

NORWOOD GREEN NEWS

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Chairman's Report

New Decade, New Direction, Be A Part Of It

Dear All,

Welcome to the first newsletter of the new Decade.

In April 2019 we held a very special meeting for all Residents; the meeting was fantastically well supported. The premise of this meeting was to understand Residents' main issues of concern or areas they would like to improve. The meeting was also required to understand if Residents would be willing to help raise funds for any such projects.

Overwhelmingly the attendees voted, in principle, that a donation-based scheme would be one they would support to fund Village Projects.

Further to the meeting, it has subsequently been agreed by the Trust and Association members, that we change the current Residents' Association structure. This change will enable us to fund projects more easily, this being through fund raising, donations and current Charitable Funds.

It is vitally important we have as much input from Residents on these and any other issues. The new Association format will want and encourage far more engagement with all Residents.

To begin this engagement, we are holding 2 open events in March. These events will give us the opportunity to discuss how the new Association will work. We will also be presenting ideas on how we can best deliver on the Traffic, Security and Village Green issues; these were the top 3 issues raised at the General Meeting.

Although the public purse fund is very limited, any improvements we make will be alongside the local authority and will not replace the services they offer and currently provide.

The Open Days take place on:-

Saturday 7th March 10:00am-12:00pm and then again on Tuesday
10th March 7:00pm-10:00pm.

We are holding 2 separate dates to ensure as many people as possible can attend, just pop in to see what the plans are and to ask any questions.

It is vitally important that you attend these events; if you have not recently attended the monthly meetings the Association cannot know your views or take them into account.

We look forward to seeing you,

Jonathan Dent
Chairman.

Keeping abreast of Village News and Events

If you wish to bring any matters to our attention, you can do so by attending the Village Meetings or e-mailing me at

norwoodgreenresidents@yahoo.co.uk

If you wish I can add your e-mail address to our database, you will be then being kept updated with events and minutes from the Residents meetings, should you be unable to attend

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Norwood Green Art Circle



January 20th saw the first demonstration of the new year given by a young man caked John Jones, on not only his first appearance at Norwood Green, but his first such demonstration. Whilst fairly used to running workshops, standing in front of an audience and demonstrating the art of portrait painting to the perfection of the samples he brought can be a much more arduous task.

His drawings, done mostly in soft, black pencil on a durable paper, Strathmore Bristol paper was suggested, with shading and highlights done with rubber and wads of toilet paper to soften the portrait, were excellent, but time consuming. Having explained and given the insights of how he produced them he went on to discuss his other artistic interests of caricatures and children's face painting to full body painting which raised the members interest tenfold! A most interesting and absorbing demonstration which certainly will need a larger screen to show his body painting illustrations rather than a 12" tablet on his next visit!

17 February brings a return favourite in Tracey Krupranka, a very talented and colourful artist, to whom I am grateful for stepping in at short notice following a cancellation of the planned demonstration.

16 March brings another first visit from Kate and Peter Readman who will do a watercolour landscape.

20 April is our last scheduled demonstration until September, but details of exhibitions etc. are circulated to members, and the Holmfirth and Ilkley events over the summer are often visited by many of our members.

Visiting guests are always welcome to our demonstrations in the village hall, on the third Monday of each month at 7.30pm. Refreshments are included in the guest charge of £5. If you have an interest or wish to learn more about the local art scene, mix with like minded people, then do come along and see some of the top artists in our region demonstrate their skills and share their knowledge.

Village Hall Floor

Arrangements have been made to install the new floor over the Easter holidays. It will be delivered on Friday 3rd April and stacked behind the chairs, where it will need to acclimatise to the room for 10 days. It will then be fitted from Easter Tuesday the 14th April to Friday the 17th April. Classes should be able to continue as normal for the first week with slightly reduced floor space, but the hall will need to be closed for public use for the week when the fitting is being carried out.

The chairs are shortly to be fitted with new feet protectors so they do not scratch the floor. The floor company state that all other furniture including the tables, table tennis tables etc. is already fitted with suitable protection.

As it is solid oak the new floor will stand the test of time and be pretty hardwearing. We are purchasing the recommended cleaning products from the floor company and ensuring we have the correct cleaning equipment such as the right mops and brushes etc.

It would be appreciated if all residents could take care in the first few weeks after installation whilst we get used to seeing how the floor performs once in regular use.

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The Village Pantomime

DICK WHITTINGTON

Well, were you disappointed? Oh no you weren't!

I'm sure we can all agree that yet another stellar performance was delivered by residents and friends of Norwood Green. It was a hoot. It is truly amazing how much can be done in such a small hall as ours, and as always we owe thanks to Andy Bean who first suggested the possibility, and his many good friends without whom we would not have been able to put on such a fantastic show, complete with great costumes and excellent props. Thanks also to Steve Wall for help building the frame for the stage. Building the whole structure and putting on the performances lasts just a single week. It was fabulous fun and very rewarding to put on the show for so many residents and their families. It was certainly very much appreciated.

This was the third pantomime performed in the village and it is great to think it is improving each year. If anyone would like to see the first show of Aladdin you can find it now on YouTube under "Norwood Green panto". Even now it looks very amateur but is really funny, to be recommended!

