Winter 'ROUNDABOUT'

A Wistaston Community Council Publication

2014
ISSUE 136



What the best dressed people of Wistaston are wearing this Winter!

In the Fancy Dress Competition at Wistaston's Firework display the winners were: Ben Leech, Emily Hulme and Fabio Cura, whilst the winners of the Pumpkins were: Jacob Edwards, Lewis Rossiter and James and Zoe Knox

The Magazine for People Living 'Roundabout' Wistaston

www.wistastoncommunity.co.uk

Circulation: 4100

MARK D. HARDING

Bricklayer/Building Contractor

Honest reliable service, established over 20 years. **CUSTOMER SATISFACTION A PRIORITY**

- New Builds
- Renovation Work
- Plans drawn & submitted
- House Extensions
- Pointing Brickwork
- Conservatories
- Barn Conversions
- Walls and Pillars
- Alterations
- Insurance work
- Domestic & Commercial

For quality building work carried out by a professional builder

Call Mark for a free quotation

No Hidden Extras !

Tel: 01270 610055 or 07785 594530

'A house, extension, pillar or a wall, you've got the number so give us a call'

Email: markharding@f2s.com



The Cheshire Academy of Integrated Sport and Arts



School of Ballet and Dance

Give your child the opportunity to learn Ballet and Dance and Movement to music with our fully qualified Royal Academy Qualified Dance teacher

Classes are run every Saturday Morning for children aged 3-5 years 5-7 years 7-10 years

Gymnastics Classes

Give your child the opportunity to develop balance and coordination as well as strength and flexibility. Have the opportunity to learn new skills on the Beam, Bars, Rings, Vault.
These recreational gym classes are run by fully qualified BGA gymnastics coaches

For further information call Iain or Jane on
(01270) 255355
The Cheshire Academy, Broad Street, Crewe CW1 3UD

THE LOLLIPOP CLUB PRE SCHOOL GYMNASTICS

Pre-School Gymnastics give your child the opportunity to run, climb, count balance and bounce in a safe fun atmosphere and helps your child develop hand and eye coordination, balance, sequencing skills, concentration and overall body coordination.

But most of all these classes are fun fun fun !!!

This award winning centre has fully qualified Pre School gymnastics coaches with many years experience.

Classes are designed for children aged 18 months to 3 and for 3 to 5 years and are run on Wednesdays and Saturdays

For further information call Iain or Jane on
(01270) 255355
The Cheshire Academy, Broad Street, Crewe CW1 3UD

Editorial :

With very many thanks to everyone for the continued splendid support you give to Roundabout for without your contributions and advertisements it would not exist! The Wistaston Community Council is also very appreciative of the support that you give to all the events organised over the year. Please send in your articles, photographs etc. for our Spring edition – due out in early March – by 15 January 2015.

Eileen Bamber
31 Broughton Lane 01270 569126
email: eileen@bamberuk.com

Geoff Poppitt
19 Byron Way
01270 569642

Dates for your Diary for 2014/15 Wistaston Events

Friday 5 December Community Council's Annual Christmas Concert at 7.00pm
Saturday 13 December Memorial Hall's Christmas Concert with Crewe Concert Band
Monday 19 January 2015 Community Council's AGM at 7.30
Saturday 20 June 2015 Village Fete
Saturday 15 August Flower and Produce Show
Saturday 5 September Duck Race

Wistaston Community Council's Annual Village Fireworks Display Saturday 1 November 2014

Our annual village fireworks display went off splendidly starting with the judging of the Fancy Dress and Pumpkin competitions at Park Drive. As can be seen from the cover there was an amazing group of wonderfully dressed Wistonians and fantastically crafted pumpkins which made judging them very, very difficult. Everyone deserved a prize! **Redshift Radio,** a vital part of the Fireworks Display were once again sponsored by the professional telephone answering service company PA4You who are based on Nantwich Road. They provide call handling support to local growing businesses and have been a proud sponsor of Wistaston Community Council's events for several years now. The Community Council are very much indebted for their help and support. **Comet Fireworks, Mark, Sam and Aaron,** provided a superb display and the **Wistaston Scouts** provided the necessary sustenance. **Stevo's Glows** added to the atmosphere as did the Community Council's Candy Floss. There are so many people to thank for this event - the Parish Council's joint funding of it; the stewards who enabled the procession to take place and everyone who supported it with their presence. See you at the Christmas Concerts and perhaps our AGM where you would be made most welcome. Come and find out more.





I SWEEP YOUR CHIMNEY

Don't Delay Call Today

0800 6990004

Registered member of institute of chimney sweeps

Insurance Approved Chimney Sweep

COVERING

CHESHIRE, SHROPSHIRE & STAFFORDSHIRE

Chimneys Swept, Liners Swept, Flues Swept, Agas Swept, Rayburns Swept

Weddings Attended, Log Burners Fitted, Liners Fitted & Insurance Certificates Given

Visit i-sweep-your-chimney.co.uk Email isweepyourchimney@yahoo.com

BS

Electrical Services

Tel: 01270 666671

Alarms, Re-Wires,
Sockets, Showers,
Lighting Cookers etc.

Must See Musicals

Present

A CHRISTMAS CAROL

MUSICAL

Shavington Village Hall

20th-21st December 2014

If you would like to be a part of this production

Contact Linda Green Secretary 01270 664 928

Unicorn FLAT Roofing

FOR ALL YOUR ROOFING REQUIREMENTS

Including Slating, Tiling, Leadwork, Chimneys and of course Flat Roofs.

ALL WORK GUARANTEED & COVERED BY A PUBLIC LIABILITY INSURANCE.

28 Valley Road, Wistaston, Crewe CW2 8JY

Tel: 01270 567761 Mobile: 07711 158776

Fax: 01270 650746

D. BROOME
BUILDING SERVICES

EXTENSIONS
CONSERVATORIES
WINDOWS • PVC FASCIAS
WALLS • FENCING
TIMBER DECKING
PATIOS

SPECIAL RATES FOR O.A.P.'s

NO JOB TOO SMALL
CALL DAVE ON:
Mob: 07930 146534
Tel: 01270 560878

Domestic Cleaning and Ironing Services
No agency fees

Extremely Competitive Rates

Weekly fortnightly monthly?
One-off full house cleans
Ironing services, per item

Please call Anna
01270 841780
075574 16551
Excellent references



Poppy Designs
Handcrafted Greetings Cards at Competitive Prices

Make every occasion special with personalised cards made to order, or choose from stock.
Individually handcrafted and unique.

Birthday, Anniversary, Wedding Day, Congratulations, New Baby, Get Well,
Thank You, New Home, Sympathy, etc.

Full Wedding Stationery packages - themed and personalised just for you.

THANK YOU And a Happy Christmas to all our Friends and Customers



www.poppydesigns.co.uk
e.mail : info@poppydesigns.co.uk
or phone : Sheila Oakes on
01270 567063
120 Sandylands Park, Wistaston
Crewe, CW2 8HE

Supporting Cancer Research UK

IAN WATSON
PAINTER AND DECORATOR

Reasonable rates from small friendly business with many local customers



Telephone:
01270 214862

Over 20 years experience

WISTASTON PARISH COUNCIL - CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

1. BUDGETS

It is again time to start the Councils review and prepare for our 2015/16 financial year. We have successfully kept our costs under control for the past year and every effort will be made to continue this. Resident views or suggestions can be made to your local Councillor or organisations seeking the Councils support should submit this in writing to our Clerk.

2. HOUSING

2.1 Church Lane (300 houses) - The developers appeal is still in progress and we expect a decision in February 2015.

2.2 Wistaston Green Road (150 Houses) - This development has been refused by Cheshire East Council, however, it is possible that an appeal may be made.

3. COLD CALLING

We have recently had reports of residents being subjected to repeated cold calling in person and by telephone. This can be very stressful particularly for vulnerable people and we ask those affected to report this to the Police by telephoning 101. (This is the non-emergency number, always use 999 in the case of an emergency). The Police have carried out a special operation to deal with these incidents which was successful and it is important to provide feedback to help tackle the problems. Advice and information on home safety and security can be found by visiting www.cheshire.police.uk

4. COMMUNITY PRIDE

Whilst we did not achieve the success of last year we were pleased to receive a "Little Gem" Award for the Woodside Public House Gardens. Thanks have been extended to Mr. and Mrs. Marchant and their team for the excellent work throughout the year.

