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Council Tax 2016/17

The Parish Council has set its budget for the next financial year and kept the precept the same as for 2015/16 which means that the Council Tax will be, for the fifth year running, £54.98 per household per Band D property.

The Government has changed the way in which Council Tax is charged, effectively reducing the tax base. To offset this Cheshire West and Chester (CWaC) Council has provided a grant of £4,252, the amount equal to the tax base reduction for this Council.

The Parish Council has asked CWaC Council for a Parish Precept of £62,214 for 2016/17. The Parish Council's budget amounts to £81,653. How it is to be spent is set out below:

Council Budget 2016/17	Allocation
Budget Head	£
Finance and General Purposes	32,650
Golden Jubilee Park	26,023
Neighbourhood Plan	2,000
Community Facilities Fund	6,000
Police Community Support Officer	11,980
Contingency	3,000
Total	81,653

This budget can be viewed in more detail online at:

<http://www.saughall.gov.uk/wp-content/uploads/2016/01/Budget-Council-held-on-2016-01-11.pdf>

Music in the Park - Saturday, 11 June 2016 from 2-10pm



Once again plans are afoot in order to hold a musical extravaganza in the Golden Jubilee Park on Fiddlers Lane.

If last year was anything to go by, it will be an event you cannot afford to miss! So please save the date.

The Greyhound Inn



There is exciting news from the Greyhound Inn - **YOUR Local Village Pub and Restaurant** has many new exciting ideas, enhancing its "Great British-style Food and Locally Brewed Cask Ale ethos". Every day of the week there are special lunchtime offers, along with themed evenings, and a British Tapas menu, not to mention the already 'famed' Sunday Lunch!

The Greyhound is confident that it's seasonally changing food offering, described as traditional with a contemporary modern

twist, has been developed using local suppliers and produce, and is outstanding. The Greyhound's cask ales include its very own "Woof Woof". There is also an excellent wine list. There is also regular live entertainment and Thursday Quiz Nights. These are all sure to please.



The Greyhound Inn was taken over by Oulton Stewart 6 months or so ago, and now with a new General Manager Martin and highly trained and forward thinking Chefs, has an ongoing commitment to internal and external refurbishment, as well as plans for the redevelopment of outside land and storage buildings for local community use.

The new Management Team promises you a Great Pub worthy of a Great Village, both now and in the future!

Loving the Food and Drink...



Find out more and stay in touch via the website at www.GreyhoundSaughall.com

Christmas Lights

The switching on of the Saughall Christmas Lights was a great success attended by a

record number of villagers. Saughall Rotary played a marvellous part with the Santa Parade and the school children then sang Christmas Carols which were enchanting.



There then followed a Christmas Market in the Vernon Institute which was very well supported and WI Members kindly helped serve refreshments.

Jeanne Storrar

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Christmas Lights - Sponsorship



The initiative was very well received by residents of the Village; the only problem was they were not turned on early enough so that young children could see them as well. This was remedied as soon as we were able to get the contractor to attend at their busiest time of year.

At the January Parish Council meeting it was agreed to extend the number of Christmas lights in 2016. If we are able to attract funding from local businesses/charities to sponsor the installation, the Council will 'Match-fund' any such donation.

The Council is asking for a one of donation to sponsor a lamppost of **£450** and the Council will fund the ongoing rental costs out of its Christmas Lights Budget. If you are interested in sponsoring one or more lamppost please contact Shirley Hudspeth at clerk@saughall.gov.uk or Councillor Alan Bailey alanbailey89@btinternet.com

Christmas Lights Competition – Results

In November last year you were invited to 'Light up your house for Christmas' in celebration of our new Christmas Lights initiative in Church Road this year.

On the evening of Friday, 18 December, Councillors Alan Bailey, Kathy Ford and Andrew Warrington, plus our very own PCSO, Lauren Davies (to keep us in order) drove around the entire village, covering every Road, Close and Avenue in the Parish driving over 10 miles. We were very impressed by the 40 + houses who decorated the outside of their homes with Christmas lights and decorations, inflatables and even some with their own sound system.

