



Spring/Summer 2011

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The Riccall Beacon - Spring/Summer 2011

Public concerns over future development



It has been a difficult few weeks in the village since the middle of January, when Selby District Council released its 'Site Allocations Development Plan Document' for public consultation.

Council elections

This year sees Parish Council and District Council elections on May 5th. If anyone is interested in standing for election, please contact Lindsey Ryan for further information clerk@riccallparishcouncil.org.uk.



Parish Council budget for 2011/12

The budget was set back in November for the financial year 2011/12. The budget for Riccall is £77,312, with a precept of £72,312 feeding into that budget.

What do you get for that? Well, quite a lot compared to many other parishes. The Parish Council repairs and maintains the majority of streetlights; cuts virtually all of the grass on verges and public areas in Riccall; maintains Riccall Park and all of the play equipment; Riccall Village Green and the Skate Park; runs information services for residents including our website, the Beacon and various consultation events; ensures that litter is collected; rents an office and pays three staff (Councillors are unpaid volunteers); provides litter bins and maintains trees on public land that the Council owns; organises pest control and provides salt bins and project funding for community groups.

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Riccall Parish Council

Community News 10-12

## We are looking for a new member of staff!

### Riccall Parish Council

#### Administrative Assistant required

7 hrs per week (initially spread over two days, with some evening work)

Position based at the Parish Council office at Riccall Regen Centre

SCP 10 (£7.21 per hr) - 3 month trial period

Experience of working within local government desirable but not essential for this role.

Full training given. Interviews in May, with position starting in June 2011

Applications before 29th April 2011, including CV to:

Lindsey Ryan, Council Clerk & Finance Officer, Riccall Parish Council,  
Regen Centre, Landing Lane, Riccall YO19 6PW

For a job specification, email: [clerk@riccallparishcouncil.org.uk](mailto:clerk@riccallparishcouncil.org.uk)



### Winter maintenance - ideas for next year?

What did you think about the new salt bins? We trialed them this winter on a 'public self help' basis, which has seemed to work reasonably well. Thank you very much to those of you that helped to distribute salt around footpaths during the extremely low temperatures in December.

Your community spirit is much appreciated! So what do we do next winter? We are about to re-assess in April and want your input. Is the public self help route the best way forward or should we consider organising volunteers to spread the salt/grit? Would you help for your street? Do we have bins in the right places? Where are we missing them? **Please give us your views before the end of March—Thanks.**



Thank you to the Community Engagement Forum for our area who has awarded Riccall PC £250 in recognition of the winter maintenance initiative! We hope to look at buying two new bins with this award for later this year.



### Traffic Management issues at the moment

We are aware of the congestion and parking difficulties on Station Rd, with the housing development there. Here is what we have done so far. The Highways Inspector is monitoring the situation and visits the site regularly, enforcing parking and highways restrictions and giving reports to the Parish Council. Stamford Homes has agreed to regularly sweep the road and repair any potholes themselves. The Police have been made aware and asked to monitor inconsiderate parking on Station Rd. NYCC Highways has been asked to consider temporary restrictions, whilst development work takes place and this will be considered once the recent footpath work is complete. Stamford Homes are currently completing the 'street work' aspect of development, which is causing particular problems at the moment but should be over shortly. We do know how frustrating it is for those of you living in this area at the moment and we are working with everyone that we can to help.

## Contact Details - Riccall Parish Council

### Chairman 2010/11

Cllr Brian Keen

Fuchsia Cottage, Kelfield Rd

### Vice-Chairman 2010/11

Cllr Edward Wilkinson

25 Viking Drive

### Members

**Cllr Howard Adamson** - 12 Holmes Drive, **Cllr Keith Dawson** - 3 Kelfield Rd, **Cllr John Duggan** - 1 Lucerne Close, **Cllr Pippa James** - 2 Church St, **Cllr Ann Kilmartin** - 5 Chapel Lane, **Cllr Keith Rookes** - 9 Chapel Walk, **Cllr Steve Sharp** - 33 York Rd, **Cllr Rupert Somers-Joce** - 9 King Rudding Close, **Cllr David Winterburn** - 20a Kelfield Rd

