

# RAINTON NEWSLETTER

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### ARTICLES FOR THE DECEMBER NEWSLETTER

Please submit articles for inclusion by Thursday 26th November to:  
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#### RAINTON GARDEN CLUB

The nights are drawing in now, so we've decided to go 'down under' to the sunshine for our next Garden Club Zoom talk where we'll be looking at some of the wonderful gardens New Zealand has to offer. Join us on Wednesday 17th November at 7.30pm from the comfort of your living room. Members will be sent a Zoom link the weekend before.

#### RAINTON'S POPPY WINDOWS!

Due to the Covid situation and National guidance our Rainton Poppy ladies will not be coming round the village this year with poppies asking for donations.

Poppies will be available from supermarkets but the Poppy Appeal is asking people to print off a poppy and put it in their window to show their support for the appeal. For a donation of your choice you can print off a poppy or a poppy picture to colour in - simply go to:

<https://www.britishlegion.org.uk/get-involved/ways-to-give/donate>

Rainton has always been very generous to the Royal British Legion's annual appeal which all goes towards supporting our Armed Forces in their hour of need.

It would be wonderful if we could show our support by filling Rainton's windows with poppies ready for Remembrance Sunday on the 8th November

#### THANK YOU!

Thank you from Julia and Kingsley @Well House. We have returned back to Rainton after nearly 5 years away and have been touched by the welcome we have had from neighbours and friends. Nothing has changed! Thanks, Kingsley



#### CHURCH of ENGLAND SERVICES

##### St James' Baldersby St James/Rainton

Sunday 1st November 10.45am Holy Communion  
Sunday 15th November 10.45am Holy Communion  
The church is open for private prayer each day between 10 am and 4 pm.

#### ON REMEMBRANCE DAY TRIBUTE

On Remembrance Day, Rainton Village Hall pays tribute to those who made the ultimate sacrifice, not only in the First and Second World Wars, but also in more recent conflicts. A memorial in St James' Church bears the names of all those men from Rainton & Baldersby that fell in the two World Wars.

##### Rainton 1914-1918

Ralph Adamson  
Edwin Ayton  
Walter Busby  
Edward Harrison  
Robert Hood  
John Richard Wells

##### Lest We Forget

##### 1939-1945

James Bowes  
Ronald Sidwell  
Robert Sunley  
Robert Francis  
Dunning

#### AUTUMN PLANT & GARDEN SALE.

Martin & Jill Fish are having a bit of a clear out and will be holding a charity plant sale to sell surplus stock on Saturday 7th November 10am-4pm & Sunday 8th November 12am-4pm. We have a selection of shrubs, perennials, fruit bushes and trees, plus a mixture of gardening paraphernalia that all needs to go! A generous donation from the proceeds will go to Herriot Hospice Homecare. Plants will all be labelled and spread out on our drive to allow social distancing. Pop along to Thornycroft Rainton and have a look. (next door but one to the Lamb)

## **RAINTON RECREATION ASSOCIATION (RRA)**

Hello. We thought that for the new people to the village and to remind the rest of us, how time has gone by, to give a resume of the Park 's history.

In 2000 the RRA was set up and land was purchased with the help of fundraising, grants and trusts. It is a charity. No 1085647

ALL OF THE VILLAGERS ARE MEMBERS OF THE RRA .

The cricket club comes under the umbrella of the RRA and are involved in the committee.

June 2001 - swings, tower slide, wooden trail, goal posts and seating were erected.

This equipment was paid for by money raised with commuted sums, grants, charities, businesses, fundraising and donations from the residents.

2004 - Purchase of the cricket ground with the help of commuted sums from Harrogate Borough Council.

Between 2006 and 2012 Fort, willow den, slide and zip wire springer rides and spinning dish were erected.

Rainton play park would not exist without the vision, hard work and dedication of members of the original committee and with the support of the village. This is also true today. The committee carry out weekly checks on the equipment, empty the bins and try to do some of the work needed to keep the play park safe and functioning, to save money. The parish council pay to have the grass cut and donated £250 in February to help us.

Thank you to Sandra Boon for her very kind donation

The committee has always had the worry as to the cost of insurance. We now have a combined insurance cover with the cricket club to save money and they give £1000 towards the cost. The insurance is £1605.62 for this year alone

We are required to have at least one yearly check for the park by an independent company, RoSPA, £70, and a maintenance check, around £78.

### **THE PLAYPARK WILL BE 20 YEARS OLD IN JUNE NEXT YEAR!**

As such the equipment requires a lot of work or replacement. It will be expensive.

In the next newsletter we will let you know of potential plans for fundraising and plans for the park. We would like to celebrate the birthday next year and what has been achieved with your involvement..

The hedge around the edge of the BMX track, and the willow tunnel needs cutting back.

