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Spring 2023

AD UPDATE

A brief AD update.... at the time of writing, Acorn has been undertaking 'investigative work' at the proposed site of one of the UK's largest anaerobic digester plants here in Evenley. The planning officer advises that the date for the planning committee to decide on this application will be announced very shortly.

14 bed chalet available for Summer and Winter Mountain holidays, retreats and special occasions.

Please contact Sue Ricketts for further information.

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Keeping in touch

To join Evenley Parish Council's mailing list please either email the clerk at clerk@evenleypc.org.uk or visit the community website homepage to sign up at <http://www.evenleypc.org.uk/home.html>

2023 Council Meetings

Held at Evenley Village Hall at 7.30pm on 20th March, 17th April, 15th May (at the Learning Loft, Cloisters Farm), 19th June, 17th July, 18th September, 16th October & 20th November. All welcome.

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On Saturday 6th May, the Coronation of HM King Charles III and Her Majesty The Queen Consort will take place at Westminster Abbey. It has been nearly 70 years since the last coronation so for many of us, this is the first Coronation we will have lived through. Obviously, we need to celebrate this momentous occasion here in Evenley. So, on Sunday 7th May, we will be hosting a 'party on the green' similar to last year's picnic but bigger and better. This year there will be more music, more food and lots more bunting.

Evenley's WI is organising a co-operative of bunting (see below), so please dig out your red, white and blue fabrics and get involved so we can wrap the village green in colour.

On the day, we will be holding a Coronation Cake competition; there will be two categories, one for adults and one for children, so get your recipes out, watch old episodes of Bake Off and start planning.

As always, there will be a tea tent, selling coffees, teas and cakes and all donations of home-made cakes and biscuits should be brought to the tent on the morning. Monies raised from refreshments this year will be put into a fund to restore and repair the green after it has taken an enormous bashing through both last year's drought and overuse during the pandemic.

Barn Owl Farm will be here with its hog roast and burger kitchen and our regular fish and chip van too. And please note we are starting earlier this year at 11.30am so you can all come and have 'brunch on the green'. A small team of councillors and residents is organising this event, but nearer the time all help will be very gratefully accepted. There will be tents to be erected - and in case of bad weather, as many of these as possible, tables and chairs to be moved, a stage to be built, bunting to be put up and afterwards, it all needs to be cleared away. Many hands make light work, so if you can help just before, during or after, please offer and let Cathy Ellis know on either - 07779672746 or c.ellis@evenleypc.org.uk



Evenley WI would like to make an appeal to all residents of Evenley to join in the celebrations by helping to make bunting in red, white and blue to decorate Evenley Green.

By taking part all residents can be part of this momentous occasion. Evenley WI has a craft group which will help manage this project with Evenley Parish Council so that it all goes smoothly.

There are two ways to participate: donating material or wool as long as it's the right colour; making bunting triangles yourself in knitted, crocheted, or material form and donating the finished pieces (as many as you like). Templates for sizes and patterns are on the Evenley Parish Council website and printed ones will be available at Forge Coffee.

Please leave all bunting donations (whether wool, material or completed triangles) at Forge Coffee for collection between 13th February and 8th April. The final date for donating completed triangles is 29th April.

Any queries please contact Evenley WI on evenleywi@gmail.com or call Maggie Hicks on 07855301048 - Thank you!

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A short rant

Please may residents remind visitors and tradespeople not to park on the verges or the Greens. They are easily damaged and cost (our) money and time to repair. In parts of the village the verges have all but disappeared through constant damage. Obviously when there is a long-term building project, damage is inevitable, but please follow other residents lead and repair any damage when work is completed.

And a word to those kind residents who quietly pop out and remove the litter that has been thrown out of passing vehicles. Sadly it is necessary but it is always appreciated. Thank you.