5. PARISH DEVELOPMENTS

We are always looking to improve our Parish whenever possible and would welcome suggestions to consider in our next year's plan. Residents should submit these to our Clerk for the Council's consideration.

6. COUNCILLOR VACANCIES

We have vacancies in both Wistaston Green Ward and St. Mary's Ward. Interested residents should first contact our Clerk in writing with a brief résumé.

7. FUTURE MEETING DATES

Residents are welcome to attend Parish Council meetings at 7.30 p.m. at Wistaston Memorial. Next meetings are on 18th December 2014, 15th January 2015 & 19th February 2015.

May I take this opportunity to wish you all a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Cllr. J. Moore

Chairman

For Councillor Contact details please go to page 8.

Members of the legal panels of the Land Trust, British Waterways Board and National Farmers Union and Solicitors for Nantwich Town Council

CELEBRATING 10 YEARS OF ACCREDITATION TO LEXCEL - the Law Society's Quality Standard

bowcock cuerden LLP

PRIVATE CLIENT TEAM

Our **Private Client Team** have the expertise and understanding to guide you and your family through the complexities of:

- safeguarding and planning the succession to your estate
- the rising burden of capital taxes
- administration of deceased estates
- creating or challenging Wills
- losing mental capacity
- care home funding
- conveyancing of residential property
- cohabitation agreements, divorce and family breakdown



Specialist Private Client Solicitor and STEP member John Stockdale

Please visit our website for more details of the legal services we can offer you: www.bowcockcuerden.co.uk

Contact us for a free initial consultation on 01270 611106

A Member of South Cheshire Chamber The Voice of Business

South Cheshire House
Manor Road
Nantwich Cheshire
CW5 5LX

Lexcel Practice Management Standard Law Society Accredited

Councillor Contact Details:- ST. MARY'S WARD (1 VACANCY)

Joyce Bond	**23 Freshfields, Wistaston, CW2 6QD**	**569423**
Gwyneth Brown	**101 Church Lane, Wistaston, CW2 8ER**	**568823**
Betty Cooke	**25 Westfield Drive, Wistaston, CW2 8EU**	**569676**
Derrick Millington	**9 Chesterton Drive, Wistaston, CW2 8EA**	**664471**
Abigail O'Donnell	**51 Broughton Lane, Wistaston, CW2 8JR**	**663745**
Ray Westwood	**550 Crewe Road, Wistaston, CW2 6PP**	**569844**

WELLS GREEN WARD

Ian Hodkinson	**432 Crewe Road, Wistaston, CW2 6QN**	**661601**
John Moore (Chairman)	**50 Laidon Avenue, Wistaston, CW2 6QH**	**661924**
Graham Roberts	**29 Berkeley Crescent, Wistaston, CW2 6QA**	**568521**

WISTASTON GREEN WARD (2 VACANCIES)

Lee Clayton	**18 Cameron Avenue, Shavington, CW2 5HR**	**07950 481951**
Peter Edwards	**6 Grizedale Close, Wistaston, CW2 8NY.**	**567693**
Ken Parish	**12 Riverside Grove, Wistaston, CW2 8QF**	**650280**

Clerk to the Council

Mrs. Andrea Cross	**4 Arundel Close, Wistaston. CW2 8EY**	**652098**

****

Letter to the Editor

'I am writing a note in appreciation of the good work that Wistaston Parish Council (WPC) does on behalf of the residents of Wistaston, for example in supporting community activities such as the scouts and local sports. A special mention needs to be made about the massive job that WPC through its planning sub-committee is doing in challenging all of the speculative developers that are threatening the green belt/green gap fields in and around Wistaston.

All the members of the WPC are volunteers. In recent times they have together with our County Councillors and the campaign group HOW got the plan to build up to 300 houses on Witters field north of Church Lane refused. At the moment this decision is being challenged by the developers. This is in the hands of the Planning Inspectorate. Recently the developer, Gladman Development Ltd, has submitted another plan to build 300 houses on this site. This is even before the first plan appeal has been processed.

WPC is also working to oppose the 150 houses proposed for Wistaston Green Road. In addition to these large scale development plans there are dozens of small scale private development extensions etc that the WPC planning sub-committee is dealing with on a fortnightly basis.

Vic Barnett, Princess Close

****

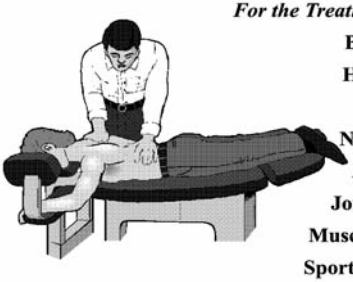
Email from Thomas Woodhams

Having lived in Wistaston from 1937 – 1953 I am wondering if there is anyone who knew me or my father Billy. We lived at Wistonia on Wistaston Green Lane. My father died in 1975 and I now live in the USA. Sincerely, T Woodhams tmwoodhams@comcast.net

Email from Les Lawson: I live on Church Lane and have a semi-professional weather station which I run purely as a hobby and there are no commercial connections. I wondered if anyone might be interested in seeing what weather we've had or what's in store for us. You'll find it here: www.c9700170.myzen.co.uk/weather

THE CREWE & NANTWICH
Osteopathic Surgery
Est. 1985

Martin K. Davies



For the Treatment of:-

Backache
Headache
Stress
Neck Pain
Arthritis
Joint Pains
Muscle Aches
Sport Injuries
Expectant Mothers
Childhood Injuries

Consultation Fees - £40.00

59 Valley Road, Crewe.
The Lodge *(Next to Churche's Mansion)*,
150 Hospital Street, Nantwich, CW5 5RY.
Tel: (01270) 661593

M. L. GARDEN SERVICES

Regular gardening work undertaken:

Lawn cutting
Hedge cutting
Turfing
Seasonal pruning
Overgrown gardens cleared

Telephone Mike:
01270 666228
or Mobile:
07904 784194

Agapanthus

flowers with distinction
by Carol

Tel: 07546 456187

carolann1604@hotmail.co.uk

qualified and experienced florist

Flowers for all occasions including:

Weddings
Funeral Tributes
Special Celebrations
Corporate Events
Christmas Floral Decorations
Proms

HOME & GARDEN

General property repair & maintenance

Flagging:
laying, repair, replacement
Patios:
laying patios and pathways
Fencing:
repair, erecting and replacement
Guttering:
replace, repair, erect new
Walls:
repair, rebuild and erect new

All other aspects of property repair undertaken

For free no obligation quote contact Steve:

Mobile: 07824 425549
Home: 01270 569281

Wistaston in Bloom

Well done Wistaston. At the recent awards for North West in Bloom sponsored by the Royal Horticultural Society in its 50th year we received a Silver Gilt which is one below Gold Standard. This is especially pleasing when you consider that we have to compete in the Town Section having a population of over 10,000.

However the icing on the cake is that a resident, Mr L Perry of Westfield Drive was awarded the cut glass bowl and plaque for the Best Kept Front Garden in the North West of England. Well done Lol and many thanks to the other residents who keep their gardens in tip top condition. Below left is Mr Perry's award winning front garden and right Mr & Mrs Perry with their awards.

This winter many of the flower beds are being allowed to lie fallow to allow for some maintenance work to be carried out.
Roger Woodward, Hon. Secretary

Wistaston in Bloom





****

Have you ever watched the Edinburgh Tattoo and really enjoyed the music ?

Would you like to learn to dance to a similar beat? Nantwich & District Scottish Society have been dancing locally for over 55 years, meeting in Wistaston Memorial Hall in Church Lane on Monday evenings at 7pm. There is no need for Scottish ancestry, just a desire to learn the dance and enjoy the music. It's far more enjoyable than going to the gym – and even better exercise for mind and body to boot! Why not come along and give it a try? The first two weeks are free –what have you got to lose? For further details please ring 01270 662629 or 567454.



Christmas Services at St Mary's Wistaston.

The days of Advent are a time of preparation for the celebration of Christmas. Often this preparation takes the form of frantic shopping, visiting and more shopping! Perhaps this Advent take some time to reflect upon the real meaning of Christmas, of a baby born in a stable, born to be King, born to be our Saviour...

