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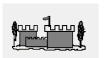
October/November 2015



Remembrance Sunday – 8 November 2015

A Remembrance Day Service will be held at the War Memorial on Church Road at 2:30pm on Sunday, 8 November 2015.

Afterwards everyone who attends the Service will be invited to enjoy light refreshments at the Vernon Institute.



Parish Council's Casual Vacancies filled by cooption

At the meeting on Monday, 5 October 2015 the Council co-opted Peter Young and Anna Manning to fill the two vacant seats that had arisen as only 11 of the 12 Council seats were filled in an uncontested Election in May 2015 and subsequently, Jane Edwards tendered her resignation.





The vacancies had been advertised and Peter and Anna were the only ones to submit expressions of interest in being co-opted.

Anna is new to the Parish Council whilst Peter served previously on it from May 2011 to May 2015.

Christmas Lights



The Parish Council would like to invite all residents of Saughall and Shotwich Park to enter into the spirit of Christmas.



We have invested in 12 sets of new Christmas lights for the village. They will be put on the lamp standards in Church Road from The Greyhound Inn towards the school. If this is a

success the Council will be adding more each year to eventually cover all of Church Road.

The Christmas Lights will be switched on at **6pm**, following a parade from the School to the Vernon Institute, on **Wednesday**, **2 December 2015**.

To help celebrate this new initiative by your Council we are inviting householders to decorate the outside of your homes with Christmas Lights, not just in Church Road, but anywhere in the whole village. Your entries will be judged by the Council and the winner will receive a £50 meal voucher for the Greyhound Inn.

Entries will be judged on Friday, 18 December 2015.

Golden Jubilee Park

The Council has agreed to work in partnership with Cheshire West and Chester (CWaC) Council



to improve the play and leisure offer in the Park.

The two Councils will work together on a detailed master planning process that will involve the preparation of a site master plan, two alternative plans to enable comparison at the consultation stage, preparation of material for consultation, to include precedent photographs. There will be a consultation meeting and any necessary revisions will then be made. CWaC is charging the Council £2,000 for its help and support with this project.

The Council agreed that the detailed master plan process will generate fuller discussion at the consultation stage and will be much more effective at drawing out the aspirations of the local community, whilst identifying the issues that the final scheme should address.

Uniformed Group's Headquarters



As the process to restore the Uniformed Group's Headquarters neared an end, the Sheriff of Chester, Alex Black and Cheshire West and Chester Councillor, Brian Crowe, toured the refurbished premises at the "Nearly Ready to Reopen" party on Saturday, 12 September 2015.



Saughall Scout Hut Refurbishment and Update on Community and Sports Facility



The Uniformed Group's Headquarters (The Scout Hut) which is now back up and running thanks to the fantastic efforts of the Hut Committee, User Groups, an army of willing volunteers and generous donations from a variety of local organisations.

Pictured at the Hut are Steve Wales and Alan Bailey, Treasurer of the Saughall Community and Sports Committee, receiving a cheque for £1,000, the proceeds of the Saughall Hoe-Down held in July at Steve's home Kings Acre, in Kingswood Lane, Saughall.

This is the second donation of a similar amount from fund raising events arranged by Steve and a merry band of volunteers. The first was used to assist in the Hut refurbishment and the latest cheque will be put towards the new Community facility to be built on the Golden Jubilee Park.

On behalf of the Hut Committee may I offer a big thank you to everyone who has assisted in this massive refurbishment programme.

Alan Bailey <u>alanbailey89@btinternet.com</u>

Saughall Community and Sports Pavilion



The Committee leading this project on behalf of the Parish Council has now chosen an

architect to deliver it. Production of the final detailed plans and the tendering process will be taking place over the next couple of months. We hope to start building in the spring of 2016!!!

