

# PARISH NEWSLETTER

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### **New Chairman and Vice-Chairman**



The Council unanimously elected Councillor Kathy Ford as its Chairman and Councillor Andrew Warrington as its Vice-Chairman at its Annual Meeting on 19 May 2015.





Music in the Park – Saturday, 6 June 2015

Continuing with tradition of a fun day for all the family, residents of Saughall

enjoyed a wonderful day of entertainment in

the Golden Jubilee Park.

Following twelve months of hard work by the organising committee we saw and heard eight hours of high quality dancing and singing from local artists.



During the course of the day, more than 1,000 people passed through the gates. This created a lovely atmosphere and a variety of stalls and attractions added to the flavour of the day.

Thank you to all that made the day a success.

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### **Parish Council Elections 2015**



The Parish Council Elections were uncontested as only eleven candidates were nominated to fill the twelve seats on the

Council. Consequently, there was no formal election, the eleven candidates all became Parish Councillors and the one remaining seat is to be filled by co-option.

Councillors Michelle Collins and Jessie O'Malley are new to the Council whilst Alan Bailey has been a Member and the Chairman of the Council previously.

Andrew Errington, Dennis Holman, Brian Kerr (who had been a Parish Councillor for 40 years), Rakesh Shukla, Andrew Storrar and Peter Young did not stand for re-election this time. We thank them for their contributions to village life and wish them well for the future.



# Parish Council's Casual Vacancy to be filled by co-option

**NOTICE** is hereby given that pursuant to Rule 8 of the Local Elections (Parishes and Communities) Rule 1986 that the Council will fill the casual vacancy by co-option.

The Council may co-opt any person who is legally qualified to hold such office, and who is willing to serve provided they are a British citizen, or a citizen of the Commonwealth or the European Union, and are neither the subject of a bankruptcy restriction order or interim order or have, within five years before the date of the election, been convicted in the United Kingdom of any offence and have a prison sentence (whether suspended or not) for a period of over three months without the option of a fine.

Provided the person also satisfies at least ONE of the following they may apply:

- They are registered as a local government elector for the Parish
- They have during the whole of the preceding twelve months occupied as owner or tenant, any land or premises in the Parish
- Their principal or only place of work during the preceding twelve months has been the Parish
- They have during the whole preceding twelve months resided in the Parish or within 4.8 km of it.

They must also be at least 18 years old.

Written expressions of interest from persons wishing to serve as a Councillor need to be

submitted to the Clerk by **31 August 2015** following that date the Council will fill the casual vacancy by co-option.



# Chairman's Annual Report 2014/15

The previous Chairman, Councillor Jenny Young presented her Annual

Report at the Parish Assembly on Monday, 30 March 2015 at the Vernon Institute. It is set out in its entirety below.

### Introduction

This Council is at the end of four years in office. It has not escaped the problems and uncertainties affecting the wider community and some Members have not always agreed with or supported the democratic decisions that have been made. However, we have all worked hard and tried to do what we each thought was best for our village. There will be difficult times ahead and more hard decisions on the provision of local services will face the new Council, elected in May.

I must try to summarise the past 12 months, the challenges we have faced, actions we have taken and inform of our progress and successes. I have been privileged to work with such a conscientious and dependable team of Parish Councillors and I want to thank you all for your support during the past year. I also want to thank all the volunteers who have sat on our various working groups, our Cheshire West and Chester (CWaC) Councillor Brian Crowe, Environmental Officer Helen Cakebread. Footpath Warden. Councillor Dennis Holman, Independent Internal Auditor, Bob Salisbury, Responsible Financial Officer, Graham Hudspeth and the Clerk Shirley Hudspeth for all their help and assistance over the last year.

### Jean Johnson

In October Jean Johnson resigned. Jean had served on the Council for over twelve years and her contributions have been invaluable. I thank her for her help over the years. We filled the casual vacancy by co-option and welcomed Andy Errington to the Council in January 2015.

