Radcliffe on Trent Parish Council

Winter 2018





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CHAIRMAN'S WELCOME

Welcome to the Winter 2018 edition of the Parish Council Newsletter

As I write this, our long summer seems to be finally coming to a close, but what a busy and eventful season it has been in Radcliffe.

The season of festivals and events started with our second 'Picnic in the Park', attended by even more people than last year. This was also true of the second RADFEST music festival, held on the Wharf Lane Recreation Ground.

These were followed by our traditional Radcliffe Carnival, the historic visit to the village of the Tour of Britain cycle race, the Skatepark Jam and, of course, the popular Village Show, all attracting many visitors and participants.

Even though summer has gone, we can still look forward the various events commemorating the 100th anniversary of the Armistice that ended the First World War and the Switch On of the Christmas Lights.

We won't ever forget that none of these events can take place without the commitment and hours of work put in by literally hundreds of volunteers and our many thriving community groups.

Inside you will find photos of many of these events – a lovely souvenir of another great year for Radcliffe.

Councillor David Barton. Chairman Radcliffe on Trent Parish Council

Have you ever thought of becoming a Parish Councillor?

Along with other Town and Parish Councils throughout the country, on Thursday 2nd May 2019 there will be elections to decide the make-up of Radcliffe on Trent Parish Council for the next four years.

If you think you can play a part in improving facilities and services for residents, why not put your name forward?

What does a Parish Council do?

Parishes are the most local part of our democratic system, in a sense the tier closest to the public, with various powers given to them by central government.

Parish Councils spend money raised from the community through a precept on the Council Tax on projects and services, to improve facilities and services for local people.

Radcliffe on Trent Parish Council is responsible for providing and caring for such facilities as Rockley Memorial Park, Grange Hall, Valley Road and Bingham Road play areas, Wharf Lane Recreation Ground (including play equipment and skatepark), the Cemetery and flower displays in the village centre.

We organise such events as the Picnic in the Park, the Village Show, Christmas Lights and films at Grange Hall.

The Parish Council represents village needs and views to other bodies, for instance in putting forward our views on planning applications and development plans.

What are a Parish Councillor's duties? What does being a Parish Councillor entail?

As a Councillor you can be a voice for your community and make real change.

Parish Councillors meet collectively to make decisions on the work and direction of the Council.

There are three main areas of work:

- Decision making. Through attending meetings and committees with other elected members, Councillors decide which activities to support, where money should be spent, what services should be delivered and what policies should be implemented.
- Monitoring: Councillors make sure that their decisions lead to efficient and effective services by keeping an eye on how well things are working.
- 3) **Getting involved** as local representatives in the community and taking up issues on behalf of the public.

How much time does it take? As a volunteer, it is for you to decide how much time you devote to the Parish Council .The Council is currently testing a new schedule of Committee meetings once a fortnight. Most Councillors find themselves involved in Parish Council activities, beyond attending

Council meetings.

What is the process of standing for election?

Radcliffe on Trent Parish Council has 18 Councillors, nine for each of the two wards into which the Parish is divided: Manvers and Trent.

Most people aged 18 or over are eligible to stand. You need just two electors from the village to nominate you.

You do not need to be a representative of a political party to stand: at the last election in 2015 there were 11 Independents and 7 Conservatives elected.

If there are more nominees than the number of places available, an election is called, in this case on Thursday May 2nd..

The Parish Council is planning to hold a Question and Answer session in the New Year for residents considering putting their names forward for election.

The Parish Clerk is always available to answer questions.



Radcliffe on Trent 2018

Over the last few months Radcliffe on Trent has seen some exciting events, some large and some small. These could not have been as successful as they were without having many talented volunteers along the way. Thank you to all these volunteers and staff that gave up many hours of their time for the village. On the next few pages are a few of the highlights.





The 3rd **RadFest** will be held at The Rec on Wharf Lane on Saturday 22nd June 2019. It's an event that's been brilliantly supported by the community in the first two years. It's unique,- It's a music festival shaped by the teenagers of the village for the whole community. We've had great reviews, we're really grateful for the lovely messages of support.

The main event is the music. We're fortunate to have had some of Nottinghamshire's top new musicians appearing on our stage. Our 2018 headliner, Rob Green, went on to support Michael Buble and Van Morrison at Hyde Park in London.

