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NORTON PARISH COUNCIL

Incorporating the villages of Campsall, Norton and Sutton

- Events, News, People and places around the three villages...and beyond -



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Not played football for a while?

Really miss not playing?

This could be the answer....



BULLCROFT WALKING FOOTBALL CLUB

Walking Football is a great way of increasing your fitness level and meeting new people. Open to all skill levels and for those who haven't kicked a ball in years.

Walking football is football without the running, jogging and physical contact. The game is generally played by the 50 and over age range. Lasting for 60 minutes in a set of 10 minute games in a sports hall. The only equipment you'll need are indoor shoes.

Bullcroft Walking Football is held each Tuesday at 11:00 at the sports hall in Bullcroft Memorial Centre, Carcroft. £2 per session.

And if that isn't enough for you, once a month we also play in a larger sports hall such as Campsmount or Adwick for an hour on a different day.

No invite required, just come along and enjoy an hour of fitness and fun!





Look after yourself!

Norton Walks

Hello again!

When will the rain stop?

Our walk leaders have had to be very vigilant when doing their prewalks this winter. They plan the location of the walks then undertake the walk to access any issues that could be a danger to our group of walkers.

This winter we have found many water holding areas, one of the main worries has been muddy terrain that could cause slipping. The walk leaders have to make the ultimate decision to either re-route or on occasions this winter, to abandon the walk. We are very lucky that we have some very able walkers in our group.

The success of Norton Health walks is down to commitment and team work. Although we cannot foresee every hidden danger we do our best to minimise them.

Do come and join us......details of the next walk? – just call me!

Johnny Atkins 01302 700892



Fitness and Fun Group



The Fitness and Fun group is aimed at the over-50s and takes account of different levels of fitness so you can go at your own pace. Each session consists of an hour of stretching and moving to music led by professional instructor,

JULIA MARSHALL

It increases your fitness and it's good fun amongst friendly and good - humoured people!

We meet once a week on TUESDAY mornings from 9.30am to 10.30am at NORTON COMMUNITY HALL

Just £3 a session - Come and join us!



Norton Parish Council is pleased to announce that we shall again be funding



CHILDREN'S MULTISPORTS

..... during the school holiday period in the summer. The multisport provision is led by a group of professionals and incorporates all kinds of ball games, small apparatus activities and sporting games aimed at children in the 7years to 12years age-range. Further details will be available through Norton Junior School



Coming Soon...

A set of brand new modern play equipment like this, aimed at the younger age-group is to be installed in Campsall **Country Park**

All the equipment is manufactured by HAGS - a much-respected company that has been approved for its clever designs that combine safety with adventure. The base work has already been done (see page 7) and the new build will be completed by early summer.



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Norton Chat 'n' Do COMMUNITY GROUP



What the Butler saw!

This is Chris Cade in role the butler Brodsworth Hall in the 1800s. Chris entertained with everyone his stories of happenings 'below stairs' and with the Master and Mistress of the house.

He talked about the many chores to be carried out by the overworked staff, but they did have a roof over their heads and £4 a year in wages!

Just one of the activities and events that make up our programme for the group. There are, amongst other things, quizzes, games, storytellers, painting and making, sharing home baking, day visits to places of interest.

Coming up soon – visits to Lotherton Hall & Gardens and a summer trip to Cleethorpes – sea, sand and the best fish and chips around!

Every WEDNESDAY morning from 10.00am to Midday at NORTON COMMUNITY HALL. Coma along – there's room for you!

Coffee & Chat

At the Wellingtonia Centre Campsall

Come and join us for a coffee and some friendly chat!

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CITIZENS ADVICE BUREAU



I'm from Austria and I know I need to apply for Settled Status as the UK leaves the European Union. But I'm really confused about what documents I need in order to apply for me and my children. We've lived in England for six years and I'm worried that if we don't apply before the end of the month, we might have to leave.

You don't need to apply by the end of the month - your rights won't change until 31 December 2020. However, you should apply as soon as you can in case of any delays. After the transition period ends on 31 December you might be asked to prove your right to do things like get a job or use a service like the NHS. Having your status sorted will make this more straightforward.

To get settled status, you need evidence that you've lived in the UK for 6 months out of every 12 months for 5 years in a row. As you say you and your children have lived in the UK for six years, you should be eligible for this.

In order to apply, you'll need to have a few things. These include a passport or national ID card, a digital photo, your National Insurance number or proof of how long you've lived in the UK, a mobile number and an email address.

If you've been working, you can find your National Insurance number on your pay slip. If not you can contact HM Revenue and Customs National Insurance Helpline on 0300 200 3500 to help find it.

It may be easier to make your children's application after you've made your own. This way you'll be able to 'link' your child's application to yours, using the application number you got when you applied for yourself.

You can do this at any time after you've applied - you do not need to wait for a decision. And if your own application is successful, your child will get the same status as you. In order to apply on behalf of your children, you will need to have proof of your relationship - for example a birth certificate.

