

Necton Lunch Club Report 2015-2016

The Lunch Club has now-been running for nearly two years. It takes place on the 3rd Thursday each month at the community centre.

Initially numbers were restricted to 20 however as the club became more popular this number was increased to 24. At the moment there are 30 people on the list with some of these being reserves, only getting a place if others cannot come. It seems only fair to give original members 1st priority.

All food is sourced as locally as possible and mostly prepared and cooked on the day.

There are 8 members of the team who take turns to cook, serve and provide transport if required. 6 of these are Necton Church members and the accounts etc. are overseen by the Church Treasurer.

A typical menu consists of meat potatoes and two veg with a desert. E.g. April's menu was pork steaks with new potatoes, yorkshire pudding, beans and carrots followed by cheesecake.

All regular members were provided with a free Christmas Dinner in December.

More people could be accommodated with more cooker space. Research via a catering equipment provider suggests that the best way forward would be to have a second cooker similar to the one already installed. Range cookers tend to have smaller ovens and a commercial cooker would mean that various rules and regulations would need to be met, making this option uneconomical.

The club itself does not have a constitution or separate bank account so although grants are available these would need to be applied for via the community centre. At the moment the club is making a small profit and with most equipment now purchased this could be used towards any future purchase.

The Club has a 5-star hygiene rating.

A big thanks to all of the team for providing a very popular service to the village.