Brian Huxley Chairman

Saughall Community and Sports Pavilion Committee

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Tribute to an Excellent Saughall Parish Councillor



A bench dedicated in memory of the late Ian Humphrey has been erected in the Golden Jubilee Park. Ian was a Member of the Council and the Saughall Neighbourhood Management Team. He was remembered fondly by his family, friends and neighbours at the dedication event which was held on Saturday, 27 June 2015. Those who attended the event raised their glasses in a champagne toast to Ian who was a wonderful man who added greatly to the vibrancy of Saughall, championing the young people in the village and contributing wisdom and quidance to the Parish Council.



After the toast, the party made their way to Humphrey Close, named as a tribute to lan, where his family gathered around the road sign.



lan is remembered warmly.

Jenny Young Tel No: 881133

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New Bus Shelter at the Terminus

Cheshire West and Chester Council has

installed a new bus shelter at the bus terminus because:

- It received requests to do it from Saughall residents and parents of children at School.
- It has responsibility for providing the appropriate infrastructure on the quality partnership route.
- It completed a survey of bus users and asked questions of passengers about whether a shelter would benefit passengers.
- The stop is a terminus.

New Bus Service

The Parish Council is disappointed that it was not made aware of the changes to the Bus Service which were implemented



on 31 August 2015, until it was too late. The Council was not given the opportunity to provide any input into the revisions made.

Following complaints received from many residents over the changes made the Council requested a meeting with Officers of Cheshire West and Chester Council (CWaC) and

representatives of the bus providers Stagecoach and Arriva. This meeting took place on Tuesday, 29 September 2015. Councillors Jan Knox, Kathy Ford and CWaC Councillor Brian Crowe attended the meeting held at HQ in Chester to discuss the on-going bus issues.

A brief overview of the meeting and responses to questions asked at the meeting are set out below for your information:

- CWaC and the bus company representatives were asked why the Council was not consulted. The response was that there is no requirement for CWaC or the bus company to consult on the changes.
- Due to complaints and concerns raised, from 28 September 2015 the No. 15 bus now stops on Delamere Street (going into Chester only). If residents wish to go home from Delamere Street, they can get the bus from the same place as it will just go to Foregate Street and then on to Saughall. Arriva and Stagecoach both stop at the Stagecoach depot going into town.
- Complaints that the Clerk and residents have sent into CWaC are being looked into and responded to. Both bus companies and CWaC are monitoring the service due to concerns raised.
- CWaC and the bus companies are currently working with the Countess of Chester Hospital to improve the service. (There are possible future changes that will benefit the Countess.)
- Concerns were raised over residents wishing to change to the 1-1a at Blacon Police Station being charged again to continue on to the Town Hall. Both bus companies have agreed to produce a ticket that will mean residents from Saughall will not be charged again if they wish to transfer on to the 1-1a at Blacon. This will take them a couple of weeks to organise. Both bus companies agreed to make drivers aware that if a 15 bus is coming into the stop they must wait a few minutes while people transfer from the 15 to the 1 service.
- Concerns were also raised regarding the bus changes and the lack of accessibility for many residents who are less able

- bodied who wish to visit GP surgeries especially City Walls. CWaC will be sending the Clerk some information on the Plus Bus and the criteria for using this service for residents with accessibility issues. Councillors will be able to signpost residents to this service (as long as residents fall within the required criteria).
- Lack of information on the bus service changes - The Locality Team will put an article in the local newspaper about the changes. CWaC will be contacting the Clerk to see if a flyer can be included with the Newsletter to include information on the Plus Bus.
- Redundant bus stops due to the bus service changes and the lack of signage that the bus stop is not in use - CWaC agreed this should have been addressed when the changes came into force. This will be rectified and notices will be put up. We have asked them not to remove any bus stops as there maybe opportunity for changes in the future.
- Those at the meeting were all made aware of residents' displeasure the Council's disappointment with the service changes and the lack of consultation. They were made aware that as, a Council, we would be very willing to work with them to consult with residents over future changes to benefit residents and ensure a sustainable service. They were all given a copy of a recent Newsletter to help them understand that we are a very active community and a proactive Council.
- It was agreed that we will all meet again in six months to evaluate the situation. This will give the bus companies enough time to see if the new service is financially viable. It will also give the Council the opportunity to see if any amendments can be made to the service.
- Timetables from both service providers will soon be available for distribution around the village, some already have been provided and have been put in the village.
- The new bus shelter at the Saughall terminus may be replaced due the service being on a quality partnership route.
- CWaC has to reduce its cost/budget for bus service over a three year period due to austerity measures. It is currently in year two of the cuts. There is a possibility

of future changes but hopefully if they affect Saughall residents we will be consulted in future!

