

PAPPLEWICK PARISH COUNCIL

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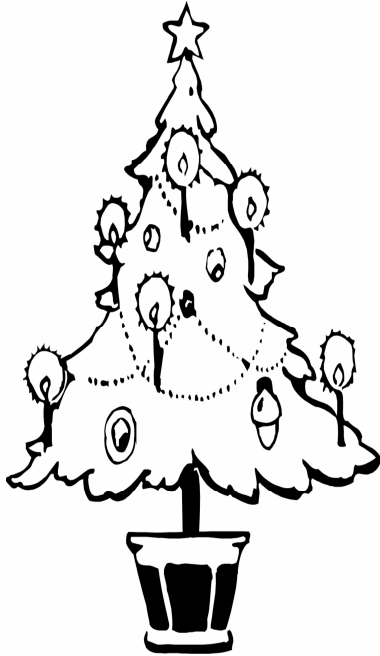
The annual Carol Service on The Green at Linby will be held on **Tuesday 13th December, 6.30 for 7.00pm**

After the switching on of the Christmas tree lights at 7.00pm by Katie Brothwell, music and carols will follow.

Katie is a fundraiser for this year's chosen charity, which is The Bone Marrow Trust.

As is customary at this event, hot drinks and refreshments will be served and a collection taken.

As an added bonus this year the newly refurbished St Michael's church will be open after the carol service for anyone who wishes to have a look at the superb work that has taken place within the building over a period of several months. A total refurbishment including a new floor has made a dramatic change to this historic building, which is now even more worthy of a visit.



Christmas Services

Sunday 18th

Christingle (Family Carols) at 10.00am at St Michael's Linby
Carol Service at St James' Papplewick at 6.30pm.

Saturday 24th

Holy Communion at St James' at 11.30pm

Sunday 25th

Holy Communion (said) St James' at 8.00am
Family Service at St Michael's at 10.00am



NEW YEARS EVE PARTY



Following the extremely successful party held last year, another one is to be held this year on

Saturday 31st December in the Village Hall.

Once again The Friends of Moor Pond Wood are organising it, there will be a Bar and Disco from 8.30 till 12.30. As last year please provide a plate of food towards the Buffet

Tickets are available now at a cost of £6 from: Diane on 963 5157

Margaret on 963 2777 Marguerite on 968 1968 Maureen on 963 2057



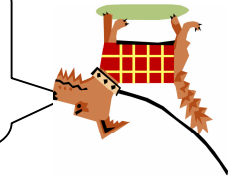
The Enterprise Group continue to have success in fund raising, their latest event being the Bonfire & Fireworks joint venture with Linby & Papplewick Parish Councils. Due to generous sponsorship from local companies the overall profit was over £1200, which will go towards further playing field improvements. They have also succeeded in obtaining the promise of a grant

from WREN, (who allocate funds from the waste recycling tax levied on landfill sites), towards the cost of a small skateboard facility at the far end of the playing field. This grant together with the funds the Enterprise Group has raised through Open Gardens and Bonfire events will go a long way towards the cost. The Parish Council at their last meeting approved the proposal and agreed to provide some funding. Final figures have yet to be worked out but will be made known once the necessary three quotations have been received. It is hoped work will start in the next financial year.

The Friends of Moor Pond Wood intend to provide some form of sculpture, probably in Grange Cottages Wood, relating to the history of the sites, covering waterways, mills, sluices, water wheels, cotton industry etc. At their last meeting they were pleased to have the opportunity to meet with Richard Janes, who is the artist in residence at Rufford Country Park. Richard specializes in sculpting in a variety of materials and showed many pictures of examples of his work. Several suggestions were put forward as to different materials; art forms etc and a decision will be made at a future meeting.

Prior to a decision being taken there will be a site visit with both the artist and a representative of Nottinghamshire County Council who will be providing some funding for his time. A new seat and litterbin have been installed in Grange Cottages Wood, using a grant from Ashfield District Council.

Please use the new dog waste bin at Papplewick Lane end of Moor Pond Wood,



NEXT COUNCIL MEETING IS ON JANUARY 11TH 2006 AT 7.15PM VILLAGE HALL

The local Police Divisional Commander, Chief Superintendent Peter Moyes is due to attend this meeting, together with our local Beat Officer, PC Andy Vale.

The Parish Council Precept for the next financial year will be under 2%, below the inflation rate.

It wasn't quite **Strictly Come Dancing**, but following the very successful Salsa evening last month, at which over 120 people enjoyed being entertained and instructed in the Latin style, there were numerous comments that if lessons were available they would be well supported. Certainly there were several different levels of competence displayed that evening and it is pleasing to be able to report that a series of lessons has now been arranged for us. Members of the Papplewick Gardening Club who meet on the second Tuesday of the month need not worry, lessons will not be held on the evenings that you use the hall !