The aim of the Festival is to have a place to experience live music. With child tickets starting at just £1 we want to make it accessible to all of the village.

New to 2018 was the teen tent - a place to chill and meet and question the artists. This will have a more prominent role in 2019. We're also proud of the young people who organise and bring stalls to the Festival market to create a lovely atmosphere.

Staging the Festival isn't cheap. We have lots of regulations we have to adhere to and we're looking for headline sponsors to help us maintain this ambitious annual event. We're grateful to businesses in the village who already help, including Michon, who took an intern from Nottingham Trent University to work on our logos and branding.

We have a great working relationship with Confetti Institute of Creative Technologies in Nottingham. They look after the Splendour Festival at Wollaton Park, and their students get real-life experience of looking after the stage, lights and sound at RadFest.

It's a great example of the community working together - with the Parish Council, Borough and County Councillors, Radcliffe Olympic Football Club and other organisations offering practical and financial support.

We won't be quiet between now and June. We've established a monthly youth group at the Bingham Road playing fields, and we've a number of fund-raising events too - from a race night to our annual quiz.

For further information see the website <u>radfest.org.uk</u> or email <u>tracey_jarvis@hotmail.co.uk</u>

Picnic In The Park

Word had obviously got around that the first Picnic in the Park in 2017 had been a lovely occasion, as even more turned out for this year's event in the Rockley Memorial Park.

Again a wonderful feature was to see such a mixed crowd, with the full range of age groups coming along. Families enjoyed a picnic, while listening to the music served up by the Omega Jazz Band and our own South Notts Academy Swing Band.

Children's activities were provided by Radcliffe Family Playdays, all to the theme of the 100th anniversary of Women's Suffrage, the subject of a mini exhibition by the Radcliffe WW1 group. The music, the setting, the informal relaxed atmosphere and the weather all made for a wonderful afternoon. Yet another key date in our Radcliffe calendar.



Radcliffe on Trent Carnival July 14th 2018 Radcliffe Carnival Celebrates Festivals of the World

In the middle of our lovely hot summer Radcliffe celebrated Christmas, The Day of the Dead, Chinese New Year, and The World Cup all in one day at the annual Carnival!

Thanks to lots of hard work from organisations



and individuals across the village and support from the Parish and Borough Councils we were able to hold a fantastic community day, described by Dave Barton (Chair of the Parish Council) as a 'highlight of the village summer events'.

The biggest, brightest and noisiest procession weaved its way down through the village, watched by a huge crowd lining the route. Representing the range of our village life there were floats and walking groups from the Playgroup, Rainbows & Brownies, Radcliffe Olympic FC, Boys' Brigade, The Methodist Church, the Phoenix Signing Choir and the ever lively Netball group.

At the Grange were stalls and sideshows run by local charities and community groups plus two superb entertainment programmes in the Grange Hall and out in the Arena. A highlight of these was the excellent display from Dako Flying Angels gymnastic team, featuring some local boys in the squad.

At the end of the afternoon local chanteuse Estelle and the Redfish gave us a great set and sent everyone home smiling.

The Working Group have counted all the money and are delighted to say that around £10,000 has been raised which, after the bills for essential services are paid, is distributed to the charities and community groups who support the Carnival on the day.

Could you help to make next year's Carnival on July 13th 2019 even better?

We are always in need of support on the day (maybe just for an hour or 2) or maybe join the Working Group – we need lots of different skills!

If you have any suggestions or ideas please email us on <u>RotCarnival@gmail.com</u> or join our Facebook Group.

More information: Facebook Page, "Radcliffe on Trent Charity Carnival" or <u>http://</u> rotcarnival.blogspot.co.uk/. Follow us on Twitter: @ROTcarnival Contact: <u>RotCarnival@gmail.com</u> **Barbara Morgan**

TOUR OF BRITAIN CYCLE RACE VISITS RADCLIFFE

Saturday 8th September 2018 was a day to remember in Radcliffe, when the Tour of Britain raced through our village.

Young and old came out in their hundreds to cheer on the cyclists and their exciting entourage of motor cyclists and support vehicles.

The enthusiastic crowds, the church bells of St. Mary's, the shop window displays and street decorations gave them a grand welcome. A special mention of appreciation must go to the village knitting groups with their crafted bunting.

It didn't put Radcliffe 'on the map' – we are there already! – but it was fun to see our village on national TV, with the Golf Club's golf ball sculpture highlighted.

