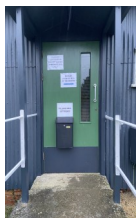
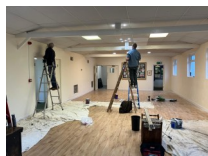


Dyke Village Newsletter

Spring 2025



Events:

Warm Hubs

Tuesdays 10-12 noon every week until Tuesday 25th March
Then April 8th and April 22nd
May 6th and May 20th
June 3rd and June 17th

Afternoon Tea Fundraiser

Sunday April 6th 2025 2-4pm

AGM

Sunday 13th April 2025 4pm

VE Day Commemoration at the hub

Tuesday 6th May

Swags and Bunting

Plant Sale

Sunday 11th May. 1-3.30pm

Scarecrow Day

Sunday 14th September

DVHMC Chairman's Report

Hello All—welcome to the latest newsletter for your village! A jam-packed edition this time as much has happened over the last few months, and some exciting things still to come. In January, the Hall hosted CPR and defibrillator training, kindly organised by Viv Chadwick and delivered by St. John's Ambulance volunteers. It was well attended and was really well received. A big thank you to Viv for organising. Also in January there was a Beetle Drive that was similarly well attended and was a great laugh—thanks to Phil Knowles for being the MC.

February saw Totally Anchored play to a really good crowd—much dancing and merriment was had by all who came along! Thanks must go to the band who played for free with all proceeds going to Hall funds.

Internal redecorations were completed over a February weekend plus several additional days by a small stalwart group of villagers— Les, Mike, Tina, Jenny and myself. A big thanks to them—it has made a huge difference! Curtains are still to do once we have available funds. Thanks should also go to Stringers Home Decorating Centre who gave us a great deal and excellent advice.

Warm hubs have been brilliant this year, with often more than 30 people attending and in one case around 50 when we hosted Bourne United Charities' and Hereward Lodge Freemasons. Nick Legge and Susan Bennett from BUC, and Ian Greenfield from the Freemasons all came along to see how their generous donations this year are being used —thank you!

There are more events planned for this year so please check the notice boards, newsletter, FB page and Dyke Village WhatsApp group for details.

Don't forget the AGM is coming up on Sunday the 13th of April at 4pm in the Village Hall. The Hall, its maintenance and all the bookings and events are run by a small group of volunteers for the benefit of your community, through the Committee. New members are always welcome so hope to see you there!

Robin Woodward

Warm Hub in Dyke Village Hall

Dyke Village Hall has become a real haven again on Tuesday mornings for villagers and friends. It is not only a warm space to be together with rising fuel prices it also helps to reunite villagers who have felt isolated during and since the Covid Pandemic.

We communicate through the village Whatsapp Chat and through the Village newsletter. Sometimes we produce a flier with updated events and information.

Anna McIvor switches on the ancient central heating boiler in readiness and Les Panrucker and Robin Woodward erect the tables and chairs. We push the tables together to ensure no one feels left out.

From an old suitcase in the corner, we retrieve playing cards and dominos. They are in use every week! From the kitchen, coffee and tea and freshly baked cakes are on offer.

Some people who work from home pop in to take a break and one or two members of Dyke WI join us and help with baking from time to time.

This winter we began the warm hubs Tuesday 29th October 2024.

One week Cllr. Sue Woolley invited three Highways Officers to listen to us and to share issues concerning flooding in the village following heavy rain-fall.

This week we were visited by Nick Legge and Sue Bennett from Bourne United Charities. They support the warm hub with their generous annual grant. Ian Greenfield from the Freemasons also joined us to see the freshly painted hall thanks to their helpful donation.

Attendance is always very good and so we plan to continue the hubs as follows:

Tuesdays 10-12 noon every week until Tuesday 25th March

Then April 8th and April 22nd

May 6th and May 20th

June 3rd and June 17th

Please come and see us if you are down our way.

RECENT EVENTS AT THE HALL

A **DEFIBRILLATOR AND FIRST AID TRAINING** course was delivered at the hall on Monday 27th January led by Stephen and his team from St John's Ambulance. The 90-minute training session covered the care of the unconscious person, the delivery of effective CPR and the use of a community defibrillator.

It is important to remember that in adults effective CPR and defibrillation within 5 minutes of cardiac arrest can increase survival by up to 70%.

This event was attended by 25 people from the Dyke village and surrounding villages.

Our thanks go to Stephen and team for their informative workshop and to Viv Chadwick for organising this event. Donations from the attendees made £100 for The St John's Ambulance Fund.