### **Community Governance Review**

2015 is something of a milestone year for Local Councils because of the changes brought about by the recent borough-wide community governance review of parished areas, on which the Council was a consultee. The decision made in respect of Saughall and Shotwick Park results in boundary changes, the dissolution of the Council and the creation of a new one with the same name. The old Council's land, property and funds transfer to the new Council. The boundary changes mean that from 1 April:

- the properties of Pitts Farm, Willow Barn, Oakwood Farm, Hill View Farm, Rose Farm, Northfield, The Gibbet Windmill, Saughall Mill Farm, Saughall Mill Farm Cottage, Mill Cottage North, Mill Cottage South and Rendova Farm all fall within Woodbank parish;
- the properties of 3 Woodbank Lane, The Covert, Blue Haze, Orchard View, Park Farm, Roughwood Farm, The Willows and Fourways Farm all fall within Woodbank parish; and
- the property of 49 Melverley Drive fall within the Chester unparished area.

Although the new Council comes into being from 1 April 2015, it will have no Councillors elected or appointed to it until after the local elections in May. To ensure that any urgent business is able to be transacted, it has been agreed by CWaC that twelve serving Parish Councillors will act as its representatives on the new Parish Council during this interim period.

### **CWaC's Local Council Excellence Awards**

This year the principal authority introduced awards to celebrate the role and value of local councils as the most local form of democracy and to showcase the work of all town and parish councils across the Borough.

We put ourselves forward for awards in four categories and I am delighted to tell you that at the annual Local Councils' Assembly held last Wednesday, it was announced that as well as winning the 'Providing Care and Support in the Community' category, the Council was shortlisted (three were shortlisted in each category) in the 'Community Involvement' and 'Effective

**Communications**' categories. What a tremendous achievement to round off the year. Well done to all concerned!

In our winning submission, amongst other things, we informed of our commitment and support to build affordable housing in Saughall and how we made successful representations to get the planned admission numbers at All Saints C of E Primary School increased. We mentioned the village diary compiled by representatives of the 31 groups in the village, including the churches, how we support village events, help fund the PCSO and set up and financially support the Neighbourhood Management Team.

We also told how we plant bulbs to improve the look of the village; how we support the infrastructure and fabric of the Vernon Institute and that we financed the electrification of the VI clock. Also included was how we provide leisure and recreational facilities in the Golden Jubilee Park for all age groups and consult on proposals for improvements and provide grant aid to the local churches and organisations run by volunteers in the village that help and support local people.

# National Association of Local Council's (NALC) Council of the Week

On 24 November 2014 the Council was heralded as NALC's Council of the week. It was featured in its weekly Newsletter. The article informed that the Council is involved in several improvement projects, including working closely with parents to support and deliver their wishes to improve the local play area and attracting external funding to create a Community Facility/Sports Pavilion and that the Council had received grant funding from WREN and CWaC to deliver the new Multi Use Games Area (MUGA).

The article also informed that the Council understands the need for good, clear communication, to make parishioners aware of what it is doing on behalf of the community. We've had a website since 2001 <a href="https://www.saughall.gov.uk">www.saughall.gov.uk</a> and it provides easy access to the latest news and information whilst promoting the village and its activities. Reference was made to the Council's Twitter Account <a href="mailto:oscillater">oscillater</a> aware community.

community engagement tool, providing an instantaneous way of communicating. We take every opportunity to effectively communicate and engage with parishioners and draw them to meetings. Since the launch of the twitter account, local residents have been invited to provide live twitter feeds throughout Council meetings on a number of occasions ensuring that those who are unable to attend meetings are able to understand a little more about what we do.

Being Council of the week was fantastic recognition for the Council and highlighted that it is very active and progressive and is willing to embrace the changing needs of local residents to ensure they are aware of the amount of work Members do to create a better place for them to live and work.

### **Finance**

We've seen another positive year for Saughall and Shotwick Park, despite the current austerity. I can assure parishioners that their contributions, through the precept, have again been allocated with great care and on your behalf we have supported a number of organisations and events. Through prudence and economies we ended the year in a very strong financial position. Over the past four years we have managed to keep the Council tax the same which means that it remains at £54.98 per household per Band D property. Budgets have been scrutinised expenditure has been contained within tight fiscal requirements. We hope to continue with this approach of carefully scrutinising proposals and ensuring we are very careful with parishioner's money.

The Government has changed the way in which Council tax is charged, effectively reducing the tax base. To offset this CWaC has provided a grant of £4,777, the amount equal to the tax base reduction for this Council.