All in all, a festive occasion to be remembered by all, young and old..



Radcliffe's Skatepark : Latest news!

We did it! Exciting times ahead......

Thanks to hard work, dedication, and huge support from residents, users, local councillors and the amazing effort of the Skatepark Committee we have secured funding for a brand-new concrete Skatepark in Radcliffe. We plan to have this opened Summer 2019.



I would like to say a huge thank you to everyone who has supported this venture. If you turned up to an event, bought some merchandise, donated

money or generally cheered us on this really wouldn't have happened without your generous support and encouragement.

The Skatepark Committee alongside the The Parish and Borough Council are currently working with each other to plan for this fabulous new amenity for the village.

We are currently in the early stages of the project process. However, we still need your views on what you would like to see. We will be holding an event late January for you to come and look at possible designs. If you are a regular user of the park, if you take your children or grandchildren down there or you are an interested resident please do come. We would love to hear your thoughts. Please keep an eye out on social media and in the village for further information of when this event will be.

If you would like more information please contact me. If you would like to help more and get involved we are always looking for new members of The Skatepark Committee. You can also find out more and follow events on our Facebook Page.

Once again, many thanks. This was a real village effort. Well done all!

Rosie Hunnam Radcliffe-on-Trent Skatepark Committee <u>rosiehunnam@gmail.com</u> 07824602193

Review of the Village Show 2018

Many thanks to all the 412 people who entered categories at our annual Village Show.

Many thanks to the 2000 of you who crossed the gate and enjoyed the day. I'm so proud to say what a success we've made of this over the last few years, this is my last post!

The idea to revive this event was thought up by a few of us in the Manver's pub garden after the success of the Jubilee celebrations in 2012.

6 years later and momentum has grown with more entries, more ideas, more people being involved and the amazing ongoing support of Radcliffe Parish Council and sponsors.

We saw the new Lego category this year and the liqueur competition! .".very nice" said the judge after sampling the fine spirits.

The burger off returned, as did the sunshine.

We saw many fine cakes, jams, floral arrangements and all your fabulous artwork...not to mention the children's competitions.

It was a pleasure to read the poems by adults and children and wonder where the words came from.

Radcliffe, I have to say your fruit, vegetables and garden flowers were perfect.

It's joyous to see people walking around wearing rosettes that they had wonand the dogs ...who did their owners proud.

What we've done, and the committee will continue to do, is to bring another great community event to our village of Radcliffe on Trent.

Lots of hours of volunteer time go into planning a successful day, so a debt of gratitude is owed to each member of the committee, people who organise the early morning set up, people who sit by the gates, judges who give time on a Sunday morning in September to judge! And the compere that comperes so professionally with a great sense of humour ! Oh and special thanks to our guest who opened the show, Mark Shardlow. If anyone would like to become involved for next year's show please get in touch, if you've got an idea that you think would make a great show competition the committee would love to hear from you! This was my last year as chairman, it's been an absolute pleasure. Kind regards and see you all next Year

Mel McKechnie



Cups won on Sunday 9th September...

Radcliffe Bake Off Cup for the Overall Winner - Josephine Scales Michael Mills Cup for the Best Photograph - Chris Campion Jack Buckberry Cup in Horticulture - The Hemmings Peggy Deavin Cup for Children's Poetry - Oliver Monaghan Kath Ready Cup for the Best Flower Arrangement - Chris Campion Yaadgaar Tandoori Restaurant Cup for the Best Bread - Carol Vink Saxondale Kennels Cup for the Best in the Dog Show - Mabel! Saxondale Kennel Cup for runner up in the Dog Show - Chipolata The Late Clive Tompkins Cup for the Best Chutney - James Pratt In Memory of Bob Ayres Cup - Terry Birch

The Peter Whitehead Cup for the Junior Class - Molly Hemmings

The Peter Whitehead Cup for the Best Vase of Mixed Flowers - Judy Wilson

Sewing Award - Angela Kennington

The Richard Andrew Cup for Adult Poetry - Sam Wilson

The Vintage Magnolia Cup for Art - Raye Allton

The BBQ Off Apron! - Ricky Coxon

Well Turned Ankle - Kate Jefferson

Knobbly Knees - Rob Brears



Creative Stitching

We are a small group of friends who meet once a week on Tuesday afternoon in the Dowson Room at The Grange in Radcliffe on Trent from 1.30-3.30pm.

