Parish Council

At the AGM held on 13th May Mr Colin Womble resigned as chairman of the Parish Council. Over the last three years Colin has been tireless in his commitment to the village, seeing through numerous projects and being a staunch supporter of village organisations. Colin remains on the Parish Council, but this has created an opportunity for a new Chairman. Anyone wishing to apply for the post should be 18 or over, owns land, has lived in the village or works within 3 miles of the parish over the last twelve months and has no criminal record. If you require further information or would like to become a new councillor please contact the Parish Clerk.

The Council’s next project is to tidy up the ‘triangle’ outside the gates to Papplewick Hall. We have been gifted a bench by Cllr Joe Lonergan (NCC) which will be sited on the triangle under the tree. A short fence will surround the grassed area to stop cars parking on it. It is proposed that ‘No Parking’ signs be erected and new signposting be erected guiding walkers to the village lay-bys for their parking. This is due, in part, to the fact that more cars are parking at the entrance to Hall Lane making the road at times impassable for the farm traffic and negotiating the road to the cricket club nigh on impossible.

The recent traffic survey was instigated by the Highways Accident Unit who is looking at the both ends of Forest Lane junctions with Mansfield Rd and Moor Rd and checking queue lengths to see if any remedial measures can be introduced. Information will be available to the Parish once it has been examined.

Village Park

CCTV will be installed on the Village Park within the next couple of months; this will enable the Parish Council to monitor the field which will deter possible vandalism and anti-social behaviour.

A number of complaints have been received by the Parish Council regarding dog fouling on the park. Dog owners are kindly reminded to clear up after their pet and that disposal bins are located at the entrances to Moorpond Wood. The park litterbins should not be used to dispose of animal waste. Dogs should be kept on a lead at all times when in the playing field.

Play Day

Wednesday 22nd July, Papplewick Village playing field. Organised by Papplewick Parish Council and Gedling Play Partnership to promote the Big Lottery Fund grant which enabled the Parish Council to purchase the new slide, interactive playboards, litter bins and seating. Lots of crafts and activities will be taking place, jugglers, climbing wall, mini golf, BMX team, circus skills, traditional games to name but a few. A fire service team from Hucknall station will also be in attendance. The event is **FREE** and everyone is welcome to come along between 1pm – 4pm. Please be aware that there is very limited parking.
Best Kept Village

It is too late to enter the Village in the competition for this year, but the Council are entering the Best Kept Village competition being organised for 2010. We hope to repeat the success of 2002 (in the 500 – 2000 population category).

Cricket Club

Papplewick and Linby Cricket Club can be found behind Papplewick Hall. We have a beautiful ground with facilities for practice and matches. We have 3 senior teams on a Saturday and 1 on a Sunday. The Saturday teams play in the Nottinghamshire Premier League, Bassetlaw and District Division 1 and Bassetlaw and District Division 5. The Sunday team plays in the Newark Alliance Division 1. There is also a midweek XI playing in the Cope Cup competition. There is a well appointed pavilion with modern bar and kitchen. The Club has a thriving junior section with cricket played at U11, U12, U13, U15 and U17 with Kwik Cricket for primary school children who are not confident with the hard cricket ball. Details of fixtures can be found on the Club’s web sites on http://www.papplewickandlinbycc.co.uk/ or http://papplewickandlinby.play-cricket.com/home/home.asp. Spectators are always welcome.

Junior coaching night is every Friday (April to September) from 6.00pm to 8.00pm when there are qualified coaches at every age group. The bar is open all evening until late, there is coffee and tea available as well as a BBQ most weeks, weather and staffing permitting. The Club is working towards the Clubmark accreditation and is a Focus Club for Nottinghamshire.

Papplewick and Linby Cricket Club are always looking for new players of all ages from 7 to 70, as well as volunteers to help with administration, teas and BBQs, and coaching. If you have any questions please contact Mrs Stephanie Roberts on 0115 9631728 or by email auntystef99@aol.com. We look forward to seeing you.

