

## The times they are a changing....

Well, this is a packed edition of the newsletter. So much has, is, and will be, happening!!!

First things first, I (Graham) will be stepping down as editor of this esteemed publication at the end of this year. This is due to increasing time pressures from involvement with FOSPA, the Parochial Church Council and increasing family commitments. Therefore, if the village wish to continue with the newsletter, we will need a new editor ready to run in January 2027. Anybody who is interested, please contact me on 07785 561181 or email at gprmail1@gmail.com.

On a (literally) brighter note, many villagers gathered on the sports field to watch the solar eclipse. Peter Houtman kindly set up a telescope and provided advice on how to safely watch the event. It was worth attending as the next eclipse will not occur until around 2090!!

Enjoy the read.



## Looking for something to do? Here are some ideas ...

**VILLAGE Supper**  
- GOOD FOOD - GOOD COMPANY - OUR VILLAGE -

**SATURDAY 12<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER**  
— 7PM —

**THREE COURSE European Style Menu**

**STARTER**  
Sharing plates of salmon/cheese with bread

**MAIN COURSE**  
Sausage and bean cassoulet or vegetarian cassoulet

**DESSERT**  
Basque Cheesecake/ fresh fruit salad

*Wine and beer available to buy on the night.*

*A FOOD AND DRINK HAMPER will be raffled on the night!*

**TICKETS £20 PER PERSON**  
IN ADVANCE BY 7.9.26  
Payable to Arnesby Village Hall  
Sort Code: 82-11-07  
Account Number: 40264294  
Reference: Supper

OR  
Drop a note through the door of Arnesby House (Jenny) or Long Ace (Sue) with cash in an envelope with your name and address and number of tickets required.

**Arnesby Book Club**

Everyone is welcome to come along and join our small friendly group to discuss the month's chosen book.

For more information: Text/WhatsApp  
Elaine Carter (07960 023808) or Monica Dowson (07768 760196)



Meetings at 7:30pm

Wed 23 September - "Wide Sargasso Sea" by Jean Rhys at Elaine Carter's, The Gables on Robert Hall Road

Wed 21 October - "Tell No One" by Harlan Coben at Elizabeth Bass's, The White Cottage on Robert Hall Road

## Arnesby, Shearsby & Bruntingthorpe Produce Show

**Bruntingthorpe Village Hall on Saturday 5 September**

### What is a Produce Show?

This is a traditional show where people submit items and articles they have grown or made. The entries are judged by qualified official judges. That sounds scary but really people are just competing against each other to win a coveted Prize Ticket (!). There is also an element of rivalry between villagers and the three villages.

It might be a competition but really the point of the show is to SHOW what you can do.

### How to Enter

The schedule states what the entry categories are. These include specific classes under the headings: Vegetables, Fruit, Flowers, Cookery, Preserves, Floral Art, Handicrafts and a Children's Section.

The Schedule has been published on the Village WhatsApp. A printed copy (or an emailed copy) is available by contacting Jenny or Monica (as below).

Having prepared your entries, you must take them to Bruntingthorpe Village Hall between 9.30 and 11.30 on the Saturday. Each entry costs 50p which you pay at the door. You will be given a little sticker with your entry number, and you will stick that on your entry and put it (stage it) in the place allocated for the category.

Everyone must leave the hall by 11.30 to leave the judges to do their job.

### Viewing and Awards

The Village Hall is re-opened to the public at 15:00 for viewing. It costs £2 per person and includes light refreshments. This is when everyone has the chance to admire all the exhibits, compare their exhibits against everyone else's and ask: 'how did you do that?'.  


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Awards will be presented at about 16:00. All children who entered will get something. Trophies will be awarded to entries judged to be Best in Section and Best in Show.

Many people leave their exhibits behind so you can take them in exchange for a donation which goes to support the three Village Halls.

We do hope to see you at this show. If you have any questions, please ask and we'll be happy to help.