CWaC for the second year running has provided the Council with a New Homes Bonus grant from its Community Fund to the value of £10,228. This grant was for the Financial Year 2014/15 and some of it has been put into the Parish Council's Community Facilities Fund.

The Parish Council has asked CWaC for a Parish Precept of £59,433 for 2015/16. The Parish Council's budget amounts to £78,092. Budget comparisons are set out below:

2015/16 £78,092 2014/15 £69,717

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Budget Head	Allocation		
	<b>(£)</b>		
Environment	16,450		
Admin	18,350		
Annual Payments	6,346		
Police	11,800		
Neighbourhood	500		
Management Team			
Uniformed Groups'	500		
HQ Rental			
Community Facilities	10,271		
Fund	1 000		
Community Action	1,000		
Projects Memorial	1 500		
War Memorial Fund/New Roll of	1,500		
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### **Community Assets**

The Council was successful with its applications for the Greyhound Inn and Conkers to be listed as Community Assets

because they are of value to the community. This means that if either of these come up for sale, we have six months to put together a bid to buy it.

Once on the list the owner is obliged to give notice of any intention to sell the asset. There is then a process which brings this to the attention of the community and gives it the opportunity to make an offer. That is as far as it goes. There is no obligation on the owner to sell or to give the Council a right of first refusal. This listing is there to avoid the community missing the opportunity to negotiate an agreeable sale.

### **Planning**

We want plans to be in keeping with the village aspects. The Council's primary aims are to encourage the planning authority, CWaC to support sensible development and maintain the openness of the green belt. The Council is a statutory consultee on all planning applications and this year it has considered and submitted observations on 36 applications, compared with 40 last year.

Cheshire Fire and Rescue Service is proposing to build a new fire station on land off Powey Lane/A5117. The Parish Council, protective of the green belt, has objected to this proposal. However, the Service has said that the identified site is the only site suitable and available that will meet the operational requirements that the Service needs. We will have to wait and see what happens.

# Affordable Housing – Thomas Wedge Road

The building work on the 18 properties that commenced on 8 July 2013, providing a mix of two and three bedroom houses and two bedroom bungalows has finally been completed and the keys were given to the new residents last week.

### **Willow Hey**

The 28 new houses built on the Former Saughall the Ridings Infant School site are now occupied and the residents asked the Council to support them in objecting to a play area which was included as a condition of the planning permission. They don't want this play area because:

- It would be in a potentially dangerous position, opposite a busy junction.
   Greenway has high traffic volume and is subject to fumes. It is also a bus route.
- Maintenance costs of the play area will have to be met by the residents.
- The noise and the Impact on the elderly residential home-Wain Court.
- The eighteen new houses (Thomas Wedge Road) do not have a play area.
- Residents objected to this proposal, prior to Morris Homes being granted planning permission for the play area.

Consequently, the Clerk has written to Morris Homes objecting to the play area. She has proposed that instead of making separate play area provision in an area of the village that is not suitable for it, it would be more appropriate to provide the Council with funding to help it with its play equipment upgrade project in the Golden Jubilee Park to the benefit of all Saughall residents.

# Proposal to build a Community Facility/Sports Pavilion

The Saughall Community and Sports Pavilion Working Group has had plans drawn up. It is trying to attract external funding and is arranging all sorts of fund raising events and activities to finance the building work which will be in the Golden Jubilee Park. The Council has a designated fund for this purpose.

### **Parish Council Surgeries**

We aim to be an effective, transparent and open Council and so we continue to hold Council Surgeries monthly at various times and locations around the village. Details are published well in advance on village notice boards.

### **Litter Picking**

The Council pays for the Golden Jubilee Park to be delittered regularly and has, from this March, increased the Litter Picker's hours from nine to ten a month. It also monitors the state of the village but it remains CWaC's responsibility to keep the village clean and tidy. Any problem areas are reported and CWaC is expected to take the appropriate action. Anyone can report litter problems by ringing Tel No. 0300 123 8 123

#### The PCSO Initiative

We have had our own PCSO since April 2007 and this arrangement continues to work well. We contribute £11,800 per annum which is extremely good value for money.

