

# RUISHTON VILLAGE HALL NEWSLETTER

## MAY 2016

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The May BINGO will be on **Wednesday 11th**. Doors open at 7pm and its **EYES DOWN** at 7.30pm. The **SNOWBALL** is now £45. (Please note all participants must be over 16 years of age).

The May WHIST DRIVE is on **May 25th**. Doors open at 7pm and play commences at 7.30pm.

The May Health Walks. These will be on **Weds 4th** at 10.30 from Creech Canal car park, and one on **Weds 18th** from Ruishton 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 Pat Pike on 442609 or Andy Smith on 444815 .

**JUMBLE SALE and AUCTION** On Saturday May 7th at 12 noon. Let us have your unwanted goods, If you need jumble collected please contact Liz on 443369 or Norma 442040. Or bring to hall at 7.30 pm on the Friday evening May 6th, or on the Saturday morning before 10.30am.

**Tap Dancing** in the Village Hall on Mondays 8pm to 9pm. Adult beginners. Learn the basics of Tap Dancing whilst having fun and exercising. Phone Julie on 07977272681 or just turn up!

**Ruishton Carpet Bowls Club** We meet at Ruishton Village Hall to play Carpet Bowls on Tuesday Evenings 7pm - 9pm or Friday Afternoons 2pm - 4pm 29 Members attended our annual Mixed Doubles Competition, a very enjoyable afternoon was had by all, with some very close scoring matches. Congratulations go out to our **Winners: Pat Gosling, & Fred Straughan, & Runners Up: Margaret Lock, & Ron Mills.**

All Competition Trophies were presented at our Club A.G.M. on 19th April 2016 For further information Phone Mavis Skeggs 01823 442427 (Treasurer) or Derek Garrett 01823 442876 (Chairman)

**Ruishton Produce Market.** Gary the Butcher and Rob the Fishmonger will be making a return this month along with all our other stall holders, also Helen our Florist is back with her fantastic display's of colour. Don't forget our next market is on **Saturday 30th April** and the following one will be on **Saturday 28th May at 10am.**

### **THE SUMMER WILL SOON BE HERE AND SO WILL THE FLOWER SHOW! RUISHTON FLOWER SHOW**

**16<sup>th</sup> JULY 2016** The Flower Show Schedules will soon be available, and as well the old favourites this year we have once again added new classes. New to the Cookery section is the Cherry cake complete with recipe, while in the Handicraft Section we have changed Tie dyed Tee shirt to any Tie dyed fabric, plus the new subjects for photography are "Pampered Pets" and "A travel/holiday experience". The classes in the Floral Art section this year are based on "Fairy Tales". In the Children's Section the subject for the Lego class is "Rio Olympics". Due to popular demand an additional class of "Any other Liqueur" has been added to run alongside the existing "Fruit Liqueur" and "Sloe Gin" classes. Following last year's success we will again be having Scarecrow Trail around the Parish and once more you will be able to pick the winner! This year's Scarecrow theme is "Fairy Tales"! And of course we are running the Hanging Basket competition (judging on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> July).

Mike Marshall (Chairman) 01823 442294

**Ruishton Village Day** committee and the **Village Hall** committee are saddened to hear of the passing of Ray Challis on 25th March. For over 30 years Ray has been involved in Village Day and was a pioneer in the Village Hall extension being built, he also delivered newsletters for many years until very recently. He will be missed by all who knew him.

John Elston, Liz Harper

**Ruishton Village Day 16th July 2016** Mid May we will be contacting last year's stall holders to see if they require a stall this year. If we miss you give us a ring. If you have any ideas for field attractions let me know, a contact is all we require. Special thanks to our sponsors Roy Bulgin, Ruishton and The Carpet Shed, Ilminster.

Roy Bulgin 442147, John Elston 442568

See page 3 for news on the **Village Day Dog Show.** And page 6 for "**How to celebrate the Queen's official birthday**".

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

**ALL ITEMS FOR THE MAY 2016 newsletter should be delivered to the Editor, Liz Harper, Marl Bank, Bushy Cross Lane, Ruishton (443369) NO LATER THAN Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> May 2016, or e-mail ruishton\_magazine@hotmail.com**

**LADIES COFFEE CLUB** We meet this month on **Monday 9th May at 2.30pm** at Val (N)'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, so why not come along and try us out at our next meeting from 2-4 on **Thursday 19th May**. For more information contact Sally (442733).

**RUISHTON BOOK CLUB** We were gripped reading Moriarty by Antony Horowitz and none of us could foresee the ending, so it was a good choice of detective novel for our discussion. Next month we have chosen to read 'The Colour' by Rose Remain which is set in New Zealand. Please phone Viv Streeter (01823 443103) if you would like a copy of the book and to join us on **11 May at 10.30**.

