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## PEOPLE IN THE NEWS

- Happy Birthday to **James Fraser**, who turned **18** on January 22nd!
- Belated birthday greetings to **Henry Perks & Catherine Todd** (both **18**) & **Angus Perks (21)**
- Congratulations to **Kirsty Reid & Henry Perks** on passing their driving tests!

## LENT COURSE

There will be a Lent Course in Halam this year. It will be based on the well regarded York course and the theme will be "When I survey Christ's cross and ours". The first meeting is on Weds 4th Feb and the meetings will continue on the following 4 Weds (3, 10, 17 Feb, 4 Mar). The course will be held at the Scypen, Radley Road starting at 7:30pm. Again we are fortunate to have The Rev'd Russell Perry to lead us. All are welcome!

**Tony Andrews 815584**

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## PARISH COUNCIL NOTES — 14TH JANUARY 2010 AT 7.30PM IN THE VILLAGE HALL

**Present:** Simon Bust, Andrew Fraser, Glenys Herbert, Andrew Paris, Di Parrish & Marina Thompson **Apologies:** David Herbert

### Matters Arising:

- 1) Flooding on School Lane – Notts CC Highways will clean out the main storm drains and monitor the results
- 2) Water on the road at the top of Radley Road – being progressed with Jo Hawton from Highways

**Village Hall:** The three quotes were compared and it was decided to appoint the lowest priced – Beckett Builders – subject to a possible start date and timescale. There is still some outstanding work to be finished – Clerk to progress. It was unanimously agreed that the Clerk would be the project manager and that he would be the sole contact point with the builder. Separately, Marina Thompson to liaise with the Energy Savings Trust – visit to be arranged

**Games Night:** Need to know the building work timescale. Will be held straight after work is completed to celebrate the e-opening. Aiming for a Saturday night around the middle of April

**Bomber Memorial, School Lane:** Weather has delayed obtaining photographs for the insurance brokers. Andrew Paris to progress asap

### Open Meeting: Matters discussed:-

- 1) ice on roads and pavements – the Chairman has been talking to County Councillor Stewart about grit bins for Halam. The County Council have 5 for Cllr Stewart's area. Hopefully Halam will get one;
- 2) hedge at the bottom of Halam Hill – starting to obstruct the view when coming out of School Lane. Clerk to speak to householder;
- 3) Fallen trees obstructing footpath (Windmill Lane) – Clerk to contact Footpath Officer;
- and 4) Street lights not working in the village – **if a street lamp is out near your property, please report this on 08449 80 80 80**

### Correspondence:

Appointment of Parish Rep to Newark & Sherwood DC "Standards Committee" – volunteer(s) needed: will advertise on the parish notice board

### Planning:

1. Hill Farmhouse, Halam Hill: Conversion/alteration of barn to create 2 bedroomed dwelling, 1.8m high garden wall and associated parking/access (Listed Building Consent) – amended application – rejected on the same grounds as previously – i) loss of privacy to neighbouring properties, ii) problems with the shared access, and iii) over-intensification of the yard between the barn and the farmhouse  
2. Middlebeck Farm, Gray Lane: Demolition of existing dwelling and erection of replacement dwelling – approved unanimously

**Finance:** Many thanks to the Tea at Two club for their cheque as a contribution to the village hall

**Date of Next Meeting:** Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> February, 2010, at 7.30pm in the village hall

## FREE EVENTS TO HELP LOCAL PEOPLE GET BACK INTO WORK

A series of events offering advice and help to anyone currently unemployed or facing redundancy have been organised in Newark and Sherwood. The free events are open to anyone of any age looking for advice on employment, education, housing, health, business start-up help and benefit advice. The sessions have been organised by Newark and Sherwood District Council's economic development service with the support of West Nottinghamshire College.

Organisations attending the sessions will include West Nottinghamshire College, Newark College, Dukeries College, The NE Group, Family Employment Initiative, Ollerton and District Economic Forum, Newark and Sherwood District Council's economic development, housing benefits and housing options teams, Business Link, NHS Nottinghamshire County, Jobcentre Plus, Working Links, Guideline Career Services, Newark and Sherwood Volunteers Bureau, Nottinghamshire County Council Libraries, Nottinghamshire Training Network, Nottinghamshire Families Information Service and Enable. (Not all organisations will attend every event. Different organisations will be attending different sessions depending on the geography they cover).