We love to stitch.....anything, be it embroidery, patch work, cross stitch or anything creative.

If you would like to join us you would be made very welcome, whether you are a beginner or more experienced

Either drop in on a Tuesday afternoon and have a chat or you can telephone: Sandra on 01949 81981

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The YouNG project is on the lookout for new companies to collaborate with as part of our new and improved work experience programme. We specialise in creating long-lasting partnerships between young people, schools and businesses and would love to help more organisations to utilise the talented young people of the future. Our new programme increases the flexibility for businesses, offering 3 different work experience packages:

- Traditional short-term Lasting one or two weeks during dates agreed with your school/ higher education institution.
- Long Term 1 day a week over a longer period of time, offering a chance to see the full potential of the young person
- Snapshot Work Experience- Half a day 1 day offering convenience for the business and a chance for short conversations with employees in various departments

Our new programme reduces the workload for businesses by matching young people for your business to ensure they will remain engaged, continuous support as well as us completing any associated paperwork!

If you wish to learn more or become a partner, you can contact us by emailing: <u>max.emerson@trentbridge.co.uk</u> or visiting our website: <u>www.weareyoung.org.uk</u>

THE ARTS SOCIETY TRENT VALLEY



The Society, formerly known as Trent Valley Decorative and Fine Arts Society, began a new year in October 2018 with an exciting programme of lectures. Looking ahead, we plan a

study day in April, and a summer coach visit to Sledmere House in Yorkshire. We are a friendly Society and you are welcome to join us.

From October to July our meetings take place on the first Wednesday of every month at Grange Hall, Radcliffe on Trent. Lectures start promptly at 11am but we ask you to be seated by 10.50am for the Chairman's welcome. Coffee is available from 10.15am. Forthcoming talks include:

Wednesday 5 December 2018:

'The Fascinating World of Playing Cards' by Yasha Beresiner

Wednesday 2 January 2019:

'The Evolution of the Interior' by Anthony Rayworth

Wednesday 6 February 2019:

'Eric Ravilious - his Life and Work' by James Russell.

The annual membership fee of £45 entitles members to attend 10 monthly lectures and includes the glossy quarterly magazine 'The Arts Society Review'. If you are interested in becoming a member please request an application form from the Membership Secretary Penny Tytler at ptytler@ntlworld.com.

Visitors are welcome to meetings provided they are brought to a lecture by an existing member and you notify the Visitor Secretary, Tessa Day, at <u>tday@quinta.clara.co.uk</u> well in advance.

The picture on the front page of the Newsletter, of the snowy scene came from Robin Trow Photography

Www.robintrow.co.uk

Litter Louts in Radcliffe

Litter picking volunteers work extremely hard in our village to try and keep on top of an ever increasing problem.

However, in addition to all this volunteer work, the Parish Council are still having to pay up to £100 per week of council tax payers money for extra litter picking.



Our parks, recreation ground and even the cemetery are particular areas of concern which need almost daily attention to clear up dropped litter.

The Parish Council provides ample litter bins which are regularly emptied, making this problem all the more frustrating. Litter is often dropped just a few feet from these!

A summer of great effort from both residents and the Parish Council to make Radcliffe look amazing resulted in our winning the Best Kept Village in Notts competition. This unfortunately therefore makes the problem of litter all the more disappointing.



Please help us to encourage and educate all age groups to respect Radcliffe and continue to make it one of the best villages in Rushcliffe in which to live and enjoy.

Thank You

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Rockley Memorial Park Opening / Closing Times

Month	Times
November - December - January	8am – 4.30pm
February - March	8am – 6pm
April - May - June - July August	8am – 9pm
September - October	8am – 6pm

Please note: These times have been set by policy of Radcliffe on Trent Parish Council.

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YOUNG RADCLIFFE PRESENTS

SUNDAY 20TH JANUARY

7PM

BUFFET STYLE DINING

MENU TO INCLUDE: * STARTERS *A RANGE OF MAINS *POPPADOMS ETC

£18 PER PERSON

ALL PROFIT TO GO TOWARDS THE FUNDING OF RADFEST 2KI9



TO SECURE A PLACE, PLEASE EMAIL

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Radcliffe on Trent Parish Council

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'Silver Cinema'2019 At Grange Hall

We aim to put a film on every month in Grange Hall. Please feel free to let us know what films you would like to see.

