

RUISHTON VILLAGE HALL NEWSLETTER

JULY / AUGUST 2015

VILLAGE HALL MONTHLY DRAW

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THE VILLAGE HALL will be running the **TIN STALL** on Village Day and will be coming round the village to collect tins (full) from you, we would appreciate it if the tins you donate are still in date. Thanking everyone who contributes, you can come and win them back on Village Day!!

The **July BINGO** will be on **Wednesday 8th**. Doors open at 7pm and its **EYES DOWN** at 7.30pm. The **SNOWBALL** is now £30. (Please note all participants must be over 16 years of age).

The **July WHIST DRIVE** is on **Wednesday 22nd**. Doors open at 7pm and play commences at 7.30pm. **There is no BINGO or WHIST in August.**

HEALTH WALKS There will be 2 walks in July on **Wed July 1st and August 5th at 10.30 am** from Creech Canal car park and on **Wed July 15th and August 19th at 10.30am** from the Village Hall car park. Walks are up to 1.5 hours in duration. Dogs are welcome but must be kept on leads. For more information please ring Andy Smith on 444815 or Pat Pike on 442609

Ruishton Village Day 18th July 2015 2pm We are still waiting for a few local organisations to let us know if they are coming this year, we need to **know now** as there are others from outside the village who want a store. We are desperate for helpers on the day, so if you can spare us a couple of hours am or/and pm or help with car parking 1 to 3pm let me know. We are still waiting on our special attraction which involves lots of volunteers. Even so there is lots to see and do, including a fancy dress competition, the theme for boys is 'Star Wars' and for girls is 'Frozen', with help from Hannah of Hairline who will be doing 'Frozen' hairstyles on her stall. Thanks to our sponsors Roy Bulgin and Paul Hawkins Oil and Gas Burner Services. J Elston 442568, Roy Bulgin 442147

Ruishton Companion Dog Show 18th July 2015 Entries from 1pm. Taunton and District Canine Association are all set, schedules are available to collect from myself, members or from Hannah at Hairlines, come and collect only. Forms available on day and entries from 1pm. Car space is limited hopefully some refreshments will be available from 1pm. Extra rosettes to be given in certain classes, our judge this year is Victoria Woods (PENBRO) Thanks to our sponsors: Hannah of Hairlines, Ruishton and Craig of Western Fuel Oils, Bridgwater. Diane Swales 01458 251614, J Elston 442568

The Flower Show 18th July

We'd like to see a record number of entries again this year and with over 100 classes to choose from its not just about flowers, fruit and vegetables there are plenty of new classes for handicrafts, baking, photography, flower arranging plus wine & drinks. And don't forget that the Hanging Basket Competition will be judged in situ, on Sunday 12th July. The Scarecrow Competition, (Theme – Scarecrow Wedding) will also start on Sunday 12th July and this year for the first time ever they will be on display until Friday 17th July as a Trail for you to follow and to give you the opportunity to vote for your favourite. Maps will be pinned around the village showing the location of each scarecrow. Judging slips will be on a loose insert in each flower show schedule, one vote per household. So hang up your baskets and dress up your scarecrow, we want your entries! Schedules have been delivered to each household, extra copies are available free from Henlade Post Office, or you can access the classes and entry forms on the village website ruishton.org.uk Would last year's cup winners please return cups (polished please) to any committee member by Sunday 5th July. Lilian Marshall (Secretary) 442294

The Bowls Club have their annual outing on Sept 3rd to Buckfastleigh Abbey. A return Steam Train journey to Totnes, and an evening meal, all for £38, we have a few extra seats left if you would like to join us, for more information Tel Mavis 442427 or Derek 442876.

For all bookings and enquiries regarding the Village Hall, please contact Chris on 07958574905

ALL ITEMS FOR THE September 2015 newsletter should be delivered to the Editor, Liz Harper, Marl Bank, Bushy Cross Lane, Ruishton (443369) NO LATER THAN Saturday 15th August 2015, or e-mail ruishton_magazine@hotmail.com

LADIES COFFEE CLUB We meet this month on **Monday 13th July at 2.30pm** at Rosemary's house. And on August 10th at Janet's house.
Sally McEwen 442733.

RATS (Ruishton Artists in TexStyles) We are a group of craft enthusiasts who work with fabric and thread. We are now meeting on the **3rd Mon of each month 10.00a.m. - 3.00p.m.** in the VH committee room. For more information about our regular meetings ring Rosemary (442039).