We have services leading up to, and over, Christmas which I'm sure would help you think about the above whilst still leaving time for shopping, visiting and shopping! Please feel free to join us for any or all of these services. Either way, may I take this opportunity to wish you a peaceful Christmas. Mike Turnbull (Rector)

14th December (Sunday)
6.30pm Scout & Guide Christingle Service

20th December (Saturday)
6.30pm - Carols on the Green
Outside Carol Singing around the church and hall

21st December (Sunday)
6.30pm - Nine Lessons and Carols
A traditional service of Readings and Carols

24th December (Wednesday - Christmas Eve)
6.30pm - Crib Service including the Nativity Play
Always a popular service! Please arrive early!!
11.30pm - Midnight Holy Communion
The first Holy Communion of Christmas

25th December (Thursday - Christmas Day)
10.40am Holy Communion for Christmas for all the family
If you're a youngster please bring a toy to show!

For further details of all our services and events:
www.stmaryswistaston.org.uk
@maryandluke
facebook.com/stmaryandstluke
01270 567119

Christmas Services at Wells Green

Sunday 21 December Carol Service 6.30pm led by Reverend Gordon Ryder

Christmas Day – Family Service 10.30am led by Reverend Steve Ingrouille

Wells Green will also be Carol Singing at Crewe Station on Friday 19 December from 4 to 6pm in aid of Action for Children. Anyone who wishes to join in for all or part of the time will be most welcome.

****

Christmas Services at New Life Church, Fuller Drive

Sunday 21 December – 11.00am Carol Service
Thursday 25 Dec. – 10.00am Christmas Morning Family Service

Sunday 21 Dec. – 6.30pm Carol Service at Bethany Centre, Lime Tree Ave, Coppenhall CW1 4HZ

****

Augmented choir of Union Street Baptist Church, Crewe will be performing John W Peterson's 'Born A King' on Saturday 6 December at 7pm in the Church.

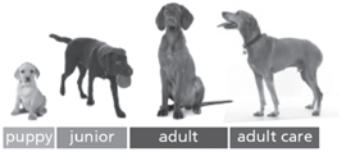
This cantata includes readings, some lovely melodies for full choir as well as solo work and tells the Christmas story in a joyful but meaningful way

No tickets: just turn up and enjoy the music!
Refreshments will be served afterwards.

OSCAR
much more than pet food®

We just got even better!

Better Choice:
- 15 varieties to suit every stage of your dog's life



Better Foods:
- Improved beneficial ingredients added to our gluten free foods
- NEW Taurine, Fish oils, Glucosamine, Vitamins and much more!

Better Packaging:
- Exciting new recyclable packaging
- All pets featured are fed on OSCAR food



Same Great Service - Same Price

Book a free 'taste-trial' & receive £5.00 off your first bag of food



Call Dave now on Stoke **01782 257972**

Calling All Local Business Owners . . .

pa4you
making your business our business

Are you looking to save costs and grow your number of new enquiries?
Do you miss calls when you need to leave the office or your phone line is engaged?
All businesses miss calls, fact! Now you can turn them into orders.

PA4You *provides the perfect call support answer for you*

A team of named, knowledgeable PAs to answer your missed, diverted calls with your company name; providing a seamless contact experience for your clients. We can also book appointments, give out prices, chat warmly with your existing and new clients and much more; converting what would have been missed calls into

MORE SALES FOR YOUR BUSINESS

We are offering Roundabout readers a 1 weeks free trial, and another 1 week free when you sign up on our standard 3 month call handling minimum contract. Prices from just £1 a day with extended 24/7 live call handling available.

We also provide short term emergency / holiday cover too from just 1 day.

For information please visit www.pa4you.co.uk or call:

0800 138 3690 *What have you got to lose, except more business...?*

Wistaston Young Drama Group
Summer School 2014



Wistaston Young Drama Group held a successful summer school at the Brittles, Church Lane, Wistaston. The children enjoyed all the activities which culminated in a performance for parents. (See photo right).

In September we welcomed Kelly-Ann Davies to the group as a new practitioner. Kel has many years experience in teaching drama and has previously been involved with the drama group.

Rehearsals are now well underway for our Christmas Pantomime which will be held at The Players' Theatre, Nantwich.

Wistaston Young Drama Group based in the Memorial Hall, Church Lane, Wistaston provide drama activities for children aged 6 – 18. We provide a fun and safe environment with an opportunity to make new friends. Classes are run by professionally trained drama leaders and lessons include creative movement, structured improvisation, drama games, language development and voice coaching which aims to build confidence, improve concentration and creativity.

Places are available. Why not give us a try? The first session is free.

For further information regarding the classes contact Margaret 01270 668233 or Judy 01270 650341 or by email wydg@hotmail.co.uk

Further information and updates can be found on our website www.wistastonyoungdramagroup.weebly.com

****

Wistaston Memorial Hall's Annual Quiz

On the evening of Friday 31st October 2014 sixteen teams of four people participated in six rounds of ten questions at Wistaston Memorial Hall's Annual Quiz for the Fred Lorimer trophy.

The quiz setters were Peter & Christina Wainwright who had organised their second quiz at the Hall.

The raffle, which made £87, was organised by Glenys White and Meurig Jones for prizes which were all kindly donated.

The half-time refreshments were organised by Audrey Astbury, John Astbury, Eileen Bamber, Kathleen Conroy, Margaret Beresford, and Helen Heath.

The winning team was called 'The Scrabblers' with 52 points. Joint second were 'The Hall Stars' and 'Westward Ho!' with 51 points. The Scrabblers were presented with the Fred Lorimer Trophy by John Cooke, President of the Hall's Management committee

Event organiser John White said, "We had another enjoyable and successful community event, which raised over £150 for Hall funds. We thank everybody who supported this annual event for the Fred Lorimer trophy".

Thank you to Jonathan White for this article.

The Laurie Twiss Awards for Journalism 2014

Below we print the Second prize winning entry in the Laurie Twiss Award - 11 year old Dominic Scott's newspaper report entitled *Ship plays Hide and Seek.*

Ship plays Hide and Seek!

Two weeks ago a ship left port and hasn't come back!
People are worried that the ship has been raided by pirates. The ship holds lots gold and silver. One woman said that her husband was on that ship and he doesn't even know how to fight.
Pirates are a big threat when it comes to trading. They will hide their ships behind rocks until the trading ship comes then they get closer and closer until they are level and then they blow it up after taking the loot.
So, where is this ship? Are the crew alive? Is the ship really gone or are the crew misleading us. The rest is untold ….

****

Laurie Twiss was a popular and well-loved member of the Wistaston Community Council who for many years was editor of the Wistaston Roundabout. When he died in 2002 it was decided to honour his memory by putting on a competition linked to journalism in his name. These awards are open to young people between 9 and 16 years in our area and involves submitting a story or article of not more than 200 words. The writing can be real or imaginary, fact or fiction.

Entries for next year should be submitted by 31 May 2015 to one of the following:
Barbara Brereton, 16 Prior Close, Wistaston, Tel: 569861
Greg Brereton, 7 College Fields, Wistaston, Tel. 560194
Eileen Bamber, 31 Broughton Lane, Wistaston, Tel: 569126

Wistonian of the Year

This is the time of year when Wistonians look at those around them and ask which residents of the village have made a major contribution to its life and, maybe, its welfare. Age is not a consideration.

If you know of anyone you would like to nominate for this most prestigious award please contact two friends who are of the same opinion as yourself and complete the form below, sending it with a summary of the nominee's achievements, to Bernard Moores, 36 Sandylands Park, Wistaston, Crewe to arrive by Fri.2 Jan. 2015.

We, the undersigned, nominate:
Name ……..
Address …….....
…….
Proposer (Name) ……
Address ……
Seconder (Name) …….
Address ……
Seconder (Name) …….
Address……



Hair and Beauty
by **Sarah Louise**

Fully qualified hairdresser and extensionist

Human hair extensions
No glue, no sew-in method

Acrylic nails and gel nails;
Semi-permanent eyelash extensions
Semi-permanent eyebrow tints

Hand-made, naturally sourced, soap and beauty products available – ideal for Christmas gifts.