### **Neighbourhood Management Team**

This Team takes action to solve problems within the community and works with local partners to improve the local environment and quality of life. The Team helps each year with the Chester Half Marathon and will be looking after the water station again on Sunday, 17 May. Thank you to all Team members for their tireless efforts, which continue to make a real difference to Saughall.

### **Golden Jubilee Park**

#### - The New MUGA

On Saturday, 13 December 2014 the Council was delighted to welcome the Deputy Lord Mayor Councillor Hugo Deynem to officially open the MUGA. This was the culmination of two years of hard work by the Council and its funding providers (FCC Environment, through landfill communities' funds administered by WREN (Waste Recycling Environmental LTD) and CWaC, from its Rural Support Funding budget).

The MUGA creates a real community hub on the Golden Jubilee Park. I would particularly like to thank Councillors Kathy Ford, Dennis Holman and Andrew Warrington who were the members of the MUGA Working Group that drove the project to completion.

The MUGA provides a fantastic all-weather space for local people to get them outdoors to have fun and exercise. We now have great facilities for children to engage in meaningful and worthwhile play which helps them to keep fit, and improve their social and sporting skills. I'm sure that, once the weather improves, the MUGA will be packed with children and parents alike playing all sorts of sports including netball, basketball, tennis and football etc. We want to encourage local people to form sports clubs e.g. Tennis, Netball and Volley Ball Clubs and make use of the MUGA. If you are interested in this please let us know.

### - Play Ground Refurbishment

We recognise the need to modernise the offer for younger children in the Swing Park. A

Working Group was established consisting of Councillors and local people who carried out surveys and consultations in respect of the current offer and on what people would like to see provided for the children in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century. A 'picture board' was produced and a number of companies approached. The Council hopes to go out to tender for new play equipment early in the new Municipal Year.

### - Uniformed Groups' Headquarters

The Parish Council and the local community have pulled together to help support those that use the recently fire ravaged Uniformed Groups' Headquarters. The Insurance Company has indicated that the building will be refurbished and there have been many fund raising events held to help replace what was lost. Recently a pancake race was held and some Councillors attended this event to show their support and offer help and guidance at this difficult time.

### **Vernon Institute**

The Council has built up and maintains a savings fund which it uses to provide grants towards the costs of improving the fabric of the Vernon Institute, an important community facility and village meeting point.

### **Highways Issues**

We continue to spend a lot of time at Council meetings on traffic congestion, problems with the buses, damage to grass verges, parking, potholes and speeding cars. We work with the police, the highways authority and the bus companies to try to remedy these problems.

#### War Memorial

A complete list of the names of the fallen that had been missing from the plaques at the Vernon Institute are now included on the new Roll of Honour that has been put in place with tamper proof fixings. I would like to say a big thank you to Councillor Andrew Warrington for all of his research and hard work to correct the omission.

### **Supporting Village Events**

The Council is pleased to support various community events throughout the year.

### - Remembrance Sunday - 9 November 2014

A Remembrance Day Service, including a commemoration of the outbreak of WW1 and

the War Memorial dedication, was held at the War Memorial on Sunday, 9 November 2014. There were 73 people in attendance. Everyone was then invited to enjoy light refreshments in the Vernon Institute.

100 poppies were knitted and crocheted by ladies of the village. They have been framed and now hang in the Vernon Institute accompanied by a plaque with appropriate wording commemorating 100 years since the beginning of WW1.

### - Music in the Park Events

The weekend of events on 24 May 2014 (A Michael Bublé Tribute Act) and 25 May 2014 (A Churches Together - United Ecumenical Church Service to commemorate World War 1 in the morning and the Black Cat Band (Ceilidh Band)) in the evening went very well.

A Working Group of Councillors and volunteers has arranged an event in the Park on Saturday, 6 June 2015 between 2-10pm when there will be a Jamboree of Music and Dance on two stages for all age groups. This will be on a different scale from anything that has been seen in Saughall before. expected that there will be 14 separate performances. There will be Brazilian Dancing, Street Dancing and Diddi Dancing performed by local children's groups between 2-5pm. There will be some heart stopping bands and solo acts performing between 5-8pm, and then three very well-known bands will perform from 8-10pm.

### - Christmas Lights Switch On - Monday, 1 December 2014

Once again this annual event went very well! There was a good turn out and all the children enjoyed themselves. It is hoped that this event will continue to improve in future years with good stalls and excellent entertainment.