TAUNTON & DISTRICT FRIENDSHIP CLUB We are a club offering a wide range of social activities for the over 50s. Next meeting **Thursday 16th July.** (No meeting in August) For further information contact Sally (442733).

RUISHTON BOOK CLUB We meet on the second **Wednesday of each month from 3.30 - 5 pm** at each other's houses and talk about a book we have all read. The next book club meetings are 8 July and 12 August at 3.30. Our next book is a No 1 Ladies Detective Agency novel by Alexander McCall Smith - some light holiday reading! please call Viv Streeter on 01823 443103.

Taunton Amateur Country Winemakers Circle meet in the committee room at the Village Hall on the 2nd Tuesday . For further information please contact Peter on 251110 or Jean on 256265)

RUISHTON CARPET BOWLS CLUB NEW MEMBERS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME.

Our next meetings after the summer break will be from Tuesday 1st Sept 7-9pm, and Friday 3rd Sept 2-4pm. The Club will be at the **RUISHTON VILLAGE DAY** on Saturday 18th July, where we will be holding our popular Bottle Stall Draw in the Big Red Gazebo, with a good selection of bottles that have been kindly donated by all our members, with the proceeds going towards Club funds, and a donation to Village Day.

THE RUISHTON INN Tel:442285



New Charcoal Grill Menu

8oz Mature Rump £13.00

8oz Rib Eye £15.50

8oz Sirloin £14

Surf & turf-(4oz Rump and Scampi) £11.50

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Creech St Michael gardening club

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19th August Visit to Midney Manor

Meet 5.45p.m. Further Information from
Terry (442661) or Paul (01823-443757)

The Policing team that cover the Ruishton area are as follows:

PS 2631 - Huw Jenkins – 07889 657890

PC 1146 - Maria Jennings – 07889 658000

PCSO 8784 - Lynsey Gamblin – 07889 655212

PCSO 9981 – Steve Chapman – 07889 655196

If it is an emergency and you need an immediate response please telephone 999. If you wish to report a crime or for any non emergency calls please telephone 101. Please do not report crimes on officers' mobile phones.

RUISHTON GUIDING

If you wish to put your daughter's name on any of the waiting lists please contact: Guides Cath Ellis (442398), Brownies Cathy Jones (443160), Rainbows Cath Ellis (442398)

Taunton Mobile Library calls at Dinhams Farm Corner once every 4 weeks from **9.15 to 9.30.** Next visit **Wednesday July 15th & Aug 12th.** The next visit at Ivy House is on Friday **10h July from 2.55 to 3.10 & Aug 7th**





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The time has arrived when **In Stitches @ St Georges** must reveal the fruits of their labours. Yarn Bombing has arrived in Ruishton. For two weeks from July 18th St George's Church, Ruishton will be adorned as never before. Our work will be judged against other Yarn Bombing groups in Taunton .Please come and view it.

Cream Teas will be served in the Church Meeting Room on Sunday 19th and Sunday 26th July 2.30 – 4pm.

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RUISHTON AND THORNFALCON PARISH COUNCIL

CASUAL VACANCIES

Ruishton & Thornfalcon Parish had only eight candidates for the twelve seats for the elections held in May 2015. . So the Council is now required to fill the four vacancies by co-option.

The present Councillors are Doug Lowe, Mike Marshall, Bridget Dickinson, Ray Hancock, Roy Bulgin, Mel Mullions, George Anderson and Elizabeth Harper

So could you help keep Ruishton & Thornfalcon a vibrant, good place to live by becoming a Parish Councillor. You could be in at the 'grass roots' level of Local Government and be involved in making things happen or getting things sorted! You could get local views about local issues brought to the attention of the powers that be.

Being a councillor you would attend meetings and generally keep up to date with things or you could be more active and take on a responsibility in an area that interests you. This would only take a few hours each month

Any person interested in becoming a Parish Councillor should contact the Heather Bryant by phone 01460 234770 or e-mail ruishtonpc@gmail.com for more information. Or speak to a present Councillor.