**Mrs Lindsey Ryan—Clerk/RFO**

**Regen Centre, Landing Lane,**

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## Safer Neighbourhood Policing team for Riccall

Since the 1st January, 2011 there has been one recorded crime, theft of diesel from a vehicle at Escrick Business Park. To date no offenders have been arrested. Residents should be aware of oil theft from household tanks. There have been four incidents in the North Duffield area over the last month, crime prevention measures include alarms which activate from within the tank if a large amount of oil is removed at once, or locks for the tank itself.



Operation Unit is a new free crime prevention initiative designed to mark cycles with a U.V pen and register them on the immobilise website. Your local SNT will be visiting The Regen Centre on Saturday, 2nd April, 2011 at 11.30 - 13.00hrs to do this. Please come along.

In 2011 North Yorkshire Police are working with Neighbourhood Watch to increase the numbers of co-coordinators and members. If anyone is interested please contact your local officers, PCSO 5364 Adam Wood and PC 900 Cheryl Power, who will forward your details to the local co-ordinator.



Ongoing operations in the district include, Operation Jumbo - targeting poaching in our rural areas. Operation Tailor - relates to transient thieves. Operation Unacceptable is looking at road related offences including mobile phone use and failure to wear a seatbelt.

The Knock Knock website has been created by Greater Manchester Police for members of the public and partner agencies. Some elements are specific to GMP but most are generic and suitable for all.



The site is packed with information to help in the fight against doorstep crime including distraction burglary, bogus officials and rogue trader crimes, it is easy to use and features videos, an interactive quiz and downloadable resources. Please visit the site at [www.doorstepcrime.net](http://www.doorstepcrime.net)



There are still reports coming in of possible scrap metal thieves visiting the area. Please can reports or sightings of any suspicious vans carrying scrap or acting suspiciously be fed to the police and vehicle registration numbers taken.



We are seeing an increase in shed, garage and container burglaries across the district. The main items are lawn mowers particularly ride-on mowers. Batteries are also being targeted and there has been a theft from a boat yard at Cawood. Please make sure your property is secure and your outbuildings are locked. Do not leave items on display and if you have any information, please call North Yorkshire Police on 0845 60 60 247



It was reported at approx. 20.00hrs on 8th February that two males who were dressed in suits were knocking on houses claiming to be from BT, asking residents to check their land lines, as they had done work on them recently. At another house they stated they were enquiring about mobile phones. They were seen in the Kent Road area of Selby and Meadow Place. One male was described as early 20's white, slim, 6ft tall with short dirty blonde hair, they did have some sort of ID around their necks on blue ribbon but it was not shown to the householders. Believed to be bogus callers. Please be aware, do not leave the door open to check the phone line as they could enter the house. If you have any information please contact North Yorkshire police on 0845 60 60 247.





## Digital Switchover

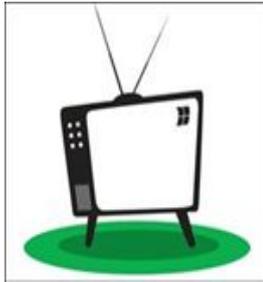
Digital switchover and re-tune dates for Riccall are in two stages as follows:

### Stage 1

**7th Sept 2011**—BBC2 analogue is switched off. You will need to re-tune your digital equipment to pick up the channel.

### Stage 2

**21st Sept 2011**— remaining analogue channels are switched off. You will need to re-tune your digital equipment again to pick up additional channels.



For further information and to see what services you will get after the switchover visit [www.digitaluk.co.uk](http://www.digitaluk.co.uk) and enter your postcode in to the postcode checker.

### What if I need help?

The 'switchover help scheme,' can help you to switch one TV to digital. You are eligible for the Help Scheme if you are:

- \*Aged 75 or over
- \*get or could get disability living allowance, attendance allowance, constant attendance al-

lowance or mobility supplement

\*are registered blind or partially sighted.