The Council is continuing to monitor the bus service that is being provided. If you experience any problems when using the buses please inform the Clerk who will bring them to the attention of Cheshire West and Chester Council.

Councillor Kathy Ford

Email: chairman@saughall.gov.uk

Tel: 881459



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.

Saughall Welcomes PCSO Lauren Davies

I recently took up my post as Saughall's PCSO.

The spike in crime in relation to shed and garage breaks had



reduced. However, recently there has been another spike. Offenders have been targeting such buildings but the property taken this time has been garden tools.

Please ensure that all outbuildings are secure and well locked. In addition, it is advisable not to keep high value property in sheds or garages.

There had previously been an increase in vehicles being entered but recently this decreased. It is still advisable to close windows and lock doors and keep valuables well out of view.

PCSO Lauren Davies Lauren.Davies@cheshire.pnn.uk

Home Watch



Saughall first embraced Home Watch in 1983 shortly after the UK launch of this movement in Mollington, Chester.

It was a movement started by individual groups of residents and neighbours to look out for each other and to work with the Police to report crime and suspicious occurrences, meeting in small groups of up to 30 houses. Each street had their own co-ordinator who invited their neighbours to become members and meet on a regular basis. All groups in a local area had a central co-ordinator, linked to the Police and Parish Council.

This Home Watch structure was adopted by most of the UK with thousands of groups being set up. It was very successful in reducing crime and anti-social behaviour.

However by 2007 many groups had folded, possibly due to the changing nature of the neighbour relationship or because of the transient nature of people who do not necessarily know their neighbourhood terribly well. Coupled with the massive growth of social media in all its forms including email, twitter and Facebook people seemed to prefer to communicate on a more remote basis. rather than to have neighbourhood meetings. So a new system of alerts needed to be introduced to suit the ever changing methods of communication which was totally inclusive. In Saughall we have approximately 1,400 houses and 2,630 residents (2013 figures) of which there were 25% (762) who are 60 years of age and older, of which 258 were over 75. So any system of alerts must be designed to suit their needs. Also, some residents use the internet and access emails. The majority of this group probably do not but are actively supported by family, carers or neighbours who could relay any important alerts to them.

Home Watch 2016

SCRAM

Saughall CRime Alert Message

This is the new name for a New Year SCRAM - Keep Crime out of Saughall.

Alert message will be sent via email to residents of Saughall, and surrounding areas, as the criminals do not respect boundaries.

Initially alerts will be sent out from and received back to one point. The target is to obtain 200 contacts in 2016 and at least one person in every Street, Road or Close in the Village. We will also encourage those in surrounding Parishes to participate to expand the system.

The same alerts will be sent via Saughall Parish Council's Twitter account which currently has 500 followers and will be run alongside the Cheshire Police Alert database at www.cheshirepolicealert.co.uk

The main aims are to:

- To have a happy and safer community.
- To Reduce Crime and the fear of Crime.

- To provide re-assurance, encourage a flow of information and to engage the public of Saughall and beyond.
- To further improve the quality of life for residents.

This scheme has the active support of Cheshire Constabulary. All you have to do is to provide your name, street name and email address to Councillor Alan Bailey or to our Police Community Support Officer (PCSO) Lauren Davies at lauren.davies@cheshire.pnn.police.uk or to any Parish Councillor.

The new scheme will be launched in January 2016.

This system will **ONLY** be used to transmit important Crime based information and not used for any other purpose, residents can unsubscribe at any time they wish.

NEIGHBOURS CAN COME TOGETHER, VIRTUALLY, TO MAKE THEIR COMMUNITY SAFER

So please consider joining us in this exciting new version of Home Watch in 2016.