It was tough choice but we made a short list of three houses, revisited and declared the winner as 8, Darlington Crescent, Saughall, the home of Ron and Jean Stuart. Their prize was to be presented with a £50 meal voucher for the Greyhound Inn, provided by the Parish Council.

Councillor Alan Bailey
alanbailey89@btinternet.com

Annual Christmas Band Concert



The Annual Christmas Band Concert in the Vernon Institute was a wonderful start to the Christmas Festivities and an excellent varied programme was provided by the Royal Buckley Town Band. We were also treated to its member's great sense of humour.

If you have not had the pleasure of attending this annual treat, please make sure you don't miss it this year. The Concert always takes place on the first Sunday in December.

Details will be publicised nearer the time.

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New Community and Sports Facilities

We have reported in this Newsletter on a regular basis on progress being made with the proposal to build a brand new Community and Sports Pavilion in the Golden Jubilee Park to replace the existing Uniformed Groups' Headquarters which is coming to the end of its useful life.

Lots of hard work has been put into this but unfortunately, despite best endeavours, it has not been possible for the Committee leading the project, to attract the external funding required from grant providers for the new build to go ahead. There remains a massive short fall so sadly, the Committee has decided to disband.

A new approach is now being considered. We have not given up hope! One day this project will come to fruition and to this end the planning permission granted for a three year period on 20 June 2013 will not be allowed to lapse. The Council is to re-apply for it and will pay the costs.

At a Special meeting on Wednesday, 17 February 2016 to consider all aspects of the project and to determine the way forward, the Council agreed, unanimously, that it remained committed to the provision of a new community building in the village. It resolved to work with any group of people that comes forward, who is willing and able to progress the project. This will include exploring the legal issues, community governance issues, ownership issues and compiling and submitting successful funding applications to external funders.

If you or a group of you are community minded, would like to work with the Council on this Project to steer the way to the end result which is the new building in situ in the Golden

Jubilee Park in the not too distant future, please contact the Clerk or any Member of the Council.

Pear Tree Farm, Hermitage Road, Saughall – Proposed Housing Development

At the December Parish Council meeting, Mr Mike Bell, Director of Bell Developments used the Public Speaking time to inform the Council and members of the public that his company had purchased Pear Tree Farm with the intention of applying for planning permission to develop a number of housing units on the site. He produced an artist impression of the site outlining 33 such units but emphasised that this was just a drawing and before any official plans were submitted his company wished to fully consult with the Council and the local community as to their views and any concerns.

Bell Developments, based in Mollington are a local company with strong family ties to Saughall they wanted to fully consult and to that end Mike Bell suggested that a Public Meeting be convened at the earliest opportunity, before they met with their Architect to draw up official plans for submission to Cheshire West and Chester Council's (CWaC) Planning Committee.

Bells have partnered a local builder from Ewloe called ANWYL Homes www.anwyl.co.uk – they are currently developing a site in Thackeray Drive, Vicars Cross, Chester.

Public Meeting held at 6pm on Monday 11 January 2016

Attended by 25 residents, David and Mike Bell, and Parish Councillors, there was an opportunity for all present to speak personally to the developers and view the sketch-plans and lay-out plans of various housing units. It was stressed again by the developers that no plans had yet been submitted to the Planning Authority and that Bells were very interested to hear the views of the public and were open to suggestions prior to meeting with their Architects the following Thursday.

The matters discussed at the meeting covered a wide range of topics, including:

- Saughall is protected by the Green Belt.
- Traffic volumes and speed along Hermitage Road.
- Access from 3 new properties directly onto Hermitage Road.
- Drainage issues, current and in the future.
- Allocation of new housing to local people.
- Any new residents to be made aware that this is an active farming community.
- Broadband coverage in the area is already weak and any new properties would make this worse.
- Length of time that the development would take to complete and disruption to locality.
- Preference to have bungalows fronting onto Hermitage Road to match the existing properties.
- Availability of School places for new residents, who would be in competition with existing parishioners.
- Impact on 'Village Ambience'.

Following the meeting Bell Developments informed the Council that they would be 'cleaning the site to make it safer and to expose the concrete for drainage calculations to be made'; this does not mean that any building work has started on site.