For further information please call 07864837719

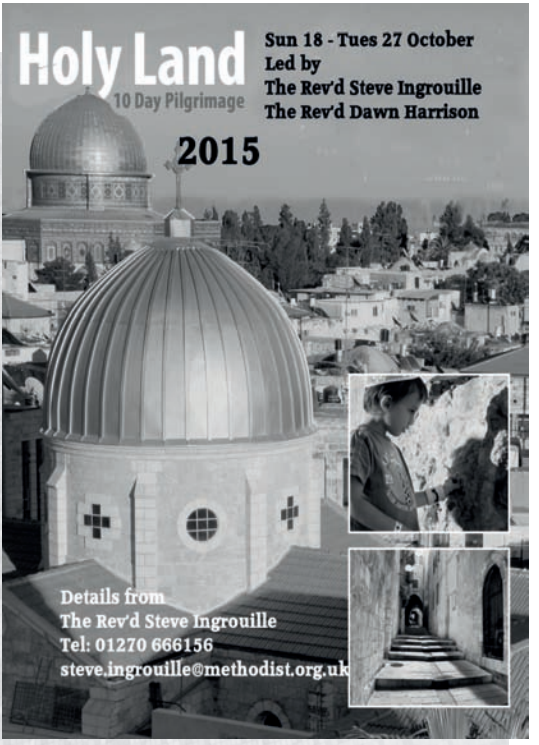
Beauty by Kelsea

Fully qualified beautician

Aromatherapy massage & facials:

Back and shoulder massage:
Full body massage and
Full body including face and scalp:
Calming, hydrating or re-balancing facial.

For further information please call 07713344844



Christmas Time
Sent in by Dorothy Hall

Christmas is everything lovely
A candle and a wreath,
A gaily decorated tree
With presents underneath.
The beautiful Christmas carols
We love to hear and sing,
The joy of family traditions
And the memories they bring.
Yes, Christmas is everything lovely
The spirit of good cheer,
A spirit that should last and last
Throughout the coming New Year.
So we praise you Lord
And we thank you dear Lord
For this wonderful time of year.

Wistaston Village Cricket Club.

(Founded 1980)

2014 has been a season which has seen **Wistaston Village Cricket Club,** enjoy in the main a fruitful campaign on several fronts.

Our First Eleven enjoyed a comfortable season despite having five of their fixtures abandoned due to the weather, finishing in fifth place in **The Cheshire Alliance Division 1.**

The Second Eleven competing in **The Cheshire Alliance Division 3,** finished eighth in their division.

Our Third Eleven participating in the **Cheshire County Cricket League - Division 4 West,** had by far the more successful campaign finishing third in their league.

Turning to our junior sides, (Under 9's, 11's 13's and 18's) all playing in **The South Cheshire Junior Cricket League,** the Under 11's and Under 18's enjoyed by far the best of the four campaigns, the Under 11's finished in fifth position, while the Under 18's in a truncated season of just six fixtures did extremely well to take third place.

In The Cheshire Women's Cricket League, our Under 15's girls' team played four fixtures, winning 2, losing 1 with another victory collected when the opposition conceded the match. Saving the best to last, that sounds like a re-run of 2013 our Women's First Eleven enjoyed another successful season.

In Division 1/2 Table, Cheshire Women's Cricket League, Wistaston Village finished a credited fifth position, while at the same time contesting for honours in the **T20 competition**, **became champions of Cheshire. Congratulations are definitely in order.**

T20 DIVISIONAL COMPETITION

Cup Final – August 25:

Wistaston Swans 90-4 (20 overs: Laura Newton 26ret)

Chester Boughton Hall Deemons 38-8 (20 overs: Laura Griffiths 15*, Hannah Bratt 3-8, Abbie Adams 2-7)

Only two years after their formation, Wistaston are T20 champions of Cheshire. The experience of **Alison Smith** and **Laura Newton**, alongside some of the county's most promising teenagers, has led the Crewe-based second division side to success in this competition. Here a superb bowling and fielding display swept aside holders Chester Boughton Hall. Despite 26 retired from **Newton**, many spectators felt Wistaston's score of 90 would not be enough. But Chester were relying heavily on their top three, and these three made only one run between them, two falling to **Hannah Bratt** in her spell of 3-8. Laura Griffiths, with 15 not out, was the only one to come to terms with the bowling as all five Wistaston bowlers bowled their four overs for less than 10 runs (**Hannah Thornhill** and **Smith** both 1-5, **Abbie Adams** 2-7 **and Newton** 1-9).

To cap an excellent season, three of our players, (Laura Newton, Alison Smith and Hannah Thornhill) were selected to play in a League Representative Cricket match at The Brittles - 25th August - against a Ladies MCC XI.

MCC 219-3 Declared, CWCL XI 190-4. Match Drawn.

Lady players required for the forthcoming 2015 cricket season

Following a remarkable debut season by our ladies eleven in the **Cheshire Womens Cricket League, Wistaston Village Cricket Club** would like to further build on our successes in **2014** and would welcome new members from ladies, irrespective of age or ability, who have harboured the idea of playing cricket but have neither had the opportunity nor self-belief of taking the next step.

Be part of hopefully further successes in **2015** and take the next important step towards playing cricket by please contacting either **Pauline or Kevin Jobbins** on **01270 663699** for more details on what our cricket club can offer you.

Awards for 2014 at point of going to press:-

Group	**Batting Award**	**Bowling Award**
Under 9	**Luke Thomas**	**Luke Edwards**
	Most improved player:	**Noah Birchall**
Under 11	**Harry Stockton**	**Charlie Collins**
	Most improved player:	**Bradley Nobriga**
Ladies	**Kara Townsend**	**Alison Smith**
	Most improved player:	**Kim Jones**

Junior Club Girl – Emily McKenzie Junior Club Boy – Max Gregory

The cricket club holds Bingo evenings every **third Friday** of each month at the **Wistaston Pavilion Lounge** to raise funds and a warm welcome is extended to anyone wishing to join us.
We offer cricket to adults and junior of all standards and we are proud on being very much a child friendly club. We have been re-credited with the **E.C.B Club Mark originally awarded in May 2005**. Interested in joining W.V.C.C? Please contact **Kevin Jobbins: - 01270 663699** in the first instance. For more details of our Bingo evenings please contact either **Kevin or Pauline Jobbins 01270 663699.**

John Avery **"Zusammen", 13 Lear Drive, Wistaston**

Tel 0781 7082678

****

Darrin Lovatt
Clock Repairs and Restoration





Specialist Antique and Old

All aspects of restoration and repair undertaken including:

- Service, repair and complete overhaul
- All clocks: Grandfather, Bracket, French, Carriage, Dial and Westminster chime
- Antique clock specialist- 25 years' experience
- All work fully guaranteed

For friendly, helpful advice please phone Darrin Lovatt: 01782 639493 or 07432247601 or email darrinlovattclocks@yahoo.co.uk



Ever considered learning the **sax?**

Tuition offered:

Alto, tenor & baritone sax
Classical or Jazz
Improvisation
Music theory

Based in Wistaston, I teach all ages, any standard, in a fun and friendly environment - for grades or just for fun

Go on, why not have a go...

Call Steve to find out more:

07771 966773
01270 560638
or visit www.bighorn.co.uk

Report from Wistaston Jubilee Tennis Club

Finals Day at Wistaston Jubilee Tennis Club ended a very pleasant season of tennis with the beautiful summer of 2014 ensuring non-stop play for most part of each day and evening.

Attendances remained steady at daytime sessions and club nights and the coaching sessions proved a popular attraction for the young enthusiastic players. Incidentally this will resume until further notice.

As in previous reports the two courts were repainted immediately after Finals Day and are now looking very smart and in first class condition.

The results of Finals Day are as follows:

Men's Singles

Paul Unwin beat Chris Raiswell

Men's Doubles (entered as a pair)

Paul Unwin and Jonathan White beat Adrian Dunning and Chris Raiswell. *Below left.*

Open Doubles (drawn partners)

Ben Reinhardt and Chris Raiswell beat Eric James and Nick Green

Veterans Doubles (drawn partner)

Roy Birtles and Tony Mason beat Ben Reinhardt and Trevor Tutt

The President's Cup

Kath Charlesworth and Eric James beat Hazel Dunn and Trevor Tutt

Junior Singles

Jack Whalley beat George Raiswell. *Jack is pictured below right.*

Most improved Junior

James Raiswell

Members of Wistaston B received shields for winning the Barbara Smith Knockout in The Winter League & Division 3 of the Spring League in the South and Mid Ches. Tennis League.

Further information regarding availability of courts, fees etc can be obtained by contacting Bill Heath, Membership Secretary on Crewe 01270 560471

Alice Chalwin

****





Many thanks to Jonathan for these photographs

WARNING

YOUR PROPERTY MAY BE AT RISK !

Do you have a reliable alarm system ?
Or perhaps one that needs a repair?
Don't leave it too late. Give us a call now!





WES
Wistonia Electrical & Security
07910 717978
SSAIB
registered installer

- Burglar alarm & CCTV systems.
- Door entry & access control.
- Security shutters.
- Roller shutter doors.
- Domestic & Commercial.
- Annual maintenance contracts available.
- SSAIB certificated.
- Alarms installed to PD6662 spec.
- Over 20 years of installation experience.
- Alarm System monitoring service available.