NEW COUNCIL TERM MAY 2015

Cllr Lowe was elected as Chairman and Cllr Mike Marshall was elected as Vice Chairman

The following Cllrs/persons were appointed to specific areas of responsibility

FOOTPATHS	Cllr Hancock	HIGHWAYS	Cllrs Bulgin, Lowe & the Clerk
RECREATIONAL FIELD	Cllrs Bulgin & Hancock	SAFETY ISSUES:	Cllr Mullins
POLICE CONTACT	Cllr Marshall & the Clerk	PRESS:	Cllrs Lowe & Marshall
HENLADE	Cllr Anderdon	THORNFALCON:	Mr Richard House
RIVERBANK	Cllr Lowe	LOCAL STRUCTURE PLAN:	Cllr Marshall & Bulgin
VILLAGE HALL REP	Cllr Harper	FLOOD COMMITTEE REP:	Cllr Hancock
TREE WARDEN	Cllr Harper		

COUNCIL MEETING 3RD JUNE -PRESENTATION FROM REPRESENTIVES OF ENVIRONMENT AGENCY, SOMERSET COUNTY COUNCIL, TAUNTON DEANE BOUROUGH COUNCIL

Virginie Ba of the Environment Agency gave an insight as to how the flood maps are created and how they are used. She displayed flood maps of Ruishton and Henlade on a screen. She stated that Planning will consider the maps with no flood defences in place even if there were flood defences installed. If anyone wants to challenge the flood maps they should contact the Environment Agency and provide photo evidence.

Steve Webster, SCC Flood & Water Management Officer stated that they would only get involved for proposals of 10 or more houses and would consider the drainage aspect of an application such as surface run-off. However SCC is also undertaking drainage report responsibilities from TDBC for housing sites of less than 10 units

Geoff Mackett, SCC, Emergency Planner reported that he is involved with helping residents cope in areas know to flood.

The Chairman thanked Virginie Ba, Steve Webster and Geoff Mackett for a very interesting and informative presentation which will be a great help for the Council in the future when considering planning applications and major proposals like the 25 hectares of employment land.

BOGUS RSPCA OFFICIALS IN THE AREA

District Councillor Kelly Durdan reported at the 3.6.15 meeting that bogus RSPCA persons are operating around the area. They are identifying properties with chalk on pavements and then will come back and steal people's pets. So please be on your guard.

DATE OF THE SCHEDULED MEETINGS FOR 2015/16

1.7.15.	5.8.14	2.9.15	7.10.15	4.11.15	2.12.15
6.1.16	5.2.16	5.3.16	2.4.15	7.5.16	

Council Meetings commence at 7.30pm (unless otherwise stated) and are held in Ruishton Village Hall. There is an opportunity at 7.30pm for the public to make comments or ask questions.

A full set of minutes can be seen our website at www.ruishton.org.uk.com

Parish Clerk: Mrs Heather Bryant, Northay House, Northay, Chard. TA20 3DN. Tel: 01460 234770. Email: ruishtonpc@gmail.com

RUISHTON & THORNFALCON Parish Council

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YOU could be in at the 'grass roots' level of Local Government and be involved in making things happen or getting things sorted!

YOU could get local views about local issues brought to the attention of the powers that be.

You only need to be able to give up one evening a month to attend Parish Council meetings, and in return you will receive the satisfaction of knowing that you are helping your local community.

Candidates must be at least 18 years of age and a British subject or a citizen of the Commonwealth or European Union and must satisfy at least one of the following:

- be a local government elector for the Parish of Ruishton & Thornfalcon;
- have, during the whole of the previous 12 months, occupied land or other property in the parish, either as owner or tenant
- have, during the whole of the previous 12 months, had your principal or only place of work in the parish;
- have resided in the parish during the whole of the previous 12 months

The Parish Council normally meets on the first Wednesday of the month at 7.30pm.

Any person interested in becoming a Parish Councillor should contact the Parish Clerk, Heather Bryant by phone 01460 234770 or e-mail ruishtonpc@gmail.com for more information. Or speak to a present Councillor.

33rd Annual Ruishton Village Day

FLOWER SHOW

Saturday 18th July
2015



Ruishton Village
Hall

New Handicraft Classes! See schedule

Wedding Scarecrows

✦ **You Vote Winner!**

See Schedule for how to enter.

Hanging Baskets

Sunday 12th July for Judging!

Entries must be visible from the road
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Art & Artists theme for floral class...

Senior citizens class -

'A Fairy garden in a flower pot'



Ruishton Bake Off...

New free formed bread classes



Childrens Classes...



NEW! Decorate a Welly boot, Loom Bands, Junior and Senior Lego Building classes, make a textile handicraft, design a computer generated poster, make a wooden spoon person, decorate cupcakes and much more!!!!



Free Flower show schedules with entry forms inside have been put through your door...you can also pick one up at Henlade Post Office or go online at ruishton.org.uk. We need your help to make this a record year for entries so happy growing, baking and making...Good Luck!!!!

Village Day Attractions

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