It was slightly alarming to hear ourselves being announced before the show this year as the annual village pantomime, but after the pleasure and enjoyment this third show gave there doesn't seem a good reason why the pantomime should not continue; there is certainly a will to carry on and definitely a hot demand for tickets. There is plenty to learn and to do for a production but with so much support it looks as though we have a sound foundation from which to develop our own show for future residents to enjoy.

The proceeds from the shows have increased each year and this time amounted to a nett profit for the Trust of just under £1400.00. That is a total from all three shows of £3190.00. That is a fantastic amount so thank you to all involved.

Well done to the cast and production team who gave everyone a great afternoon's or evening's entertainment. It is a highly enjoyable experience and very rewarding to share such innocent (!?) fun with the audiences.

Another lively production with all the elements of true pantomime,

Spring Recipe

Pancakes

Pancake day, also Shrove Tuesday, is 25th February this year. Historically it marks the last day before Lent, when Christians would fast for 40 days. Shrove is the past tense of shrive, which means to present oneself to the priest before confession. Usually people would go to confession the day before fasting to gain penance - hence Shrove Tuesday. The ingredients of pancakes are also said to represent the 4 pillars of Christian faith, eggs for creation, flour as the mainstay of human diet, salt for wholesomeness and milk for purity.

Recipe

60g plain flour 1 egg
175ml milk pinch of salt

Method

Tip flour into a bowl and add the other ingredients, mix till smooth

Heat frying pan and lightly grease

Pour in a thin layer of batter and cook till the edges begin to curl back, loosen the edges and either toss or flip over

Slide onto plate and eat with whatever takes your fancy!

The traditional topping is sugar and lemon juice although my granddaughter likes honey and strawberries on hers.

We recently came across the following rhyme in a recipe book belonging to my husband's great grandmother.

Flour and eggs and salt and milk
Beat them up as soft as silk
In a pan when nicely fried
Toss them on the other side.
Toss toss toss. Toss them on the other side
Tossing tossing pancakes
Oh what fun
Tasting pancakes when they're done.

Priestley Green

The following is a summary of some information which can be found in the local history book "Illustrated History from Hipperholme to Tong, 30 Villages etc." by James Parker, published in 1904, which is one of a series of books by Mr. Parker on Yorkshire towns and villages.

It is in essence a simple record of the people, places and work of the times, sprinkled with random details about local life, and some history of the area. Alongside the names of the Low Moor Company Coal Pits for example, is the history of Coley Hall, the values of estates, information about horse fairs, the history of manorial life, inventories of funerals and farm stock, royal visits, tombstones, descriptions of the state of the River Calder etc. Many names and buildings are listed with some photographs or drawings, along with information on such things as the sundials at Wibsey chapel and a letter describing a sea voyage to South Africa. So it is quite a potted and detailed snapshot but very interesting to dabble in.

This is an extract describing what was known at the time regarding Priestley Green.

"Priestley Green is a charming place. It is situated between Norwood Green and Lightcliffe. It derives its name from being once the abode of priests, who are supposed to have established a foothold here before the knights of St. John of Jerusalem built their hospital on the site of Coley's ancient hall. The antiquated farmstead situated there is supposed to be the site of the priest's chapel.

The Sisters House. This house is situated at the end of this ancient building, and is now called Rose Cottage. Tradition says that the two sisters who built Coley Chapel and Lightcliffe Chapel resided there, so as to be midway between the two chapels. This house was rebuilt, as will be seen from the inscription over the doorway on the porch at Rose Cottage-S.S. 1630. In front of the house is the ancient "Holy Well" which is said to have possessed some magic cures for all those who drank its crystal waters, and pilgrimages used to be made to it in the days long ago. It is a grand old type of a country well."

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Classes and Meetings in the Village Hall

Some new classes have started recently and are detailed below.

Monday

9.30 to 10.30 Pilates with Wendy Jones 07771 712503

2.00 to 3.30 Coffee afternoon Volunteers

7.30 to 9.30 Third Monday every month Art Circle Walter Smith
01535 275115

7.30 to 8.30pm all other Mondays- gentle keep fit,

1 October to 31 March only Veronica Flint Williams

07785 248599

Tuesday

7.30 onwards every second Tuesday of the month

Residents Association Meeting

9.30— 12.00 Baby Yoga Karen O'Hanlon 07815 746693

Wednesday

9.30 to 11.00 Yoga with Vivienne Stott 07761 952925

11.15 to 12.15 Tai Chi with Angela 07930 143252

12.30 to 1.30 Cleaner duties

5.15 to 6.15 Pilates with Mark Thomas 07790 024776

6.30 to 7.30 Ballet for beginners –adults

7.30 to 8.30 Ballet , advanced

Both ballet classes held by Kay Radcliffe 07970 212858

Thursday

7.30 to 9pm Table Tennis 07938 975258

Saturdays**Saturday Morning Yoga Mind Body Essentials**

09:30-12:30 in the Village Hall. Once per month .

Please contact for details, dates and fees. Must be booked in advance. Mark Anthony Thomas 07790 024776

Every third Saturday of the Month

9:30-11:30am Dru Yoga Class,

Contact is Leanne de Courcy 07949 238945

For hall reservations and enquiries: tel 07938 975258

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