

## **Great Bricett Notes:**

<http://greatbricett.suffolk.cloud/>

### **Church Cleaning**

The usual team will be cleaning the church on Fri 14th November.

### **Church Flowers**

Please feel free to put flowers in church at any time especially if you have a member of the family or family occasion to remember.

### **Services in November**

9<sup>th</sup> November - 10.45 a.m. Remembrance Service at Barking War Memorial

16<sup>th</sup> November - 9 a.m. Holy Communion

For all other services see the Service Pattern at back of magazine.

### **Dates for your diary**

**Sunday December 21<sup>st</sup> at 6pm.** Carols by Candlelight in Church with mulled wine and mince pies.

**Tuesday December 23<sup>rd</sup> Carol Singing around the village** – further details next month.

### **The Red Lion Roar**

Here we are, another month closer to Christmas, how time flies! It doesn't seem 7 months since we opened The Red Lion on 1st March, and so much has, and is still happening regarding the ongoing refurbishment.

My recovery from open heart surgery is steady, and I'm growing stronger every day. Thank you to everyone who has sent me their best wishes, cards and gifts. It has made my heart skip a beat (in a good way) in gratitude to you all, thank you one and all.

We have painted the facing part of the outside of the pub with (so far), one coat of paint. We have chosen white plasterwork and dark green paint for the woodwork. The white work allows the red lettering of The Red Lion (which was kindly refurbished by Sean Hedges Quinn) the pub's name, it allows it to stand out more. The colour was carefully chosen to reflect the age of the property.

Over the last few weeks, Danny has been cleaning out the pond in the paddock behind the pub of rubbish from the general neglect it has suffered over many years. He has been "opening up" the pond by the removal of brambles, saplings and fallen trees. This clearing, will help the water quality for the wildlife. The bridleway in front of the pub has had a little attention too, by the removal of some of the dead and fallen trees and vegetation. It will make the bridleway around the pond area

healthier and allow its natural recovery. Danny is making it now look cared for and loved, which it hasn't seen for far too long.

The "pond", was originally dug around 1660 when the property was first built. It was used for the

"wattle and daub", which was used for the wall construction.

### **Dates for your diary...**

**VARGR** - The Viking Full Body Combat Group will be here on Sunday 5th and 19th October from 10am to midday. Come along to enjoy there sessions. Hot Chocolate, Coffee or Tea and cake, is available from the pub.

**DOLLYS PIZZA'S** - Thursday 16th, 5pm to 8pm, Eat-In or Takeaway. She will also be here on Halloween Night - Friday 31st October 5pm to 8.30pm, Eat-In or Takeaway.

**JP & FRIENDS** (Live, folk music) - Sunday 26th October and also 30th November from 3pm to 6pm. We are hoping The Boudicca Border Morris Men (and ladies) will be in attendance on Sunday 30th November.

**THE RED LION - Halloween Party Night** - Friday 31st October From 6pm to late. Adult and Children's Fancy Dress Competition, and a Carved Pumpkin Competition. Something for everyone.

ALSO

**Saturday 15th November, Prize Christmas Tombola** (bingo with prizes), from 7pm

**LEANNA MONICA** - Will be offering 4 Luxury Christmas Wreath Workshops in November. They will all be held here at The Red Lion.

The first Workshop will be on Friday 21st November at 2pm.

The second Workshop will also be on Friday 21st November at 6pm.

The third Workshop will be on Saturday 29th November at 2pm.

Finally, the fourth Workshop will also be on Saturday 29th November, at 6pm

All your materials for the Wreath, and refreshments will be included in the ticket price is just £50 per person. To book your place, please contact Leanna directly on 07540 494301

By the time you read this our **KITCHEN** here at The Red Lion will have been refurbished and open - yippie !!! A great big thankyou to Clive Vinyard from Bildeston who stepped forward to help complete the kitchen. He has made a splendid job, and has gone above and beyond what we had ever hoped for. We are delighted, and very grateful to him. We will start slowly, serving traditional Bar Meals. We will continue to develop your requests, into a bigger menu.

We remain focused on the local communities in and around the area. We welcome your custom, ideas also what you would like to see us organise, and welcome constructive feedback too. We remain a safe, Family Friendly pub, together with being 100% dog friendly (biscuits for "Fido" always available!). Tea, coffee, hot chocolate (with whipped cream and marshmallows, yum!) etc will be available at all opening times. Homemade cakes and savoury pastries will be available on Saturday and Sundays

We are on - Facebook - Red Lion Great Bricett

Instagram - theredliongreatbricett

CAMRA (Campaign for real Ale), we have been included as members.

Like, and follow us, to keep you all up-to-date with our current activities.

Danny and I look forward to welcoming you very soon. Best wishes, Frances x