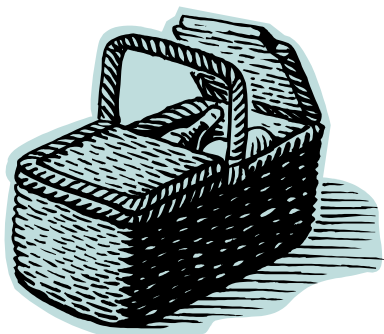


FRIENDS OF COTTESMORE CHURCH



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BARN DANCE

Our first event in February 2009 was another successful and enjoyable evening, entertained by the talented James Joyce Band. Everyone was up dancing to almost every dance and there was a lovely age range of participants from 10 to 79 at least!



PICA PICA CONCERT



Those who were present at the Pica Pica concert in April will vouch for the superb acoustics which our beautiful church offered to this acapella ladies quintet. They gave us a range of songs to listen to and on one or 2 occasions to join in with! A good time was had by all and supper was prepared, served and eaten with relish!

QUIZ AND CHIPS EVENING

Our past treasurer, Brian Webster organised a popular music quiz with a fish and chip supper in May. There was a wide range of music questions and although the youngest team thought they were heading for success, it was a more mature but well experienced team who won the contest!



AGM

There were plenty of chocolate Hobnobs to spare at our AGM with only a handful of people attending to hear our annual report, but the report was encouraging as our current balance stands at £4662.25 after donating £1000 to church funds for vital bills from the new church loo project. There are many schemes needing funds in the church so we will be discussing with the PCC what their most urgent needs are to utilise this money, to maintain our lovely church building. Many thanks for your support either by subscriptions or attending our fundraisers in the past 12 months.

COACH TRIP TO HUNSTANTON



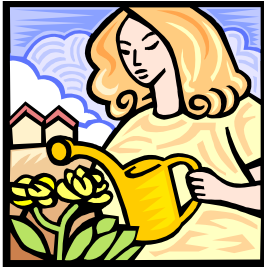
Coming up very soon on June 13th is a coach trip to Hunstanton, organised by our friendly local organist Bernie. A seaside trip without all the hassle of driving! Pickups locally, leaving just after 8:00a.m. There are still a few tickets left. Please ring our new treasurer, Dave Perrin. (see below)



WYSIWYG CONCERT

On June 20th, we are lucky enough to have secured the local supergroup **WYSIWYG** to perform in church, with a supper included in the price of a ticket, £5 only, children £2.50. They performed at the recent music/ale festival at Greetham and are always well received. Please ring either Dave or Liz for tickets.

OPEN GARDENS



Last year's Open Gardens was extremely successful raising almost £1000. We had the support of 12 garden owners last year and are hoping to have at least the same amount, but to date we only have 6. If you would be willing to open your garden to the public, please don't be shy, it doesn't have to be amazing, just well cared for. So if you would like to volunteer, make a cake or give a tombola prize, please contact any member of the committee below. These events will not take place without the support of the village itself.

POSSIBLE FUTURE EVENTS

The PCC are organising a safari supper in August. Look out for details of what exactly that is at a later date. We are hoping to organise a folk evening in November. A male voice choir and a garage sale are hopefully also on the agenda. If you would like to help with any part of organising these events, please contact any of the committee.

RECIPE BOOKS

Still available if you would like one as a gift for someone - £3.50

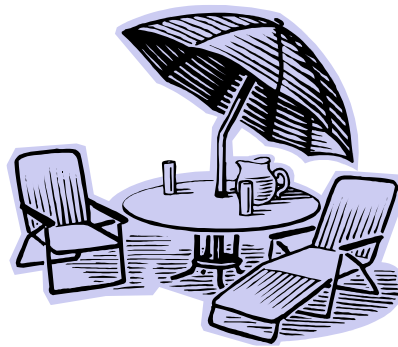
SUGGESTIONS

If you have any interesting ideas for fundraisers, have a talent yourself which you would like to share, or would like to get more involved in any of the events (PLEASE!) then let us know. We need volunteers to design and print posters and tickets, keen walkers to deliver leaflets and put up posters and someone to compile more regular newsletters than I can!

ELECTRONIC NEWSLETTERS

If you would like to save a couple of leaves from the rainforest, please let me know that you are happy to receive future newsletters by e mail (unless you do already!) by letting me know at lizfielduk@hotmail.co.uk

A balmy Summer to all members



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