A full planning application will be submitted to CWaC in the near future when all residents and the Parish Council (as a Statutory Consultee) will be formally invited to make any comments, prior to any decision being taken. The Council will keep residents in informed on this development. If you wish to be included in any circulations please provide your email and contact details to the Clerk.

Councillor Alan Bailey
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Clean Up Saughall Day – Saturday, 5 March 2016

As part of The Queen's 90th birthday celebrations, the 'Clean for The Queen' campaign aims to inspire a million people to make the places where they live more beautiful by removing litter.

This campaign is asking local community groups and organisations to register to take part and organise litter events themselves.

Please come and help. We will meet at the Vernon Institute at 9am. We will allocate roads to all and be finished by lunch time. We will provide black bags. Everyone should bring their own gloves; pick up sticks and hi-vis jackets or vests if they have them. All bags should be returned to the Vernon Institute on completion where they will be disposed of.

Andrew Errington
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Allotments

The Parish Council has a stated aim to provide allotments to any resident who would like the facility.



Allotments provide access to fresh, nutritious and safely grown fruit and vegetables. They can help build communities, encourage a fit and healthy lifestyle and promote social interaction amongst gardeners.

Currently, the allotments behind the Old Vicarage are fully subscribed and we have been made aware of a waiting list consisting of 12 individuals who we will be writing to in the near future to ascertain if they are still interested in taking on an allotment, we will then investigate any suitable land that may be available within the Parish for the Council to lease for this purpose.

Should any Saughall resident be interested and wish to be placed on this waiting list for an allotment please make contact with either Councillors Alan Bailey
alanbailey89@btinternet.com
or Andrew Warrington,
andrewwarrington@hotmail.com who are the responsible officers for both Footpaths and Allotments.

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.



Two detailed site master plans have been produced, to enable comparisons to be made along with other material and this is currently being consulted upon.

Individual Members have arranged a number of consultation exercises with interested parties and groups in the village. There was also a consultation meeting was held at the Vernon Institute on Monday, 1 February 2016 and another one is planned for **Monday, 7 March 2016 beginning at 7pm also at the Vernon Institute.**

CWaC is charging the Council £2,000 for its help and support with this project.

This detailed master planning process is designed to 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.

PCSO Lauren Davies Reports

During the last few months the previous increase in shed breaks has reduced. With none reported in the village between mid-December and mid-January. Although this specific type of crime has recently decreased locally it is always beneficial to ensure that property is secure and to remain vigilant.



Over the Christmas period though there were a couple of incidents of a suspicious nature. These included leaving strange markings on

or next to driveways. Post – Christmas there have been no further incidents of this kind. If you are concerned about any issues please do not hesitate to phone 101 to report such an issue.

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 representing 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 has proved 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.

Consequently, a new system of alerts which was totally inclusive needed to be introduced to suit the ever changing methods of communication.

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 are sent via email to residents of Saughall, and surrounding areas, as the criminals do not respect boundaries.

Initially alerts are 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 the Cheshire Constabulary. All you have to do is 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.

This new scheme was launched in January 2016. The system will **ONLY** be used to transmit important Crime based information and will not be used for any other purpose. Residents can unsubscribe at any time that 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.

We have collected names and the new system will become live as soon as we have resolved some issues we have with our email addresses and web-site entry.

If you would like to register for this exciting initiative, please email your details to Alanbailey89@btinternet.com

Councillor Alan Bailey



When Does the Council Meet?

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

- 4 April
- 9 May (Annual Meeting)
- 6 June
- 4 July

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.

Waste and Recycling Collections

When you put out your waste and recycling material for collection on a Monday please help keep Saughall tidy by making sure that it is anchored down and secure. We do not want it to escape and be



blown about the village. Let's try and keep Saughall litter free.

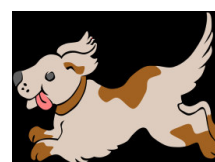


Blocked Drains

Some of the drains in Saughall are private facilities and the sewers are not adopted. If they become blocked it is possible that they could flood. One of the causes of blocked drains is that items e.g. indissoluble toilet sheets and other sanitary material are flushed down toilets.

It is important to remember that only three things should be put down the loo: (the three Ps), Poo, Pee and Paper!

