

Parish Council

NEWSLETTER

The Recreation Ground

The major part of the improvement work on the Recreation Ground is now complete, the ball play area and its base have been removed as well as the base of the old playground. The new paths around the recreation ground are now finished and the new ball play is installed. There is still work planned, to complete the refurbishing of the kiddies' play area, and the planting of additional shrub beds and trees in November/December.

We hope everyone is enjoying the new facilities. If you have any comments about the new look please contact the parish Clerk or any Councillor (contact details on the back)

Something To Make You Proud Of Living In Our Village!

Three different contractors who worked on the Recreation Ground project took the trouble to tell us how pleasantly surprised they were that none of their equipment was tampered with, the site where they stored all their equipment was **not** vandalised at any stage during the eight weeks they were here. They said their experience all over the country is almost always to have this sort of trouble repeatedly when doing a job of this kind.

This is a great compliment to the Village and particularly to the young people. Our young community obviously care about where they live, a huge pat on the back for them.

The Subway Painting Project

The Youth Club led community project funded by 'Arts on our Doorstep' was carried out in August. Over 150 villagers, 80 of them youngsters, contributed over 1000 hours of work in cleaning, preparation and painting the Subway. The **Mayor** opened the newly painted subway on 2nd September with the local MP Jeremy Wright also present. The event was a great success and over 100 villagers and children were there to see the opening of the fantastically painted subway.

The subway now looks spectacular and the whole village can be truly proud of what has been achieved.

You can view pictures of the whole project on the blog:

<http://rytonproject.wordpress.com>

Youth Club wins County Award

The Ryton Youth Club has won the **Warwickshire Youth Club of the Year Award**. This was awarded in recognition of over three years of successful operation and also the success of the Youth Club led subway painting project. Congratulations to everyone who has been involved over the years.

But we are still short of Volunteers. We only ask Volunteers to supervise at one evening each month and if you would prefer to just help at one of the two sessions (Juniors 6.15 to 7.30pm, Seniors 7.45 to 9.15pm) that's fine too. Please contact Geoff Marsh at 99 High Street, 76304295 or all@marshes.plus.com. If you think you could help.

Parish Burial Ground

We are in the process of tailoring the planning permission to allow the use of the field between the Church and the Vicarage as a Village Burial Ground. This process is intended to ensure that we agree the terms of sale with the vendors, Warwickshire County Council. It is expected that the sale will be completed early in 2012.

Community Mini Bus.

The Community Mini Bus is available for use by anyone in the village. It will seat 12 people and the driver does not need a special licence to drive it. There is a small mileage charge. To make your booking or discuss your requirements contact Mrs. Ann Garrett 024 76302695.

Volunteer Drivers Needed to help some of the less able villagers to get out for shopping or to attend appointments. If you can spare a couple of hours each month please contact Mrs Ann Garrett 024 76302695

200 Club Lottery.

This is a fundraising project to help raise funds to keep the running costs of the mini bus as low as possible. The cost is £1 per week and prize payouts over the years have been in excess of £7,000.00! The draw is made every 2nd Friday in the month at the Malt Shovel . Places are limited but if there are no spaces to fill a waiting list is in operation. Please contact Roger Mitchell 024 76302859 or Ann Garrett 024 76302695.

Village Carol Singing

The usual singing of carols around the Village will take place on **Monday the 19th December**. Meet either at **School at 5.00pm** -to sing around Handleys Close, St Leonard's Walk, Sodens Avenue, Bagshaw Close, Fetherston Crescent and High Street or by the **Church gates, at 6.45pm** - to go down Church Road, High Street, Holly Drive, Cedar Avenue, Poplar Grove, Lea Walk and Leamington Road.

It's always a fun evening with refreshments to look forward to! Money raised goes to Action Medical Research. Last year almost £400 was raised! The Action Research Committee thank you very much for your support.

Do join us if you can. (Contact Ba Marsh 76304295)

Carol Singing at Blooms

We have been invited to sing carols at Blooms Garden Centre to raise money for St Leonard's Church on **Saturday 17th December**. We are meeting at 1.15 to sing between 1.30 and 3.30. All welcome to join in! Do come along if you can.

Litter Picks

To keep our village looking good the parish council have organised regular litter picks. If you can spare some time to join in, have a bit of fun and do a great job, meet at the Village Hall at 10am on any or all of the dates below. Children under the age of 15 must be accompanied by an adult. All necessary equipment will be provided:

November 26th 2011

January 14th 2012

March 10th 2012

Thank you

Appearance of the Village

The parish council employs a part time handyman who works in conjunction with parish councillors to maintain the appearance of Ryton's parish property. He will carry out general repairs and litter pick. Councillors themselves also arrange and take part in litter picking activities. We would like to ask people of all ages in the village to help improve our environment by removing litter where ever they see it and place it in the nearest bins.

It would also be greatly appreciated, where practical, if residents with council owned grass verges close to their homes would mow these areas whilst cutting their own lawns. This would help greatly the volunteers, allowing them to concentrate on more difficult areas. Thank You.

All Dog Owners.

Despite a request in the last letter for dog owners to "pick up the poop", the problem is as bad, if not worse than ever! Dog poop is horrible stuff and potentially very dangerous to young children. It is irresponsible and unfair to expect others to put up with or clear up dog mess.

Please, please carry poop bags with you when out with your dog, it only takes a second or two to clear it up. Thank You.