The Help Scheme is run by the BBC under an agreement with the Government.

You can get advice or apply for the Help Scheme by calling 0800 40 87 654.

[www.helpscheme.co.uk](http://www.helpscheme.co.uk)



## Westfield Sports ground project—Excellent news so far...

We are thrilled to report that Drax Landfill have awarded £25,000 towards the Westfield Sports ground project. Fantastic news for the project! A further bid has been submitted to the FA Football Foundation 'Build the Game' scheme for £20,000 and we await an answer on this.

Just under £30,000 will be paid to the Parish Council in a Section 106 agreement and this will go towards the Westfield project. For anyone that is unsure, a section 106 agreement is when the developer of a large housing development has to contribute funds back into the community (these need to be spent on recreational provision) and this agreement is with Stamford Homes, who are building the Station Rd development.



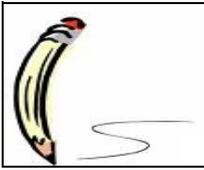
The Westfield project is a large scale and complicated one for the Council and Riccall Recreation Development Group, that has taken years to come to full fruition. Planning permission was granted last year to convert the unused field next to the allotments off Landing Lane into a junior sports facility, which will include two junior football pitches and an all weather cricket wicket. The new facility when in place will be an open public area, which will also be used by Riccall Utd Junior Football Club in order to develop junior football in Riccall. The local schools will have access to the area during term time and residents, families / young people can use it when it is not being used for organised sport. The possibility of future athletics on the sports ground is also being considered, although primarily we are focusing on football use at the moment. Many thanks to Liam Bradley, Roger White and Riccall Utd Junior Football Club for their help with the project to date.

If you would like to see the plans—pop along to the Council office at the Regen Centre and speak to Lindsey Ryan, who is managing the project on behalf of the Council and all other community partners that are involved.



# Community Notice Board.....

## Did you have something to add?



This is your section of the Beacon, providing an opportunity for community groups to submit articles about their group and about what it does. Attempts have been made to reach most groups via email but apologies if we have missed yours. Any community group in Riccall can submit an article but we do ask that they are kept to a maximum of around 200 words, so that we can be inclusive and fair to all groups. Ideally please email the article to [clerk@riccallparishcouncil.org.uk](mailto:clerk@riccallparishcouncil.org.uk). The Beacon will be produced three times per year. Many thanks for all of your articles to date. Remaining deadlines for 2011 are 27th May and 14th

October. **Lindsey Ryan - Editor**

**WHAT'S GOING ON IN RICCALL?**



## Riccall Carnival 2011

December 5<sup>th</sup> 2010 was a very cold day and the village had several inches of snow! However, it didn't stop the people of Riccall attending the Dickensian Fayre and we would like to thank all of those that attended and made it such a successful event! A big thank you goes to all of the volunteers that were out from early in the morning clearing the Church Path and putting up marquees, and of course, helping to take them down again! Thank you to David Finnegan for all of his help! Over £800 was raised at the event.



You may have noticed that the arch and light by the Church gate had been repaired? This was funded with money raised from the 2009 Dickensian Fayre. We would like to fund some more Christmas Lights to complement the lights on the Village Green tree – this is still under discussion but we will let you know. Have you a suggestion where future funds could benefit the village?

The Christmas Tree competition winner was St Mary's Junior Church. Second place went to the Methodist Chapel and third place was Riccall Badminton club. Thank you to all that entered. The Raffle winner was K Chapman (food hamper), 2<sup>nd</sup> prize D Lattimore (drink hamper), and 3<sup>rd</sup> prize D Lloyd (Christmas tree voucher).

2011 will be our 10<sup>th</sup> Carnival and preparations are now well underway. The theme this year is, "Carry On Carnival!" It will start on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> June with a Rock & Roll evening at the Regen Centre, organised by Billy Bills. Hurry if you want to attend this event, as tickets are selling fast! Money raised from this will go towards the Riccall Westfield Junior Football Project! Contact Billy on (01757) 248428 or the Regen Centre for tickets!

Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> June will be the fun day at the Regen Centre, with stalls, refreshments, football competition etc. Have you bought a ticket for a balloon? Balloons will all be released on Saturday and a prize will be reward for the balloon that travels the furthest! Also, look for the bus travelling between the Regen Centre and the village – stop it and jump on! Look out for further details on all the events on the notice boards and shops around the village.

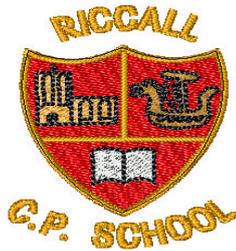
Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> will start with the open air Church Service on the Millennium Green followed by the popular picnic on the Village Green. Entertainment will be by duo WYSIWYG and the big fun bus will be there for our younger residents. The Hare & Hounds will have bucking bronco, bouncy castle and food!

St Leonard's Hospice Support Group will hold the annual "Open Gardens" on **Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> June from 1pm till 5pm**. A variety of new gardens and old favourites will be open; book stall, cake stall, tombola and refreshments.





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Riccall Community Primary School children would like to regularly share some of their work with you, through the Riccall Beacon. To follow are two letters from children pretending to be evacuees and writing home, during a recent project on the second World War.

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Dear Mum and Dad,

I am missing you so much that I was thinking of you on the train going down to Cambridge. I was playing Beetle on the train and got 39 points. The train journey was rough but we made it! When we got off the train they took us to the town hall. They were picking children, I was one of the last left. It was hard to sleep in the hall because of the scuttling rats!

The next morning we went to school, the teacher was doing the register. When we went outside Joe was telling me about these cows with black and white patches. We get milk from them see mums don't know everything!

Kyle xxx

Dear Mummy and Daddy,

I miss you so much. How is Ollie? I now know what a cow is and a chicken! Has Joseph wrote back yet?

I'm working for Mr and Mrs Lee. Ever since I waved to you on the train I felt upset. Some children didn't get picked so I must look smart... very smart. I was the fourth person to be picked. Send all of the family my love.

Love from Isobel xx



As reported in the last edition of The Beacon, thanks to the hard work of the staff and the committee, an ambitious plan to own our own building came to fruition last April. You can imagine then how delighted Riccall Pre-school was, that our re-inspection by Ofsted early on in the Autumn term, also resulted in some fantastic news – 'Outstanding' in every area!



Here are just a few of the statements from the inspection report:

- “Overall the quality of the provision is outstanding.”
- “Children’s needs are met extremely well.... There is a strong commitment to providing high quality childcare and to ensuring that children make the best possible progress in their learning and development.”
- “Extremely strong, motivated leadership and management....”
- “The staff are extremely knowledgeable about the Early Years Foundation Stage. This enables them to provide the children with a very stimulating and welcoming environment where they can grow and develop whilst having fun.”

**Open: Mon-Fri 8am—3pm to children aged 2 ½ to 5 yrs old**  
**Morning, Afternoon or Full Day sessions available.**  
**Plus Breakfast Club & Lunch Club !**

**15hrs of Nursery Grant Funding available from the beginning of the term following your child’s 3<sup>rd</sup> birthday.**

**Do come and see for yourself what a great time your child will have in our brand new building & fun-packed setting – for more information or to book a trial session, please call 01757 249 792 or email: [info@riccallpreschool.org.uk](mailto:info@riccallpreschool.org.uk)**

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WHAT'S GOING ON IN RICCALL?