Memorial bench for Raymond

Raymond Roycroft lived in Evenley all his life. He lived in a cottage on the green with his dog Rosie and was easily spotted around Evenley and Brackley in his bright orange three-wheeler car, a type of car he favoured for many years. Ray was a character, with a fantastic memory full of stories from yesteryear. He loved Evenley and would do anything for the village. He used to cut the grass on the green every week and as he grew older, wound this down to cutting the churchyard instead! When tired, he would go out on the green with Rosie by his side and snooze happily on the grass for hours. Raymond died in 2014 and many of us still have very happy memories of our times with him. With this in mind, we have decided to install a memorial bench, just for Ray in this special Coronation year and mark it with a plaque saying "King Charles III bench in memory of Raymond Roycroft and his dog Rosie". The cost of this will be covered by donations, so if you would like to contribute, please either contact Cathy Knott, the clerk, who will give you instructions on how to pay by bank transfer or leave your donation in an envelope at Forge Coffee, marked 'Raymond'. Many thanks.

St. George's Church

Would you like to play an instrument or read at a morning worship service? Do you have a favourite hymn you'd like to hear? There is now a suggestion box in Church for your thoughts and ideas.

Thank you to everyone who came last year to help in the churchyard tidy up. Working together made an amazing difference. We are holding another one on **Sunday, 12 March at 10.30 am** with refreshments provided. It would be great if you can come along and if you are able to bring any gardening implements that would a great help too.



Thank you!

£315 was collected for Combat Stress at the Remembrance Service on the Green last year.
 £327 raised at St. George's mulled wine event went to Centrepont and £195 for Crisis Skylight from carol singing around the village which ended at the gardening club Christmas party.
 Paula's wonderful Three King's Christmas cards raised £300.
 Carols around the Christmas Tree raised £128.70 for Autism Early Support.

Reporting potholes

Roads in Evenley are in a bad state of repair. Please can we ask you to report them on fix-my-street (even if they have already been reported).

You can submit a report at:
<https://fixmystreet.northamptonshire.gov.uk/>
 Please include photographs if you can.
 An APP is available to download to your mobile phone and pinpoint the exact location.



What's On

Evenley Film Club

Films are shown in the village hall on Monday evenings. More information is on our website at <http://www.evenleypc.org.uk/local-clubs/film-club.html>

Elvis March 13th 7.15 for 7.30pm

The film explores the life and music of Elvis Presley (Butler), seen through the prism of his complicated relationship with his enigmatic manager, Colonel Tom Parker (Tom Hanks). Run time 157 mins.

Mrs. Harris Goes to Paris April 17th 7.45 for 8pm

Mrs. Harris Goes to Paris tells the story of a widowed cleaning lady in 1950s London who falls madly in love a couture Dior dress and decides that she must have one of her own. Run time 116 mins.

Table Tennis

Table Tennis in the village hall 2.30-3.30 pm on Fridays – just turn up and play; bats provided. Non-competitive, just fun!
 For more information contact Alison:
janda@jaceprojects.co.uk

Soup Lunch

A village soup lunch is held every second Tuesday (not August), at Evenley Village Hall 12.00 – 1.30pm.

A choice of homemade soups is on offer, along with a roll and cheese, tea or coffee plus biscuits for £2.00. All enquiries to Joyce Stevens 702861/tonyjoyce2021@gmail.com

Evenley Wood Garden

Trees, trees and more trees...

It has been the passion of the woods owner, Nicola, to plant trees in the field to the front of the wood to create an interesting parkland which can be seen on arrival. The team has now taken the plunge and this Winter has planted the first thirty trees near to the entrance drive and fourteen trees in the carpark. Classic parkland trees have been added to the field, such as Wellingtonia's, Cedar of Lebanon, Holm Oak and Lime trees, and planted flowering, Thorn, Pear and Crab Apples in the field. And following the sad removal of a number of diseased ash trees, EWG has planted over 1500 new native and non-native trees throughout the woodland. Meanwhile, the woods is open again for its traditional display of snowdrops, with newer varieties in greater numbers added this year.



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