Young Farmers

Papplewick YFC goes from strength to strength

Papplewick YFC did themselves proud at the recent Newark and Notts Show, winning many prizes for crafts and stock judging. Amelia Blant won the overall junior stock judging competition (horses, cattle, and sheep) and the highest scoring individual in all age groups having only been a member for a couple of months.

You don’t have to be a farmer to join, give us a go and find out how you can get skills, fun and friends. The club meets in the function room on a Monday night at the Horse and Groom at Linby. On Monday 8th June there will be first aid training by the Red Cross, and on the 22nd June a fun sports evening.
Our county rally is on Saturday 13th June near Newark which is a day of fun competitions for all the clubs in the county. This is a great opportunity to find out what we are about – we even do the Duke of Edinburgh Award. Papplewick YFC will wind down for the summer months meeting informally until September.

If you want to get involved please contact the YFC office on 01636 672633 or email louise@nottsyfc.co.uk.

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**Village Fete**

The Village Fete is to be held at Papplewick Hall on Saturday 20th June 2.00pm. This is always an eagerly anticipated social occasion. Come and join in the fun, watch maypole dancing, relax in the garden with tea and cake, many side shows and stalls. Walk between the rhododendrons to lovely Papplewick Church. Entrance fee £3 – children free (under 14s must be accompanied by an adult) The proceeds, as usual, are going to St James and St Michael’s church fund. Mrs Donna Harris is the co-ordinator and she can be contacted on 0788 6000 380.

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**Gardens Open Afternoon**

The Enterprise Group are organising the Open Gardens Afternoon. This year the gardens are on Moor Road. The event commences at 2pm until 5pm on Sunday June 28th. Eleven gardens are opening (so far) and refreshments will be served at The Old Lido and 149 Moor Road. There is free car parking at Grange Farm and tickets priced at £2.50 for adults will be available on the day at the car park or by contacting Janet Robinson 0115 9632430.

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**Village Hall**

The Village Hall has a new licensee and a refurbished bar which was ‘christened’ at the Village Ladies Quiz Evening. The hall is now almost fully booked up most weekends until September. Bookings can be taken by contacting Kathryn Holmes on 07817 649643 or e-mail pandivillagehall@hotmail.co.uk
Village Ladies Auction Of Promises
To be held on Friday 26th June 7.30pm at Papplewick & Linby Village Hall. Admission by catalogue – price £2 or pay on the door. Come and bid for a week in a Spanish Villa, a babysitter for the evening, airport taxi and much, much more. Please contact Carol Spencer 9635455 for further details.

Pumping Station Parking
Concern has been raised by Papplewick Pumping Station Trust regarding parking alongside the wall, which along with the Pumping Station is a Grade II listed building. The grass is being eroded which in turn is undermining the wall. The lagoon car park (opposite) is owned by Forest Enterprizes and is not always available for parking. Secondly the entrance to the lagoon car park facilitates the easy access to the Pumping Station. It is to be appreciated that when the Pumping Station was built nobody had envisioned that large lorries, fire engines etc. would need to negotiate the entrance and the car park allows safe navigation into the Pumping Station grounds. Parking alongside the road makes pulling out of the Pumping Station and cottages hazardous. When the car park is closed The Pumping Station Trust politely requests you to use the alternative parking on Longdale Lane and Ash Lane.

Nottingham Mobility Centre Duck Race
Saturday 4th July, 234 Moor Road. All proceeds in aid of Midland Association for Amputees and Friends (MAAF) Race time 1.30pm. Ducks £1 each available from Nottingham Mobility Centre, Nottingham City Hospital. 1st prize £50 and a magnum of champagne, 2nd prize £25, 3rd prize £15 and 4th prize £10. Cream teas will be served and there is a cake stall, plant stall and raffle. Please give your support to this charity and have a great afternoon racing your ducks!

Hayride
As you have most probably heard, the Hayride has been discontinued. On behalf of the Parish Council we would officially like to thank The Hardstaff family and all the helpers who have made this such a wonderful event for the Parishes over the last twenty years.

Next Council meeting is on Wednesday, 8th July 2009 at 7.15pm
All parishioners welcome

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