cuppa and share, exchange or improve skills . . . so if its Crochet or Tatting, Beadwork or Cross Stitch, Lace or Patchwork or you're simply a dab hand with a pair of knitting needles or a paint brush and canvas then don't be shy – after all you'll be amongst friends. **For more information, contact Liz Harborow on 01529 421 217**





GREAT VENUE FOR A PARTY OR MEETING

The HUT is an ideal location for a get-together, group activity, kids party, play group or business meeting. To book 'The Hut' please **contact Liz Harborow on 421217.**

Discount given to Swaton residents.

BEST KEPT VILLAGE COMPETITION 2017



It's not just about flowers and a village looking pretty, Judges award points for Overall appearance and condition (absence of litter & unauthorised / unsightly refuse, absence of graffiti / vandalism & general condition of roads and paths, Green Spaces (provision for wildlife such as bird boxes / feeders, bat boxes) and wildflowers is encouraged, the general appearance of public greens, trees, ponds, streams, dykes, parks, nature

areas, hedges, gardens, and allotments will be assessed, as will the condition of footpaths, stiles, field gates, signposting and children's play areas). Public Premises (condition of community centres, sports facilities & playing fields, , public shelters & seats, notice boards, bus stops, telephone boxes and cleanliness of road signs), Private Premises (the collective appearance of private gardens, hedges, fences and walls), Religious buildings and memorials (the condition of churchyards & cemeteries and their notice boards), Business Premises (the collective appearance of business property including inns, farms and farmyards, workshops, post office etc) and the **Overall community effort** (evidence of community spirit and activity and initiative in the care of the parish and its environment).

Every year Swaton PC declines a request to enter Best Kept Competition so lets make 2017 our year. Without you helping we cant enter so if anyone would be interested in being part of a group to get the village looking its best so we can enter this competition, then please contact Elaine (421769) or John (421 294).



A V O N

You might have recently had an AVON catalogue dropped through your letterbox by Sarah-Jayne. Sarah is a qualified freelance make-up artist and your local Avon rep living right here in Swaton with her three sons.

If you are interested in AVON products or would like to HOST AN EVENING MAKE-UP PARTY (a great way to get together with friends over a glass or two of wine)

or if you're interested in a MAKE-OVER or makeup lessons or ideas for an event such as a wedding, then contact Sarah for a chat.

A V O N don't just sell make-up, you can get excellent skin care products including skin protection for your summer holiday, haircare products, jewellery, fashion, footwear and lingerie – great ideas for birthdays and Christmas (well there are only around 210 days to qo!)

AVON isn't just for the ladies – there are also skincare, toiletries and fragrance ranges for men.

Sarah is at 2 The Row or email her at 'thecakeole@outlook.com' or phone Sarah anytime between 9.30am-7.30pm on 0782 481 8434.

SODUKU (solutions on last page)

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GOODBYE AND GOOD LUCK

We wish Andy & Barbara Dunlop tons of good luck and best wishes for their future as they start their new life further north. For those unaware, Andy and Barbara are leaving Swaton in July to relocate nearer to family in Yorkshire. They came to Swaton over 12 years ago renovating an old barn into a beautiful home intending to stay for far less. Andy involved himself deeply in village life and served his community well as a Parish Councillor and LIVES responder. Andy has championed various peoples issues, held the post of Chairman of the Egg Throwing Championship and worked with various charities including the Rotary Club and Sailability and lets not forget his TV fame on Pointless and Bargain Hunt. Good luck Barabara and Andy with your move and hope to see you back in Swaton very soon. The village will miss you.

COFFEE BREAK CROSSWORD (solution on last page)



A MESSAGE FROM CHRIS HARRINGTON - OUR REV

Just back from Devon where for a week the rain refreshed our beautiful green and pleasant land. I hope you have better weather for your summer holidays, even if you are just staying at home. Isn't it strange how just a bit of sun can soon refresh our sense of wellbeing and change our outlook on life? We all know the outcome of June's referendum. My prayer for the country is that we will all get behind the decision the majority voted for and make the best of it regardless of how we thought the vote should have gone. Let's talk the country up not down Change is happening all around us, all the time, but so often we get focused on the short term - this week, this month, this season (if you're a football manager). That is partly to

do with whatever is in the newspapers or on the evening news. Sometimes its good to step back and take a longer view on life rather than on what is just around our own particular corner. God, I believe, can always make the best out of even our worst mistakes, which is why he is called 'Our Redeemer'. Look back and see how far you have already come despite all the 'doom laiden' predictions of yesteryear. And look forward to the adventure of life. As one English mystic once put it, "All will be well, and all will be well, and all manner of things will be well". So chin up, the sun will soon be out! As for this summer it's another packed season of activity at a church near you.

