

NORWOOD GREEN NEWS

Newsletter of the Norwood Green
Residents' Association & The Norwood Green
Village Hall Charitable Trust

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Chairperson's Report

Hello Everyone,

Quite a lot of activity in the village at the moment. The hedge and fence has now been put around the children's' play area so it is now a safe place for little ones to play.

The two air vents along Wells Terrace which were left by the Coal Authority have now disappeared, and we are waiting for the setts to be repositioned and the area grassed over. Also the access to Wells Terrace is a little bit tatty after all the vehicles by the coal authority have traversed over it, so this is going to have work done to it by Calderdale and the Coal Board.

We are about to lose our two village policemen: Nick Bamforth (who was born here) and Dean Maddox. They are going to work in Halifax. We are to have Emma Leatherland who I am told is a very 'hands on' person. Perhaps she may try to attend the next residents' meeting in March.

Wendy Ramsden
Chairman

Village Art Circle

The meetings start at 7.30 pm and finish between 9.30 and 10 pm. Demonstrations take place every third Monday in the month, the next ones being 17 March and April 28. (postponed from Easter Monday). Over the summer months the group may arrange to sketch outdoors at various locations. Guests and prospective members are always welcome - a charge of £3 is made which includes coffee/tea and biscuits at the interval break at 8.30 pm.

Front cover; the new beech hedging around the children's play area, with the supporting fencing

Commons and Greens

1. Protection of the Greens (Section 38 work)

The project for the long term protection of our greens, involving chiefly raising the stone setts, and re-siting certain ones where vehicles cause long term damage, will continue piecemeal over the next one or two years, subject to the constraints and allowances of the council's annual budget. Priority will be given to the most badly affected areas which will be dealt with first.

2. Wells Terrace

The Coal Authority has completed work to the mine shafts at Wells Terrace and tidying works have already begun. The setts are now raised; the green is to be turfed in early March and the track is to be planed in April. Local residents will provide limestone chippings to be laid. Calderdale Council is to work alongside with help from the Pay Back Team at the Probation Service in spreading scrapings taken from Wells Terrace over tracks across the village, filling in the worst of the potholes which have appeared. Philip Schofield confirmed that this work will be done before any changes are made relating to Section 38 agreeing the re-positioning of certain setts. The likelihood is, as a result of budget restrictions, that the latter will be carried out over the next two years with further support from the Pay Back Team at the Probation Service. Some temporary posts are in place to stop vehicles driving on the greens; these will be removed as further works are completed.

3. Other general tidying works will take place as manpower and budget allow, including the removal of overgrown planting at the edges of the green below the turning circle, and adjacent to Mayfield.

Norwood Green Notice Boards

By Chris Wells

The first street notice board in Norwood Green was, as far as I know, put up in the 1980's on the side of the village shop at the end of Green Mount. This was formerly the Co-operative store with its beehive architecture above the door which can still be seen. The Residents' Association at that time thought a more central notice board would be useful, especially as there was a lot of information to display about the closure of the School.

The late Wilf Horsfall crafted a very fine notice board for its present position near the Village Hall and for nearly 30 years it has stood the test of time. It has been vandalised only twice by mischief-night eggs; the perpetrators were warned and there have been no more incidents.

We often say 'if buildings could talk' but maybe notice boards could have a voice too. Our village notice board on Village Street has kept the Residents informed of all the Village fetes, galas, fairs, Church & Chapel services, bring and buys, Spring Flower Days, Good Companions events, Youth Clubs, Mother & Toddlers groups, woodland walks, treasure hunts, gardening evenings, advice, Neighbourhood Watch, security, lost and found, Millennium plans, building developments, and recently, all types of keep fit, meditation, table tennis and so on.

In all weathers, the Notice Board has been kept up to date, in good order and hopefully entertaining, visually interesting and above all informative.

After 25 years of helping towards these aims, I am now standing down and handing over to Christine Ferneyhough, who kindly offered to continue with the notices but who now has a second Village Street Notice Board to deal with at Rookes Lane corner. I hope she will get as much pleasure as I have had in presenting Residents' Association information to the Village.