If you missed out and would like more information please visit

The St John's Ambulance <https://www.sja.org.uk/>

The British Heart Foundation <https://www.bhf.org.uk/>

RevivR by BHF is a free, interactive, online CPR training course. In just 15 minutes, you can learn how to save a life.

A **BEETLE DRIVE** was held on January 21st which raised £168.50 for DVH funds.

This is always a fun event for all the family. Thanks to Philip Knowles for making sure that everyone knew the rules and even followed them for the most part! Due to popular demand this event will be repeated in the next few months so keep an eye out for dates and times.

On Friday 21st February you may have seen the village hall rocking on its foundations and you would have heard us being thoroughly entertained by the fabulous local band **TOTALLY ANCHORED**.

The hall was full of people singing and dancing to a real mix of tunes from Status Quo to Neil Diamond. The atmosphere was electric!

Thanks to Bill Pauley and David Bailey for organising the event. The event raised £350 for Village Hall funds.



Hereward Lodge of Freemasons presented a cheque for £500 from the Lincolnshire Benevolent Fund to Robin Woodward, Chairperson of the Dyke Village Hall Committee. Seen in the photograph are John Eden (left), Robin Woodward receiving the cheque from WM of the Hereward Lodge, Graham Dayes and Phillip Knapp (right). This money has been used to redecorate Dyke Village Hall. *Thank you to all involved.*

Nick Legge and Susan Bennett from Bourne United Charities came to a warm hub meeting recently to see how their donation was being put to good use. They enjoyed their coffee and cakes and commented on the wonderful community atmosphere.

Thank you BUC!

With a little help from our friends in the community.... Thank you!



Spruced up walls and comfy bots!

If you go down to the hall today you're in for a big surprise! With a lot of hard work from brush wielding volunteers from the village, the hall has had a makeover. The dirty, marked walls have been repainted and the beams, doors and other woodwork have been reglossed. The overall effect is clean and bright even if the smell of paint will take a while to disappear!

The Village Hall Committee were offered the chance to rehome some second-hand chairs from St Mary's Church in Peterborough last month. We hope you will appreciate the softer cushioning for your posterior and back if you take the opportunity to join us at one of the many events held in the hall.

Easter Afternoon Tea and Easter Raffle Sunday April 6th 2025 2pm -4pm in Dyke Village Hall



Join us for afternoon tea where a fabulous selection of finger sandwiches, savoury items, delicious sweet treats and hot drinks will be served.

If you have visited the warm hubs on a Tuesday throughout the winter you will know what a treat you are in for.

The ladies will be baking up a storm!

Ticket £10/person in advance please from:

Marilyn 07765 496125

Or

Pat 01778 218162

BOOK DYKE VILLAGE HALL FOR YOUR NEXT EVENT



MAIN HALL - Space for up to 80 persons, large floor area, wide screen smart TV and WiFi

KITCHEN - Equipped with oven, fridge, coffee machine, crockery, glass-ware, cutlery and tea towels

FURNITURE- Rectangular tables of various sizes available plus seating for 80 people

CLOAKROOMS - Modern facilities with baby changing area and disabled accessible toilet

Only £12 per hour—please see website for more details

<https://www.dykevillagehall.org.uk>

Booking: 07867 547816

Email: contact@dykevillagehall.org.uk

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HALL**

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DARBY AND JOAN HALL

FRIDAYS AT 9AM



FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL GAIL Tel: 07944 655639

Events at Dyke Village Hall

DYKE VILLAGE WARM WELCOME HUBS

We invite you to join us at **Dyke Village Hall**

Tuesdays 10-12 noon every week until Tuesday 25th March

April 8th and April 22nd May 6th and May 20th June 3rd and June 17th



Sunday 6th April 2-4pm

AFTERNOON TEA £10 per person



Plant and Gardenalia Sale

Sunday 11th May 1-3.30pm

Pop down to the Village Hall and see what floral splendours, vegetable wonders and general garden delights we have on offer.

Tomato plants, sunflower seedlings, perennials and annuals, pots, ornaments and tools.

If, like me, you have been over-enthusiastic with your seed planting and once again have a surplus of plants or too many pots or garden tools you don't use, please consider donating any surplus plants, pots or garden tools for this event and then come along and get some more!!

Dyke Village Hall Management Committee

Invites you to our Annual General Meeting

in Dyke Village Hall

Sunday 13th April 2025 at 4pm

Dyke Village Hall Management Committee warmly invites you to our Annual General Meeting. Please come along and listen to reports on our work during the last year and what we have planned for the year ahead.

Refreshments will be served.