Rev Chris Harrington 01529 460904

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<u>COME AND ENJOY ...</u>

Historic Talk on Edward II at Heckington Church

Author Kathryn Warner is coming to St Andrew's Church to do a talk on King Edward II and his rebellious wife Isabella of France on Friday 8th July at 7pm. Richard de Potesgrave whose tomb is in the church was the chaplain to Edward II hence the connection with them both. It should be a very interesting night. Kathryn will also be signing her two recent books, Edward II: The unconventional king + Isabella of France: The Rebel Queen. Kathryn will be talking about Edward II, his spiritual life and his connection with Heckington. Tickets are £8 and include a buffet supper (01529 460272).

Strawberry Concert at Helpringham Church

St Andrew's Helpringham are holding their annual Strawberry Concert on Sat 9th July at 6pm. Tickets are £8 and include a cream tea, strawberry's and cream, strawberry cake, you name it and there's probably a strawberry in there somewhere! Live music by local musicians and singers. (01529 421395).

Pet Service at Asgarby Church

Once again we are holding our annual Pet Service at St Andrew's Asgarby on Sunday 10th July at 3pm. Come and bring your pets (No spiders or reptiles please) to be blessed by the Rector and you will receive a certificate. Tea will be served in the church afterwards.

Do visit the Church Tea Tent at Heckington Show 30/31 July

A special thank you to Andrew Key and Jan Palmer and their committee for helping to organise the Church Tea Tent this year and to all the many volunteers who helped to serve and wash up and all those who made the dozens and dozens of cakes. It is very much appreciated and good to back serving at the show.

Historical Talk on Nicola de la Haye at Swaton Church.

Nicola de la Haye, whose tomb is in Swaton church, was a most remarkable lady, defending Lincoln Castle from a French invasion in 1217 as Constable of the castle. Come and hear historian Nigel Burn tell her amazing story and how she ended up in Swaton church on Saturday 6th August at 7pm. Tickets are £10, which include a two course candle lit supper afterwards in church. To reserve a place (01529 421278 or 01529 421930)

<u>Walsingham by Car</u> – Monday 8th August

If you'd like to join several of us on a day pilgrimage to Walsingham in Norfolk you will be most welcome. Let Rev Chris know if you want to come (460904) who will book lunch at the shrine and a lift. The cost will be round £15 including lunch.

Rectory Garden Fete

Our annual garden fete with lots of games and stalls will be on Saturday 13th August from 2pm till 4pm. It is at the Rectory 10 Cameron Street, Heckington. Raffle & tombola prizes gratefully received at the Rectory.

Coach Trip to Ely Cathedral

If you would like to come on our day trip to Ely in Cambridgeshire to see the lovely cathedral or to do a bit of shopping, contact Jenny Charlesworth to book a seat on the coach (461167). Coach £12 + Cathedral £8. Picnic lunch or eat out. Lovely walks by the river next to cathedral.

JULY SERVICES IN THE HECKINGTON & HELPRINGHAM GROUP

<u>3rd JULY</u>

9.30am Great Hale (Holy Communion) Rev Chris &
10.30am Great Hale (Messy Church) Christine
11am Heckington (Holy Communion + Baptism) Rev Chris

10th JULY

9.30am Scredington (Holy Communion) Rev Chris
10am Great Hale (Messy Church) Christine
11am Helpringham (Holy Communion) Rev Chris
11am Heckington (Morning Praise) Ministry Team
11am Swaton (Morning Praise) Wendy
3pm Asgarby (Pet Service) Rev Chris

17th JULY

9.30am Burton Pedwardine (Morning Praise) Ministry Team
9.30am Howell (Holy Communion) Rev Chris
10am Great Hale (Messy Church) Christine
11am Heckington (Holy Communion) Rev Chris
6pm Great Hale (Evensong) Rev Chris

24th JULY

9.30am Swaton (Holy Communion) Rev Chris **11am** Helpringham (Morning Praise) John West **11am** Heckington (Holy Communion) Rev Chris **6pm** Scredington (Evening Praise) Rev Chris

31st JULY – Heckington Show Weekend

11am Heckington (Healing Service) Rev Chris



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