Chris Wells

I am sure all residents will wish to give Chris their sincere thanks for doing such a wonderful job over the last 25 years. Chris has given a great deal of her time and done an excellent job in all weathers, ensuring we are all well informed and up to date with residents' association matters, village concerns and a host of general events. Chris has also maintained the large notice board in the village hall, for which she has kindly supplied a constant variety of her beautiful photographs of seasonal village scenes, and ensured the board was always suitably festive throughout Christmas. Sincere thanks from all the residents for your contribution, Chris.

Christine Ferneyhough, one of our new committee members, has now kindly taken over Chris's duties, as from February 2014. You can contact Christine on 01274 678106, details will also be given on the boards.

We now have many items to go in and it is felt that there will no longer be room for personal business adverts to be included. It was agreed at a recent meeting that the only notices to be displayed are to be items and events that concern the village and are of benefit to the residents of the village. Notices promoting events in the village hall should be A5 size and will be displayed for 4 weeks at no charge. Business adverts can still be placed in the newsletter, subject to space, at a current charge of £20 per issue.



The beehive stone carving above the old co-op door

Sunday Lunch

Village Sunday Lunch - Sunday 11th May 2014

Following from the previous foodie events over the last couple of years, the next extravaganza has now been scheduled. The theme will revert back to inaugural lunch, celebrating the British Sunday Lunch, where a sumptuous ??? 3 course meal will be served. The cost is expected to be around £10-15 per head. As in previous events please feel free to bring your favoured tippie (Drinking receptacles supplied). The proceeds will go to cover the food costs, and village hall hire, any extra will go to Charity. (To be named later). This feast of food occasion is always oversubscribed as we only have limited space in the Village Hall.

If you would like to attend please contact me to book your place on a strictly first come, first served basis. Look forward to seeing you there.

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Decorating Easter Eggs

If you would like to try your hand at a few decorated eggs this spring this is a simple traditional method of colouring them.

Use white eggs and boil them in various vegetable waters for a variety of colour and effects. Spinach will make a strong green, and beetroot a pink. Onion skins could also be wrapped and tied round the eggs before boiling, giving a mottled effect. For multi-coloured eggs you can wrap each one in flower petals then cover with onion skins, tie carefully in place then boil. When cool remove the wrapping and dry. Rub lightly with olive oil and polish with a soft cloth.

Spring Recipe

Many people say they have enjoyed making some of the recipes from the newsletter, so this is another tasty one for those who would like to try it.. If anyone has favourite or seasonal recipes please feel free to send them in, it would be lovely to share them.

Lemon Drizzle Cake

175 gms granulated sugar
175 gms butter/ margarine
200 gms S R flour
3-4 large eggs
4 tablespoons milk
Grated rind of 2 lemons

Place everything into a food processor and pulse till blended
The mixture will be fairly sloppy but that's fine
I usually put it into 2 x 1lb loaf tins but you can just use whatever container suits you

Bake at 180 centigrade for about 40 minutes or until a skewer comes out clean

Whilst the cake is still warm and in the tin make lots of holes in the top and spoon on the drizzle.

Drizzle is made of the juice of 2 lemons and 100 grams of sugar. I like to use a mix of granulated and Demerara sugar.

This makes a lovely crunchy topping

Spoon all of the drizzle over the cake and leave to cool

This is a lovely simple recipe and makes a very scrummy cake.

Many thanks again to our queen of cakes lady, Norma Collins

The Hedgerow in Spring & Early Summer

Native spring hedges in Britain can support a great variety of wild flowers. Apart from the tiny snowdrops and primroses you may see dog's mercury in February, soon followed by lesser celandine and the cuckoo pint (or wake-robin). Warmer days see lesser stitchwort, Herb Robert and the champions appearing. Then the strongest growers begin to dominate, such as cow parsley, figwort, hogweed, hemlock, nettles and thistles. Shrubs begin to flower in the summer days, amongst them blackthorn (sloes), hawthorn and elder.

