

Rainford Heritage News

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Dear Members

Thanks to everyone who has renewed their membership for the second year and a very warm welcome to our new members.

We were very pleased to welcome Tony Foster to our small committee. We feel it most important that the Society represents the whole of the Parish and Tony will be the link between the Society and Crank and Kings Moss. Many of you will know Tony for his excellent photography and the greetings cards he produces showing local scenes (which can be purchased at our Coffee Morning in October). Tony is already proving to be a huge asset to the committee.

During the last few months we have been carrying out promotional work in the hope of making more people aware of the Heritage Society and its work. We were active at the Summer Fayre at Rainford High, the World War I event at Fir Tree Farm, the Elizabethan Day organized by Rainford's Roots and last week we held an exhibition at the Heritage Centre showcasing items of interest recently found by our Metal Detecting Group.

Visitor numbers continue to grow at our Temporary Heritage Centre at Inglenook Farm. We now have a Visitors' Book in place there and are continually surprised at the distances people travel!

You do not need to be a member of the committee to help at events and we particularly thank Allan Birchall, Phil Taylor, Bernard Bibby and Sue Lewis for their continued help and support at all our events. If you would like to help in any way, please contact me.

Thank you for your continued support.

Ray Waring - Chairman

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News in Brief

The Society is 'moving with the times' and has recently set up a Rainford Heritage Society Facebook page! The committee of pensioners (bar one!) is taking lessons from the village IT expert in how to use it!! We hope you will use it – we are told you should put in our name and 'like it'.

Still on the IT theme – our website is currently under construction and will hopefully be up and running in the next couple of months.

On a more serious note, we have recently received complaints of illegal metal detecting on local farmland. If you know of anyone who is taking up the hobby please point out to them that it is essential for them to contact the landowner – this includes all farmland, even if it is not in use at the time.

Appeals

The Amateur Dramatic Society will once again be entertaining the crowds at the Heritage Weekend (13th/14th September) at the Village Hall. They have asked if we can provide them with filled 'sandbags' for this year's sketch. We propose to do this by using old clothes (preferably dark). We would be most grateful if anyone could help us out by taking and filling the sandbags themselves or at least provide us with the old clothes for us to do.

We will also need help in staffing this event, eg selling raffle tickets, setting up stalls, baking cakes etc. Can you help?

In December we are putting on a Victorian Exhibition at the Heritage Centre. Do you have any Victorian memorabilia you would be prepared to loan for the weekend.

We need some good, clean, thin plywood to use for A3 and A4 size notices. Can anyone help please?

Please contact Ray Waring - 885547

Business Members – 2014/15

Supporting the Heritage of the Parish – please support them!

A & E Abbott – Fir Tree Farm Café / Farm Shop/ Monthly Farmers' Market
Tel: 894959

Phil Anders – Joinery & Small Building Work
Tel: 07903 714235

Paul Bromilow – Rainford Junction Post Office / General Store
Tel: 07780 601112

Janette Cockayne – Bridge Farm Nurseries & Landscaping
Tel: 07979 593536

Paul Draper – Junction Inn (Music/Food – new restaurant shortly)
Tel 882668

Peter & Siobhan – Golden Lion Pub / Restaurant
Tel: 882127

Rainford Health Centre – Drs Webster, Twomey & Lowcock
Tel: 882855

Chris Houghton – Houghton's Newsagents
Tel: 882417

Hoyles Electronics – Fire, Safety & Security Equipment
Tel: 886600

Steve Jervis – Plan to Build (Project Management/Plans/Architectural Services)
Tel: 881296

Kenneth Johnson – Mortgage Guarantee PLC
Tel: 886848

Rainford Solutions – indoor & outdoor electronic equipment design & manufacture
Tel: 889886

Dave Rigby – Joinery Contractor
Tel: 882978

S & A Rigby – Rigby Insurance
Tel: 884508

Village Deli – Breakfasts & Lunches
Tel: 884999

Village Veg Shop – Veg/Fruit/Plants
Tel: 882801

T Wilson & Sons – Farmers
Tel: 07770 447146

Kenneth MacRae Medical Centre – Drs RAD & EMR MacRae
Tel: 882606

Rainford Carpets – All types of flooring
Tel: 885030

Wendy's Flowers – Flowers for all occasions
Tel: 885363

If you know of any business who would like to join the Society please let us know.