# Dyke Village Newsletter

### Summer 2025



EVENTS AT THE HALL Warm Hubs Tuesday June 3rd and June 17th Bingo Night Saturday 28th June Breakfast Hubs Sunday 6th July and 3rd August Cruise Night Saturday 19th July Barbecue Night Saturday 16th August Scarecrow Competition Sunday 14th September Race Night Friday 17th October Film Night Saturday 15th November Christmas fun at the Hall Sunday 14th December New Year's Eve Party Wednesday 31stDecember

# **DVHMC** Chairman's Report

Hello All and welcome to the Summer 2025 edition of the Newsletter. Since the last update we have had an AGM (thanks to those who attended) and re-formed the committee. As such we can welcome Viv Chadwick, Keith Ellis and Belida Ellis to the new committee – many thanks for stepping forward. Leaving the committee this year were Helen Crawford and Sue Anthony. The committee would like to extend thanks to both Helen and Sue for all their help over the years – thank you!

Thanks also to Helen Crawford for naming Dyke Village Hall as one of Bourne Mayor's nominated charities last year, much appreciated! Sue is also continuing her involvement with the village as a non-committee Events Coordinator – thank you!

A lot has been going on in the village since the last report (please see Les Panrucker's message later in the newsletter) including lots of additions to improve the village. Thanks should go to Les and to Neil Oglesby, our representatives on the Town Council for all these improvements, and to Sue Woolley our Lincolnshire County Council representative for Bourne North and Morton for all the help and support she gives us.

Some innovative and exciting events coming up this year thanks to Sue and the Events Team include a Cruise themed night and breakfast hubs which will replace the Warm Hub coffee mornings. Although these may still occur as pop –up events so look out for details on WhatsApp and in the village notice board.

A new cooker has been installed in the Hall kitchen to replace the old one which had a top oven that did not work. This was funded thanks to money raised at the Warm Hubs over the past year so thank you to all those who have come along, contributed cakes or supported with donations.

Robin Woodward Dyke Village Hall Management Committee Chair

# Summer Hubs in Dyke Village Hall



The Warm Hubs were rebranded and continued through into June with the final one scheduled for Tuesday June 17th from 10–12 noon.

These community coffee mornings have been supported by a regular cohort of people from the village and sometimes their friends and family come along too. It has given neighbours a chance to catch up over a cuppa and a slice or two (or even three!) of delicious homemade cakes, scones and sausage rolls.

The dominoes have seen great use and caused much laughter over the antics of some of the players (you know who you are!). History, politics and fashion have been debated and many jokes told. Friendships have been made, bonds strengthened and, as previously stated, much cake has been enjoyed since we started up the hubs in October 2022.

There have been many celebrations held at the hubs; royal events, historical occasions, birthdays, anniversaries and presentations but there were a few tears at the last hub on Tuesday 3rd June when Joanne walked in to the hall following an extended stay in hospital as a result of an accident at home.

The DVH Management Committee and all the "hubbers" presented Joanne with flowers, a jigsaw and a card to applaud her strength and determination throughout her ordeal. We send Joanne and Graham our very best wishes and hope for a complete return to health now she is back home.

Following the AGM on 13th April, the Dyke Village Management Committee had the pleasure of awarding the **Gwen Leverton Dyke Village Community Award** to Tina Lovesey. This shield, in memory of a kind, thoughtful and generous spirited former Dyke resident is given to someone in the community who has gone above and beyond to help and support others in the village and local area. Nominations for 2026 are now open, please let us know by 1st Jan.



# **RECENT EVENTS AT THE HALL**



**VE Day Hub.** The usual warm hub day on Tuesday 6th May was held to commemorate the 80th anniversary of Victory in Europe Day. The hall was decorated with Union Jacks and villagers came out to enjoy the lovely spread of cakes, sausage rolls and homemade scones. Memories of the war years were shared and we remembered those who fought.



An **Easter Afternoon Tea** was held on Sunday 6th April in the hall. A fabulous selection of sandwiches, savoury snacks and delicious cakes and scones were served up for villagers, their family and friends. The hall has never looked prettier with the tables laid up with fine crockery and beautiful flowers as centrepieces. The team led by Anne, Pat and Marilyn really created a memorable event and waiter Keith gets a special mention for his excellent sandwich deliveries. As always with these events there is a lot of hard work that goes on behind the scenes. Thank you to all helped prepare the food, set up the hall, and volunteer in the kitchen on the day as well as to those who bought tickets. £500 was raised.

#### Hallmaster—new hall booking system introduced

If you are planning to book the hall or want to see if it is in use you can now go via the hall website to the Hallmaster application. This will enable you to request a booking or see what is on for public bookings.

The **Plant Sale**, an important fixture in the fundraising calendar, was held on 11th May and was once again very well supported by villagers and others.

This year a generous contribution from Cherry Holt Garden Centre boosted the amount of container and bedding plants we were able to offer (please see below for a 10% discount voucher).

Thank you to all the generous contributors, the buyers, the bakers and the helpers—together we raised over £1,000 which will go towards essential hall maintenance.





Cherry Holt Garden Centre Sheds, Summerhouses, Landscaping and more!

Sale now on Cherry Holt Garden Centre

Veg and bedding upto 50% off!

10% off perennials and shrubs for Dyke residents—just take in this newsletter for your discount to be applied.