> The dates for 2019 are: Wednesday 30th January Wednesday 27th February Wednesday 27th March Wednesday 24th April Wednesday 29th May Wednesday 26th June Wednesday 24th July Wednesday 28th August Wednesday 25th September Wednesday 30th October Wednesday 27th November

£2 admission with a ticket – includes refreshments Doors Open At 12.30pm and Film Starts At 1.00pm

For more information call the Hall Manager on 0115 9335808 Ex1 or Email <u>bookings@rotpc.com</u>

Look at our Notice Boards for details for what is being shown



Radcliffe-on-Trent is twinned with Bussy-St-Georges which is 15 miles east of Paris and 5 minutes drive from Disneyland Paris. The association participates in regular social events, sometimes jointly with other organisations. We have regular contact with members of Bussy-St-Georges twinning association and encourage contact between organisations in both towns.

On Sunday the 15thJuly we played a Boules match against our arch rivals of Southwell twinning association followed by buffet lunch at the Grange. The day was thoroughly enjoyed by both Southwell and Radcliffe twinning associations.

On Friday November 2nd we are organising a General knowledge / French themed quiz and meal evening at Ashmores, So get those thinking caps on and come and join us for the evening, the cost is £20. This promises to be a very enjoyable and entertaining evening.

If Interested, contact Steve by email at steve.sugden@ntlworld.com

We have been invited by our twin town of Bussy-St-Georges to spend a long weekend with them in March 2019 when we will stay with Bussy residents and participate in a programme of social activities.

The Association is open to everyone and we always welcome new members. If you are interested in finding out more or in joining the association please contact Kathy on Kathy.thomas53@gmail.com or Alan on a.reed7@ntlworld.com

ARMISTICE CENTENARY EVENTS 2018

Radcliffe on Trent WW1 Group commemorated the Armistice centenary with a poppy trail, guided walks, talks, readings and a mini-exhibition in the village.

Poppy wreaths were placed around the village on fourteen lamp posts carrying the names of local men who lost their lives in the Great War. A free pamphlet produced by the group, which included a map of the trail and information about the servicemen, was widely available. An interactive map which can be found on the group's website <u>www.radcliffeontrentww1.org.uk</u> means that those unable to attend the guided walks can still follow the trail online and find out about our servicemen. The walks were well supported by local residents, who found them helpful in understanding what a close community the village was at that time and what it must have been like when families received the news that their loved ones had lost their lives. Comments from Radcliffe residents who wrote to the group praising the Poppy Trail included:

"I think the poppy commemorations around the village are a wonderful idea, such a strong, poignant message of remembrance".

"It is very powerful walking around the village and seeing your wreaths all over the place. A constant and poignant reminder of those that gave their lives for our freedom".

A talk entitled 'Radcliffe on Trent 1918: What happened Next?' took place at Grange Hall on the afternoon of the 1st November for U3A members and in the evening of that same day for non-members. The illustrated talk explored how the First World War affected the village from the Armistice to the mid 1920s and was warmly received.

A mini-exhibition exploring the impact of WW1 and its aftermath on Radcliffe on Trent was displayed at The Grange and St Mary's Church and is available to view at Radcliffe Library until 24 November. Illuminated 'There but not there' silhouettes donated to the Parish Council by the charity 'Remembered', which accompanied the exhibition, concert and Armistice service in St Mary's Church, attracted much attention.

As part of the commemorations to mark the centenary of the end of the First World War, the Radcliffe on Trent Male Voice Choir and Radcliffe on Trent WWI Group held a concert in St Mary's church on November 8th. The concert included songs performed by the Male Voice Choir and the Bridge Singers along with pieces by young flautist Katie Miller. Members of the WW1 group read accounts by Radcliffe residents of their personal experiences of the

Great War.

Go to <u>www.radcliffeontrentww1.org.uk</u> where all the information on the trail and biographies of over 400 men on the Roll of Honour can still be found, together with the readings given at the concert and commemorative service on November 11th.



THE WOMEN

A warm welcome awaits you at WI monthly meetings. Our ladies are a friendly bunch always willing to have a chat and a cuppa with you.

A typical evening consists of about 30minutes business then the bit everyone enjoys, a good old natter over a cup of tea and

biscuits and sometimes WI cake. This is then followed by either a speaker or a more informal evening. We like this because it involves more chatting!