Alan Bailey, Saughall Home Watch Coordinator <u>alanbailey89@btinternet.com</u>

Operation Shield

Operation Shield is Cheshire Constabulary's unique DNA marking system that is protecting homes and businesses in



Cheshire by reducing burglary opportunities, deterring offenders, and identifying and recovering stolen property.

Operation Shield works by using state-of-theart unique DNA liquid which contains an individual code to mark property in your home, garage and shed. The DNA coding in the liquid is registered solely to your address and added to a database. This means that if anything is ever stolen it can be traced back to you. The liquid is barely visible and is hard for offenders to see. Once it's applied to property it is **extremely difficult to remove**. This means if an offender is ever caught in possession of stolen items **they can be linked directly back to the crime scene**.

All property recovered by Cheshire Police is scanned by Ultra-Violet beams under Operation Shield to check for traces of unique DNA liquid. If we detect any evidence of the liquid, the property is then closely examined with high-power microscopes which can identify the individual code. This information is then inputted into the database of registered addresses and items and can be traced back to the owner.

Homeowners can get marking kits which come with a container of the unique liquid, an application brush and details of how to register property. Once property has been marked and registered, stickers can be displayed around your property to work as a deterrent to any burglars who may be looking to target your home.

They might not see it... but we will

Operation Shield can protect a whole range of items within your home, garage and shed. Items listed below are just some examples of what can be marked with the liquid:

Laptops, TVs, Games consoles, Mobile phones, Cameras, Tablets, Hi-fi systems, Jewellery boxes, Bikes, Tools, Gardening equipment, Sports equipment.

Operation Shield now means that anyone who has been arrested and brought into custody is scanned for traces of unique DNA liquid – not just offenders who have been arrested for burglary. As well as scanning offenders, Cheshire Police also process any recovered property for DNA code. This process now means that police can link offenders back to burglaries which may have happened weeks before, with the evidence that associates them with individual crime scenes.

The Parish Council has entered a partnership agreement with Cheshire Police to promote

this new concept throughout the village.

The new initiative will be launched at the All Saints Church Christmas Fayre between 10:30am and 2:00pm on Saturday, 27 November 2015.

Also available will be cycle security marking by Cheshire Police so bring your bikes along So please come along learn more.

National Association of Local Council's (NALC) - Star Council Awards

The Council was very pleased to be 1 of 9 long listed by NALC for its Digital Communications of the Year Award.

Although we did not get on the short list this time, being long listed was a fantastic achievement for the Council!

Council The considers effective communication with Parishioners is essential if it is to build a stronger community. We are committed to community engagement and the dissemination of information to all. We inform and seek the views of residents by communicating about parish issues, events and activities through our website launched in www.saughall.gov.uk, 2001 via Twitter @SaughallPC launched in March 2013, this quarterly Newsletter, village notice boards, Parish Council Surgeries and the Annual Parish Meetings.



When Does the Council Meet?

The Council meets every month at 7pm in the Vernon Institute on Church Road. Meetings will be held on:

- Monday, 2 November 2015
- Monday, 7 December 2015
- Monday, 4 January 2016
- Monday, 11 January 2016 (Budget Council)

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 Council meetings.

Saughall Community Library

The library is open every Tuesday afternoon from 2 - 4pm at the Vernon Institute. You can take a book or two, without any paperwork or tickets.



Keep it for as long as you need and bring it back or pass it on. New books are added regularly, so you'll usually find something to interest you. Pop in and pick some books to read this autumn.

Sue Harris sue at ness cottage@hotmail.com

Saughall Activity Week



Saughall Neighbourhood Management Team recently held an 'Activity Week' for the Children of Saughall aged between 7-11 years. This was held at the Vernon Institute as our venue for the previous five years (the Uniformed Group's Headquarters) had been damage by fire.

The week was very well attended with all the children having a great time with activities that included cooking and playing various games. The children also had a day out in Chester and to end the week with a bang held a talent show for their parents, who also enjoyed the cakes made by the children. This was

followed by a presentation of certificates in relation to the children's achievements throughout the week.