**Jenny (Arnesby House 07885 473057) and Monica (The Granary 07768 760196).**

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## Even More Food!!!!!!

### Big Breakfast - Arnesby Village Hall

This village event will be taking place for the second time this year to raise funds for Arnesby Village Hall. It will take place **10 - 12** on Saturday **7 November**. We are hoping this will be a regular event.

It will be lovely to see you.

### Safari Supper - Saturday 14th November

This popular annual village event returns on the **14 November**. We have a few changes this year as we are starting the evening at Arnesby House and finishing at Sunnysdene.

I will be posting letters in September with further information but if I miss you, or you would like to know more about it, please give me a ring on **07973 910022**. It is a really fun night.

**Lucy Carter 07973 910022**

## Library Van

The library van will be at the top of St Peter's Road from 14:00 – 14:30 on Fridays 11 September and 2 October.

## Village Quiz

The Village Quiz will be held on **Saturday 21 November at 19:30 in the Village Hall**, so now is the time to be putting your team together. Teams can be of up to 6 players. As usual there will be 9 rounds of 10 questions including a picture round, some new, some old topics plus your choice of double points Joker round.

Further details regarding entry in next month's newsletter.

**Andy Coupland**

## Hungry after Gym – here is even more food!!!!

 Maryyum's Kitchen — Authentic Homemade South Asian Food

Made fresh daily with only the finest ingredients — proper home-cooked South Asian flavour, just like it should be!

Delicious dishes including: Chicken Tikka Masala, lamb & chicken curries, biryani, pilau rice, kebabs, naan, roti and more.

 Please order a day before — or by morning — for same-day food. Evening meals? Order by morning!

Perfect for family meals, gatherings and parties — all freshly made to order just for you.

 For further information & orders: **07759 541669**

 Arnesby — Collection & local delivery available

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## Village News

### - Parish Council Notes

**Village Greens.** The Parish Council is in discussion with the County Council regarding the ownership and registration of the green in front of The Cottage, St Peters Road. The PC has adopted the green by default by paying for the grass cutting.

**Finances.** There was a brief report. It is understood the PC has reserves in the region of £50,000

**Planning.** The PC noted the notification of plans to create a slurry storage lagoon off the Welford Road. Concern was expressed about the potential smell and increased traffic.

The PC approved the building of a dwelling behind the Old Shoulder, St Peters Road.

**Use of Village Greens.** Forms for approval to use the Village Greens are available from the Clerk to the PC.

**Village defibrillator.** The defibrillator, attached to the Village Hall, is to be replaced after it was found to be inoperative when recently needed.

**Village tree survey.** Concerning the beech tree outside Bell Cottage, it was agreed to obtain a second opinion.

**Report from District Councillor Neil Bannister.** Food waste will be collected from April 2027. Ward Councillors have £35k for capital grants to be spent by April 2027. There is also a £1m Heritage grant available. Government plans for local government reorganisation proposes the expansion of the City council and the dissolving of district councils, including Rutland, to form the County Council by March 2028. Councillor Banister anticipates a legal challenge to these proposals.

**Did you Know?** Community grants are available from the PC if you are planning a community event or activity. And grants are available for young people taking part in events or projects. Contact the Clerk, Leigh Maidment, for further information.

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## Countesthorpe Health Centre Patient Participant Group (PPG)

**GP Patient Survey.** The main item for discussion was the recently published National Patient Survey based on 36% completion. To summarise – Experience of last appointment, CHC scored 90% against national score of 73%. Overall experience of the practice CHC scored 90% against national score of 73%.

Other regular points of discussion include car parking; please ensure you register your car when attending the Health Centre. The new appointment booking system is settling down.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding CHC or Parish Council notes, contact **Terry Cane**.

