

Redgrave Community Society Limited



"working for the community"

August 2019

Dear Member,

Following the last Members' newsletter in June and the Annual General Meeting in July we are pleased to provide a further update.

Bar and Restaurant Manager

If you are a regular visitor to the pub you will already have met our new manager, Heidi Woodrow. Heidi grew up locally in Blo' Norton and has worked in pubs for 5 years, firstly as Assistant Manager at the White Horse in South Lopham and then at the Moreton Hall pub in Bury St Edmunds. Heidi has been very well received by customers, staff and volunteers and we are sure that her experience and commitment will be a major benefit to the pub.

Events

A number of events in August have helped to make a very successful month. Bar sales look as if they'll be the best since we opened as a community pub. We've had live music nights featuring Nick Stephenson, Ebony Rose and Redgrave's very own band Backstreet, who managed to pack the pub out and help us sell 320 pints of beer! Nick Stephenson was also a great success and will be coming back on 13th September. The Ludlam Pikes, who played here in July, will be back on 31st August and the John Ward Duo, another very popular East Anglian folk group, will be playing on 6th September.

We were very pleased to host a charity BBQ on Saturday 10th August in aid of Friends of Chernobyl's Children. With the help of our staff and volunteers, a number of sponsors and the involvement of the local Mustang Car Club, £1006 was raised for this excellent cause. This was a very successful community event and if you have ideas for similar events please let us know.

Other regular events which help to build business and sense of community include Ian's Quiz Night, Bikes@The_Keys, Car Club Meets, Acoustic Music Nights, Coffee Mornings and Games Afternoons. These are publicised outside the pub, on Facebook, Twitter and our website, so please check in regularly to see what's on. We're keen to encourage more community events, so again, if you have ideas please get in touch.



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The full list of events to the end of September is as follows:

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| • Ludlam Pikes (American Folk Music) | Saturday 31 st August |
| • Games and social afternoon | Wednesday 4 th September |
| • John Ward Duo (Folk) | Friday 6 th September |
| • Coffee Morning | Tuesday 10 th September |
| • Nick Stephenson (Classic Rock Covers) | Friday 13 th September |
| • Games and social afternoon | Wednesday 18 th September |
| • Acoustic music night | Wednesday 18 th September |
| • IT Hub in the Pub | Thursday 19 th September |
| • Bikes @ The Keys | Saturday 21 st September |
| • Mustang Car Club | Sunday 22 nd September |
| • Coffee Morning | Tuesday 24 th September |
| • Ian's quiz night | Wednesday 25 th September |

AGM

Thanks to all members who attended and contributed to the AGM held in Rickinghall Village Hall on 27th July. Draft minutes of the meeting, together with the final version of the audited accounts for 2018-19, are now posted on the public part of the Redgrave Community Society website.

(Go to www.redgravecommunitysociety.com, click on the 'Redgrave Community Society' tab and then 'Society Documents').

There are various actions arising from the meeting which are being dealt with by committee members and others. These include setting up a 'Volunteers' Forum' and also holding a meeting to discuss and resolve questions relating to unsecured loans.

The Volunteers' Forum will be for anyone who is a current volunteer or who is interested in joining the team, and will include all activities, not just bar and restaurant. If you are interested in participating in the forum please email info@redgravecommunitysociety.com.

The meeting to discuss loans will be held in the second half of October. Again, if you are interested in participating please email info@redgravecommunitysociety.com.

Share Offer

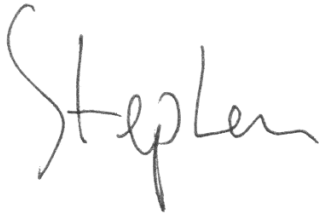
As discussed at the AGM preparations for the new share offer are almost complete. Dave Hollings, an independent adviser, is working with us to achieve the 'Standard Mark' which will give assurance that the offer has met all necessary requirements relating to rules and legislation. Our costs for this are being funded by the Plunkett Foundation.

When this is done the offer will be opened. We expect this will be very soon.

Members Website

If you do not already have access to the private members site, you might find it interesting to see minutes of the regular management committee meetings and monthly management accounts. Once you are granted access, you simply need to select Members from the menu of redgravecommunitysociety.com and then press Login giving your ID and password if necessary. To get access, simply follow the instructions given under the Members menu item, ensuring that you create an ID that our administrator can recognise as the name of a society member.

With kind regards

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Stephen". The letters are cursive and fluid, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

STEPHEN EASON

On behalf of the Management Committee of Redgrave Community Society Limited

Stephen Eason	Chairman
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