### **Moving forward**

Having seen what a few volunteers can do for the village, I would like to recommend that this approach continues so that we have groups of volunteers working with the Parish Council to develop plans to deliver projects with outcomes that we all can enjoy. So if you have time to spare and are looking for a project or have an idea that you think would benefit others within the community, please apply to speak at, and come along to, any of the council meetings or write to the Clerk with an outline of your proposal. The Council may agree to fund your initiative from its Community Facilities Fund.

Councillor Jenny Young 30 March 2015



### When Does the Council Meet?

The Council meets every

month at 7pm in the Vernon Institute on Church Road. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, 7 July 2015. Meetings will also be held on:

- Monday, 3 August 2015;
- Monday, 7 September 2015; and
- Monday, 5 October 2015.

Notices for all Council meetings are posted on the Council's notice boards and website. Agendas for meetings are always on deposit in the Co-op Store and posted on the Council's website (www.saughall.gov.uk).

Any resident on the Electoral Roll of Saughall or Shotwick Park is more than welcome to attend all of these meetings.



# Report or Pay for Services Online

Are you irritated by a street light which is out, overgrowth obstructing the footway, dog fouling or a pot hole? All these issues and many more can now be reported through Cheshire West and Chester Council's (CWaC) website.

The Borough Council has launched a new customer-friendly feature on its website www.cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk making council services more accessible to you at the click of a button.

The Borough Council has improved access to waste and recycling services as a new feature allows people to complete a range of requests including reporting missing collections, requesting replacement boxes and bins,

removing unwanted containers and requesting assisted and bulky collections.

Other improvements include parking fines – pay or appeal, online payments and school admissions. Residents of the borough can now enjoy the benefits of self service – saving time, being able to track their enquiries and requests, with 24 hours a day, seven days a week access to council services.

Residents can log enquiries and requests at a time convenient to them and are then able to track where they are up to. This new way of working is simple and easy to access and provides a valuable alternative to visiting an office or making a phone call.

CWaC Council's call centre can be reached on local call rates on Tel No. 0300 1238 123.

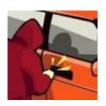


# Message from PCSO Wendy Leason

There is a worrying spike in crime in Saughall where offenders are targeting garages and sheds, seemingly to steal

bikes and motorbikes.

Please review your home security and take sensible precautions to lock doors and check that all premises and outbuildings are secure. Remove items of value from garages and sheds and secure bicycles and motorcycles with a substantial lock.



There have also been a number of vehicles that have been entered. To prevent your vehicle from becoming a target ensure that you close and lock all doors and windows when

leaving it unattended and turn on any alarm or immobiliser. Also, keep your valuables out of sight if you cannot take them with you.

**PCSO Wendy Leason** 

Email: Wendy.leason@cheshire.pnn.police.uk



# Parked Cars on Pavements

A good many residents have been complaining about the problems

caused by inconsiderate parking on pavements. There are roads where it is difficult to avoid using the pavement to park but we ask motorists to please remember that they should leave ample room for wheelchairs and buggies to get through without resorting to using the road. If you see examples of vehicles parked in a way that is obstructive, let the police or your local councillor know.

# Cheshire Police Alert



Keep informed about what's happening in your area.

Cheshire Police Alert is the community messaging system brought to you by Cheshire Constabulary and servicing the whole of Cheshire.

By registering with Cheshire Police Alert, you receive news and appeals, local crime information and crime prevention advice - direct to you as an e-mail, mobile text or voice message.

Registering with this site is completely free, and not only allows you to receive messages about your local area, but also allows you to feed back information to your local policing teams to help them better police your neighbourhood.

www.cheshirepolicealert.co.uk



# How to Contact Cheshire Police

Non-emergency calls **0845 4580000** Only use 999 if....

There is danger to life.

Violence is used or threatened.

A serious crime is in progress or likely to occur.

A suspect is nearby.

There is a road traffic collision involving personal injury or danger to others.

A vulnerable person needs urgent assistance.

### **Litter Bins**

With the ever changing world of waste, it can make it difficult for anyone to understand how they should dispose of their



litter. However, it is easy for you now as **Any Council Litter Bin Will Do**. The message is a simple one. Whether dog waste, litter, cigarette butts or chewing gum; put it in your nearest Council litter bin.