- Professionally installed.
- No job too small !
- Very competitive prices.
- Personalised service from a friendly and local company.
- Free lifetime parts cover on upgrades and new installs for OAP's.
- Same day FREE survey and quotation.
- Existing systems repaired, upgraded and maintained.

WISTONIA SECURITY SYSTEMS

Sales & General Enquiries - 07714 779178
Service & Technical Enquiries - 07910 717978

www.wistoniaelectricalservices.co.uk

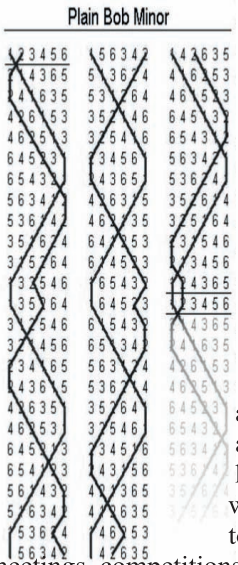
RINGING THE CHANGES @ ST MARYS, WISTASTON



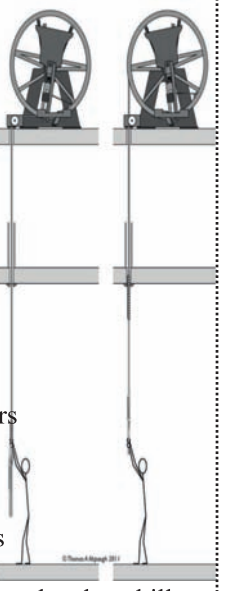
With the New Year just around the corner, why not consider a new pastime for 2015 that is:

Great fun
Good physical and mental exercise
Endlessly challenging
Exceptionally sociable
Carrying on a 400 year old tradition that is part of our heritage

'Full Circle Change Ringing' has been an audible back drop to the English countryside since the 17th Century when bells were recast after the Reformation and hung with wheels to swing a full 360 degrees. It is practised not just for Church services and State occasions but also as a secular pastime. There are close to 6,000 ring-able towers in Great Britain, most having a local 'band' with St Mary's Wistaston being no exception. Sadly like many parts of our heritage, lack of new people is a serious threat to the skills which may be lost and this part of our culture might dwindle and disappear forever. The band at St Mary's are therefore looking to recruit and train some new ringers to share in this engaging pastime and enjoy what is a friendly and interesting hobby. Any lapsed ringers in the area will also be most welcome in the tower. Few people know what change ringing is and most perceive bells are used to play tunes which is not so. Change ringing is so called because the bells are arranged into various combinations or 'changes' which can be 'called' by swapping pairs of bells around or achieved via set patterns that all ringers will follow (see below).



These patterns (called methods) are designed to create 'changes' that aren't repeated and ultimately end up back in the starting order of 'rounds' or 123456. A 'method' might be rung for anywhere from 3 minutes with 120 changes to 3 hours with over 5,000! Towers generally have 6 or 8 bells (larger may have 10 or 12) with the 'ring' being diatonically tuned to the key of the largest bell (the Tenor), so that when the order of ringing is altered musical combinations are heard.



Despite it looking like a lot of numbers, you don't have to be great at maths to be a ringer, just be reasonably fit (as many ringing chambers are halfway up the tower), be able to listen and above all be keen to learn. Once the basic bell handling stage is over new ringers will join in with 'rounds' alongside others and then progress to 'call changes' and 'methods'. Local ringing meetings, competitions and ringing 'tours' offer endless opportunities to develop skills, see new towers, make new friends and generally have a great time.

If you are interested in finding out more, the tower at St Mary's will be open on 3rd January 2015 between 1–5pm for anyone who wants to come along and have a go. Members of the local band will be on hand to demonstrate and teach you about this enthralling hobby. Alternatively if you can't make this date we practise every Monday night 7.45–9pm and ring for Sunday service 10.00 – 10.45 when anyone is welcome to come along.



CRJ PROPERTY SERVICES

QUALITY WORK AT COMPETITIVE PRICES

Property Repair and Maintenance
Kitchen and Bathroom Installation
Flooring and Tiling
Handyman Service
Plumbing Service

All Work Fully Guaranteed
Free Estimates
No Job too Small

Contact Chris
Tel: 01270 662452
Mobile: 07779 113543
chrisjones452@btinternet.com



The Eric Swan Sports Ground

Church Lane, Wistaston, CW2 8EZ
(Behind the school)

TO HIRE
Flood Lit Multi Use Games Area

Ideal for Children's Parties and Football

Need a place to hold a Meeting or Class?

Excellent location with ample parking

Extensively renovated, The Eric Swan Sports Ground is offering Sports and Leisure Facilities to the whole Community

Facilities all disabled friendly

If you'd like to know more then get in touch

07758 302647

Maureen Craig
Chiropodist/Podiatrist

3 Brookland Avenue, Wells Green
Wistaston, Crewe CW2 8EJ

Tel: 01270 567983

website: www.toesrus10.co.uk

Specialist in the treatment of corns, callouses, verrucae, toe-nail problems, fallen arches etc.
A half hour treatment comprises a warm, soothing foot-spa, nail trim, massage and/or comfort padding, plus any essential treatment required

Conveniently located just off the main Crewe-Nantwich Road, next door to Wells Green Methodist Church.
Free Parking in front of surgery.
Bus stop one minute away.

Treatments by appointment

C & S SERVICES

Garden Maintenance

Landscaping
Fencing

Tel. Chris:
01270 780390
07974 260966

Find us on facebook

Nature article for Roundabout. Issue 136

On 19 July Judy Lawson (Church Lane) 'phoned to report a mole on her patio. She wondered if it had been washed out from underground. Three foxes were seen playing in her garden after a surveillance camera had been installed. In August Judy believed she had had a lesser spotted woodpecker three mornings in succession on her peanut feeder. She said the bird was very small and we know the 'lesser spot' breeds locally. We are very fortunate to see them, however. The last day of July produced a hedgehog crossing the patio and up to three foxes at a time were paying nocturnal visits courtesy of that surveillance camera. Many goldfinches are enjoyed, and a tame blackbird, suspected young, was 'knocking' on the patio door for sultanas morning and evening!

We don't recall a whitethroat visiting our tree before, but briefly one appeared on 14 August, showing no sign of feeding, and dodging in and out of the branches busily before departing. A typically dull warbler it does have a conspicuously white throat and is known to come to gardens outside the breeding season, attracted to soft fruit. Come September they are off to their African wintering grounds.

The cooler temperatures of mid August brought more small-bird activity to our feeders: more unusually for us long-tailed tits, a great spotted woodpecker and a coal tit. There is proof, too, that some birds stay local when breeding is over as confirmed by a pied jackdaw, and one with a scrawny neck, which thinks it's a vulture, that come and go from time to time. One morning in early September, at breakfast time, a buzzard landed at the top of a hedgerow tree across the road: the closest we have seen one land. Two magpies thought about attacking it, landing in the tree at one side. They chattered to each other and tail-flicked for a while, but during their hesitation the buzzard flew off, already having scattered other corvines, probably our perpetual host of jackdaws, from the tree on arrival.

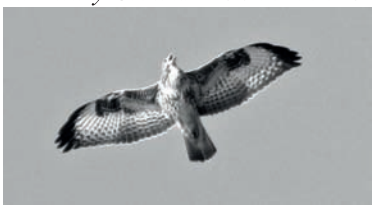
If any bird dare tease a raptor it is the magpie. We have seen one pull a cat's tail and get away with it. (We don't mean actually dislodge the tail and fly off with it - the cat would never have accepted that - must watch these ambiguities!)

A racing pigeon, ringed on both legs, arrived on our lawn on 10 September, feeding avidly on seed. The dark bands on its back were consistent with those of the rock dove from which this pigeon, along with our 'ferals', are descended.

A chiffchaff was still calling in the allotments hedgerow of Sandylands Park the morning of 18 September, but has not been heard since.