For information and advice, contact Citizens Advice **Doncaster Borough** on 0344 499 4137

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It's all happening!

Friends of Campsall Country Park

The main event this year will be the **Summer Fayre** which will take place on Sunday 19th July 2020 in Campsall Country Park for all to enjoy and possibly take part in the activities.

If you wish to help, with the Fayre we meet at the Wellingtonia Centre in Campsall on the 3rd Monday of every month at 7.30pm.as this would be very much appreciated

A 'Thank You' to all who visit and support the Pop-Up Café in the park as all money generated goes towards the Summer Fayre

The play equipment for the younger children which was purchased by Norton Parish Council for Campsall Country Park is now being installed by Doncaster Council and will be completed in time for the Summer Fayre!

The existing adventure equipment area for older children is also being re-landscaped to remove the stone and provide a safer, more accessible area. (see page 7)





The Garden of Rest

Those who visit The Garden of Rest on The Avenue Campsall will have noticed that it has had a big tidy-up over the last three months. Six skips have been on site to remove nearly 25 tons of rubbish Fly tipped rubbish which accounted for 4 skips full included 6 tons of breeze blocks, building bricks and concrete, a dismantled shed, fence posts and fence panels 1 bike 3 carpets 2 mattresses, a lawn mower casing, wire netting a kitchen worktop, a door, tree conifers and beer/wine bottle's etc. Please respect this garden as it a place to visit and appreciate the silence and tranquillity.

The Parish Council is indebted to Cllr Eric Lowery, assisted by Cllr Brenda McLaughlin for their tireless work in restoring this area to its former serene space. Thank you very much.

Please respect this garden as it a place to visit and appreciate the silence and tranquillity. You could also help with planting wildflowers and with the maintenance of the garden.

BIG DRAINAGE WORK AT HAWTHORNE AVE & QUARRY ROAD

If you drive along Norton Common Road en route to or from the A19, you will have noticed large water tanker lorries and tractors pulling water tanks across the land between Hawthorne Avenue and Quarry Road. Residents have had to tolerate constant disruption, noise and churned up roads and paths as Yorkshire Water engineers have been battling to repair major drainage pipes



As a result of all this work (as yet unfinished) the roadway and the grassed areas that belong to Norton Parish Council have been considerably damaged. However, Parish Councillors have engaged with Yorkshire Water who have given written assurances that all the disturbed land - roads, paths and grassland will be fully RESTORED to their previous state and hopefully improved.

The parking area will be enlarged and all surfaces will be levelled with new hardcore.

In the interim, expect further work at the edge of Norton Common Road close to the railway line. This work is still on-going and slow due to Yorkshire Water having to seek permissions from Network Rail to proceed with work. Here's hoping the end is in sight!



A Nostalgic Walk Along the River Don from Doncaster to Mexborough

An illustrated talk by Dave Fordham
At Campsall Village Hall,
Wednesday 8th April 2020 at 7:30pm

Admission £5 to include light refreshments and a prize draw ticket





YOUR page your choice!



What would YOU like to see in YOUR Magazine?



We would like to introduce a new feature of *The Magazine* where YOU tell us what features you would like us to include in future Editions. Whilst we will always include local news, events and facilities, it has been suggested that we might for example have an article on:

"A Day in the Life of....."

Perhaps a local person with an unusual or intriguing job and lifestyle. How does a typical day look like for you?

" Did you know that....."

Do you have some insights into local facts and figures, or events from the past that have taken place in the parish? First-hand knowledge is always intriguing! (See "COBBLERS...." below)

Do you have a story to tell?

Can you fascinate the readers with a personal or fictional short story? People love to learn about other folks! Or are you a fledgling author?

Or....as you will see in the article opposite regarding the OLD BELLS public house, Andrew, the new owner would like stories or PHOTOS about the Old Bells in the past

If you would like to contribute an idea or Edition of *The Magazine*, just contact the editor

a story for the Summer by telephone or e-mail:

01302 700149 e-mail: morganz.ivy@live.com

ALL ideas very welcome, MANY THANKS – we look forward to hearing from you!

MIKE MORGAN, Editor



The Old Bells High Street Campsall



It is great to see the derelict building of the Old Bells public house is starting to be brought back to life. It has been a source of great

concern for many of us which caused frequent representations to the former owner and Doncaster Council. Purchased this year the new owner immediately started to improve the external appearance.

The priority has been to ensure that the electrical supply was reconnected to provide lighting at night which offers greater safety. In addition, we have already seen the huge improvement to the road surface at the side of the building no doubt welcomed by cars and dog walkers!

From the outset Andrew is working closely with our local authority conservation officer to ensure that the building is restored to its former glory and over the coming months, the transformation will take place. It is intended that the premises will provide an opportunity for a business to flourish and provide the community with a venue that is beneficial to all. It will be great to see the improvements taking place over the coming months

If you have any stories or photographs you can share, Andrew would appreciate your help to create a timeline for a history of the building. We are in regular contact with Andrew who will provide us with regular updates.