## Riccall Regen Centre

Despite the Government's 'Big Society' agenda, 2011 is going to be a tough year for charities. However, the Regen Centre starts its second decade on a positive note. There are plans to upgrade many of the facilities at the Centre over the next twelve months. This, of course, will cost money! The Regen Centre is a charity and receives no direct private or public sec-

tor funding on a regular basis. It relies almost wholly on revenue from its commercial, community and individual customers. To help fund the proposed facilities' upgrade, the directors have launched a 2011 fund-raising appeal, with a target of £24,132 by the end of the year (£2011 for each month of the year!). You can support the appeal in many ways, including holding your events at the Centre, attending others' events at the Centre, supporting community organisations that use the Centre, by making charitable donations to the Centre through the Gift Aid Scheme and by bidding for gifts in our



'paper auction'. We are also appealing for members, volunteer helpers and directors! Further details of how you can help can be found on our website ([www.riccall.co.uk](http://www.riccall.co.uk)) or you can contact us directly on 01757 248849.

Support *Your Community Centre*. There are many ways to do it!



## Windmill Nursery

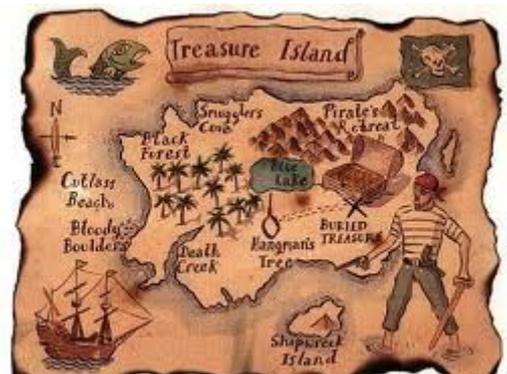
Windmill Nursery at the Regen Centre caters for children aged from 3 months to 5 years in a large, bright, secure and colourful environment, with highly qualified, experienced and caring staff. As well as long and medium term places, Windmill Nursery is able to offer some short term places. Please telephone the Nursery Manager on 01757 249527 to see what is available. Prices range from £35.70 to £37.80 per day (10 hours), including food and nappies, and are very competitive for this area. Windmill Nursery is Ofsted 'GOOD' in all areas inspected.



## Riccallish Allsorts—thank you and get involved!

Riccallish Allsorts would like to thank everyone who contributed in many ways to our pantomime "Treasure Island," which was a great success.

Do you fancy helping behind the scenes or what about "treading the boards"? We are always looking for new talent in our group whatever age group. Why not come along to one of our meetings where you will be made most welcome? Please contact Ken (chairman) on 248884 or Chris 249161 to find out more details.





## Nature in Riccall

In this hard winter, your help is vital, if our wildlife is to survive. Please regularly fill your birdseed feeder or at least put out a few breadcrumbs or apple cores that many ground feeding birds enjoy instead of worms and insects. Blackbirds, Thrushes, Robins, Sparrows and Tits are almost totally dependent on us at this time of year.



If you are feeling energetic enough for a garden tidying session, try not to disturb hedgehogs or other small animals that have hidden to sleep for the winter under piles of leaves or garden rubbish or even in compost heaps.

Please carefully check before you move rubbish/leaf heaps or have a garden fire. The hibernating hedgehog in our garden can be heard gently snoring under his pile of leaves.



Out in the fields around the village and particularly in the Northfield hedges you can see the Redwings and Fieldfares (like large thrushes) that have migrated from Scandinavia for our "milder winter" in order to enjoy the hedgerow crabapples, hawthorn haws and wild rose hips. Many of the Lapwings and Plovers that we usually see have moved away to river estuaries or to Wheldrake Ings. They've all had a shock with our arctic weather!



## Celebrate Marriage at St Mary's on May 1st

During the weekend of the Royal Wedding we are going to celebrate the institution of marriage at St Mary's.

On May 1st at 4pm at St Mary's a service of Celebration of Marriage.

The service will remind us of the value of marriage as an institution and include an opportunity for those who wish to, to renew their vows.

Followed by cake and wine - all villagers are invited to celebrate marriage!



## Riccall Community Archive - the way we were

If you watched this TV series, I'm sure that you were fascinated by the films of life for your parents and grandparents. Why not help our Archive team to record the history of your family or house or farm or shop or business for the information and enjoyment of present and future generations?