Dog Fouling Nuisance



We are receiving more and more complaints about the nuisance of dog fouling, particularly on Church Road. The Council has a zero tolerance attitude towards these incidents and will not hesitate to take action against offending dog owners.

Please pick up any mess left by your dog and/or act as an observer and report any incident that you see to us. The Council will seek assistance from Cheshire West and Chester Council in taking the necessary action against any dog owners who fail to clear up mess left by their animal.

Also, please note that dogs are not allowed on the Golden Jubilee Park.

Dog walkers and joggers urged to help track down leaks

United Utilities has put out a special plea to pedestrians in a bid to help tackle leaks.

The North West water company is encouraging dog walkers and joggers pounding the pavements with their pooches and playlists, to keep their eyes peeled for evidence of water leaks, and to report any suspicious puddles (but only non-canine related).

Leakage reports can be made by:

- Calling free phone 0800 330033;
- Using an online form at www.unitedutilities.com/report-a-leak
- Tweeting the UU team @unitedutilities using hashtag #UULEakline

A winter advice pack which can be downloaded from the United Utilities website <http://www.unitedutilities.com/winterwise> includes lots of information about keeping yourself and your home safe and warm during the cold snap.



Golden Jubilee Park

Please note that under no circumstances are horses allowed in the Park. Their hooves will destroy the sports pitches and the cricket square.

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.



Lock it up

A reminder that all property, including sheds, garages and vehicles, should always be kept securely locked. Also, ensure you take precautions if you are going away perhaps with neighbours/friends opening and closing curtains or using timers for lights. You could also let the PCSO know your emergency contact details.

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 litter bin nearby, 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.

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 Cricket Club

Are you retired and do you have a couple of hours to give each week during the summer? If so, you could be part of the team at Saughall Cricket Club. If you could offer any skills on a voluntary basis, please contact Ben Salisbury (bensalisb@gmail.com) for more details. You will warmly accepted by the players and get a free season ticket to watch our squad as we battle for promotion on 3 fronts!

Martin Huxley
MHuxley@CDandPLtd.co.uk

Saughall Uniformed Groups

Thank you to all of the people who helped us to refurbish the Uniformed Groups'

Headquarters (known as the Scout Hut). Thankfully, it is now back up and running. Most Hut users have returned and we would welcome any other people who would like to hire the Hall.

Tony Summers
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Beavers – Mondays, 5 – 6pm
Age: 6 – 8
Tel: 881348
Scouts – 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
Email: jennifer.y@virgin.net

Saughall Artefacts



One aim of the new **Saughall History Society** is to help preserve, for posterity, anything which helps to tell the history and heritage of our village over the last thousand years, whether it be photographs, films, books, news cuttings, maps and plans, deeds, contracts, medals and badges, signs, pottery and bottles, coins, any other memorabilia, as well as personal reminiscences.

We recognise that this is a major undertaking but we are aware that, although there are some valued 'personal' collections, other material is at risk of being lost because it is not seen as being of value to anyone but the owner - especially photographs of family, friends and village events, even those from recent years.

It is not intended that owners should relinquish their property, unless that is their

wish, when we will seek to locate it in a safe and secure place, possibly Chester Archives. Rather we would like to record it and make photographic/video/textual copies available on-line to researchers and villagers, especially schoolchildren.

The first task is to try to identify who has what, and to try to identify priorities for preservation. Rather than try to limit anyone by using a form, what we are requesting initially is a short 'free format' listing of what you might have in your albums and cupboards, so that we can see what is out there. We will then contact you with a view to spending some time with you to talk through your artefacts and discuss how best to record and preserve them for future generations.

In the first instance please could we ask you to contact Professor Dennis Holman, simply with your name and address and contact details, either by e-mail on d.holman@chester.ac.uk or by post to 28 The Ridings, Saughall CH1 6AX. If you would like to chat then Dennis' phone number is 881593.

Thank you in advance for any help you can give.

Prof Dennis Holman
Email: d.holman@chester.ac.uk

News from your local Rotary Club



We are often confronted with Rotary Club Stereotypes when discussing Rotary. At Saughall Rotary we can proudly say, that we are a mixed group of people with an equal ratio of males and females across a broad range of ages.