If you are walking your dog and there is a nearby litter bin, you can simply use this. If there is no nearby litter bin, take it home and dispose of it in your Council provided household waste bin.



There is no longer a need for expensive specialised bins for dog waste as all the Council's disposal facilities can accept this waste. This means all litter can be simply mixed and disposed of

together. This is easier, cheaper and more convenient.

# Cheshire West and Chester Borough Council's Responsive Service Guarantee

**Abandoned Vehicles** – will be investigated by the end of the next working day.

**Business Waste Compliance** – will be investigated by the end of the next working day.

Racist or Abusive Graffiti – on relevant land will be removed or obliterated within 24 hours.

Fly Posting – will be investigated and removed from relevant land within 2 working days.

**Fly Tipping** – will be investigated by the end of the next working day and cleared within 2 working days following completion of the investigation.

**Nuisance Vehicles** – will be investigated within 2 working days.

**Dead Animals** – will be removed from relevant land within 24 hours.

**Sharps/Drug** Related Litter – will be removed from relevant land within 4 hours.

**Dog Fouling** – will be removed from relevant land within 24 hours.

Overflowing Bins – will be emptied by the end of the next working day.

**Damaged Street Furniture** — will be investigated by the end of the next working day. The Tel: No. to ring is **0300 123 7026** 

# Saughall Uniformed Groups

We have suffered a dramatic fire at the Hut resulting in

extensive damage. The Friday Club had been in the building at the time. However, due to exemplary team work the volunteers were able to get all the clients safely from the building in an orderly fashion without injury. Thanks to the BUnique, the clients were given shelter until they could be returned home in a timely fashion.

Consequently, the various groups that used the Hut on a regular basis have been given shelter at other venues within the village.

Since the fire we have received donations from many groups e.g. the Women's Institute Pancake Race; Labour Club Quiz Night; Spring Event at the VI (Mr Wales); Mollington Singers; Knit and Natter; Saughall Pharmacy; Chester Half Marathon Event towards the Hut.

The outcome is still in the hands of the Insurance company. As the building is the responsibility of the Saughall Uniformed Groups and no other organisation within the Parish. What the eventual outcome will be? We are still unsure. It could rise Phoenix like from the ashes or the groups could be incorporated in a new Community and Sports Pavilion.

It is heartening to see and hear the Hut has been missed by the village Thanks to everyone pulling together to help the groups at this time, a great village effort! Hopefully by the next Newsletter the matter will be resolved

Joanna Brookes brookesjoanna@btinternet.com Beavers - Mondays, 5-6pm

Age: 6 – 8 Tel: 881348

Rainbows – Thursdays, 5:30 – 6:30pm

Age: 5 – 7 Tel: 372637

Brownies – Tuesdays, 6 – 7:15pm

Age: 7 – 10 Tel: 881284

Guides - Tuesdays, 7:30 - 9pm

Age: 10 - !!! Tel: 881133

Jenny Young Tel No: 881133

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# **Rotary Club of Saughall**

Our first major fundraising event this year was a dragon boat race which took place at Manley Mere in April. A total of ten teams entered to win the trophy for the fastest team and to raise funds for Claire House and Hospice of the Good Shepherd.



The Saughall Club entered a team but our timings were less than competitive.

For those that are not familiar with Dragon boats: They are very narrow boats which force the paddlers to push their legs towards the side in order to keep the balance. A drummer sits opposite the paddlers and is responsible for keeping the rhythm by chanting one two, one two. The elevated position of the drummers require a fearless person which we don't lack in our Club. All the teams did extremely well and a total of £6,500 was raised for local causes. We will organise another dragon boat race next year and we hope many teams will enter again to

help us raise funds.

A couple of weeks later, it was time again for the annual beer festival held at the Rugby Club in Chester. Each year is special for us because it is such a big social event and now established for 27 years, well known in the region. The event is organised in conjunction with Chester Round Table.



The variety of beers is astonishing and Hickorys - one of the main sponsors always sells delicious food on site.