Over the next few months our programme includes The Radcliffe Male Voice Choir entertaining us on the 13th December at our Christmas party. We have Bob Coleman a local artist on January 15th, a games evening on February 19th and on April 16th a talk about Bletchley Park. As you can see quite a diverse range of meetings.

With our book club, lunch club and knit and natter group. (which incidentally you don't need to be able to knit you can just go for a chat and a cup of tea) you can always find something to do. Our federation also has many other activities you can try.

If you would like to come down and meet us there is no cost involved. In fact you can come to 3 meetings free and then we would ask if you would like to join us.

Meetings are held on 3rd Tuesday of the month at 'The Hall' Royal British Legion starting at 7.15pm.

Hopefully we will see you in the near future.

Anne Smith

Bingham and District Choral Society

After our high-octane performance of the Verdi Requiem with Mansfield Choral Society in May, the choir's summer singing season will once again have an Italian flavour. As part of the 2018 Byron Festival, Bingham and District Choral Society will be joining the Newstead Abbey Singers, the Sarzana Youth Choir (from Southwell's Italian twin town), the choir of St Mary's Parish Church and the Newstead Brass Band in a very special concert to celebrate Lord Byron's time in Italy exactly 200 years ago. The concert will take place on Saturday 7th July 2018 at 7.30pm in St Mary's Parish Church, Newark. Music will include settings of Byron's poetry and Italian music, including the world premiere of BYRON IN ITALY composed by Guy Turner, our Musical Director. Rehearsals begin on Wednesday 23rd May 2018 at Carnarvon School, Nursery Rd, Bingham (7.15pm – 9.30pm). This would be a great opportunity for new singers to try out the choir for a short season. Do contact Val Morgan on 0115 933 2353 if you would like to come along. Ticketing details for the July concert can be found on our **website: www.binghamchoral.org.uk**

SNA students celebrate outstanding GCSE success

2018 GCSE reforms mean that the new grade 7 and above is comparable to an A and above, and the new grade 4 and above is comparable to a C and above.

In a year when GCSE exams have been harder and more challenging, SNA students have once again scored some spectacular results. Overall, the Academy has achieved its best ever results with subjects and individual students reaping the reward for their commitment and resilience.

Dan Philpotts (Headteacher) said, 'Exam reforms this year have created a year of uncertainty, but the response from our students and staff has been amazing. To see so many students exceed their targets and so many secure the very highest grades is testimony to how they have approached their studies. We look forward to welcoming them back into the Sixth Form'.

Many individual Year 11 students secured outstanding results including Robert Fish (pictured below) whose performance puts him in the top 0.2% of students nationally. He secured 7 x grade 9s and 1 A* in English Literature, English Language, Maths, Science (x2), ICT, Spanish and Photography. GCSE headline figures include:

Positive Progress 8 score

92% of students secured a grade 4 or above (C grade) in English



89% of students secured a grade 4 or above (C grade) in Maths

Most able students thrived, particularly in English where nationally in 2017, 2-3% achieved the very highest grade 9s whereas at SNA this year, 10% achieved grade 9s.

Individual subject areas continue to thrive and many were able to sustain and improve on previous high standards.

Also, BTEC subjects (PE / Health and Social / Dance) all secured 100% 9-4 grades. For the majority of our GCSE students, the transition to SNA Sixth Form has already started and staff are looking forward to welcoming more students back as Year 12 students.

Radcliffe's Local Wildlife Sites

Did you know that Radcliffe-on-Trent has two areas that are designated Local Wildlife Sites?

Dewberry Hill, adjacent to the Golf Course, acquired this status in 2009 for botanical reasons. The site was originally unimproved dry pasture land, which in summer hosts a variety of wildflowers including Oxeye Daisy, Common Knapweed, Lady's Bedstraw, Agrimony, Yarrow and Goat's beard. Important fragments of this landscape remain. Conserving it is a key feature of the Management Plan adopted by Radcliffe Parish Council in 2015 with support and advice from Nottinghamshire Wildlife Trust and Rushcliffe Borough Council. Dewberry Hill is also important for birds, small mammals and butterflies. Grass snakes, a declining species in the UK have been recorded here. Muntjac deer are frequently seen on the site.

The Lily Ponds, situated between the wooded Cliff Top and the River Trent, also have LWS status. This is an important habitat for common toads, which gather here in large numbers to spawn during the early spring. Bats can be seen around here, Pipistrelles along the Cliff Top and Daubenton's by the water around dusk. Tawny Owls are resident and look out for kingfishers flying along the riverbank.

