

Donyland Despatches

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The council meets at 7pm on the 2nd Thursday of each month in the School Hall. Members of the public are welcome to attend. Minutes & agendas are available in advance on our website.

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Office usually open 10am to 12noon Monday, Wed & Friday.

Diary Dates:

Dixie Trio & Guest Ye Olde Albion	Sun 2 Apr 2pm
Village Market St Lawrence Church	Sat 8 Apr 9.30-12.30
RCRC Boat Naming Ceremony Lion Quay	Sun 9 Apr 12pm
Full Council St Lawrence School	Thur 13 Apr 7pm
Sing, Say & Play Ye Olde Albion	Fri 14 Apr 8pm
Attended Freighter Village Hall Car Park	Sat 15 Apr 8-9.15am
Village Lunch Village Hall	Tues 18 Apr 1pm
Maintenance Meeting Football Club	Wed 19 Apr 7pm
Music in Rowhedge Social Club	Wed 26 Apr 7pm
Sing, Say & Play Social Club	Wed 26 Apr 8pm
Thursday Club Social Club	Thur 27 Apr 12pm
Parish Assembly St Lawrence School	Thur 27 Apr 6.30pm

What's happening around the village?

- A BIG THANK YOU! To all who helped Cllr Rowland weed the garden on Heath Rd in March, a lot of work had been done & it's looking great.
- Spring has sprung! Time to make sure that your hedges that hang over public pathways are cut back.
- EDPC will be trialing different dog poo bags in the dispensers to see which are the easiest to "grasp".
- EDPC have been awarded £2000 by "Locality Funding" from CBC & Cllr Lilley. This will be spent on Christmas Lights for the village.
- The Ferry is now up & running, a wonderful service linking Wivenhoe, Fingringhoe & Rowhedge. You can find the timetable on our website.
- The Hut is open! Every Weekend throughout summer providing refreshments for all visitors, kindly run by the RCRC.
- Look out for Easter activities throughout the village advertised on notice boards, website and the Friday catch up.

RawChorus...

has now been established for only two weeks, yet despite its infancy has attracted around 65 individuals to the weekly singing group. As expected the group is mainly ladies BUT around 12 men have joined, which is fantastic for the musical contribution they make to

the overall sound. By the end of week two we have already worked on 3 part harmonies but we also enjoy fun singing exercises which quickly achieve a beautiful choral sound.

Our singing group leader is Barbara Cutter. She brings a wealth of experience with her and she engenders an atmosphere of fun whilst producing excellent results.

RawChorus is as much about having a good time with friends, both old and new, as it is about singing. We are inclusive group, and if we can find a way of helping you join the group, then let me know. We meet once a week, on Mondays, at the Rowhedge Village Hall at around 8.05pm for an 8.15pm start. We finish at 9.45 and there's a "comfort break" midway through. Session cost £5.00. There is NO COMMITMENT to paying in advance for multiple sessions or terms.

I am delighted by the numbers attending but more by the wonderful positivity and spirit that my fellow singers bring with them and share with the group.

If you haven't been and you want to, then come along for a quick look and listen. I look forward to seeing you soon,

Best wishes Tony Pullon

Annual Parish Assembly & Community Awards

Thursday 27th April 6.30pm at St Lawrence School

Our annual meeting for residents of Rowhedge to get together and celebrate the achievements in our community. We'll be hosting the 2017 community awards, recognising positive contributions to Rowhedge life - full details on our website, and also reviewing all the activities of the last year. If you are part of a local group or organisation, we would love you to be part of the evening - come along and tell people what you've been doing, and any exciting plans for the next year.

There will be refreshments available, and an opportunity to chat, meet your councillors and ask any questions you might have. We look forward to seeing lots of you there!

Rowhedge 1st Brownies; meet on a Tuesday. They currently have spaces available for girls age between 7&10, also they will be looking for more help in the next few months. If this is something you would be interested in, please get in touch with Sarah Stapley on 01206 728321/07943581567

The Albion is hosting a Music Day on the 30th April 12 noon til 7.30pm. Some excellent well known bands & singers well as local musicians. Will be performing throughout the day. Fingers crossed for the weath-

Share your local pictures on our website & on here! Do you get the Friday catch up email? Email us info@eastdonylandpc.co.uk if you would like to go on the mailing list.