To round off, another wild flower ('weed' to the gardener), mysteriously taking root in our garden, is the great willowherb, with the country name of 'codlins and cream'. Its colours give the plant its name, the petals resembling apple blossom ('codlin' a kind of cooking apple), the white criss-crossed stigma the 'cream'. Like the perhaps better known 'rosebay' willowherb, that common companion of railway lines, it prefers damp places. Why it chose us we don't, of course, know: must have just fancied the shaded rear of garage where ferns and frogs thrive. **Our thanks to all contributors.**

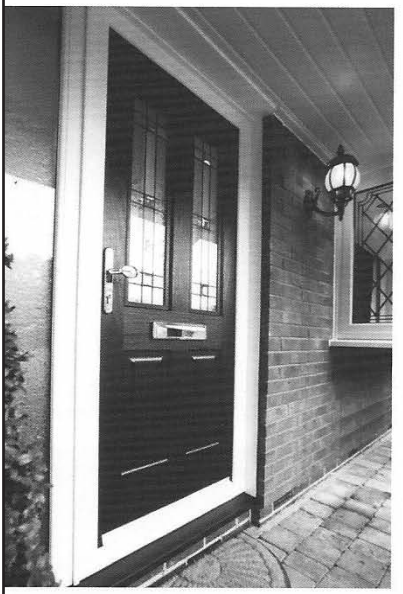
Trevor and Hilary Clowes Tel. 664358 email handt136@talktalk.net



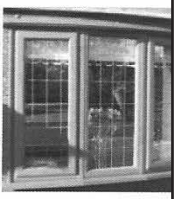
Mrs Lorraine Rossiter's superb buzzard spotted around Dane Bank and Sandhurst Avenues

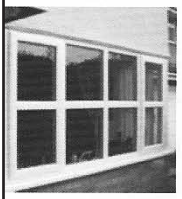
CHESHIRE CONSERVATORIES & WINDOWS LTD

Conservatory Design & Installation **Windows** **Doors** **Patio Doors**













Energy Window

Cheshire Conservatories & Windows Ltd

A B C	A
Energy Index (kWh/m²/year) **(Energy Index certified by BFRC and based on UK standard window. The actual energy consumption for a specific application will depend on the building, the local climate and the indoor temperature)**	**1**
The climate zone is:	**UK**
Thermal Transmittance (U_{window})	1.5 W/m².K
Solar Factor (g_{window})	0.49
Effective Air Leakage (L_{factor})	0.00 W/m².K

British Fenestration Rating Council

Reg. No.:1895 M224
www.bfrc.org

This label is not a statutory requirement. It is a voluntary label provided as a customer service to allow consumers to make informed decisions on the energy performance of competing products.

Call now for your **FREE** quotation

01270 252 700

Unit 4, The Old Cattle Market, Gresty Road, Crewe CW2 6EQ
www.cheshire-conservatories.co.uk sales@cheshire-conservatories.co.uk

Wistaston Conservation Group

Firstly, an apology. In the last issue many of you will no doubt have noticed that there was an error in one of the photographs which was captioned as the cleared path in Hinging Bank Covert, but was actually showing the pond in Rookery Bank Covert. To put this matter right the correct photo of the cleared path is shown next page , left photo.

Our working party, which meets every Monday morning at 09.30 has grown from about 4/5 to a regular 7/9 people who are adept at doing a myriad of jobs and so we have been able to do a lot more valuable work in the area, as noted below.

Clearing water courses.

We have spent some considerable time recently in clearing the water courses in various parts of the woodland but mainly in Bluebell Wood to allow better flow from the Elm Drive area down into the Wistaston Brook. Such clearing of this and other water courses, is a never-ending task, partly due to the inevitable fall of leaves at this time of year but it is made a lot more difficult due to the amount of timber and rubbish thrown in. Please, if you have unwanted items, place them in the receptacles provided rather than fly-tipping them in our areas.

Daffodil Planting

We have recently planted daffodil bulbs, kindly donated by the Wistaston Parish Council in the woodland edges, opposite to the Woodside, so there should be a great display in years to come.

Woodland Work

Our main task for the past few weeks has been to open up the woodlands in the Rookery Bank Covert area, in the vicinity of the pond.

This area has been sadly neglected to such an extent that not many people even knew that the pond existed, many of the trees and shrubs have long since passed their natural life and both nettles and bramble have taken over. Our first job was to strim out the undergrowth of nettles and bramble from the woodland edges.

One area of this woodland comprised almost entirely of blackthorn which was either dead or no longer producing any new growth or fruit, sloes, which is an essential food at this time of year, not only to those of us who like sloe gin but more importantly to the local bird life. This area is now in the process of being cleared, which will do several things:

1. Will open up more light to the pond area, which should make the pond more wild-life friendly in the future
2. Allow the blackthorn, elder, etc to produce new growth and fruit for the future
3. Allow the other species present in the area, which were being gradually crowded out, to flourish. There were several small oaks fighting for existence, which should now grow to mature trees
4. The cleared area will also be available for us to plant several new species of trees.

All of the timber cut out of this area is being used to build a natural barrier around the area, and many of the living trees have been layered into this hedge. See the work and results, centre photos, next page.

We are always looking for new recruits who can afford to spend a few hours with us on Monday morning; we meet 0930 till about 1230, depending on the weather and work. Our working party details are on our website, www.wistastonconservationgroup.org.uk as

are our contact details. If you feel you might be interested, come along about 1100 when we have our coffee break and see what we are about. Look forward to meeting you.

Finally I would like to congratulate the persons who have replanted the sensory garden below right under the Wistaston sign; it looks really great. Well done, and thank you.
John M Wood, Chairman



****

Wistaston Remembers

The Wistaston Memorial Hall and Community Centre was filled to capacity on Sunday 9th November 2014, as the village remembered those who made the ultimate sacrifice in the Great War 1914-18.

A guard of honour was organised by Beavers, Cubs and Scouts from the 35th South West Cheshire Scout group, who welcomed the Mayor of Crewe Councillor Pam Minshall, Cheshire East Councillors and Wistaston Parish Councillors and as people arrived they were all given a copy of St John's Gospel similar to the ones given to the servicemen as they set off to war.

The Service of Remembrance was taken by three local ministers - Rev Ken Sambrook and Rev Mike Turnbull (St Mary's Church, Wistaston) and Rev Steve Ingrouille (Wells Green Methodist Church).

The impressive poppy arrangement on the stage was displayed by Mrs Elizabeth Russell, Wistaston Flower Club; the names of the sixteen men from Wistaston who perished during World War One, were respectfully read by Mrs Barbara Brereton and the Wells Green Church choir, led by their musical director Mrs Myra Wood, added quality to the music and hymns. Jack Gresty played 'The Last Post' and 'Reveille' and a wreath was placed at the front of the building by the hall's President, John Cooke, accompanied by George Edge-Robinson, who placed a cross in memory of Lieutenant Commander Roy Berryman Edwards DSO, sent by his daughter Mrs Sylvia Hammond, from Kent.

Lucy Rowland, Wistaston Rose Queen, read 'In Flanders Fields', written by John McCrae MD, in May 1915 and Wistaston Parish Councillor Ian Hodkinson spoke about his family's memories during World War One: his relations being Chief Engineer Ernest Ingham Royal Navy (Distinguished Service Medal) and Corporal George L Hodkinson 7th Battalion Duke of Wellington's Regiment.

John White read a letter from the Commanding Officer to the parents of Second Lieutenant Stanley Fell Hutton who was killed in action on 11th April 1918, aged 24.

The collection at the service was £268 for the Royal British Legion.

Article by Jonathan White

Remembrance

The 16 men from the parish of St Mary's Church, Wistaston(Wistaston, Rope and Willaston) who died in the First World War (1914-18) are commemorated on the Memorial Cross by St Mary's Church, Wistaston which was dedicated on 20th February 1921.

Rifleman John William BARBER. London Rifle Brigade. Killed in action on 2nd November 1916 at Bethune, France aged 25.

Lieutenant Charles BOOTH. Royal Naval Reserve of HMS Hazel. Died of influenza at Mudros in Salonika on 13th December 1918 aged 28.

Trooper Edwin BOOTH. 1st Battalion Canadian Mounted Rifles. Killed in action on 5th June 1916 aged 30 during the Battle of Mount Sorrel, in Belgium.

Flight Sub-Lieutenant Frank BOOTH. Royal Naval Air Service. Died of wounds on 3rd January 1918 near Lille in France after landing his aircraft while injured.

Charles, Edwin and Frank BOOTH were brothers and the three sons of Edwin Charles and Florence Booth of 'Rainow', Nantwich Road, Wistaston, Crewe.

Private Alfred James BURROWS. 1st Battalion Lancashire Fusiliers. Killed in action 17th August 1917 aged 18 at the Third Battle of Ypres (Passchendaele).

Lieutenant Edward Moseley COPE. North Staffordshire Regiment. Accidentally killed on 13th June 1919 aged 23 in Germany. Son of George Cope of Rope Hall, Willaston.