COBBLERS.....!

Looking down Norton High Street today from the railway crossing to West End Road you can count the number of shops and other businesses on one, or perhaps two hands.





Hard to believe this now, but folk with family history in the village will tell you that up to 100 years ago Norton children would play a memory game reciting in order the names of "dozens" of shops and businesses lining both sides of the street. Exaggeration or not, one survivor of that era was Norton's cobbler, still working from home on Campsall Balk in the 1970s, who kept old age at bay by pedalling around the village bolt upright on a stately Raleigh bike. He enjoyed referring good-naturedly to his local business rival in Askern, 'as that young lad who would never make the grade'

That 'young lad' had the last laugh, single –handedly providing an excellent local service until early this century from his tiny lakeside shop on Station Road Askern, (still in use as 'Fillas'). Like the Norton cobbler, he also set us all an example of staying active into advanced old age. He looked back wistfully to his boom time days as a young cobbler, nailing the boots of hundreds of troops billeted locally during the Second World War.

Entering his shop was to step back to a simpler, and more personal era. There was just him, his workbench, and tools. No key cutting, none of the additional products we are used to today, just well repaired shoes in plain brown bags waiting for collection. Good job done.

Michael White

(If you have any stories about local past businesses, such as the Foresters Arms Pub, Norton's two butchers, or the one- pump petrol garage next to the former Post Office, we would be interested to hear from you). See above – Reader's Page



Initial
landscaping
work has been
carried out in
Campsall
Country Park in
preparation for
the new young
children's play
area. Next stage
continues - as
soon as the mud
dries out!



CHURCH EVENTS

EASTER SATURDAY 11TH APRIL 2020, 10–12 MIDDAY Coffee Morning

Bring and Buy, Raffle, Cakes and Coffee - all in aid of the new altar vestments

SATURDAY 2ND MAY 11.00 − 2.00PM (the famous....) PLANT SALE
With Tombola, Raffle and Lunches

NEW NOTICE BOARDS

You will all recall that in the last Magazine,

we were pleased to record thanks from the Parish Council to Mark and his students from Doncaster College for re-painting the play equipment around the village. So, I'm really pleased to report that the students have come up trumps again and are making us a new set of village notice boards! From a design made by ClIr Brian Wood, the old boards will be replaced and we will have an additional board at the Beech Road entrance to the park.

Can we remind people that the boards are very much for parish news, events and official notices – such as those for meetings and activities around the three villages and NOT for free advertising of businesses.

As the boards will have a treated cork surface for notices, we would also ask that users DO attach their notices with drawing pins or pin-tacks and NOT with staples which damage the surface.

We know the boards are well-used as the many health walkers, joggers, dog-walkers and just the interested and curious, often refer to what they have seen. So please, do use them and provide an alternative and easily accessible, colourful means of information – social media can't do it all!

Extensive work is underway on the muchneglected exterior of the OLD BELLS public house in Campsall. Activities are progressing well under the direction of the new owner – in fact they are 'direct' as the picture suggests!

The Litter Squad -

ALWAYS a 'work in progress' is the campaign against litter and fly-tipping around the three villages.

One thing we all DON'T want to see is rubbish – that is the assorted bottles, cans, food trays and so forth along paths and hedgerows!

I must say it's very heartening to see people picking up litter in their own locality. I hope we can all do that because litter not only looks bad, it is damaging to the environment, wildlife and birds.

There has also been a lot in the media regarding the problem with plastic. Rivers and oceans worldwide are full of plastic which sea life eat. That can't be good. Let's stop the practice of single-use plastic bags. Do your bananas REALLY need a plastic bag?

On a local level, fly tipping is also a problem. This could be eradicated if we just took all rubbish to a re-cycling centre. Also, if we simply threw our litter away in the bins provided, or took it home, litter would be less of a problem. Wouldn't that be wonderful?

Cllr. Wendy Grant Tel. 07950 714753

Email: wendygrant64@gmail.com

Askern Community Hub

Tel: 01302 700324

e-mail: askerncommunitylibrary@gmail.com

Did you know that Askern Library has been running as a community

All the staff are volunteers who are always happy to help in any way they

You can see that we offer more than just book borrowing. Various groups use our facilities to hold meetings, room hire is only £5 per hour. We have a charity shop section where most things can be purchased for whatever sum you would like to donate. Computers can be used for all the things listed in the leaflet.

Why don't you call in to have a look around, you would be very welcome.

We offer:

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- **Life Story Project Dementia Group (Fri 1.30-3)**
- Readers Group (1st Tuesday of the month)
- SRZ School of Performing Arts (Call 07890484355)

Book Donation drop-off point

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The Parish Clerk is **Dave Telford**. He can be contacted on all matters relating to the work of the Parish Council and enquiries about hire of the Ryecroft Road Community Building. Phone: 01302 883496

Parish Council Meetings take place on the second Tuesday of every month, starting at 7.00pm at Ryecroft Road Community Building

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