"LA style Salsa lessons will start in the Village Hall at 7.30pm on Tuesday 17th January. It is intended to run a six-week course initially, with each lesson costing £4. The fun we all had on the last occasion, we wish to continue, in teaching you to dance ! Salsa is open to all, come with or without a partner, age is no restriction. Dress casually, wear comfortable shoes but trainers are not advisable. For further information please ring 0789 020 6088 "

PAPPLEWICK PUMPING STATION

Is a magnificent example of the Victorian building and engineering skills that were associated with the supply of water to large cities and conurbations in the 1800s.

The two large steam driven Beam Engines and the 6 boilers that provided the steam were taken out of service in 1969 after 85 years of service. A preservation group took over the site and in 1974 started restoring the engines and boilers.

However as with many things of that age

they needed some loving care to keep in good order and have now been restored to a high standard. The buildings, chimney, coal storage shed and superintendent's house have also required some attention and have been the subject of a massive restoration program, costing a total of £2.3 million, of which £1.6million was funded by a Lottery Heritage Grant. Several children from Linby School have been involved in design work in the gardens. A Learning and Access manager has assisted in their discovering about the workings of the site and by all accounts the children have thoroughly enjoyed the experience.

There has also been a lot of work carried out landscaping the area across the road from the Pumping Station, to create water storage lagoons for use in times of heavy rainfall.

From conversations with local people about the Pumping Station it is clear that many have either never visited or not been for several years, to this splendid treasure that is right on our doorstep. There is more to the site than just the Beam Engines, in their fabulously ornate engine house, which in itself cannot fail to impress. There is the winding engine from Linby Colliery and the Stanton Works engine, cooling pond and splendidly restored gardens. If you are interested in visiting the site but have "never quite got round to it", or as parents / grandparents you have an interest in what the children have been involved with then:

There is now an opportunity to put that right and enjoy a visit at a special price!

Ian Smith, the site director has kindly agreed that for the 2 days over the New Year Bank Holiday, residents of Papplewick and Linby will be offered half price admission on both days when the engines will be "in steam". What better way to start the New Year than to take a walk around the restored grounds, see the massive engines working in the engine house, then warm up by one of the six boilers? There is also a shop and café, miniature railway and often a local wood turner display his handiwork. Model yachts and steamboats are often sailed on the cooling pond on steaming days.



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Cut out this coupon and hand in to obtain the reduced price!

PAPPLEWICK PUMPING STATION ASSOCIATION

PAPPLEWICK & LINBY RESIDENTS

NEW YEAR HALF PRICE ADMISSION

VALID SUNDAY 1ST & MONDAY 2ND JANUARY 2006

OPENING HOURS 11.00 – 17.00

PUMPING STATION STAFF TO COMPLETE

VISITORS ADMITTED ON SUNDAY..... ON MONDAY.....

ADULT.....

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FAMILY.....

Heating Appliance Servicing may not be the most exciting subject, but please take the time to read the following important information. With the current bout of cold weather and a hard winter promised there is no better time to consider having your gas and solid fuel appliances serviced.



**Carbon Monoxide poisoning
kills 50 people a year**

That is the shocking figure put out by the Department of Trade & Industry and 30 of those fatalities are caused by faulty gas appliances. At our request a qualified local gas engineer has passed on information emphasising the importance of having gas appliances regularly serviced.

Without wishing to get too technical, a well-maintained gas boiler, fire or cooker should operate efficiently and burn with a blue flame. If the flame is orange or yellow coloured then that is a sign that a problem may exist, as does a pilot light going out and increased condensation on windows. Under normal circumstances an appliance will produce nitrogen, water vapour and carbon dioxide that are non-toxic, to be discharged out side through a vent or flue.

If for any reason the burning process is hampered then deadly carbon monoxide will be produced.

Carbon monoxide is invisible, odourless, tasteless and non-irritant, so if you cannot see, smell or taste it you won't know it is there! The symptoms of being poisoned by this gas are severe headaches, nausea, dizziness, tiredness, vomiting and generally feeling lethargic as it gets into the bloodstream. (It is absorbed 200 times more quickly than oxygen) So if you doze off in front of a fire regularly and just think you are feeling tired there is a chance you may be suffering the effects of carbon monoxide. The symptoms are similar in some ways to flu or simple tiredness; and you are more at risk when asleep.

The most likely causes of poor operation are badly maintained appliances, blocked flues and insufficient ventilation. It is bad practice to try to make every room totally draught proof, for example by deliberately covering airbricks that have been fitted for gas appliances that need an uninterrupted supply of air to work properly.



CORGI means Council for Registered Gas Installers and is the minimum level of competence required by law for working on gas appliances.

There are many gas engineers listed in Yellow Pages, but please ensure you use one that is CORGI registered and check their Identification Card.

Carbon monoxide detectors are available and work in a similar fashion to smoke alarms, by emitting a loud sound if the gas is detected, but they should never be a substitute for regular servicing of appliances.

Thanks to Peter Chapman, phone 963 7962, for supplying & checking the above information.

Another local engineer is Paul Clark, phone 963 9336, at 141 Moor Road.

Remember if you smell gas call NATIONAL GRID free on 0800 111 999

(This is the new name for the company that was previously known as TRANSCO)