Thank you to all of the people who helped to make this week possible and a special thank you to 'The Greyhound Inn' for the use of its field.

Saughall Neighbourhood Management Team will be holding its Fish and Chip Supper on 11 December. For more details please contact

Tony Summers
Activity Week Co-ordinator
Tel: 07707622062

Email: tony.bea@btinternet.com

Saughall Music in the Park



Despite the cold wind, Music in the Park on Saturday, 6 June 2015 was a great success. Several village charities raised money from stalls and visitors were able to watch a wide selection of talented dancers and musicians from around the local area.

The team that organised the event is meeting in October to decide what to do next year. Please let us know how you think we could improve things. Do you know any local emerging musicians who would like to showcase their talents? Do you know of a business or organisation who might like to sponsor the stage or run a stall? What would you like to see next year?

We'd love to hear from you. Please contact Jenny or let us know your thoughts and ideas on our Facebook page.

Jenny Young Tel No: 881133

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Saughall Christmas Post



The Saughall Christmas Post has not been the success I would have liked, but I appreciate that some Saughall residents have found it very useful. Therefore, I will be

running a limited service, free of charge, this year. I will ask a few people to collect the Christmas Cards and pass them to me and I will then deliver them.

I will let you know who to give your cards to nearer the time.

Bob Salisbury robertmsalisbury@btinternet.com

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, please 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.

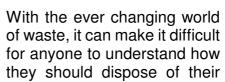
A serious crime is in progress or likely to occur.

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





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.

Tackling Dog Fouling

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.

THE LAW - Failure to clean up after your dog is a criminal offence and could result in a £75 on-the-spot Fixed Penalty Notice. Non-payment could lead to a court fine of £1,000. There is no defence to claim ignorance of your dog's actions and only registered blind

owners of guide dogs are exempt.

Dog fouling carries a RISK TO PUBLIC HEALTH and the environment. Dog faeces carry harmful infections, the most widely known being Toxocariasis. This potentially serious infection is usually transmitted via hands, but can also be spread through the dogs themselves, along with belongings such as pushchair wheels and soles of shoes.

TOXOCARIASIS is mainly found in children between the age of 18 months and five years and can cause aches, dizziness, nausea, asthma and epileptic fits. Toxocariasis can even trigger blindness. There are about 120 recorded cases per year within the UK, very few of which are serious. Nevertheless, just one case is one case too many and is easily preventable.

There is a **SIMPLE SOLUTION**. Dog mess only contaminates the soil when left on the ground for around 2-3 weeks, as this is when the Toxocara eggs mature and become infectious. By 'scooping the poop' immediately, the threat of Toxocariasis is eliminated.

DOG FOULING STINKS! Not only is it a health hazard, but dog mess is an eyesore and a blight on our local environment. Footpaths, school playing fields, parks and other recreational areas are all compromised. By following these **SIMPLE STEPS** we can all work together to turn the tide on dog fouling.



- Where possible, set aside a designated area within your garden for your dog to use before you go out.
- Carry disposable bags to pick up after your dog.
- Avoid places where children play.

Worm your dog at least every six months.

SCOOP IT, BAG IT AND BIN IT!

Please leave only paw prints; obey the law and pick that dog poo off the floor!

If you see somebody failing to pick up after their dog and you know who they are or where they live, you can report it to Cheshire West and Chester Council so that it can take enforcement action. We need the eyes and ears of local residents to help us tackle this problem.

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 History Society

As many people in the village are aware, Saughall has a considerable history which reaches

back a good 1,000 years or more. Some

recent work by members of Mollington History Society has emphasised just how rich the history of the village is. It is proposed to start up a new History Society in Saughall which will bring local people together with an interest in the past which can show us how our present and future has been shaped.