Second Lieutenant Stanley Fell HUTTON. 12th Battalion Yorkshire Regiment. Killed in action at the Battle of the Lys (Ypres) on 11th April 1918 aged 24. Son of James and Agnes Hutton, Hunts Bank Cottage, Wistaston. His father 'Pop' Hutton had been the Headteacher at Wistaston School, Church Lane.

Captain Gerald John LOUIS. 19th MT Auxillary Company, Army Service Corps. Died of his wounds on 22nd May 1916 aged 30 at St Nazaire, France.

Second Lieutenant Gerald PEARSON. No.45 Squadron Royal Flying Corps. Killed on 29th October 1917 aged 19 flying a Sopwith Camel plane from St Marie Cappel in France.

Private John PIGGOTT. 11th Battalion Cheshire Regiment. Killed in action on 1st August 1917 at the Third Battle of Ypres during the Battle of Pilckem Ridge. Commemorated on the Menin Gate Memorial.

Corporal Charles Alner PROUD. Royal Engineers. Died 13th November 1918 aged 23 in France. Admitted to the Stationary Hospital, Rouen suffering with influenza on 7th November 1918 and died six days later.

Lieutenant Tom Burton SAMPSON. 'C' Company 6th Battalion Shropshire Light Infantry. Killed in action on 20 November 1917 aged 28. Husband of Mrs E S Sampson of Berkeley Towers.

Aircraft Mechanic George SANDERS. 3rd Clerk No.2 Stores Dept, Royal Air Force. Died on 13th August 1918 at home in Wistaston and buried in St Mary's churchyard.

Private Horace Albert STOCKTON. 1st Battalion East Yorkshire Regiment. Died of wounds on 16th August 1918 aged 20 in France. Son of Oliver and Mary Stockton of Wistaston Green.

Sapper Norman Arthur Hollins WHITE. Royal Engineers. Died on 7th May 1919 aged 26 in France. Admitted to hospital on 2nd May 1919 and died five days later of influenza and pneumonia. Son of James and Maude White of 25 Moorfields, Willaston.

Private Richard WILLIAMS. 1st Battalion, Welsh Guards. Killed in action on 6th October 1915 during the Battle of Loos.

The information above was taken from the book 'Where The Fallen Live Forever' by Mark Potts and Tony Marks, whose research is hereby acknowledged.

AJ NEW PLUMBING and HEATING

For all Plumbing & Heating needs

- Gas Safe & OFTEC Registered Engineer
- Central Heating Installations & Repairs
- Boiler Installations, Upgrades & Repairs
- Frozen Condensate Solutions
- All Aspects of Domestic Plumbing
- Bathrooms & Shower Installations
- Worcester Trained Installer
- Renewable Heating Solutions

FULLY INSURED

01270 651093

Mobile: 07792 158 188

a.new019@btinternet.com

OFTEC

Claire Davies - Family Barber

Qualified and experienced Barber providing a professional and friendly mobile service, covering Crewe, Nantwich and surrounding areas.

Relax in the comfort and convenience of your own home at a time that suits you. Available:days, evenings and weekends. I know how stressful it can be for children; they can become restless and upset in seemingly endless queues.

They should enjoy having their hair cut : I make it fun and exciting and each will receive a little treat!

Salon trained with twenty years experience in Hairdressing and Barbering.

Call for your appointment today on...

07709 647246

www.facebook.com/ClaireDaviesFamilyBarber

clairedaviesfamilybarber@gmail.com

RJM Information Technologies

Quality IT Solutions

Website Design, Building & Hosting
Bespoke Software Developments
IT Consultancy & Desktop Support

Contact: Rob McIntosh
Email: rob@rjmit.net
Website: www.rjmit.net

Designer & web host for:
www.wistastoncommunity.co.uk



The Big Screen at Wells Green

We have recently installed projection facilities at Wells Green Methodist Church, in Brookland Avenue, which enable us to show films with full screen and sound, free of charge (though donations are welcome). As you will see from the list that follows, we have chosen movies which raise some interesting questions (and there will be a short discussion after the film for those who wish to take part).

Refreshments are also available, so do join us at 5.00pm on the dates below, over the next few months, and enjoy the Big Screen at Wells Green in Wistaston.

Monday 22 December	5.00pm	Frozen
Sunday 18 January	5.00pm	Field of Dreams
Sunday 15 February	5.00pm	Philomena
Sunday 15 March	5.00pm	To Kill a Mocking Bird

****

Wistaston & District Flower Club

Wistaston Flower Club have been entertained this year by nine demonstrators of both National and Area level bringing us beautiful flowers, informative talks and plenty of laughter. In December 2013 we travelled to Gawsworth Hall which had been decorated for Christmas by the renowned flower demonstrator Barry Grey, a joy to behold. An added bonus the local church had been decorated by local groups with numerous Christmas Trees of all shapes and sizes with proceeds going to a charity.

The proceeds from our annual Christmas Hamper 2013 was donated to Friends for Leisure a local charity enabling disabled teenagers to integrate into society.We hold workshops each year to encourage our members to participate in flower arranging for their own pleasure or exhibiting in our monthly club competitions for cups donated by families of past members. This year we held three workshops in April for beginners tutored by Brian Spencer and Catherine Scales a further one to be held late November creating a Christmas Wreath... To celebrate NAFAS Garden Day an organized outing to visit a garden in Loggerheads took place and then travelling on to Trentham Gardens for lunch and some retail therapy. In July we again helped with staging and stewarding in the floral art section at Nantwich Show. We helped decorate the marquee with floral designs and all the competitors produced some excellent work, several members from our club gaining awards. Our traditional Cream Tea took place in August followed by entertainment from Richard Batty who gave us his renditions of monologues, card tricks and ukulele playing thoroughly enjoyed by all. Our annual luncheon followed by the AGM this year was held at the Crewe Golf Club followed by a mini flower demonstration by Catherine Scales. We look forward to our last meeting of 2014 when in December we will be entertained by National Demonstrator Diane Fair. We are a thriving friendly club and a warm welcome is extended to visitors at our club meetings which take place on the first Wednesday of each month with the exception of January at 2.30pm Memorial Hall, Church Lane. For further details please contact the Secretary, Tel: 01270 668800.

****

Crewe Amateur Musicals Society present The Sound of Music

at Crewe Lyceum Theatre From 28 April – 2 May 2015

For further details please contact the secretary Margaret Taylor on 07850185860

Report from Wistaston Church Lane School

Infant Sports Day 2014

Mowcop, Beeston, Cholmondley and Peckforton competed in all events from races to obstacle courses in this year's infant sports day. The lucky winners were Mow Cop Monkeys who are currently reigning champions. Different to any other sports day this sporting event interests everyone. Even the school's site manager, Mr Bateman, was intrigued. 'I love this sports day because it includes everyone competing at the same time. "We're hoping that next year's infants enjoy their sports day as much as this year's did' he commented. Many thanks to everyone who helped to organise it – everyone had so much fun!

Evacuee day 2014

This term kicked off with a 'bang' with an amazing evacuee day. The Year Sixes enjoyed an exciting range of activities such as: dancing the jitterbug, singing the national anthem and the parents chose the evacuee they wanted to take home! Furthermore all the Year Sixes came back into school for an air raid experience in the evening where they learnt what it was like to be in an air raid!

Wistonia University

This year's Wistonia was jam-packed with talent, courses and excitement! Many people said that this year's was the best yet! We had courses ranging from fashion design to brick-laying. Many of us want off school grounds to places like Reaseheath College, Shavington High School and many other places. Lots of new courses were enjoyed this year. However we eagerly await what next year brings!

Town Sports

A month of nervous waiting, nail biting and some very good sports came and went in a flash. The Town Sports was a time to show off individual skills and also to work as a team. St Mary's, The Dingle and Highfields were the overjoyed winners of each group. Church Lane came fifth which is pretty impressive! A big well done to all who took part – you represented our school well.

Tanzania

In October Miss Saxon and Miss Potts went on an excellent adventure to visit our link school in Tanzania. Both of them had lots of fun with the Tanzanian teachers, working together to teach outdoors and praising children with stickers and certificates. Miss Saxon said 'The children love their sport – they were determined to grab the ball whether it was netball or football!' As well as everything else Miss Saxon and Miss Potts had lots of fun teaching the children lessons from maths to drama! Both of them said they had lots of fun and it was an incredible experience!