House of Gingerbread Afternoon Tea events at Dyke Village Hall

Create a unique Highland Cow Head Sculpture! Using simple weaving and sculpting techniques you will make and take home a characterful Moo! Suitable for beginners. All materials are provided if you have your favourite pair of secateurs and gardening gloves please bring them along. Moo Themed afternoon tea will also be served with teas and coffees.

Highland Cow Head Sculpture Sunday 25th May 1-4.30pm



Sitting Hare Willow Workshop 27th July 1-4.30 pm

Book early to guarantee your place

Both events: £35 per person inc. afternoon tea. Advanced bookings only

Please book at: <https://www.facebook.com/houseofgingerbreadafternoontea>

<https://www.houseofgingerbreadafternoontea.com>

Pilates Class with Max

Places available—Book now! Thursdays 10.15am - 11.15am DVH

Pilates is a series of non-impact exercises that improve strength, flexibility, posture, balance and coordination. It helps to relieve stress and tension and is an exercise for the mind and body. Suitable for ALL ages and abilities.

For further information, please contact Max by phone or text on 07912 554256 or email maxgolding@sky.com.

Dyke WI



Dyke WI have an exciting new programme for 2025.

Meetings are held in Dyke Village Hall at 7.30pm on the 3rd Thursday in the month. Visitors welcome.

If you would like to join us, please contact: Helen Whitfield 01778 571789

A Lifetime Fascination with Wheels

On Thursday 20th February 2025 at 7.30pm in Dyke Village Hall Carolyn Corliss shared her experiences with Motor Sports over the last 60 years. Carolyn was competing, organising, a journalist and a project manager.

Carolyn owned a 1929 1750 Alpha Romeo taking part in racing and rallying in many European events. An interesting, locally built Raymond Mayes car is now in her custody. She is also a published children's author and illustrator.

This was an open event where several interested Dyke villagers joined us to enjoy the illustrated talk and an opportunity to ask questions over coffee and cake.

Forthcoming Meetings

April 17th 2025 at 7.30pm Dyke Village Hall

Between Stairs, the life of a Lady's Maid

May 15th 2025 at 7.30pm Dyke Village Hall

Papercraft flowers, Jemma Winchester

June 19th 2025 at 7.30pm Dyke Village Hall

Fraud Safety, Sharon Hall, Lincolnshire Police

General Village News

Message from Councillor Les Panrucker

A Message from Councillor Les Panrucker

We had a very constructive meeting at the village hall on the 11/02/2025 with Cllr Sue Woolley and 3 senior LCC highways management personnel to apologise on the time taken to rectify the flooding in Dyke on the main road near the pub. We were told after lengthy investigations a solution had been made to direct the water into a new underground catch point and work would start on the 28/4/2025 involving a road closure, if the area flooded again before the works started a tanker would be sent to pump away the water! Some 40 people attended the meeting from the village to ask questions on the morning which lasted about an hour. The meeting concluded as stated above and as a village we felt reassured from what information had been given and looked forward to the completion in April and a thank you to Sue for setting this up.

On the playing field front most of you should have seen the appearance of the Goal posts and in March we will see an all weather Table Tennis Table installed and later in the month 7 pieces of Outdoor Fitness Equipment will be put in place thanks to SKDC funding. I will keep you updated on the rewilding project moving forward in the Spring.

Lastly as some of you will know, the Village hall has been decorated inside and the layout changed to increase space this has given the hall a new feel and new chairs have been purchased. I would like to thank everyone involved in this project and in making such a wonderful difference to the Hall.

Yours Les

Please pick up your poo!! Bag it and bin it!

Let's keep our village clean!



Let's keep in touch

WEBSITE: <https://dykevillagehall.org.uk>

EMAIL: contact@dykevillage.org.uk

Follow us also on the [Dyke Village Facebook](#) page.

Dyke Village also has a **WhatsApp** group which has become a way for Dyke residents to keep in touch with general village news. **If you would like to be added to the village WhatsApp group, please contact Jenny Woodward on 07824 448038**

Please keep your eyes peeled for news!

Village Hall information and dates and times of the DVHMC events will be displayed on the side of the hall, on the noticeboards inside and outside the hall and posted on Facebook, the village website and on the Dyke Village Community WhatsApp group.

For enquiries about renting out Dyke Village Hall please contact Anna McIvor on 07867 547816

If you would like to contribute to the next edition of the newsletter please let us know.

Text or call: Jenny Woodward on 07824 448038

We wish to thank South Kesteven District Council Print Room for printing our Newsletter.

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Are you having a Spring Clean?

Please consider donating your unwanted goodies to the Dyke Village Hall Committee to use as raffle and tombola items.

Dyke Village Hall

The Village Hall in Dyke is managed by a committee all of whom live locally. They work to provide a hub where people can meet and enjoy social events.

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