## The History of Arnesby and its school

With Arnesby Primary School celebrating 160 years it's an opportunity to look back at the history of both the school and the village. Arnesby has a well-known farming history but less well known is its connection to the hosiery trade. Many people have photos and stories to tell about the history of Arnesby, so it is proposed to hold an event at which they can bring along photos and tell of their lives growing up and living in Arnesby. We aim to coordinate this with the school and its celebrations. Further information about the date and time will be posted on the village WhatsApp in due course. We hope that this event will include those who have recently been in touch offering photos which could be shared. **Beryl Cane 0758 2370336** or [berylcane@btinternet.com](mailto:berylcane@btinternet.com)

## Cricket Report – Howzat??

**Arnesby** 169 for 9 (40 overs) lost chasing **Stoneygate's** target of 193.

Stoneygate innings.... Arnesby did a good job at keeping the opposition score below 200, but their man of the match Chris Gutteridge did most of the damage by scoring 84 not out. Best bowling figures were James Stevenson 2 wickets for 28 and Jack Brown 2 for 21, both off 6 overs. A couple of mentions for fielding: David Hawkins who injured himself attempting a difficult catch and a champagne moment seeing Henry Lees make a flying salmon one hand catch to excite the crowd.

The Arnesby response...Arnesby's innings was built around a solid top order. Toby Stevenson (50) opened with Wyndham Hogg (25) and set the platform getting 78 runs for the 1st wicket.

In the middle order David Hogg and Singe Krogg steadily carried the innings past three figures, aided by some good running between the wickets (the notation in the book shows plenty of 1s, 2s and the occasional boundary mixed in). George Jackson posted a sparkling and entertaining knock of 38 with 5 boundaries to give Arnesby a chance, however 4 ducks didn't help. At the tail Henry Lees and James Stevenson made a strong push to reach the target of 193 with a 10th wicket stand of 24 but fell short with the Arnesby finishing on 169.

Summary

Overall, a battling and spirited chase from Arnesby. The top and middle order did the bulk of the scoring and gave the innings a real platform, but a cluster of wickets in the closing overs — combined with the required rate creeping up — meant the last pair couldn't quite close out what had, for large parts of the innings, looked like a genuine chance. Well done to all and the whole team are looking for a win against Fleckney on 23 August.



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## Faith In the Community -

### Friends of St. Peter's, Arnesby (FOSPA)

Work continues with setting the tower restoration work in progress. Diocese approval has been received so subject to contractual lead times for this specialised work, this will be in motion in Spring 2027. This gives the Trustees time to get everything prepared to ensure a smooth start.



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### Hexagon Church Services –

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| • Sunday 6 September                                               | All Saints, Husbands Bosworth                           |
| • Sunday 13 September                                              | St Peter's, Arnesby                                     |
| • Sunday 20 September                                              | St Nicholas, Mowsley                                    |
| • Sunday 27 September                                              | St Mary Magdalene, Shearsby                             |
| • Sunday 4 October                                                 | St Mary's, Bruntingthorpe                               |
| • Sunday 4 October                                                 | St Mary Magdalene, Shearsby (Harvest Festival at 18:30) |
| • All services above start at <b>10:30 unless stated otherwise</b> |                                                         |
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## Harvest Festival at Arnesby –

Our Harvest Festival service in St. Peter's Church is on Sunday 25 October. The church will be decorated with gifts of fruit, vegetables and non-perishable items as well as flowers. The church will be left open for visitors to see the decorations and flower arrangements can be purchased. Fruit, vegetables and non-perishable goods will be donated to the Salvation Army.

## Spring Flowering Bulbs -

Once again, I will be taking orders for Spring flowering bulbs, with profits from the sale going to FOSPA. Let me know if you would like an order form or they will be available in the church. **Beryl Cane 0116 247 8136 or 07582 370336**  
berylcane@btinternet.com.