If you would like to help contact Janice- 01845 595887, Del- 01845 577871, Jenny 01845 578349

email: harwood611@btinternet.com

New members are needed to join the committee. We meet only about 4 times a year or at the moment due to Covid, we contact each other by email or via a zoom meeting.

Come and help us, with your energy, new ideas and support to help us to keep the park open. Thank you.

## **SALVATION ARMY FOOD BANK**

Ripon Salvation Army were delighted with the twelve trays of various foodstuffs collected at St James over the Harvest Festival period.

They support families who are referred to them by local agencies so are able to target those most in need. St James P.C.C were amazed at everyone's generosity, it was very heart warming to see the trays filling up.

Stuart Carter was very impressed when he spoke to the Salvation Army volunteers about their work in Ripon Area and asked if we could help at all over Christmas. As everyone has been so generous we do not like to ask again, but they will need items of festive food and small gifts to distribute in the first week of December. They request that only new items are donated. If anyone would like to leave anything at the back of church Stuart will take them down.

## **VISITORS TO BALDERSBY ST JAMES CHURCH**

In the Spring St James Church installed a "footfall counter" in church as part of a national survey of church visitors. Since we reopened the church in June we have had over 800 people visiting the church for many reasons - including needing a quiet sanctuary just to sit for a while. This does not include Stuart and Rosemarie opening and closing the church and sanitising each evening. These figures are being collated across the country to indicate how important church buildings are to the community. We were all very surprised at the high number as none of us live that close to the church and tend not to see people going in and out. Many church members are involved with keeping the church open and it is very rewarding to see so many people appreciate the beauty and tranquility of the building.



## THE GARDENER'S DIARY With Martin Fish

Leaves, leaves and more leaves! They are falling fast now and need clearing from the garden, especially on lawns. Once raked or sucked up, add them to the compost heap with other garden waste to rot down over winter. You can also put them in bin bags and leave for a year to form leaf mould.

November is the traditional time to plant tulip bulbs now that the soil is starting to cool down and remember to plant three times the depth of the bulb

Rose bushes and climbing roses can be given an autumn prune to reduce their height and long stems. Aim to prune bushes back by around half and reduce long side shoots on climbers to help prevent wind rock over the winter months. The full prune is given in March.

There is still time to plant garlic directly into the garden. Divide the garlic bulb into individual cloves and plant them into soil that's been forked over by pushing the cloves in so that the tip is just below soil level. Space them approx. 15cm (6in) apart in rows and in a matter of weeks new shoots will appear that sit through winter until spring when they start into full growth.

As you finish clearing areas of the veg garden either fork it over lightly or spread garden compost over the area for the worms to pull down.

Finish picking the last of the apples and store the best by keeping them as cool as possible. If you only have a few to store, pop them into a freezer bag and pop them in the salad drawer of the fridge where they keep very well.

For more weekly gardening tips and advice from Martin visit "Pots & Trowels" on Facebook or subscribe on YouTube for free.

### VILLAGE HALL - ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

7.30pm on Monday 23rd November 2020 by Zoom

Enjoy the Village Hall AGM from the comfort of your own home!

We would like to invite you to attend our virtual AGM. As we are unable to host the meeting in the village hall, we are planning to meet online using Zoom.

If you would like to attend the AGM, please email your contact details (name and email address) to Martin Fish via [raintonvillagehall@btinternet.com](mailto:raintonvillagehall@btinternet.com) by Wednesday 18th November 2020 so that you can be sent an agenda & Zoom link to join the meeting.

Bring your own refreshments!

### HEDGEHOGS

Please continue to put out fresh water and food as they are trying to feed up before the cold weather and hibernation. They need to be around 600g in weight to survive winter as they lose about a third of their body weight.

Winter garden jobs, please be careful whilst using the strimmer, digging or raking. I found a dead hedgehog, which had a head injury due to a strimmer. They will not run away when they hear the noise, therefore please check the hedge/long grass first.

### THE RAINTON VILLAGE CHRISTMAS LIGHT SWITCH ON - SATURDAY 5TH DECEMBER 2020 6PM

*Is it too early to mention Christmas! Rainton Recreation Association & Rainton Village Hall presents .....*

Sadly, the children's Christmas party and Village carol singing have been cancelled this year, but we are not going to let this spoil our festive fun.



This year we would love you all to take part in the Rainton village Christmas light switch on! If you can, please decorate your home, windows or gardens with Christmas lights - then at 6pm on December the 5th the village can turn them all on together!

Rainton always looks great at Christmas, so why join in and let us make this year look extra special.

### RAINTON PLAY PARK

The zip wire had to be dismantled unfortunately, due to a rotting post. The committee will be discussing the ongoing requirements of the park and will keep you posted (pun intended !)

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