We are short of pre or early tractor farming pictures, anything from the days of shopping at Riccall Co-op and pictures or documents of the effects of war in Riccall. We would welcome the loan (we will quickly return them) or gift of pictures, maps or documents with a story behind them to be recorded forever. Many of you have material that others would love to see, so call (01757) 249201 or 248813 to arrange for us to call and talk about what you might like to record in the Archive.



We are planning an evening open meeting on **May 9<sup>th</sup> at the Regen Centre** for those who would like to see what is recorded in the Archive and view our collection of local history books and pamphlets that you can borrow. Look out nearer the date for final details on the village notice boards and in the Church News.

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## Selby DC 'Site Allocations Development Plan Document'

Many of you will know all about this, due to the huge public reaction that we have experienced in Riccall. For those that don't...the District Council has issued a 'Site Allocations Development Plan Document' (SADPD) that looks at future use of land across Selby District. The document identifies pieces of land that can potentially be used in the future for housing, commercial and recreational use and also looks at possible sites for gypsies and travellers. Five pieces of land in Riccall have been identified for future housing, recreational and office use and two of those have been identified as having the potential to be a gypsy and traveller site. To put this aspect of the plan into perspective, the District Council is considering sixty possible sites throughout the district and only needs to find one large or two smaller gypsy and traveller sites, that can accommodate ten pitches.

Many of you contacted us with your concerns over the SADPD and as a result of these concerns and the need for some clear and factual information, the Parish Council called a public meeting on 18th February. Andy McMillan, Senior Policy Development Officer at Selby DC attended to present the plan to residents and answer questions. Our District and County Cllr Liz Casling was in attendance, as was a representative of Nigel Adams MP, who read the following statement:

***Many Riccall residents have contacted me regarding Selby District Council's Site Allocations Development Plan and the 10 week consultation which ends on 21st March. Selby DC is seeking opinions on the sites that have been put forward for development which will shape the future of the District over the next 15 years.***

***The new coalition abolished the previous Government's Regional Strategies meaning that local authorities will now be responsible for determining the right level of travellers' site provision in a particular area, which should reflect local need and historic demand. Gypsy and Traveller Accommodation Assessments (GTAA's) have been undertaken by all local authorities and if local authorities decide to review the levels of provision, these assessments will form a good starting point. However, local authorities are not bound by them.***

***I fully understand and share residents' concerns regarding the location of travellers' sites and I have made strong representations on behalf of residents to the council leader on this matter and will continue to forward to the council any representations I receive from residents.***

***My personal view is, once Selby DC decides exactly how many pitches it thinks it needs, I would like to think that the required additional numbers, if any, can and should be catered for primarily via the existing sites in the district. I must stress that this is a consultation exercise and I would strongly encourage residents to take part in it by sharing your concerns about the development plan with Selby District Council.***

With regard to the possible gypsy and traveller sites, it seems that this is an unlikely prospect for Riccall but of course it remains possible until a definite site is chosen. It is unlikely as both landowners have stated that they will not sell their land for this purpose. The District Council's own methodology does not support Riccall as a site in either practical or economic terms and the Gypsy and Traveller communities have expressed a desire to be in the west of the district. The Parish Council would also stress that residents take this opportunity to respond to the consultation exercise and let Selby DC have their views about the SADPD and about the potential future use of land in Riccall (or other areas of the District, should you wish to). The Parish Council has formulated its response to the SADPD and this is available for residents to view on our website [www.riccallparishcouncil.org.uk](http://www.riccallparishcouncil.org.uk), (let us know if you need a hard copy) as are links to the Selby DC website and to the SADPD.

You have until **March 21st 2011** to respond—this is a golden opportunity to have your say about the future possible growth of your community.

***The Parish Council is aware that various flyers, template letters and petitions have been circulating around Riccall. The Parish Council has sent out only one official flyer—advising residents about the open public meeting and no template letters or petitions. We have displayed posters advertising the consultation and put information onto our website about how to respond to this consultation but we do not feel that it is the place of the Parish Council to instruct you as to what that response should be. Having said that, the Council is very happy to provide advice and support and will willingly do that, should you need any clarification on any aspects of the SADPD. If you wish to view the Parish Council response to this consultation and keep up to date, please use the website or contact us.***

**[www.riccallparishcouncil.org.uk](http://www.riccallparishcouncil.org.uk)**



## Riccall Neighbourhood Watch

It is almost 25 years since Neighbourhood Watch (NHW) was first introduced to the residents of Riccall and there have been very many changes over this time.