Specialist advice on how to cope with the recession is also available from Newark and Sherwood District Council's

website [www.newark-sherwooddc.gov.uk/recession](http://www.newark-sherwooddc.gov.uk/recession)

**Tuesday February 9, 2010** - Bilsthorpe Miners Welfare, 1 The Crescent, Bilsthorpe, Newark, Notts, NG22 8QX

**Wednesday February 10, 2010** Newark Town Hall, Market Place, Newark, Notts, NG24 1DU

All sessions are 10am to 2pm

## CEDRIC HALLAM 1947 - 2010

Cedric Hallam lived in Halam since 1987 - at first using Holmhurst at weekends but on retiring in 1996 moved in permanently. Cedric's family was firmly rooted in Halam. His father was born in a house on Church Lane and his mother was born at Manor Farm. His parents were married in Halam and his father entered employment in a bank in Southwell and eventually moved to Pinner in North Middlesex where Cedric was born. He was youngest of three children. The family connection with Halam was maintained through holidays in Halam regularly staying in the family home on the Turnpike with Cedric's aunts. As a boy Cedric made friends with Halam children. These years for Cedric and his brother Denzil were very happy and it was because of this that Cedric decided finally to come and live here later in life.

Cedric attended Harrow Grammar school and showed his metal when he refused to join the school cadet force; he was firmly opposed to violence. He refused to join the School scout group, and joined the Methodist scout group instead. This independence of spirit marked him out all his life. He turned down his headmaster's advice to go to Oxbridge but instead decided to join a bank like his father. He was snapped up by the Merchant Bank Samuel Montague and Co where he worked for 4 years. He switched to the Banque Nationale de Paris where he had a meteoric rise to become, by the age of 34, Head of Currency trading for the bank world-wide. He continued in this role until his early retirement at the age of 48. His position at the Bank meant that he travelled all over the world and he used this to broaden his experience – for example when he attended conferences in Australia he took the opportunity to holiday in the Cook Islands.

Cedric was a committed Christian with two principal aims: encouraging young people (he was a scoutmaster in Harrow for 20 years); and encouraging cooperation between different Christian groups - especially being involved in the ecumenical movement in Middlesex.

In 1987 his beloved aunts had died and he bought their home with the purpose of living in it himself. On moving to Halam he immersed himself in village life and in the wider community in Southwell. He encouraged the setting up of 'Churches Together' in Southwell and became involved with Southwell Methodist and Catholic Churches and St Michael's church in Halam. He gave much of his spare time to this and was widely-known and respected for his work. He became treasurer at St Michael's in Halam and always gave well-considered and confident advice. He often played the piano at the Tea at Two club in Halam and was an organist at the Methodist church in Southwell. He lived frugally at Holmhurst – the house was unaltered except for introducing a computer point. He did not own a car but walked everywhere and was the quiet and unassuming friend of many. He loved travelling to Scotland in recent years and enjoyed the companionship of his loving friend Sandra who did so much to comfort him in the last few months of life.



I had been acquainted with Cedric since 1987 but I never really knew him; I worked with him on the Parochial Church Council, and in setting up the organ fund which he successfully steered to a triumphant conclusion; I valued him for his humility, self-effacement and quiet strengths - but only now do I fully recognise the magnitude of his moral bearing, vast wisdom and intelligence, quietly living amongst us.

"A Gentle guest, a willing host,  
Affection deeply-planted -  
It's strange that those we miss the most  
Are those we take for granted."

**David Herbert**



### ST MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL FEBRUARY 2010 SERVICES

<b>Feb 7th</b>	8:00 am Holy Communion	Revd Canon Tony Evans
<b>Feb 7th</b>	9:30am Morning Worship	Revd David McCoulough
This will be a 35min service celebrating Candlemas & Valentine's day, so wear something red and we will light lots of candles!!		
<b>Feb 14th</b>	11:00am Sung Eucharist & Baptism	Revd David McCoulough
<b>Feb 17th</b>	7:00pm Ash Wednesday Service @ St Giles Edingley	
<b>Feb 21st</b>	9:30am Family Communion	Revd David McCoulough
<b>Feb 28th</b>	11:00am Sung Eucharist	Revd David McCoulough

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**10: 40** Halam School  
**11: 00** Radley Rd (Post Office)  
**11: 15** Spindlewood Bungalow  
**5th & 19th February**

### HALAM & DISTRICT WOMENS INSTITUTE

**February 2nd** - Carol Layfield and Jenny Bradford will be giving an update on knitting with the latest design ideas

**March 2nd** - As we had to cancel the January meeting due to the weather, we are very fortunate that John Meredith is able to come along in March. Everyone (including men!) are very welcome to attend as we will be hearing about the fantastic trains in the Isle of Man, a place which seems so close to home but which has some amazing engineering feats. It should be a fun evening, with refreshments and nibbles provided by the ladies of the WI. Both meetings are in the Village Hall at 7:30pm

**Glenys Herbert (812335)**