With six new bands the crowds really enjoyed themselves at the three day festival and a total of £13,000 was raised for local causes. The festival relies heavily on sponsors so if you know of a company that wants to sponsor a barrel please get in touch andyerrington@live.com.

Following the fire at the Scout Hut we were unsure whether the Music in the Park event would go ahead. However, the dedicated event team made sure no family would be disappointed. Over a thousand people attended the day in the Golden Jubilee Park. Everybody was entertained, the music was great and the kids dance performances were appreciated by everybody. A fantastic day out for the whole family raising funds for our Saughall!

We are a proactive Club and if you would like to join us please come and see us! We meet every Thursday 7:00-7:30pm at the Church Hall, a part from the last Thursday of the month where we usually go for a meal.

Viola Hardle viola.hardle@gmail.com

### Saughall Friday Club

The Saughall Friday Club that meets on a Friday to provide a day of entertainment and good food for elderly local residents is always looking for more volunteers. Club members are collected from their homes at approximately 10:45am and returned soon after 3:00pm.

Volunteers are needed to help with this transport. Help is also needed with cooking of the lunches or help in general. If you could give a little of your time to this friendly and appreciative club, please call Jeanne on Tel No: 880226. Alternatively, you would be most welcome if you call in to see us on a Friday at the Methodist Church where we now meet following the fire in the Uniformed Groups HQ on Fiddlers Lane.

The Friday Club was delighted to celebrate the Birthdays of two of our senior members, May Halsall and Roy Franklin. May is now in her hundredth year but Roy has another four years to go. A delicious Birthday cake was baked by one of our volunteer cooks, and all the members shared in the celebration. We wish May and Roy many happy returns of the day.



Below is the Friday Club enjoying their inhouse cooked Christmas lunch with all the members and volunteers, only six weeks before the devastating fire broke out in the scout Hut. We are most grateful to the Methodist Church for accommodating us to enable the Saughall Friday Club to continue.



Jeanne Storrar Tel No: 880226

Email: jeannestorrar@hotmail.co.uk

### **Chat and Craft**

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Institute on Tuesday afternoons from 2-4pm.

June, our newest member, loves to share her smiles with everyone. She's not much of a knitter yet!

Us older ones like to share a delicious cream

tea, provided by Lynda.



Jean, wearing a stunning hand knitted jumper made at Craft and Chat and Sue trying to decide which of the delicious cakes to try next!

Craft and Chat is for any age, any skill level, any craft, any chatter and any gender, although no men have turned up yet, we've heard a rumour that there's a lapsed silversmith in the village. Join us if you dare!

Sue Harris sue at ness cottage@hotmail.com

### Saughall Gardening Club



Saughall Gardening Club meets on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of the month in the Main Hall of the Vernon Institute at 7.30pm. Visitors/New members are welcome.

### Forth coming Speakers

20<sup>th</sup> July - Vegetable Growing for Small Gardens.

8<sup>th</sup> August - Highlight of the year the Annual Show open to ALL gardeners'. Indoor gardeners, Allotment holders, window box gardeners, small space gardeners, weekend gardeners young and old alike.

Show schedules at Oaktree Nurseries or the Post Office. As it has been such a cold spring/early summer so far as regard weather and growing, look round the garden on the day and enter 1 or 2 items just for fun, you could be surprised!!!!

21 September - Bee Happy Perennials to attract Birds. Bees and Butterflies.

19<sup>th</sup> October - Wonderful Winter.

Hope these dates take root.

Joanna Brookes brookesjoanna@btinternet.com

# Saughall Women's Institute

Saughall WI meets on the first Tuesday of the month at 7.30pm in the Vernon Institute.

New members and visitors are always welcome to attend our meetings, which provide an opportunity to socialise and listen

to interesting talks.

Members can also join in all sorts of activities walking groups, crafts, theatre outings, coach trips, darts, drama - something for everyone, so do give it a try!