The village has grown, with more dwellings and hence more people. There have been changes in Local and National Governments, changes in Police and other security providers. Above all, most Riccall residents have become more vigilant and security conscious.

It is not surprising, therefore, that crime rates in our community have remained relatively low or very low, as we are constantly being reminded by the media of all the many crime-related activities being committed by others all around Riccall.



It is very difficult to analyse why crime has remained so low in Riccall - possibly our geographical position, but probably more to do with people, their lives, interests and responsibilities, or maybe the village layout and communications.

NHW groups are welcomed not only by the Police, Local and District Councils and service providers, but also by most domestic insurance providers. Again, without a clearly defined understanding, but probably due to the unofficial communication network and vigilance that are encouraged and provided by NHW schemes.



Riccall NHW scheme is often cited by North Yorkshire Police and others as a quality operation that has generated improved confidence, communications and local information which; together with the support of Riccall Parish Council, has continued to help all the local services provide valuable help to the residents of our village.



The Annual General Meeting of Riccall NHW has been arranged for Wednesday, **13<sup>th</sup> April at 7pm** in the Village Institute, so please come along to join the discussion on the future of the Riccall NHW scheme. We urgently need some help to keep Riccall Neighbourhood Watch going next year, so if you can help, do come along, or contact Lesley Imlach on 248010 or Gordon Neal on 248222 before the meeting.

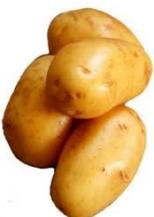


## Field Garden Allotments

If you are quick, you might be lucky and get a small garden this spring as we expect to have a few vacancies. **Call Brian Keen on 249403 to register your interest.**

The rent is £15 for a year (£10 for pensioners) plus a returnable deposit of £20(conditional).

Tenants can become members of the National Association of Allotment and Leisure Gardeners, who offer hugely discounted garden supplies and seeds all for a £2 fee. We plan a few information sessions at the Regen Centre during the summer on **Sustainable Organic Gardening** that anyone can attend by booking with Brian or Paddy on 249201.



## Riccall Show 2011

### Date for your diary—Saturday 3rd September 2011

All of you flower-lovers; vegetable growers, artists, handy-crafters, bakers, home-brewers & other talented villagers (we know that you are out there) are being called upon to make 2011 an equal if not better success than 2010, because without your participation, this event could not continue.

We are looking forward to seeing both old and new/young competitors coming forward and taking part in this village tradition. On the day there will also be a children's fancy dress competition; we know that there are plenty of super-heroes, pirates, villains, princesses, fairies and Cinderellas out there.

If you are a local business—why not offer your support for the village by sponsoring this event or offering your services on the day. Anything that other members of the community could offer would be greatly appreciated.

Programmes for this year's show will be available in the local amenities later in the year, or email [riccallshow@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:riccallshow@hotmail.co.uk)

Janice Coverdale (01757) 248897

Richard Pratt (01757) 248696



### Recipe Corner - Hot Cross buns

First stir the teaspoon of caster sugar into 5 fl oz (150 ml) hand-hot water, then sprinkle in the dried yeast and leave it until a good frothy 'beer' head forms.

Meanwhile sift the flour, salt and mixed spice into a mixing bowl and add the remaining 2 oz (50 g) of sugar, the currants and mixed peel. Then make a well in the centre, pour in the yeast mixture plus 1½ fl oz (40 ml) of milk (again hand-hot), the beaten egg and the melted butter. Now mix it to a dough, starting with a wooden spoon and finishing with your hands (add a spot more milk if it needs it).

