



# Halam News

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## Parish Pump

**Welcome back Dennis Fox!** Dennis has returned home after a long spell in hospital - we all wish him a speedy recovery!

**Welcome to David & Jenny Spencer** who have moved into Hollycott, Radley Road. We wish them every happiness in their new home!



## LAXTON CHARITY SHOW GYMKHANA & DOG SHOW SATURDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> JULY

Trade Stands; Carriage Driving; Birds of Prey; Terrier Racing; Tug o' War Competition; Bar & Refreshments

**A GREAT DAY OUT FOR ALL THE FAMILY!**

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## St Michael the Archangel: July Services

1 July 4 <sup>th</sup> of Trinity	8am Holy Communion: Rev. R Perry 9.30am: Family Communion: Rev. R Perry
8 July 5 <sup>th</sup> of Trinity	11am: Sung Eucharist: Canon Toy
15 July 6 <sup>th</sup> of Trinity	9.30am: Family Communion: Canon P Hill
22 July 7 <sup>th</sup> after Trinity	11am: Sung Eucharist: Rev. R Perry
29 July 8 <sup>th</sup> of Trinity	9.30am Joint service at St Giles' Edingley: Rev R Perry 6pm Cluster Evensong at St Michael's Halam: Rev M Tanner

For information contact Churchwardens: Bev Perks (Tel: 812181) David Herbert (Tel: 812335).



## Halam & District Women's Institute

The next meeting will be a barbecue on Tuesday 3 July at Ashdene, Radley Road at 7.30pm. We hope all will be well in spite of flooding! For information contact Glenys Herbert Tel: 01636 812335.

## RESTORING THE CHURCH ORGAN IN ST MICHAEL'S

Our project is gathering momentum and people are coming forward with pledges and ideas! Thank you all for your interest and support! Organ pipes may be sponsored, but there will be opportunities for those wishing to make smaller donations. Next month a meeting is scheduled with Paul Hale, the Minster Cathedral organist who is in charge of such matters in the diocese, who will advise us and help us to obtain several quotations. When we have these we will apply for a Heritage Lottery grant and begin fund-raising in earnest. If you have ideas please: **Contact: Karin Davis (815854)**



## Halam School News

During the course of last week we had a Healthy Living writing topic - good tasting etc - and ended it with a skipping workshop and performance. We also had some people in called Pete and Sue. Sue specialised in Long Sword and Pete taught us some playground games and songs. We also did some Folk Festival associated things. Halam School took part in the Southwell Festival float parade and managed to make the front page of the Newark Advertiser! The float was decorated in a Ghana theme because of Mrs Brown's links with Asaago District Primary School. Proceeds from The Annual Duck Race on Sunday 22 July organised by Southwell and District Lions Club will go to Asaago District Primary School this year. Upper Primary had a trip to Clumber Park where they studied sustainability and orienteering and Lower Primary went to Papplewick Pumping station and very much enjoyed their day.

Year 4 and 5 took part in world Music Day in the Minster and had a very enjoyable evening.

We had a Children's Ball held in School and organised by the PTA and everyone dressed up smartly.

Mrs Webster is retiring after 18 years in the school! We are all going to miss her.

**Emma Anderson & Evie Hoggard**

## Halam School Events

- **5 July: Key Stage 1 Concert** at 2pm in the School Hall.
- **12 July: Key Stage 2 Concerts** at 2pm and 6.30pm in the School Hall.
- **18 July: Sports Day and Summer Fair**: Everyone welcome!
- **20 July: Leavers' Service** in Halam Church at 9.15am.
- **Anyone wishing to contribute to Mrs Webster's Leaving gift** may send cash in a sealed envelope to the school office by Friday 6 July.

### What's On Locally

- **Great Annual Duck Race:** Charity event organised by Southwell & District Lions Club; starts at 11am on Sunday 22 July, upstream from the Mill on Station Road Southwell; Ducks cost 50p each.
- **Music in the Great Hall: Matthew Halls:** Harpsichord plays Bach: Goldberg Variations on Sunday 8 July at 8.00pm.