In this edition of the Newsletter we would like to give you an insight of our past projects and

events.

In September we organised a Clay Pigeon Shoot in the village. It was a family event that raised £500 for the local Alzheimer Society.

As a district within Rotary we all have one big event, the district disabled games, where we take over the playing fields of Bank of America and invite local children and young adults with disabilities to have a fun filled Sports Day.



In October we held a beer festival in cooperation with the Rugby Club of Chester. This event raised £3,378.60 for local charities. In November we met up in the Vernon Institute for the District Quiz. The raffle and donations totalled to £816.70.

The Scout Colts received a £680 donation towards a sponsored Football Kit and Ryan. We also contributed to purchase a specialist lawnmower for a local boy with autism.

In the run up to Christmas we didn't stop our engagements as there is a lot of emphasis on Christmas and togetherness in our community. A tradition in our Club is the Golden Link's Christmas Lunch. Our member Anne opened her house; we dress in elf costumes and served the well deserving guests a full Christmas lunch. The cherry on the cake was a £500 donation to the

Salvation Army.



We had great fun at our Christmas Party at the Floral Pavilion in New Brighton. Everybody had a go at the Abba moves and nobody left the Party without singing or at least humming the well-known songs.



Many of you have seen the Santa sleigh around the village making its rounds, the collection buckets kept filling and children were able to get a picture with Father Christmas.

Now we are in 2016 and have hit the ground running, as we already received a visit from a French Rotary Club and held a new members event in the hope of gaining a few more members for our Club. At the meeting afterwards we presented Sophie Bell with a £1000 cheque to support her trip to Swaziland to carry out vital development aid work at a local school in Milinzini.



We are always looking for new members, so if you are interested please do not hesitate to join us at one of our weekly meetings in the Church Hall from 7pm onwards. If you have any questions please contact: info@saughallrotaryclub.org.

Saughall Rotary is about Friendship, Service above self and Community Spirit, right in the village and internationally.



Saughall Youth Club

Saughall Youth opens every Tuesday during term time, from 7pm to 9pm. The Club provides a facility for 13 to 16 year olds to meet with friends and participate in social activities.

Unfortunately, due to very low attendance, only one young person most weeks, we made the decision to close temporarily in January. However, we are planning to re-open on Tuesday, 19 April 2016. From now until then we are looking to engage with our younger residents to ascertain their views on what they would like from their Youth Club.

We would, therefore, welcome any comments and suggestions in relation to activities, day

and time we are open, and any other thoughts you may have which you think will encourage our young people to attend the Club.

Also anyone over the age of 18 years who would like to join our current volunteers would be very welcome.

Please send any correspondence to Jacqueline Black
Email jacquelineblack357@btinternet.com
Tel No: 881434.

Saughall Friday Club

We held a very special Christmas Party for all the lovely members and dedicated volunteers, with a superb Christmas Dinner followed by entertainment from the Mollington Singers. The Club is very grateful to the Parish Council and Co-op Store for their donations towards the occasion.



The Friday Club is always looking for volunteers to help in some small way and would be delighted to hear from anyone who feels they could give a little of their time to this very appreciative organisation. For further information, please call Jeanne on 01244 880226 in the first instance.



The Friday Club is also very grateful to the Saughall Pre School for again inviting them to their special nativity production which was

delightful and greatly enjoyed by all our members.

Jeanne Storrar
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Email: jeannestorrar@hotmail.co.uk



Saughall WI celebrated their 93rd Birthday with their new President Una Hardwick lighting the candles watched by Secretary Barbara Williams.



The Saughall WI Drama Group provided some really hilarious entertainment that included sketches from South Pacific and Calendar Girls, etc. John Hallas kindly acted as MC and delivered a wonderful repertoire of jokes. We all had a very jolly time and thoroughly enjoyed all the humour delivered by some very talented people.

Jeanne Storrar
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Email: jeannestorrar@hotmail.co.uk

Saughall Women's Institute - Forthcoming Events

Events commence at 7:30pm on the first Tuesday of the month. New members and visitors are always welcome. Make new friends, enjoy interesting talks,



regular coach trips and outings to the theatre we also have crafts, darts, walks etc. There's something for everyone.