**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 Coffee Stop** meets every Tuesdays between 9.45 and 11.15 in the Church meeting room, come along and join us for 10 minutes or 90 minutes all are welcome. Phone Liz 443369 if you want more details.

**THE RUISHTON INN** Tel:442285

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**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 Dinham's Farm Corner once every 4 weeks next visit **27th April and Wednesday May 25th** from **9.35 to 9.45**.



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**Ruishton Companion Dog show 16th July** Taunton and District Canine Association are in the process of organising the running of our dog show this year. Our judge will be Jenny Sweet (JENTERISE). Dog show schedules are available to collect but also available on the day. Special thanks to our sponsors Hannah's Hairlines Salon Ruishton and Craig of Western Fuel Oils Bridgewater.

J Elston 442568, Diane Swales 01458251614

**CARDS** would like to thank everyone who helped with the pantomime and to all those who came.

**WILDLIFE** Sightings of foxes in Ruishton village and reports of mink eating fish from a pond, so watch out for small pets and chicken.

**In stitches @ St George's** will next meet from 10 – 12 am on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> May, in the Ruishton Church meeting room. If you enjoy knitting and crotchet or would like to learn how, then we would love to see you..  
Muriel Coles 443019

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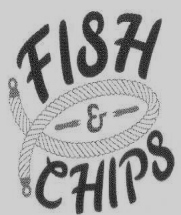
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## RUISHTON AND THORNFALCON PARISH COUNCIL

### CASUAL VACANCIES

Tony Parsons has resigned from the Council as he is moving for a new life in Spain. The Parish Council wish him all the best for the future. This has resulted in a vacancy on the Council. 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.

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

### NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

The Parish Council has appointed Cllr Lowe, Cllr Marshall, Cllr Bulgin and Jim Claydon to serve on the Steering Committee. The Parish Council has sent a letter to all the village organisations to ask if their committee would nominate a representative to serve on the Steering Committee. However, there is still a requirement for further resident volunteers. The Council would like to ask if you would be willing to be a member of a Steering Committee – we do need a number of residents to put themselves forward to share the workload. For more information about Neighbourhood Planning for Ruishton & Thornfalcon, please look on the website at the address below. If you are interested in helping, please contact the Clerk on the email address/ phone no. below. An update of the Neighbourhood Plan will be a standard item on future Council agendas.

### **TAUNTON PRIORSWOOD RECYCLING CENTRE**

Important - Cash Free Trial

From 3<sup>rd</sup> May Taunton Priorswood Recycling Centre will only accept card payments (No cash or cheques). This includes payments for disposal of hardcore, soil, tyres, gas bottles, vehicle parts, commercial waste and to purchase Revive compost. Excludes purchases made from the reuse shop. Asbestos and plasterboard disposal should be pre-paid at [www.somersetwaste.gov.uk](http://www.somersetwaste.gov.uk) No new charges are being introduced with this trial. To check prices see the web site above or contact staff on arrival.

Cards accepted: Visa and Mastercard credit and debit; Visa Electron; Diners Club.

Taunton Recycling Centre is open 8am – 7pm - 7 days of the week

### **DATE OF THE SCHEDULED MEETINGS FOR 2016**

4.5.16	1.6.16	6.7.16	3.8.16	7.9.16	5.10.16	2.11.16
7.12.16						

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](http://www.ruishton.org.uk.com).

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

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**FOOTPATHS** Walkers are asked to keep to footpaths when crossing farmers fields. At this time of year many fields have been resown or are left for hay and if people wander all over the field then this can destroy the plant growth. If you are unsure of where you may walk then the maps of the footpaths are placed inside the Parish Council notice boards for all to see.

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A parishioner has written to the Newsletter with a big 'Thank You' to Audrey Mansfield the Village Agent. They say " Audrey is a kind and considerate lady aware of the needs of elderly and people alone in the village. She is doing a sterling job". If you need help then give Audrey a ring on 07870 577925.



**TO CELEBRATE THE QUEEN'S 90TH BIRTHDAY**

**Ruishton Village Hall Committee**

**Invite you to join them for a cream tea on**

**Saturday June 11th at 4pm**

**In Ruishton Village Hall.**

**Tickets will be £2.50 per person and can be purchased from Liz Harper (443369) or Norma Hemburrow (442040), they will also be on sale at The Ruishton Produce Markets on April 30th and May 28th and the Church Fete in the Vicarage Gardens on June 4th.**

**A display of Royal memorabilia will be on display.**

**Competitions will be held**

- 1. For primary school children to decorate a bunting triangle, and let us have in advance (will be used to decorate the hall).**
- 2. A decorated cake (brought on day)**

**More details next month**

**We hope to see you there**