VILLAGE HALL

Dear Residents

I write to you with the hope that we can get further bookings for our Village Hall, all of us who are on the committee are fully dedicated to making your Village Hall a great success. To make this happen we need all the Villagers to hire this fantastic facility, I have listed all our rates for all to see with no hidden extras and non residents are also welcome to hire your Village Hall regardless what the occasion will be.

Village Hall booking fees from September 2011

Village Residents

Large room and the use of kitchen **£9.00 per hour**

Small rooms and the use of kitchen **£6.50 per hour**

Non Village Residents

Large room and the use of kitchen **£10.00 per hour**

Small rooms and the use of kitchen **£7.00 per hour**

Children's Parties

£25.00, to include: 30 mins to set up, 2 hours for party, 30 mins to clean, use of kitchen

Business rate £130.00 per day including use of the kitchen. Use of wireless internet and projector **£25.00**

For further booking information please contact the Clerk or visit:

<http://www.localendar.com/public/RytonOnDunsmore>

Future Events, Posters to Follow Closer the Time

19th Nov 2011 Race night 7:30 for 8pm start with a £1:00 entry fee on the door.

24th Nov 2011, Bingo night 7:30pm for 8pm start with coffee, tea & biscuits at 50p a cup.

3rd December 2011, coffee morning 10 until 12 noon.

17th December 2011, Christmas Fayre and the switching on of the Village Christmas Lights. Hog Roast in the car park hosted by John the Butcher. Soup, mulled wine and lots more.

21st January 2012. Rummage Sale, the committee will be holding a rummage sale where we will have good bargains to be had.

Please, Please, Please support your Village Hall, we cannot run the hall without the support of the village and it is a fantastic venue to hold any party. The committee feels that what we offer is great value for money; the prices that you see are set in stone for the near future. Thank you for taking the time to read this letter and I look forward to hearing from you with any questions that you have.

(Chairman) David Sage

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Village Hall Regular Events

"Evergreens" Over 50's Club. 1st and 3rd Tuesday of the month.
1.45-3.45pm. Contact Anne Hendrie 024 7630 1531.

Ladies Guild. 1st Thursday of the month. 7.45pm.
Contact June Backholler 024 76302353.

Indoor Bowls. Every Monday evening. 8.00-9.45pm.
Contact Les Trolley 024 76304283.

Rambling Group. 4th Wednesday of the month. Meet at 11am at the
Blacksmiths Arms car park.

Line Dancing. 3rd and 4th Tuesday of the month. 7.30pm.
Contact Georgina and Graham 024 76301770.

Church Christmas Coffee Morning

Saturday 26th November – Village Hall : 10 – 12noon

Ryton's History Group - Heritage Weekend

Ryton on Dunsmore History Group would like to thank everyone involved in the English Heritage Weekend held at St Leonard's Church. There was a great deal of enthusiasm and commitment dedicated to the project. Who says there is no community spirit? It was a wonderful achievement and everyone enjoyed themselves, people came from far and wide and it showed a sense of pride of our village. Steve Garrett has and is working very hard to gather information on the history of Ryton, he puts a huge amount of hours into his project and is uncovering new history information all the time. Please support him and let's keep the history of Ryton going so we can show our children's grand kids how important Ryton was back in the old days.

For more information. Contact:
Steve Garrett 02476 639228.

War Memorial.

The Parish Council have now obtained a number of quotations for the refurbishment of the memorial in its current location and are looking at the best way forward. The next step is to apply for a grant to cover the cost of the work.

Parish Plan

There has been significant progress on the Parish Plan questionnaire and it will be printed and available for circulation by the end of November. With Christmas fast approaching, the Parish Plan team have decided that because it is such a busy time, it would be best if its distribution to all households be delayed until January next year. When you do receive it please give it your full attention and complete and return it. Doing this will help determine the future of the village. Thank you, the Parish Plan Team.

Speeding on Leamington Road

Residents have long been aware of the problems and potential dangers caused by speeding vehicles on the stretch of the Leamington Road within the village. The Parish Council have therefore carried out a survey using equipment loaned by the Warwickshire County Council under the "Speed Awareness Scheme". The results indicated that there was a high proportion of vehicles exceeding the speed limit by an amount that would normally bring about prosecution if detected by the police.

The Warwickshire Constabulary have been made aware our findings which has resulted in regular ongoing official speed checks being carried out in which our PCSO Tom Mcsheffrey has been actively involved. We have been informed that fines have been issued. We would ask you to be aware of these speed checks and let your family and visiting friends know too.

CCTV In Our Village

Some adjustments have been carried out to the recently installed CCTV Camera system in various areas of the village including the installation of an additional camera. We now have effective coverage of all traffic movements from both ends of High Street including number plate recognition. We would like to reassure residents that the cameras do not look into any property in the village whatsoever but are there to cover various points in and out of our village should crime happen.

For further information, please speak to Cllr David Sage.

Policing Our Village

Cllr David Sage is in talks with senior Police Officers who look after the rural Policing for Warwickshire. He has already held a meeting with our MP Jeremy Wright in relation to his proposals.

We are proposing that we use the **Warwickshire Special Constabulary** that have full Police powers but are part time Police. By having some dedicated Special Constable in our village it will help reduce crime and make our village a safer place to live. **Could you consider yourself as a Special Constable**, if you are interested in joining the Warwickshire Special Constabulary and help Police our village then please get in contact with Cllr Sage.

MP and Councillors' Surgery

Your MP, Borough and Parish Councillors will be holding a Surgery session and Coffee morning on December 10th between 10:30am and 1:00pm. We are also hoping that the PCSO (police) will be attending. All are welcome.

Ryton Parish Council

Next meeting December 7th in the Village hall at 7.00pm

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