Date	Event
1 March	A curling evening
5 April	Members' Night
3 May	Resolutions and Dolls' Houses
7 June	Making Chutney and Preserves
5 July	Saris
2 August	Annual Show
6 September	The Joy of Scousers and Scouse
4 October	Painting for Everyone
1 November	AGM and Social Evening
6 December	The WI Drama Group Entertains

Lesley Hardy

Email: colinhardyuk@btinternet.com



Chester Half Marathon Sunday, 15 May 2016

The route will be the same as last year and runners will once again pass through Saughall.



The Chester Half Marathon is always a popular and successful local event, raising funds for local and national charities and boosting the local economy. Runners tell us how much they appreciate the support they receive from local communities, and we would like to thank our residents for their ongoing help.

The planning and operation of this event complies with the Health and Safety Executive Event Safety Guide and the Home Office Guidance for the Safety of Small and

Sporting Events. To ensure the safety of runners, spectators and members of the public, the race will, as usual, take place on closed roads. During the road closure diversions will be in place. Roads will only be closed for the minimum period necessary to ensure safety. The aim is to create as small a footprint as possible to minimise disruption to residents and businesses, and the organisers work with local communities to help them to benefit from the event.



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 and Tums
- 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, Saturdays 9am – 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 Mollington Singer's Choir
- Toddlers, a further Group on Fridays from 2pm - 3pm for crafts, stories and time for Mums to chat
- Coffee Mornings, on 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month from 10:30am until noon.

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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Forty candidates took the Allied Dance Association's Exams at the end of November 2016 in Saughall. There was a 100% pass rate and some excellent grades. The

presentation was held at St Columba's Church all, Upton before the monthly Tea Dance.

The Schedule of classes and lessons are as follows and, we also provide Wedding Dance Lessons, Hen Parties and Workshops.

Mondays from 4 January

AM Private lessons Saughall Vernon Institute.
PM Crabwall Manor.

Tuesdays from 5 January

Caldy Valley
10am-11am complete beginners' ballroom and Latin.
11.15am-12.15pm ladies Latin fusion dance class - no partners.

St Columba's Church Hall Upton - £6.50 pp for 1 - 3 hours dance.
7 - 8pm Beginners Ballroom and Latin.

8 - 9pm Next Steps - Intermediate Dance Class.

9 - 10pm Practice Hour.

Wednesdays from 6 January

Saughall Vernon Institute
10am-11am Ladies Latin Fusion Dance Class - no partners.
11.15am -12.15pm Private Lessons
Saughall Vernon Institute.

Crabwall Manor Evening Private Lessons

Thursdays from 7 January

Caldy Valley Boughton
2pm - 3pm Intermediates Dance Class
Saughall Vernon Institute
7.30pm - 8.30pm Ladies Latin Fusion Dance Class - no partners

Fridays from 8 January

AM Saughall Vernon Institute private lessons
PM Crabwall Manor Private Dance Lessons

Saturdays from 9 January

Saughall Vernon Institute
9am - 10am Children's Mini Strictly Dance Class
10am - 5/6pm Private Dance Lessons

TEA DANCE Sundays – 4 - 6pm at St Columba's Church Hall Plas Newton Lane, Upton

£5 per person includes 2 hours dance with tea/coffee/cordial and biscuits and free parking

20 March, 17 April, 15 May, 19 June, 7 July, 18 Sept, 16 Oct and 20 November

For more information or to book lessons please call Dawn on 01244 881092 or 07905571515.



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Saughall History Society

All meetings in the Vernon Institute Small Hall, 7.30pm

Tuesday 22 March 2016

Priscilla Poynton
Blind poet of Saughall
Anne Marie Curtis

Monday 11 April 2016

Saughall its origins,
Researching local history
John Hess

Monday 23 May 2016

Special Tour

Towers Canals and secret bits of Chester
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Jan Holman Blue Badge City Tour Guide

Monday 27 June 2016

A brief history of Saughall on foot
Meet at the Crofters Way/Hermitage Rd bus stop
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Dennis Holman

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Tuesdays
 from 14:00
 to 16:00

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Thursdays
 14:00 to 16:00

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