Lesley Hardy colinhardyuk@btinternet.com

# **Community Cafe at the VI**



The Community Cafe at the VI is open, and the cakes are delicious! It's run by Rachel Lowe and Kate Crouch who bake the cakes, and serve the teas and coffees! Hot chocolate, juice and biscuits are available as well. Come along and enjoy a drink, a homemade cake and a chat! So, make a note in your diary that it's the first Wednesday of each month from 2pm till 4pm. See you there

Rachel Lowe rachel.tealestates@uwclub.net

### Saughall Community Library – Dive in to a Good Book this summer





Saughall Community Library is open every Tuesday afternoon, 2-4pm, at the Vernon Institute. With no tickets, no paperwork and no time limit on returns, it couldn't be easier to dive in to a good book this summer. There are new additions every week, so there's never a shortage of choice. You don't even need to bring the books back....just pass them on to friends if you prefer. Come along on any Tuesday afternoon and pick some books for your summer holiday.

Sue Harris sue at ness cottage@hotmail.com

# Activities at the Vernon Institute

A variety of activities take place at the Vernon Institute.



Please see the notice board in the entrance hall for exact times and contact numbers. Activities include:

- Legs, Bums andTums
- Badminton
- Table Tennis
- Snooker/Billiards
- Women's Institute
- Art Club on Tuesdays, limited
  numbers,
  telephone 880733
- Craft and Chat on Tuesdays, 2:30 – 4pm in the small hall

- Gardening Club
- Golden Link
- Pre-School
- Whist
- Art Club
- Dancing Schools
- Slimming World
- Farmers' Market
   All local produce,
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   12noon in the Small Hall.



# Activities at All Saints Church

- Senior Monday Meeting
- Children's Group

Meetings and Activities

Praise and Play

# Activities at the Methodist Community Church Building



The following activities are provided in the Methodist Hall. The Bookings Secretary is June Downes who can let you have further details (Tel: 880181).

- The Mollingtor Singer's Choir
- Toddlers, a further Group on Fridays from 2pm
   3pm for crafts, stories and time for Mums to chat
- Mollington Coffee Mornings, on 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> wednesdays of the month from 10:30am until noon.

### **Rubbish Collection**

Please make sure your bin is secure when you put it out to be emptied. If you don't its content will be blown all over the village.



### Saughall Says 'No' to Dog-Fouling

Dog-fouling in the parish continues to be a



problem. We know that the majority of dog owners are responsible and take home their dog's faeces. This article is aimed at all dog owners as a reminder of the health hazards posed by dog

mess.

Allowing your dog to foul on open spaces and failing to clear it up is irresponsible and potentially dangerous, especially to children.

The Council is actively trying to raise awareness of the health issues associated with dog fouling.

The local Council can issue dog control orders against individual dog-owners and can issue fixed penalties of £75. In very serious cases, magistrates can issue a maximum penalty of £1,000.

## **Support our Local Businesses**

Featuring in this Newsletter are reminders of the shops, pubs and businesses in our village. Please support them and shop and eat local.

### **Feedback**

Please let us have your feedback on this Newsletter by contacting any Parish Councillor or the Clerk.

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All Saints Primary School Headteacher – Donna Prenton

Tel: 981090

VI Management Committee Chris Harman Tel: 880522 Email: chrisjharman@aol.com

Saughall Cricket Club

Mr Brian Huxley, Tel: 880753

Saughall Friday Club (Day Centre) Tel: Jeanne on 880226 or 07764

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If you would like to advertise your business in our next newsletter or you represent a local non profit making group in the parish and would like to promote your group, please email the Clerk.

# Saughall Preschool

09:00 to 12:00 M, T, W, T, F 12:30 to 15:30 M, T, W Contact Lynda Johnson during these times on 01244 880954

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# **Gardening Club**

meet on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of each month at 19:30 Contact Joanna Brookes brookesjoanna@btinternet.com

# Craft & Chat

including the Community Library

Tuesdays from 14:00 to 16:00

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## DAYDREAMS Beauty Salon

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The was perfect for the period of time that Ryan and Emily were at the local Junior School and eventually the time was right for Jane to return to her original business in the city centre of Chester on Bridge Street Rows (above King Kab)

Daydream Beauty Salon is celebrating its 20<sup>th</sup> year. 1995-2015

The beauty salon has been refurbished and moved onto the ground floor on Row Level with NO stairs!

We take this opportunity to THANK the Local Saughall Tradesmen who worked with Adrian tirelessly on the project and did an amazing job to change the salon and are highly recommended.

The new WEBSITE daydreamsbeautysalon.com and Facebook page are now up and running to find out prices and current offers and view the salon

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