



# Heads - Up!



*The newsletter for Headon, Upton, Grove & Stokeham*

*December 2023*



## Headon Village Hall

### Christmas Party

Friday 22nd December

from 8.00pm

Everyone welcome for a pre-Christmas get together

Just bring along a contribution to the party food

For more information please contact

Paul 07794839742 or

Pat [paddythorpe@btinternet.com](mailto:paddythorpe@btinternet.com)



## Santa Walk

Sunday 10th December

Headon Village Hall, 4.00pm

£8 per child



We have it on good authority that Father Christmas will be back in Headon on this day but will we be able to find him? Meet up at the Village Hall and bring torches and lanterns with you as we go for a walk to find him. When we do, you'll be able to escort him back to the Village Hall where you can meet him and receive a present. Also in the village hall there will be post box direct to Lapland, so bring along any Christmas letters to Santa.

Booking is essential and due to Santa's busy schedule he will only have time to see 40 children. So please register all children with Santa's little helpers as soon as possible, but no later than the 3rd December. This can be done by getting in touch with Paul on 01777 248283 / 07794 839742 or [headonvillagehall@gmail.com](mailto:headonvillagehall@gmail.com).

Mulled wine and mince pies will be available on the night.

## **Report of the Parish Council meeting on 6th November 2023**

Issues discussed at the last Parish meeting included:

The parish has a new Lengthsman, Suzanne Ford, who will be keeping the four villages tidy, cutting grass, maintaining signs and reporting any road faults. If you see her working, please say hello.

The parish councillors have planted daffodils in all four villages. They are a variety native to England.

There were lots of road faults raised. Some of them related to the recent flooding in the wake of Storm Babet. These are being reported to Nottinghamshire County Council by the Clerk.

The next meeting of the parish will be on Monday 4th December 2023 at 7pm, Headon Village Hall.

As this will be the last newsletter before the festive season, Parish Council Chair, Cllr Sean Whelan, all the councillors and the Clerk wish you a very Merry Christmas.

## **Bassetlaw Christmas Car Parking**

Visitors to Worksop and Retford will be able to take advantage of free afternoon parking again this year in all Bassetlaw District Council Car Parks (including the Priory Centre in Worksop) in the run up to Christmas and New Year.

Parking will be free after 2pm each day from Friday 1st December 2023 to Monday 1st January 2024 as the Council looks to encourage more people to shop locally and support our town centre businesses.

## **Retford Market Consultation**

Proposals to invest more than £400,000 in Retford's market are being put forward by Bassetlaw District Council as it seeks to protect the future of the town's historic market. The market has been a significant part of Retford's heritage since King Henry III granted its first charter in 1246, and now the Council is taking action to ensure the market retains this tradition, whilst being financially viable.

The Council is now asking all interested parties for their views on two proposals that could create a semi-permanent market, and provide additional trading opportunities through the historic Buttermarket, located in Retford Town Hall.

A six-week consultation will take place from Friday 17th November until Tuesday 2nd January 2024. For more information and to have your say go to <https://www.bassetlaw.gov.uk/retford-market-consultation>

## **Headon Cum Upton Cinema Club Presents**

### **The Man Who Invented Christmas (PG)**

In 1843, celebrated British novelist Charles Dickens is at a low point in his career with three flops behind him and family expenses piling up at home. With a looming deadline, Dickens struggles for inspiration in a literary challenge which leads to him creating a classic tale that would define the essential soul of modern Christmas. Starring Dan Stevens, Christopher Plummer, Simon Callow and Miriam Margolyes

**Saturday 2nd December**

Headon Village Hall 7.30pm. Entrance £3.50

Contact Pat - [paddythorpe@btinternet.com](mailto:paddythorpe@btinternet.com) or on 248368

HEADON VILLAGE HALL WELCOMES  
WALLACE & DOUGH PIZZA VAN



FRIDAY 8<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER 5.30PM TO 8PM

THE VILLAGE HALL BAR WILL BE OPEN FROM 5PM

COME ALONG AND JOIN US FOR A DRINK WHILE YOU ARE WAITING FOR YOUR  
PIZZA TO BE PREPARED AND COOKED IN THE PIZZA VAN'S WOOD FIRED OVEN

## Puzzle Corner

When Mr & Mrs Jones were married 18 years ago, Mr Jones was three times older than his bride. Today he is just twice as old.

How old was Mrs Jones on her wedding day?

Answer on the bottom of the back page.

## Are You Breathing To Death?

Terry Mellors a Certified Wim Hof and Buteyko Method Instructor will be delivering a 1 Hours presentation, (Approx)

### *Power Of Your Breath!*

**At Headon Village Hall**

**Friday 1st December.**

**Starts 7.00 pm, with a 15 minute interval**

Terry speaks passionately about how the way we breathe can lead to many of our growing list of ailments and diseases, from Asthma, Anxiety to Autoimmune problems.

Along with fascinating facts, Fun and information that can help anyone take an active role in improving Mind, body and wellbeing by simply changing your breathing function.

He also encourages participation as part of the learning experience and you will go home with valuable knowledge and tools to make profound changes to your lives.

**£5.00 on the door - please arrive 6.45pm**

## Church News & Services

Following the retirement of Rev Canon Bronwen Gamble in January 2022, the process of appointing a new Rector is still continuing. During this period the Church will continue as near normal as possible.

The Church contact is Reader Gill Rann on 07518 543868 or [riversretfordgill@gmail.com](mailto:riversretfordgill@gmail.com). Gill will be able to help with enquiries on matters such as baptisms, weddings, funerals, or home visits by putting you in touch with the appropriate person.

### The Parish of The Rivers, Retford

serving the villages, hamlets and communities of :

Askham, Cottam, Darlton, Dunham on Trent, East Drayton, East Markham, Fledborough, Grove, Headon, Nether Headon, Laneham, Church Laneham, Ragnall, Rampton, Rockley, Stokeham, Treswell, Whimpton Moor, Woodbeck, Woodcoates, Upton.

	St Nicholas Askham	St Peter East Drayton/ Dunham on Trent	St John the Baptist East Markham	St Peter Headon	St Peter Laneham	All Saints Rampton	St Peter Stokeham	St John the Baptist Treswell
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**3rd December** 10.30 am, Benefice Holy Communion, **St Nicholas, Askham**

**9th December** 6.30pm, Carols by Candlelight, **St Helen, Grove**

<b>10th Dec</b>		10.30am Holy Communion					11.00am Carol Service	
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**14th December** 2.30pm Christingle, **All Saints Rampton**

<b>17th Dec</b>	5.00pm Carol Service		4.00pm Carol Service		6.00pm Carol Service			
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**20th December** 6.00pm, Carol and Nativity Service, **St Peter, East Drayton**

<b>24th Dec</b>			4.00pm Crib Service 11.15pm Midnight Mass			6.00pm Carol Service		4.00pm Crib Service
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**25th December** 10.30am, Family Christmas Worship, **St John the Baptist, East Markham**

## Headon Village Hall Social Club

The bar is open every Friday night between 8pm - 11pm. Why not come along and have a relaxing drink at the end of the week.



### Re-cycled Cycles

All in very good condition and various sizes available  
Contact John Parker 07939 412542 (East Drayton)



**Answers:** Mrs Jones was 18 years old on her wedding day.