Grow a Pound Week

Cakes, biscuits, drinks, toys and games – all of these were sold by Year Sixes in Grow a Pound Week, otherwise known as GAP week. The children arranged themselves into groups of up to four people and created a company and a brilliant business plan to present to a panel of judges! They were given a pound by The Friends of the School 'to grow'. Many teams provided a service such as braiding hair, cleaning shoes and despite the weather everyone enjoyed it! Thank you to all Year Six.

Written by Lilly Barratt, Ruby Bowie, Isabel Thompson, Isobel Foster, Lucy Ollier and Olivia Xiourouppa – Year Five

Wistaston's 33rd Annual Flower and Produce Show Saturday 15 August 2015

Now the seed merchants' catalogues are dropping through people's letter boxes it is time to display the schedule for 2015's show so that exhibitors can decide what classes to enter. The Show Committee wish you all well and hope to see a heap of entries .

Section 1 - Flower Classes

1. Bowl of Sweet Peas, mixed colours, 15 stems minimum.
2. A specimen Rose in a vase.
3. Three Large Gladioli, any variety or varieties.
4. Three Small Gladioli, any variety or varieties.
5. Three Pom Pom Dahlias, any variety or varieties.
6. Three Cactus or Semi-Cactus Dahlias, any variety or varieties.
7. Three Decorative Dahlias, any variety or varieties.
8. A Single Stem of Any Flowering Plant (not on schedule) in a vase.
9. Six Asters, any variety or varieties.
10. A Single Geranium Head in a vase.
11. Six French Marigolds, any variety or varieties
12. A Shallow Bowl of Floating Flower Heads – arranged for effect.
13. A Vase of Mixed Flowers – home grown.
14. A Cactus.
15. A Succulent
16. A Geranium in a Pot – with saucer.
17. A Begonia in a Pot – with saucer.
18. A Flowering Plant in a Pot - with saucer – excluding plants from Classes 21 & 22.
19. A Foliage Plant in a Pot – with saucer.
20. Six Fuchsia Heads on a board.
21. A Fuchsia in a 9cms Pot – with saucer – any variety.
22. A Fuchsia in a 14cms Pot – with saucer – any variety.
23. Alpine Garden – 25cm x 25cm. maximum

Section 2 - Vegetable Classes

24. A Vegetable not on Schedule – please specify on entry form.
25. Five White Potatoes on a Plate – any variety.
26. Five Coloured Potatoes on a Plate – any variety.
27. Six Potatoes on a Plate – two varieties - three of each colour.
28. Six Pods of Peas with some stalk.
29. Three Onions – roots shown – see rules.
30. Three Onions – roots shown – not to exceed 225 grams each: see rules.
31. Six Carrots – tops trimmed to 8cms.
32. Five Ripe Tomatoes- not cherry variety - on a Plate.
33. Nine Shallots – Large.
34. Nine Shallots – Small - not exceeding 30mm in diameter
35. Three Round Beetroot – tops trimmed to 8cms.
36. One Vegetable Marrow – with stalk
37. One Lettuce – roots shown.
38. One Cucumber – with stalk.
39. A truss of Tomatoes – not cherry variety - some ripe.
40. A truss of a Named Variety of Cherry Tomatoes on a plate - some ripe.
41. One White Cabbage – roots shown.
42. Five Ripe Cherry Tomatoes on a plate: variety to be named.
43. Six Runner Beans – with some stalk.
44. Six Dwarf Beans – with some stalk.
45. Three Courgettes – each with some stalk.

Section 3 - Wistaston Parish Vegetable Display

46. A Collection of Five Different Classes of Vegetables.
47. A Display of Salad Items - home grown - on a round dinner plate.

Section 4 - Flower Arrangements

48. 'My Fair Lady' A Decorated Hat: Beginners: 30cms max. First Year in Show.
49. 'Timeless Beauty' Dried Material: max. width 46cms
50. 'Singing in the Rain' to include water: max. width 46cms.
51. 'Cocktail for One' - Petite - 25cms overall

Section 5 : Harvest Basket

52. A Basket Containing Fruit, Flowers & Produce: not to exceed 46cms in width & length; height not restricted.

Section 6 **: Children's Classes**

53. Pre-school year - To be decided.
54. Year 1 Children) To be decided by Church Lane School
55. Year 5 Children) in June

Section 7 - House Craft Classes

56. A Jar of Homemade Strawberry Jam) Cellophane
57. A Jar of Homemade Marmalade) covers
58. A Jar of Homemade Lemon Curd) only.
59. Three pieces of Shortbread.
60. Five Square Flapjacks.
61. Five Jam Tarts.
62. A Plate of Five Chocolate Butterfly Cakes.
63. Carrot Cake.
64. A Date and Walnut Cake - baked in a Bun Loaf tin.
65. A Victoria Sponge Cake - please read Rule 20 **carefully.**
66. Five Cheese Scones.
67. A Quiche approx. 20cms in diameter: presented on a plate.
68. An Apple Pie - approx. 20cms in diameter - shortcrust pastry top and bottom - presented on a plate.
69. Five Decorated Cup Cakes.

Section 8 - Hobby Crafts

70. A Cross Stitch Picture 15cm x 20cm maximum.
71. A Painting. Own original work: A4 Size max: Unframed.

Parish Council Photographic Competition

Class 1. A typical Snapshot.
Class 2. A Cardboard Framed Enlargement.

Prize money will be £5, £3 and £2 in both classes.
Entries to be with the Show Secretary by 10 August 2015

All entries for this competition are free.

For 2015 it is agreed that people who work in Wistaston or are first year Domestic Science students at Dane Bank College or are plot holders on either of the Willaston or Wistaston Allotments and all members of Wistaston U3A Groups may enter the show.

Please read the schedule and the rules very carefully to make sure your entries are in the correct class, are trimmed as directed, are the correct size, contain the right amount of ingredients. No judge likes to place a N.A.S. (Not As Schedule) ticket against an entry. Ours is not a cut throat show. In fact it is renowned for its friendliness and help between one competitor and another but there have to be rules or the whole thing would be chaotic. Let us all hope for good growing conditions in the new year.

The Committee would like to thank The Peacock Nurseries, The Fireplace Warehouse and Wistaston Gardeners Society for their support again in 2014.

Gwyneth Brown, President *Bernard Moores*, Hon. Secretary

The Waverley Hotel and Restaurant

9, Pedley Street, Crewe, Cheshire, CW2 7AA. Tel: 01270 256223 Fax: 01270 250682
Email: thewaverleyhotel@talk21.com



Having a Party? Need a Venue?
Why not give us a call
We cater for all types
of Parties and Functions
We cater for Wedding Receptions



For details and prices or to arrange a viewing call

01270 256223

Sunday Lunches: 12pm - 2pm Every Sunday
£8.95 pp - 3 Courses, £1.50 pp Tea or Coffee
£5.95 pp for Children under 10

Book now to avoid disappointment We can cater for large parties

www.petpals.com
your best friends friend



Professional, Registered and Fully Insured Pet Sitting Service

- Regular or Occasional Dog Walking/Visits
- Cats/Small Pet Home Visits
- Dog & Small Pet Family Home Boarding
- House Sitting
- Registered, Insured, Police Checked Staff



Contact Emma: 01270 666462
email:crewe@petpals.com web:www.petpals.com

New Life Community Church



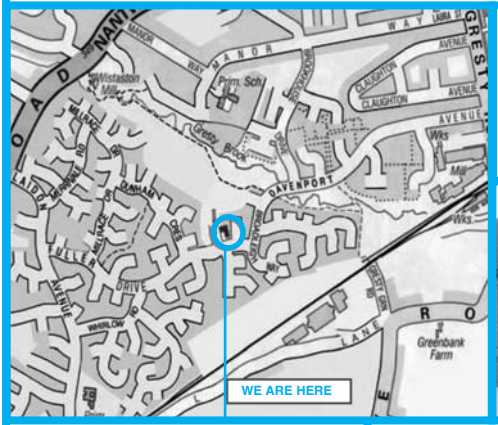
Every Sunday

Family Worship 11.00am

Including Childrens Programme

Plus full midweek programme

ROOM HIRE AVAILABLE



Fuller Drive
Crewe CW2 6TH
☎ 01270 664225
✉ info@newlifecentre.co.uk



New Life Community Church

www.newlifecentre.co.uk

An Elim Pentecostal Church Registered Charity No. 251549

delmar PRINT

Printed by Delmar Print www.delmarprint.co.uk sales@delmarpress.co.uk 01270 624122