**CHRISTIAN AID** - Thank you to all involved in collecting and giving to this very worthy appeal - a total of £372.16 was raised by Halam Village. - **Bev Perks (Co-ordinator)**

**HALAM OPEN GARDENS** - Just over £800 was raised for St Michael's church organ fund, and the rain held off! - Thank you all those who opened their gardens and helped out on the day! - **David Herbert**

**CHURCH STUDY GROUP:** The next meeting of the Church Study Group will be on Tuesday 17th July at The Scypen, Radley Road, Halam, starting at 7.30pm. All are welcome. - **Tony Andrews**

### A Summer offering from David Herbert.....

I hear leaves drinking rain;  
I hear rich leaves on top  
Giving the poor beneath  
Drop after drop;  
'Tis a sweet noise to hear  
These green leaves drinking near.

And when the Sun comes out,  
After this rain shall stop,  
A wondrous light will fill  
Each dark, round drop;  
I hope the Sun shines bright;  
'Twill be a lovely sight.

W H Davies

### Parish Council Meeting: 14 June 2007

**Present:** S. Bust; A. Fraser; D. Herbert; G. Herbert; A. Paris; D. Parrish; M. Thompson.

**Village Hall:** The planning application has been passed by District Council. AF to gather required information for grant applications.; AF to contact WREN; MT to start initial work on village fund raising ideas.

**Parish Plan:** ARP circulated a draft version which was generally approved with some amendments. The budget for this leaflet is approx. £160 - there will be sponsorship opportunities (either corporate or individual). Anyone interested in sponsoring this leaflet should contact the Parish Council.

**Design Statement:** Draft letter and questionnaire circulated and generally approved. It will be circulated with the next Halam News and then collected by PWG and Parish Council representatives. The PWG was thanked for their input and work so far.

**Speed Watch:** It was agreed to write to County Council to request that the 30mph limit be extended towards the Edingley end of the village. There have been administration delays with the speed watch scheme, including the assessment for the second location (near the ford), as Melissa Pickance is currently on maternity leave.

Our Beat Officer is currently being trained to use a speed gun so that he can act as an official back up to the volunteer team. MT will bring the children's feedback from the school travel plan to the next meeting.

Temporary "duck signs" have been put up - situation to be monitored.

**Gray Lane:** Gray Lane is to be resurfaced in June. The slipped bank has been inspected and not deemed to be a problem for the bridge or the roadway.

**Hedges & Branches:** Could all residents please check that their hedges and trees are not obstructing pavements or public footpaths.

**Fund Raising from Recycling:** MT circulated information regarding recycling empty printer cartridges and old mobile phones, to raise money for the village; MT to research further as money raised could be put towards the village hall extension/refurbishment. A Halam Buy@ page to raise money through internet shopping will also be investigated.

**Open Meeting:** Matters raised: 1. Funding for the work on the village hall. 2. PWG information sheets - some residents complained that they hadn't received copies 3. Over-hanging trees obstructing interactive 30mph sign on Halam Hill. 4. School children being let out from parents' cars on the road side rather than the pavement side of the vehicle. 5. Neighbourhood Watch - recent problems caused by system problems and staff shortages at Worksop HQ should be alleviated over the coming weeks as a new computer is being installed and a new staff member has been recruited. 6. Role of the Parish Council in forming policies for the village. 7. Safe crossing point outside the school/pedestrian refuge.

**Correspondence:** 1. Maurice Hine - raising issues of "brown-field" site definition and the Government directive of a minimum housing density requirement of 30 dwellings per hectare. 2. New Councillor Training - Monday 2nd July at Southwell - ARP & MT to attend if possible. 3. Code of Conduct Training - Wednesday 27th June at Kelham Hall - ARP to attend.

**Planning Decision:** District Council have approved our application to extend the village hall

**Finance:** Agreed to pay; dog bin emptying and Parish Council insurance.

**Date of Next Meeting:** - Thursday July 12th at 7.30pm.

**Dog Owners Please Note:-** It has been reported that some people are scooping up and bagging their dogs' messes, but they are then dumping the bags on verges or in hedge bottoms - some have even been found hanging on the branches of trees! Please dispose of your bagged dog mess responsibly and considerately - we are paying for a dog bin - please us it!