## Baptist Church News –

- Sunday morning weekly service, 10.45. Sunday Club for children. Followed by refreshments. All welcome.
- Sunday Evening weekly service, 18:00 in upstairs room, all welcome.
- Tuesday morning Evergreen Coffee time behind the chapel in The Barn. 10.30-12. Over 60's welcome.
- Wednesday morning ABC Toddlers & Babies, Parents, Grandparents and carers all welcome. Behind chapel, outdoors (weather permitting) and in The Barn 10:00-12:00.
- Friday, Explorers Kids Bible Club, 17.30-18.30 followed by Youth Club, 19.30-21:00.
- For further details: **Johnny Hutton 07813 35636**



## Stig's Autumn Missive



For more info: [Your bin collection dates / Harborough District](#)

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| Need this?                                       | Contact these wonderful people..... |                                                                                                            |
|--------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Arnesby CofE Primary School</b>               | Mrs Ruth James                      | 0116 247 8563 / <a href="mailto:office@arnesby.embracemat.org">office@arnesby.embracemat.org</a>           |
| <b>Bootcamp/circuits classes and boxfitt</b>     | Shane Malone                        | 07469 993970 / <a href="mailto:shane@sm-fitness.co.uk">shane@sm-fitness.co.uk</a>                          |
| <b>Arnesby Private Gym and Personal Training</b> | Shane Malone                        | 07469 993970 / <a href="mailto:shane@sm-fitness.co.uk">shane@sm-fitness.co.uk</a>                          |
| <b>Cricket Club</b>                              | David Hogg                          | 07443 259928                                                                                               |
| <b>Fitness and Yoga Sessions</b>                 | Mollie Gillanders                   | 07467 533615                                                                                               |
| <b>Grow your own' WhatsApp Group</b>             | Alan Wilkins                        | 07436 013372                                                                                               |
| <b>Loseby Charity Trust / Allotments</b>         | Alan Wilkins                        | 07436 013372 / <a href="mailto:allotments@losebywood.org.uk">allotments@losebywood.org.uk</a>              |
| <b>Newsletter</b>                                | Graham Roberts                      | 07785 561181 / <a href="mailto:arnesbynewsletter@gmail.com">arnesbynewsletter@gmail.com</a>                |
|                                                  | Mollie Gillanders                   | 07467 533615 / <a href="mailto:arnesbynewsletter@gmail.com">arnesbynewsletter@gmail.com</a>                |
| <b>Parish Council</b>                            | David Johnson (Chair)               | Website: <a href="http://www.arnesbyparishcouncil.org.uk">www.arnesbyparishcouncil.org.uk</a>              |
|                                                  | Leigh Maidment (Clerk)              | <a href="mailto:arnesbypc@gmail.com">arnesbypc@gmail.com</a>                                               |
| <b>St Peter's Church</b>                         | Anna Beeson                         | 07742 423949                                                                                               |
|                                                  | Graham Roberts                      | 07785 561181                                                                                               |
|                                                  | Beryl Cane                          | 07582 370336                                                                                               |
| <b>The Chapel</b>                                | Johnny Hutton                       | 0116 247 8392                                                                                              |
| <b>Village Community Facebook</b>                | Bruce Kerr                          | 07785 593319                                                                                               |
|                                                  | Paul Williams                       | <a href="mailto:paulwilliamsdesign@hotmail.com">paulwilliamsdesign@hotmail.com</a>                         |
| <b>Village Hall Booking</b>                      | Lucy Carter                         | 07973 910022 / <a href="https://hallbookingonline.com/arnesby/">https://hallbookingonline.com/arnesby/</a> |
| <b>Village Hall Chair</b>                        | Sue Cooper                          | 07534 897037                                                                                               |
| <b>Village Website</b>                           |                                     | Arnesby,Leicestershire ( <a href="http://village-web.co.uk">village-web.co.uk</a> )                        |
| <b>Village WhatsApp</b>                          | Zandra Byatt                        | 07825 182459                                                                                               |
| <b>WI</b>                                        | Gina Ward                           | 0116 247 8888                                                                                              |
| <b>Guitar Lessons</b>                            | Graham Roberts                      | 07785 561181                                                                                               |
| <b>Baby sitting</b>                              | Chloe Stevenson                     | Call Carol on 07974 306933                                                                                 |