

Bringing Our Community Closer Together

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STRAW LITTER,

Over recent months Nocton has experienced unprecedented levels of straw being deposited along the main roads through our village caused by lorries transporting straw bales to the Sleaford Power Plant. Branches of trees overhanging the highway have been identified as a principal cause for this debris which is building up in gutters, blocking drains and causing a potential slip hazard on pavements. Our Village Keeper and N.K.D.C are doing what they can to clear as much of this as possible but clearly this is not a solution.

The Parish Council has been, and still is, working hard to seek a resolution of this serious problem and, amongst other things, has sought advice and remedy from various agencies including the Department for Transport, NKDC, the Highways Authority and Police.

The response from the majority of these organisations has, however, been that some of the remedy lies with landowners whose trees overhang the highway under the provisions of Section 154 of the Highways Act 1980.

In accordance with the advice obtained, we would like to remind all residents of their responsibilities in this regard and to ask that if you have any trees overhanging the highway which are lower than 17 feet or 5.2 meters (and subject, of course to any necessary consent from the NKDC Tree Officer) they should be cut back/pruned to comply with current legislation and to help alleviate the problems we all currently face.

May we also take this opportunity to remind residents that similar action needs to be taken if boundary hedges, etc are obstructing pavements and footpaths.

We very much look forward to your cooperation and action in this matter and will continue to try and find other ways to help resolve this issue.

Graham Jones. Nocton Parish Council

Nocton 200 Club

September Draw Results

The four lucky winners in the September draw were:-

Wayne Cottis

Linda Carpenter-Coxon

Maria Bennett

Peter Hopkins

The October Draw will take place before the Parish Council meeting on Tuesday 9th.

Not a member? It's not too late.

Contact Jim Eagle by e mail at

nocton200@jimeagle.plus.com

NEW HIGHWAYS WEBSITE

Lincolnshire Highways have updated their website which is now much easier to use if reporting a problem such as pot holes. It can be easily accessed on fixmystreet.lincolnshire.gov.uk/report/new?

COMMUNITY COFFEE MORNING

Don't forget the next community coffee morning. Friday 12th October. Nocton Village Hall. 10am-12 noon.



A Huge Thank You

Many of you will know that for the last ten years I have made annual visits to a primary school in a rural village in The Gambia. There, I have helped to build the school buildings and taken out much needed equipment and supplies. Over the years, I have received a tremendous amount of support from organizations and individuals in Nocton and I would like to take this opportunity to acknowledge this support and thank everyone involved. Supporters include:

All Saint's Church for continuing to sponsor a pupil at the school

Nocton School staff and pupils for 6 old laptops, which I was able to get repaired and are now invaluable to staff and students in the school, along with pencils, crayons, rubbers and sharpeners

Nocton and District WI for sponsoring a pupil for several years,

Maddie at Butterflies for first aid equipment

Nocton Gardening Club for gloves and propagating bags

and the many individuals who have supplied first aid equipment, stationery, uniforms, football kits, etc. The school has gone from strength to strength with this support, with pupil numbers increasing from 103 to 317 in the ten years. One pupil from our original intake worked so hard he gained regional first place in the national exams and won a scholarship to the best secondary school in The Gambia. I am hoping to be able to fund him through university when he finishes in two years time.

If you are interested in finding out more, or would like to support the project in any way, please contact Linda Carpenter-Coxon (tel 01526 322410)

END OF SEASON CRICKET NEWS

On 26th August, Nocton's game away at Heighington was cancelled due to rain so each team obtained 5 pts. The 2nd September was the last match of the season and sadly the team were all out for 63 so when Scothern scored 64 for 1, Nocton were left without any points. Nocton therefore ended the season with 8 wins, 5 losses, 2 games cancelled, and one game when they couldn't raise a team and so finished third in division 1, just one point behind the second team. This was a fantastic achievement. Dylan Garfoot was the top scorer in all divisions with 718 runs at an average of 65.27, which was the second time in succession he has been the top scorer, another wonderful individual success.

NOCTON GARDENING CLUB

The next meeting date is the 4th October when the speaker will be Andrew Ward of Norwell Nurseries. The gardens which support this nursery are in Norwell, Newark and are listed in the "Gardens to Visit Book 2018". The talk, 'A Year of Garden Colour', concentrates on Autumn, Winter and early Spring flower colour to try to make us venture out on the darkest of days. There will be plants for sale and it's the start of the new year so subscriptions will be collected on the night.

Contact jpartridge369@btinternet.com for more details

Dunston Croquet Club

Croquet is a combination of skill and strategy that keeps you physically and mentally fit. An enjoyable game where men & women and young & old can compete equally in a social yet competitive environment.

Dunston Croquet Club is a new club which will start playing in 2019 on lawns shared with Dunston Bowls Club at Dunston Playing Field. Members of any age over 11 are welcome, but under 18s must be accompanied by a responsible adult. Club fees will be modest. We shall be holding an Inaugural Meeting to get the club going and to recruit members. Come along to find out more without any obligation to join. The meeting will be held at 7pm on Wednesday 24 October at: 5 Wrays Yard, off The Green, Nocton LN4 2BJ.

For more information or to confirm that you will be coming to the meeting, contact Ralph Timms 01526 322 515, chair@dunstoncroquet.uk or view www.dunstoncroquet.uk



NOCTON VILLAGE HALL

Available to hire. Ideal venue for parties of all ages

Main Hall and fully equipped Kitchen £10p/h

Bar and Lounge £10p/h

Main Hall and Kitchen, Bar and Lounge £15p/h

Weddings £100p/24 hours

Discount of 25% available for affiliated groups. Currently taking bookings up to 31st December 2018
For more information contact bookingclerknhmc@gmail.com or www.lincscommunitybuildings.org.uk.



PUMPKIN CARVING 6.30PM, 30th OCTOBER

PLEASE NOTE - SOCIAL CLUB AGM 22ND NOVEMBER 7.30PM FOR 8PM START

THANK YOU FROM ALL SAINTS CHURCH, NOCTON

The long-awaited sound amplification system has been installed in church! This should make it much easier for everyone to hear what is being said at services, concerts and when the school are putting on productions. The system incorporates a hearing loop so if you wear a hearing aid, please turn it to the T setting and you will be able to hear through the loop. Thanks to everyone who has supported the fund- raising for this - it's a lot to raise for a small village. We are very grateful to everyone for their support.

Diary Dates

Date	Time	Venue	Event
Every Wednesday	7.30pm	Village Hall	Indoor Bowls Club
Every Wednesday	9.00am	Nocton Church	Morning Prayer (coffee from 8.45am)
4 th October	7-9pm	MAC Leisure	Gardening Club
9 th October	7pm	Nocton Village Hall	Parish Council meeting/200 club
12 th October	10am-12noon	Nocton Village Hall	Community Coffee morning
13 th October	8pm	Nocton Social Club	Quiz Night
14 th October	9.30 am	Nocton Church	Holy Communion
14 th October	6pm	Nocton Church	Breathe
24 th October	7pm	5, Wrays Yard	Croquet Club
28 th October	9.30 am	Nocton Church	Holy Communion
30 th October	6.30 pm	Nocton Social Club	Pumpkin Carving
31 st October	6pm-9pm	Nocton Village	Pumpkin Trail
4 th November	9.30 am	Nocton Church	Holy Communion
22 nd November	7.30pm for 8pm	Nocton Social Club	A.G.M.

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