An inaugural meeting is arranged for 7pm on Monday, 26 October 2015 at the Vernon Institute. Anyone with an interest in the history of Saughall is invited to this first meeting to plan how the group might develop. If you cannot make this date please contact Howard Jennings by email or telephone and register your interest:

howard@fixandrepairengineering.com

Tel: 01244 880675

Howard Jennings and Dennis Holman

1st Saughall Cubs and Beavers

1st Saughall Cubs

We are excited to announce the re-opening of Saughall Cub Scouts. Cubs are for boys and girls aged 8-11. We are looking for members to join the Group and volunteers to help run the unit. We meet from 6-7pm on Monday evenings at the Uniform Group's Headquarters.

1st Saughall Beavers

The Beavers had a really enjoyable end of term party, a visit to the library in Chester where they learnt how to make ice cream. They have had an unsettled year because of the fire at the Uniformed Group's Headquarters but they still managed to have fun. They have been golfing, enjoyed a biscuit decorating night and a picnic with 8th Chester amongst other things.

We are looking forward to starting the new term back in the Headquarters. Beavers are for boys and girls aged 6-8. We meet from 5-6pm on Monday evenings at the Uniform Group's Headquarters.

If you are interested in helping at or joining Cubs or Beavers please contact me.

Amy Dutton

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Saughall Uniformed Groups

Beavers - Mondays, 5 - 6pm

Age: 6 – 8 Tel: 881348

Cubs - Mondays, 6 - 7pm

Age: 8 - 11 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

A variety of events and fundraising activities were

held in the last few months, supporting local charities and global charity activities. We are proud, as a diversified club to be able to maintain a high level of commitment to fundraising and the spirit of rotary. If you would like to join us: We meet on a Thursday from 7 – 7:30pm in the Church Rooms in Saughall.



We were able to support St. Bartholomew's Church with a £1,200 contribution towards the development fund. The handover, attended by a group of Saughall Rotarians, coincided with Bart Art, the Art Festival held in the

Church for almost twenty years. Local artists from the Chester and Flintshire area are exhibiting and selling their works of art. It was a delightful summer's evening and everybody enjoyed the variety of art pieces. We are looking forward to seeing the Church refurbished in time for its 150th anniversary in 2017!



Two visitors from Swaziland told us how the progress of infrastructure has a big impact on the improvements of their lives and increased access to healthcare facilities. The Swaziland Road Project raised £46,000 as a joint effort from through Rotary Saughall Swazaid and International. Abbevgate College. The visiting teachers from Mibita community, a mountainous village near Nhlangano in Southern Swaziland told us that, prior to the improvement works carried out, a 20km road stretch could take one and a half hours. Newly recruited teachers can now be better retained due to the shortened commute. Some children leave their homes very early to make their way to school, since the road construction they can travel safer and faster to their school which is at 1400m above sea level. The project was headed by Carol Parry on behalf of Swazaid and led to a global school partnership with Abbeygate College who now partner with Milinzini High School. Rotary Saughall raised £5,000 a further £5,000 was received by Swazaid (raised through pupils at Abbey Gate College). The Rotary International Global Grant increased the donations to a total of £46,000.

Following the fundraising event of the dragon boat race earlier this year, we welcomed representatives from Claire House Hospice and the Hospice of the Good Shepherd who received donations of £3,400 and £3,000 respectively. As a Club we will be hosting the next dragon boat event on 8 May 2016.

Saughall Rotary hosted a clay pigeon shoot in aid of the Alzeimer's Society on 20 September at Court farm Ledsham Village. The fun filled event was well attended by families.

Another important date to note in your calendar is the Chester World Cup Beer Festival, hosted at the Rugby Club in Chester. The event runs from 30 to 31 October. A vast selection of beers, perries and ciders will be on sale. Guests can enjoy various live bands after a day of watching the rugby. Tickets are available through the website http://chesterrugbyworldcupbeerfestival.co.uk/ and cost £10, all proceeds will go to charity.

Remember the Christmas Lights Switch On event on Wednesday, 2 December as usual Father Christmas will be there with his Sleigh. The Rotary Float with travel from All Saints Church to the Vernon Institute making its way to the Light Switch On.