The county's Local Wildlife Sites are periodically surveyed by N.B.G.R.C. (Notts. Biological & Geological Records Centre) based at Wollaton Hall. Here in Radcliffe they are managed by the Parish Council. Both sites are traversed by public footpaths so make sure you get out and visit them. Watch out for new signs and information boards at each site. Community involvement is also vital for their successful upkeep. Radcliffe Conservation Group organises activities and events at both sites throughout the year. To find out more about how you can help, please e-mail either Phillip Taylor (philtaylor_422@hotmail.com) or David Barton

(davidhbarton@btopenworld.com).





Single-Use Plastic - The Problem

Anyone who listens to the news will know of the massive worldwide problem that single-use plastic pollution poses.

We are now told that not only is plastic polluting the land and the seas, killing marine wildlife, but it is also in our food chain resulting in a potential threat to human life.

At Radcliffe Parish Council we believe that communities must respond to this enormous problem and our aim is

"To promote the reduction of single-use plastics within the

Parish of Radcliffe on Trent"

Already we have made a number of changes within our offices, premises and land to reduce our usage and find alternative ways.

We are working on the principal of four R's to;

- Replace with another product
- Reduce if replace is not an option
- Reuse find ways to use again
- Recycle only as a last resort

We have produced a short presentation on simple effective ways in which we can all help to make a difference and are happy to share these with local groups, schools, organisations and businesses.

If you would like more information on our presentation please contact.

clerk@rotpc.com

We look forward to hearing from you.

Councillors Gillian Dunn and Georgia Moore





Do you have a 3 or 4 year old child? Do you want them to attend a fantastic nursery setting with a 'GOOD' Ofsted rating?

If so, please come along and spend an exciting introductory session with us!

Our provision is planned and delivered by a fully qualified Early Years teacher and Level 3 Teaching Assistant. We aim to be flexible in our approach and can offer 15 or 30 hours free depending on you and your child's eligibility and needs.

The nursery is in a purpose built building as part of a Foundation Stage setting on the school campus. This ensures a smooth transition into the infant school and the opportunity to be involved in whole school activities where appropriate.

The indoor environment is zoned into 'Discovery Areas' to cover all aspects of the curriculum including Creative, Mark making, Imaginative play, ICT, Construction, Reading, Maths and Role play.

Children have access to a number of outdoor environments, including a trim trail, nature garden and their own specifically designed area.

We offer a breakfast, lunch and after school club.

Please visit <u>www.rotins.notts.sch.uk</u> for more information or contact us on <u>admin@rotins.notts.sch.uk</u> or telephone 01159112991.

We look forward to welcoming you!

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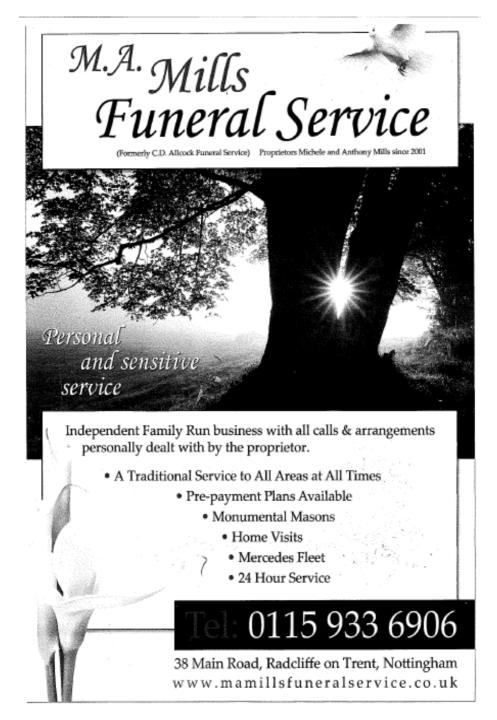
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THE VALE OF BELVOIR ROTARY CLUB

Helping Santa at Christmas

Members of the club will again be supporting Santa in his pre-Christmas visits to the Radcliffe -on-Trent area to ensure he is fully prepared before his annual visit. The club will be guiding him around the villages while his reindeers rest up for their busy night on Christmas Eve. You can expect to see him on the following nights in the following areas:

Newton – Friday 7th December 6-8.30

St James Park - Friday 14th December 6-8.30pm

Radcliffe-on-Trent (Canadian Estate) – Monday 17th December 6 – 8.30pm

Radcliffe-on-Trent (Shelford Road and roads off) – Tuesday 18th December 6 – 8.30pm

Radcliffe-on-Trent (Cropwell Road, Main Road & Bingham Road) – Wed 19th Dec 6 – 8.30pm

Who We Have Supported Locally This Year – Our very successful Art Exhibition and Craft Show raised £2000 for the Notts/Lincs Air Ambulance. Our 'Dictionaries for Life' scheme has continued, providing illustrated personal dictionaries for all Year 5 pupils in Junior Schools across the Vale, as has our support for the Life Education Caravan , an entertaining way of educating children to better understand the effects of drugs, alcohol and smoking on the body.

We continue to support local individuals and groups via our Community Fund, providing donations of up to £250 and have helped fund local guides who are undertaking educational and humanitarian work in Cambodia and another attending an international camp in Europe.

2 Doppler Machines have been installed at the QMC Children's Brain Tumour facility to support DNA analysis.

Memory Café: Now in its 3rd year continues to operate on the last Thursday of every month at All Saints Church, Cotgrave (2 - 4p.m.). More information on the Café can be obtained from Gerry Thompson on 07979392652.

Our **Vale's Got Talent** fund raiser is now in its 9th year and the Grand Final will be held at the Welfare Community Hall in Cotgrave on 15th December.

Our Club The 38 members of our club meet at Ashmore's restaurant in Radcliffe on Thursday evenings 7.00 for 7.30, enjoying a meal and a range of activities (speakers, outside visits, games nights etc.). If you are interested in joining the Club, or just want further information please contact our secretary **Gordon Marsh on 07933016544.**

RADCLIFFE LADIES' CHOIR had a highly successful Summer Concert in St Mary's Church celebrating 100 years of women getting the vote (or most of them). We also took part in Radcliffe Carnival with a cake stall, tempting people to another talent of the ladies of the choir. We then took a well earned break after a busy year and started back to rehearsals at the beginning of September. On the 6th October we took part in a Coffee-break concert at St Peter's Church in Nottingham and on 11th November, we are performing Gabriel Fauré's Requiem in St Giles Church in West Bridgford together with poetry and readings. This is not a concert as such but a performance remembering 100 years since the end of the First World War and those who lost their lives for our country. As it is also 100 years since the formation of the Royal Air Force. A retiring collection will be taken after the performance in aid of the RAF Benevolent Fund. Do come along to support this very worthy cause. Without these people, our lives would have been very different indeed. We are preparing for our Christmas concert in St Mary's Church on 8th December at 7.30. Tickets will be £10 each and on sale from the beginning of November in Pen2Paper, any choir member or on the door.

Sheila Brumfitt

Choir Secretary



RADCLIFFE GARDENING CLUB

This active group has become one of Nottinghamshire's leading gardening clubs, with regular meetings at Grange Hall throughout the winter months.

The programme of talks offers a variety of gardening topics, with renowned speakers, some being gardening presenters featured on television & radio.

For many years, it has held a major presence at the annual Carnival, where members offer high quality plants for sale on their stand.

The Club also arranges an annual Garden Trail, Summer Social, coach trips to beautiful and sometimes exclusive gardens and a holiday for its members.

Details can be obtained by contacting the membership secretary;

Maureen Wigley tel: 0115 933 4431



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However, we will not generally take any action to remove such adverts or prosecute the organisers. Although we do ask that organisers observe the following conditions:

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- Adverts should not be placed within 5m of a traffic junction.
- The method of affixing the advert must not damage the lamp column in any way.
- Adverts should not be affixed earlier than seven days before the event, and removed within 24 hours after then event.
- All fixings must be removed when the advert is removed.
- Thought should be given to the size, design and number of adverts.
- The adverts should state the name of the charity that is benefiting from the event.
- Please note that we may remove any adverts that do not observe these conditions, or pose a danger, are offensive, or too numerous.

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At Grange Hall

Radcliffe-on-Trent Sunday 16th December Starts at 3.00pm A Christmas Afternoon With the Nottingham Concert Band

Refreshments Available Tickets Available At Grange Hall £5 Tel 0115 9335808 Ex1 Email Bookings@rotpc.com





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