This encourages more insects and early migrant birds begin to appear, like the European whitethroat, a warbler. The dense cover of the new foliage provides nesting places for many birds, the robin choosing to nest at ground level, others like chaffinches higher up in the trees. The hedge sparrow is often the host for the cuckoo's eggs. Wood mice tunnel along the bank whilst voles forage in the grasses. They eat grass, seeds and insects, and are often taken by larger birds such as kestrels.

First snowdrops appearing in one of the village hedgerows



The kestrel family which many of us saw last year over Billy Woods appears to be back. You may see a pair flying over the woods or nearby fields; from early spring you see them hovering and diving to the ground for food, many times a day once there are chicks to feed, and around August you may see chicks being taught to fly.

Extract from selected poems of P.B. Shelley

I dreamed that as I wondered by the way,
Bare Winter suddenly was changed to Spring,
And gentle odours led my steps astray,
Mixed with a sound of waters murmuring
Along a shelving bank of turf, which lay
Under a copse

And in the warm hedge grew lush eglantine,
Green cowbind and the moonlight coloured may
And cherry blossoms, and white cups, whose wine
Was the bright dew, yet drained not by the day;
And wild roses, and ivy serpentine,
With its dark buds and leaves, wandering astray

From The Question

MEMORIAL CHARITY CRICKET COMPETITION

In honour and memory of

David (Tank) Tempest

Proceeds to Bradford PHAB Club

Sat 5th July at 10.30 am

Low Moor Holy Trinity Cricket Club, Park House Road, off
Cleckheaton Road, Low Moor Bd12

All friends, former players, supporters who knew and
played alongside David (Tank) welcome. Volunteers
required and any kind offers of sponsorship appreciated

Contact Chris Holroyd 07769 321316

Looking for a Babysitter?

We are two 15 year old girls who are looking for babysitting work in Norwood Green. We are reliable, trustworthy, and responsible and are very good with children.

We are usually available on Friday/Saturday evenings, the odd week day evening and school holidays.

Elicia Norton & Olivia Martin

If you are interested or would like more information, please call or text me, Elicia on 07449 936615
or on 01274 673256

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MA Mark Anthony Wellness Foundation

HEALING HIGH PERFORMANCE COACHING
YOGA PILATES HYPNOTHERAPY

WORKSHOP SEMINARS ONE TO ONE COACHING
BACK PAIN SOLUTIONS WEIGHT LOSS

Wednesday 5.15pm - 6.15 Norwood Green Village Hall
7 pm - 8.10 pm Clayton Village Hall,
Reva Syke Road, BD14 6QN

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Regular Meetings In The Village Hall

If you would like further information about any of the classes please enquire on the hall phone number,
07938 975258

Monday

9.30 am to 10.30 am	Pilates, class teacher Wendy
11.30 am to 12.30 pm	Tai Chi, with Angela Lewis
2.00 pm to 3.30pm	Coffee Afternoon
7.30 pm to 8.30 pm	Gentle keep fit
Every 3rd Monday 7.30 - 9.30 pm (September to April only)	Art Circle

Tuesday

Every 2nd Tuesday 7.30 pm	Residents Association Meeting
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Wednesday

9.30 am to 11.15 am	Yoga, class teacher Vivienne Stott
11.15 to 12.15 am	Tai Chi, with Angela Lewis
5.15 to 6.15 pm	Yoga/Pilates, with Mark Thomas (MA Wellness foundation)

Thursday

7.30 to 9.00 pm Table Tennis.

Fridays/weekends

The hall is usually left free of regular events but it is available to book for parties, meetings etc. Priority will be given to village residents.

Coffee afternoons are held every Monday in the hall from 2.00pm till 3.30. This is an informal afternoon open to everyone so please feel free to come along for a cuppa and a chat. The charge is still only £1 for a drink and biscuits.

Sponsorship for this edition:

Sue O'Malley	Adrian and Jane Brook
Peter and Gillian Haigh	Keith and Margaret Marshall
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