Viola Hardle viola.hardle@gmail.com

The Golden Link Club

Saughall's Golden Link Club is celebrating its 60th birthday in October with a party.



In the year that Stirling Moss won the British Grand Prix, Airfix produced their first scale model aircraft and Birdseye fish fingers arrived in Britain, Mr WE Roberts, Warden of Shotwick House Old People's Home, started the Golden Link club. In 1955, the Club met at the Vernon Institute, where they've been meeting ever since.

The Club now meets every Thursday from 2-4pm. A friendly and active group, it welcomes new members and enjoys a range of activities, including outings, shows, speakers, quizzes and bingo.

If you would like more information about the

Golden Link Club, contact Margaret Grain, treasurer, 881294, or, if you are over 50, just pop along one week and join in with the fun.

Craft and Chat

What do you do on a Tuesday afternoon? We meet at the Vernon Institute, between 2 -



4pm and share our crafty skills, a cup of tea and lots of chat.



We welcome any crafters including learners. Join us if you like crafting. Can't craft? Join us for the tea, chat and laughter. We'll be very pleased to see you.

Sue Harris sue at ness cottage@hotmail.com

Saughall Gardening Club



I would like to say a big Thank You to everyone who supported the Annual Gardening Club Show that was held on Saturday, 8 August 2015 in the Main Hall of the Vernon Institute. Amongst the Show Cup Winners were:

- Saughall Gardening Club Flower Classes and Vegetable Classes - Elaine Shrubb.
- Harold Stringer Bowl for Dahlias Jill Stinton.

- Saughall Gardening Club Bowl for Flower Arranging and The Pauline Storrar Cup -Sue Marsh.
- The Gardening Club Pot Plants Cup and Oaktree Nuseries' Cup – John Garner.
- Saughall Gardening Club Produce Class -Julie Blakeman.
- The Bruce Shield Sue Champion.
- Saughall Gardening Club Best in the Children's Class Miss T Baker.
- Overall Saughall Championship Cup -John Garner.

The Gardening Club meets on the third Monday of the Month in the Main Hall at 7:30pm and all ages are welcome.

The October Speaker is Carol Madden - Wonderful Winter and the November Speaker is Margaret Sixsmith - Jewels in the Mountain of Coral.

I hope to see you there!

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

There is something for everyone, so please give it a try!

Lesley Hardy colinhardyuk@btinternet.com

Mollington Singers

Do you enjoy singing? Your local Ladies Choir needs you!



Why not drop in to a rehearsal on a Monday 7:30 - 9:30pm (restarting 14 September 2015) at the Methodist Church. You will be most welcome. To find out more please telephone Lesley (880809) or Diane (880224).

Diane Barker dianabarker@hotmail.co.uk

The Co-op Store's Coffee Morning





A special thanks to Liz, a team Leader at the Co-op Food Store in Saughall. Liz baked until 2:00am in the morning not once but twice and then was at the Store to set up the Coffee Morning at 7:30am. It was a huge success and raised £510.97 for Macmillan.



Thanks also to Becky, the Post Office Manager and the following staff all who assisted in their own time:

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Francis Asgill francisasgill@yahoo.com

Chestnut House

We are currently the only Nursery in the UK that offers 18 hours of free funding to its Preschool children and we also qualify for two year old funding.

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On the subject of moving to school, we have recently employed Miss Amy Jessop, who is a fully qualified teacher, who is already getting rave reviews from our children and parents.

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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
- Art Club on
 Tuesdays, limited numbers,
 telephone 880733
- Gardening Club
- Golden Link
- Pre-School
- Whist
- Art Club
- Dancing Schools
 - Slimming World

- Women's Institute •
- Craft and Chat on Tuesdays, 2:30 -4pm in the small hall
- Farmers' Market ΑII local produce. Saturdays 9am - 12noon in the Small Hall.



Activities at ΑII **Saints Church**

- Senior Monday Meeting
- Children's Group

Meetings and Activities

Praise and Play

Activities the at **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 Singer's Choir
- Toddlers, further Group on Fridays from 2pm - 3pm for crafts, stories and time for Mums to chat
- Mollington Coffee Mornings, on 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month from until 10:30am noon.