Then transfer the dough on to a clean surface and knead it until it feels smooth and elastic – about 6 minutes. Now pop it back into the bowl, cover the bowl with a lightly oiled plastic bag, and leave it in a warm place to rise – it will take about an hour to double its original size. Then turn it out and knead it again, back down to its original size.

Divide the mixture into 12 round portions, arrange them on the greased baking sheet (allowing plenty of room for expansion), and make a deep cross on each one with a sharp knife. Leave them to rise once more, covering again with the oiled polythene bag, for about 25 minutes. Meanwhile pre-heat the oven to gas mark 7, 425°F (220°C).

Bake the buns for about 15 minutes. Then, while they're cooking, melt the sugar and 2 tablespoons of water for the glaze over a gentle heat and brush the buns with it as soon as they come out of the oven, to make them nice and sticky.



#### Ingredients( makes about 12 buns):

2oz (50g) caster sugar, plus 1 level teaspoon

1 level tablespoon dried yeast

1lb (450g) plain flour, 1 level teaspoon salt

1 rounded teaspoon mixed spice

3oz (75g) currants & 2oz (50g) cut mixed peel

1.5 – 2 fl oz (40-55ml) warmed milk

1 egg, beaten

2oz (50g) butter, melted

For the glaze: 2 level tablespoons granulated sugar



## Riccall Utd Football Club - Season 2010/11

The First Team continues to improve in the Premier Division and has progressed to the Semi Final of the County Cup, as defending champions. The Reserves remain on course for promotion to Reserve A. The Under 16's are still undefeated and hope to push for the title with games in hand on the teams only just above them. The Under 11's Sunday side are top of the league whilst the Saturday side are now established in the higher division. Both the Under 7's and Under 8's continue to show signs of progression and development.

### Charter Standard Development Club Status Achieved

Thanks to the growth of the club, United have successfully achieved Development Club status displaying best practice throughout the club.

**Websites** - The club is currently operating 2 websites. The junior website can be located at [www.pitchero.com/clubs/riccallunitedjfc](http://www.pitchero.com/clubs/riccallunitedjfc) whilst the senior site is [www.riccallunited.com](http://www.riccallunited.com). You can access these 2 sites for full details of up and coming events; league tables; club news; fixtures and results; statistics; and club contact details.

### Recruitment 2011/2012

After successfully recruiting coaches and players for the new under 7's; under 11's; under 16's, the club is seeking to fill the following roles within the club for the 2011/2012 season:- Under 7's Coaches and Under 7's Players. The club is also looking to form a girls section and is searching for volunteers and coaches to help with this achievement! For more information or to become a player, manager, coach or volunteer please contact Liam Bradley on 07738370244 or [liam.bradley@mcnicholas.co.uk](mailto:liam.bradley@mcnicholas.co.uk)

### Events

Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> March 2011 – **Annual Darts Night Tournament @ The Hare and Hounds**

Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> May – **Blackpool Tournament for U11s**

Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> May – **Juniors vs Seniors Charity Match @ Riccall Mine**

Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> June – **Juniors Presentation Evening @ The Regen Centre**

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> June – **Rock and Roll Night with Billy Bills @ The Regen Centre**

Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> June – **Riccall Carnival Football Tournament @ The Sportsfield**

Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> July – **Coffee Morning @ The Methodist Chapel**

Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> September – **Coffee Morning @ The Methodist Chapel**



Thank you for your continued support.

Liam Bradley

### The Redrow Foundation

This Foundation is a charity set up by Redrow Homes and is funded by profit made from selling houses. The economic climate has seen the Foundation wind up and the Yorkshire division has £10,000 in funding to distribute for the following purposes:

**'to relieve poverty and sickness in the UK and in particular to provide accommodation and related assistance, including respite care, especially for children, the elderly and those who are sick or infirm.'**



Any expressions of interest should be made before 31st March 2011 to Graham Cope, Chairman of the Trustees, Redrow Foundation. Redrow House, Brunel Road, Wakefield 41, West Yorkshire, WF2 0XG  
Telephone: 01924 822 566

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