# **Pilates with Max**



#### Tuesdays 7-8pm Thursdays 9—10 am

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 <u>maxgolding67@gmail.com</u>

# **Quirky Crafters**

A craft group for "old hands" or beginners.

Come along for a chat, a cuppa and some crafting fun.

Bring what you are working on or join in with our monthly make.

3rd Monday in the month 10am—12 noon

£5 per session Dyke Village Hall

For more details please contact Linda on 07949 057811

### Quick Brain Teasers....

1. What word has three consecutive double letters?

2. What has only two words but thousands of letters?

3. What English word has the same pronunciation even after you remove four of its five letters?

- 4. What word is spelled the same forwards, backwards and upside down?
- 5. What five-letter word becomes shorter when you add two letters to it?
- 6. I'm a word of letters three; add two and fewer there will be. What am I?

Answers below:

1. Bookkeeper 2. Post Office 3. Queue 4. NOON 5. Short 6. Few

# 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, glassware, 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@dykevillage.org.uk

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#### SLIMMING WORLD WITH GAIL

BOURNE METHODIST CHURCH HALL

THURSDAYS AT 5.30PM

DARBY AND JOAN HALL

FRIDAYS AT 9AM



FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL GAIL Tel: 07944 655639

# **Events at Dyke Village Hall**



#### SATURDAY 28TH JUNE from 7pm

An evening of fun for all the family!

BYO drinks and nibbles

Raffle

### DYKE VILLAGE BREAKFAST HUBS

We invite you to join us for breakfast on

SUNDAY 6TH JULY

and SUNDAY 3RD AUGUST

9.30-11.30



A selection of breakfast items will be offered as well as tea, coffee and juice

Vegetarian, vegan and gluten free options available



# **Barbecue at the Hall**

Saturday 16th August from 7pm



Locally sourced sausages and burgers (vegetarian and GF options)

Licensed Bar

Raffle

# **CRUISE NIGHT**

## Saturday 19th July from 7.30pm

The Dyke Village Events Committee presents for your pleasure an evening aboard the SS Ladylike Veg\*

- Fun travel-related quiz
- Music and dancing
- Licensed Bar
- Nibbles to be served
- Raffle



(Cruise attire suggested but not a condition of boarding Prize for best dressed)



Your captain awaits!



#### Tickets £5 per person

available from Jenny Woodward 07824 448038 or Sue Anthony 07986 671842

(\*solve the anagram to get a chance of winning a prize)

# Future Events—details to be confirmed

#### Sunday 14th September - Scarecrow Competition

Let's get creative! Refreshments served in the village hall , cake stall, raffle

#### Friday October 17th - Race Night

Place your bets on the nags, fun evening for all the family

#### Saturday 15th November - Film Night

A family friendly evening of film

#### Sunday 30th November - Deck the Hall

Help decorate the hall for Christmas-mulled wine and mince pies

#### Sunday 14th December - Christmas Fun at the Hall

Games, carols and Christmas cheer!

#### Wednesday 31st December - New Years Eve Party

Celebrate the turn of the year with friends and neighbours!

Dvke WI



### Dyke WI's Special Afternoon Tea

On Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> May a very special afternoon tea took place in Dyke Village Hall to honour Gwen, Joy, Betty and Carole who gave so much to our wonderful group before they died.

Gwen and Joy, both farmer's wives, who were neighbours living near the village were energetic and enthusiastic stalwarts for our group for as long as we can remember, organizing refreshments and furniture for our meetings and welcoming new members.

Gwen engaged with the wider WI Community both locally and electronically. Both were talented ladies.

Betty was Gwen's sister and her quiet and subtle help in running a smooth meeting didn't go unnoticed.

Carole's energetic commitment to WI, organising the Book Group and engaging with current topics and events, challenged us all with her ideas and views.

On the day of the tea, tables dressed with linen and beautiful flowers welcomed the ladies and our two special guests. The weather was perfect! The sunshine streamed into the hall and there were greetings and hugs before sitting down to tea.

#### **Forthcoming Meetings**

**Fraud Safety, Sharon Hall, Lincolnshire Police** *Thursday June 19<sup>h</sup> 2025 at 7.30pm in Dyke Village Hall* 

**Cathy's Curries Demonstration** Thursday July 17<sup>th</sup> at 7.30pm in Dyke Village Hall

#### Irish Ribbon Folding

*Thursday August 21<sup>st</sup> at 7.30pm in Dyke Village Hall* If you would like to join us, please contact: Helen Whitfield 01778 571789

# Village News A message from Councillor Les Panrucker

Hello everyone it's been a busy period since the last newsletter. We have planted 15 fruit trees on the playing field with the help of many villagers and also a water donation from our local farmer William Ash transported by Mike and his mighty forklift to keep them thriving in this warm weather.

You will also have seen very recently the installation of 7 pieces of Adult Exercise Equipment on the playing field, please feel free to come and use the equipment. It was officially opened by our new Bourne Mayor Colin Pattison on Saturday the 7th of June.

LCC Highways completed the drainage works outside the Wishing Well Pub to hopefully resolve the flooding issues of the last winter. We will all keep a close eye on how the improvements work.

Lastly I wish to thank everyone who has supported me in achieving and helping with all the above projects.

Yours Councillor Les Panrucker.





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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# We are looking for raffle and tombola prizes

Please consider donating your unwanted goodies to the Dyke Village Hall Committee.

#### 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.

> www.dykevillagehall.org.uk Facebook: Dyke Village Email: contact@dykevillage.org.uk