Help for Refugees

If you would like to make donations of clothing, food and other essentials to help Syrian refugees fleeing their war torn country our local collection points are:

- Chester Calais Aid collecting donations in support of the national Calais Aid, a group of volunteers working to build a network of locations across the country to allow people to channel their donations effectively and efficiently. The collection point is Northgate Church, Northgate Street, Chester, CH1 4EF. Donations are accepted 10am - 2pm weekdays. For further information contact 01244 390140.
- The Unity Centre collecting donations behalf of а range organisations/charities for refugees in Calais and Kos. The collection point is The Unity Centre, 2 Cuppin Street, Chester CH1 2NB which is open Monday 10am - 4pm, Tuesday 10am -7.30pm, Wednesday 10am - 12.30 pm, Thursday 10am - 4 pm, Friday 10am - 12.30pm. For further information contact 01244 400730.

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 anv Parish Councillor or the Clerk.

Alternative transport options in your area

Throughout Cheshire West and Chester, including its rural areas the Council promotes many different Community and Voluntary Transport schemes. These services offer accessible transport to people who are unable to use conventional public transport.

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Telephone: For general enquiries, registration and bookings, call **0151 357 4420**. Lines are open 9am to 4.30pm Monday to Friday.

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About: This service is available to people who are without private transport or who are unable to access public transport to make their journey.

Cheshire Community Car Scheme can help you with your journey to appointments such as dental, opticians, doctors, and social activities such as visiting friends or relatives and to trips to the supermarket.

With a group of car owners each volunteering a little of their time, they are able to help you, your neighbours and friends with transport.

The service covers the old borough boundaries for Chester, so extends as far as Malpas in the south and up to Ledsham in the north. The service is run by Cheshire Community Action.

In busy periods, the scheme prioritizes health care appointments and as the drivers are volunteers there is no guarantee of transport but every endeavour is made to fulfil requests.

You must register with the scheme before using their services and booking in advance is required.

Cost: £2.50 up to 5 miles, then 50p per mile thereafter

Telephone: There is an annual registration fee of £20 payable and a registration form can be obtained by calling Cheshire Community Action on **01606 350042**.

More information can be found on the website: www.cheshireaction.org.uk

All Saints Church Saughall

Sunday Service 10 30am (normally Holy Communion)

Family Service: First Sunday in the month 9.15am - alternating with the Methodist Church

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Monday 12 October Monday 9th November

Monday 14th December— Christmas Special



Special Events

Harvest Supper: Friday 2nd October, 6.30 for 7.00pm

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Harvest Festival Service: Sunday 4th October 10:30am

Memorial Service: 6.30pm Sunday 1st November - when you are invited to remember loved ones who have passed away and light a candle in their memory.

Christmas Fair: Saturday 27th November 10.00am-2.30pm

Father Christmas will arrive at 11.00am. Lots of stalls, raffle & tombola, refreshments. Offers of help and contributions to stalls are very welcome.

Contact Jackie 880606

Christingle Service: Sunday 13th December 10.30am at All Saints. (united service) Come along and light a Christingle. All proceeds from the service go to the

Children's Society.

Service of Nine Lessons & Carols: Sunday 20th December 6.30pm, accompanied by the City of Chester Training Band

Crib Service: Thursday 24th December 3.30pm. Mary and Joseph return to the crib in church after several weeks visiting families in the village to be joined by baby Jesus.

Midnight Communion: Thursday 24th December 11.30pm.

Midnight Holy Commun-

ion Service.

Christmas Morning Holy Communion Service: Friday 25th December 10.30am

Contacts for further information:

Seniors Group: Join this friendly group for a cup of

tea and a chat. Occasional speakers 200pm - 400pm Monday 5th & 26th October Monday 2nd, 16th & 30th November Contact Dorothy Spencer 880772



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Contact Mary Evans on 01244 880177

Golden Link

Thursdays 14:00 to 16:00 Contact Margaret Grain on 01244 881294

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