

REPTON VILLAGE SOCIETY

REGISTERED CHARITY No.1017835



SPRING NEWSLETTER 2013

The Annual General Meeting was held after the talk on Thursday 7th March. All the Officers and Committee Members were re-elected unopposed and are listed below:

Chairman: Alan Webster.

Secretary: Linda Shortt.

Treasurer: Martin Wimbush.

Membership Secretary: Pauline Little.

Committee Members: Erika Bannister, Jeanette Griffiths, Roger Paulson, Karen Perks, Peter Rainey.

The speaker, from the DCC, for the preceding talk on Waste stayed for the cheese and wine after the AGM. I emailed him with our thanks and he replied "It was a pleasure and do please pass on our thanks to the attendees for their waste minimisation and recycling efforts!" Come to think of it there was very little wine, bread and cheese left over this time.

The very enjoyable Village Party takes place on the Mitre Field on the afternoon of Saturday May 4th. The Committee will be involved in various tasks on the day including checking the field for debris, manning our tent, helping other organisations and selling programmes. We would be most grateful for help from members with the last task. If you can spare even just half an hour to sell programmes please contact any of the above so that we can set up a rota as necessary. Many hands etc. We did have some help last time but those members have since moved away.

Charity Jazz Evening Pears School Saturday 1st June

The article below appeared in the Parish Magazine. The Village Hall is in need of redevelopment, some parts of it more urgently than others. It is a vital facility for the village and, not to put too fine a point on it, if it became unusable the Society would have no other building of suitable size for our meetings with the inevitable consequence.

"As part of the Jubilee weekend last year the Village Society organised a sell out concert with "Barbara and All That Jazz." We are most grateful to the Headmaster who has very kindly made Pears School available to us, free of charge, on Saturday 1st June so that we can put on another concert with the same band in order to contribute to the Village Hall Redevelopment Fund. It will be a "bring your own food, drink and glasses" format as last year with tables seating 10. The cost of the evening will be met from Society funds so that all the proceeds from ticket sales (£10 each) and the raffle will go to the Fund. Please come and support this event and thus your Village Hall. Tickets from: Alan Webster 01283 701838 or Linda Shortt 01283 702702."

Eye-catching posters, designed by Gillian Hartley, will be available at the next two meetings. We would be most grateful if members were able to display them.

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Future Programme

Thursday April 4th “**The Derby Canal –Past, Present and Future.**” Chris Madge will outline some of the history of the canal and what made it unique and give an update on efforts to restore it.

Saturday April 27th. There are still a few seats left on the coach trip to Chester. A 90 minute guided walk with blue badge guides is included in the £17 cost but the walk is not obligatory. The afternoon is free before the coach leaves at 4p.m. Maps will be available. For more details ring 701838.

Thursday May 9th (note date). Henry Evans and “The Legacy of Captain Scott.” Henry is a marine biologist who won a Daily Telegraph competition for a place on the International Scott Centenary Expedition to the South Pole. He has recently returned from man-hauling a sledge for several days across the ice to reach the Pole and will be describing his experiences as well as Scott’s life and his expedition which ended in his death after reaching his goal. An evening not to be missed.

Thursday June 6th. “The Geology of Derbyshire.” Colin Bagshaw has given talks to us before on geology and this one follows a request from a member. And then, on **Wednesday June 12th** Colin will be the guide on a coach leaving at 8.30a.m. to study the subject on the ground with a lunch stop at Castleton before returning via a different route to Repton by about 6p.m. There will be very little walking involved. Cost £16.

Thursday July 4th “A Yorkshire Odyssey” with Rod Pearson. Details later.

Saturday July 6th. Rod will be on the coach leaving at 8.30a.m. for Halifax. A guided tour of the Town Hall (Grade II listed) by Council staff has now been arranged. The building was designed by Charles Barry (who was architect for the Houses of Parliament) in the Classical style and was opened in 1863. He will then lead a walk past points of interest to the Grade I listed Piece Hall, built originally as a sales centre for woollen handloom weavers but which now houses a range of unique shops and cafes. After free time the coach leaves at 4p.m. Maps will be provided. Cost £17.

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