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Saturday 15th June

See page 17 for details



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EDITORIAL FOR SUMMER 2019

With very many thanks to everyone for the continued splendid support you give to Roundabout in whatever capacity, for without your contributions and advertisements it would not exist! **Please send in your articles, photographs etc. for our Autumn edition, due out in early September by 15 July.**

Eileen Bamber
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19 Byron Way
01270 569642



Dates for your Diary see page 18.

Theme for Village Fete, on Saturday 15 June -
Space - 50 years since first man landed on the moon: the Eagle has landed.



Residential developer Bellway has been confirmed as this year's sponsor of **Wistaston Village Fete.**

Chairman of Wistaston Community Council, **Dane Chaplow**, said they were delighted to welcome Bellway on board as a sponsor for this year's Fete. Without sponsors, Fete costs would be higher and they would not be able to provide the monies for local deserving causes, which is the Council's remit and they are hugely grateful to Bellway for their support.

Sales Director at Bellway, **Jenny Bell**, added that Bellway are always happy to support the communities in which they build and have been warmly welcomed in Wistaston which is a beautiful village with a wonderful calendar of popular local events. *Photograph shows Bellway Sales Advisor, Lee Andrews with Dane Chaplow and Chrys Lines from Wistaston Community Council.*



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Wistaston, Shelley Drive	0919	1019	1149	1319	1419
Wistaston Road, Capesthorne Road	0922	1022	1152	1322	1422
Marshfield, Sunnybank Road	0926	1026	1156	1326	1426
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Wistaston, Shelley Drive	0947	1047	1217	1347	1447
Wistaston, Kings Drive	0952	1052	1222	1352	1452
Nantwich, Birchin Lane	0958	1058	1228	1358	1458
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WISTASTON PARISH COUNCIL - CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

1. NEW HOMES BONUS COMMUNITY FUND

I reported in your last Roundabout outline details of the New Homes Bonus Scheme and the 3 projects supported by your Council. A total of £167,000 was allocated to the Crewe Group of 9 Parishes. A final short list of schemes was then reviewed by the 18 Cheshire East Councillors for Crewe. The Wistaston volunteer teams submitted well-presented robust schemes approved by the CVS, however, none were successful. A total of 7 schemes were approved, the largest allocation was to Crewe Town Council £62,000.

2. PARISH COUNCIL ELECTIONS

These were held on 2nd May 2019, in parallel with the Cheshire East Council Elections. Wistaston has 15 Councillor Positions; however, only 11 applications were submitted. No election was therefore necessary and 11 Councillors were automatically elected. Vacancies are available for co-option and any resident interested should first contact our Clerk in writing with a short résumé.

3. ANTISOCIAL BEHAVIOUR AND VANDALISM

We are currently experiencing a marked increase in antisocial behaviour throughout our woodlands and open spaces. Examples include damage to boardwalks, litter, cans and broken glass on our Children's Playground mainly at weekends This has been reported to our Police Constable and Police Community Support Officer who have agreed to give more attention to these areas whenever possible. Clean-up arrangements by our Park Ranger are in place each Saturday and Sunday mornings. Other examples are destructive behaviour to woodland paths and boardwalks. Again our Ranger supported by the Conservation team has repair work in hand. We would appeal to residents to report incidents to your Ward Councillor or Clerk to help protect our recreation area and maintain a safe environment.

4. FUTURE MEETING DATES

Residents are welcome to attend Parish Council meetings at 7.30 p.m. at Wistaston Memorial. Next meetings are on 20th June 2019, 18th July 2019 (August recess) and 19th September 2019

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Derrick Millington	**9 Chesterton Drive, Wistaston, CW2 8EA**	**664471**
Bob Squirrell	**6 Beaumont Close, Wistaston CW2 8BU**	**569803**

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Wistaston Village Cricket Club

(Founded 1980)

Our Ground Force week-end scheduled for the beginning of **April** went ahead as planned, and thankfully despite periods of poor weather much needed repairs and general upkeep to the facilities at **The Brittles** were completed. The cricket ground is in splendid condition a credit to all members who lent their time and effort in the customary pre-season build-up.

The season commenced on **Saturday 20th April,** for our **1st XI** visiting **Trafford Metrovicks** in the **UK Fast Cheshire Cricket League Division 4.** After an average **2018** campaign when they finished **9th** in their division our **1st XI** will certainly be hoping to have a more productive season under the captaincy of **Josh Allwood.**

Meanwhile our **2nd XI** completing in the same cricketing league but in **Division 'C' North/South** had the home advantage against **Holmes Chapel C.C**. Under the captaincy of **Sam Sargeant,** they will undoubtedly be aiming for another successful season and no doubt will be hoping to improve on their **2018** season when they finished a very creditable **4th position.**

Our **3rd XI** will again be led by **Mark Bourne** and their campaign commenced on **Sunday 28th April** with a visit to **Newcastle & Hartshill CC - Colts in The Stone and District Sunday Cricket League Division B (North).**

In the **Cheshire Women's Cricket League Division 2** our **Women's First Eleven 'The Swans'** who during **2019** will be led by **Katie Bennett** opened their season on **Sunday 5th May** with a visit to Ashton-on-Mersey C.C. Although having not enjoyed the best of seasons **'The Swans'** are more than up to the challenges of the new season. We wish **Katie** and the team the very best for the forthcoming season.

<u>The junior members of our cricket club</u>

Again during **2019, The Cheshire Junior Cricket League** will have the benefit of seeing our **Under 9's and 11's** participating for honours and I am certain an exciting season lies before them. It is important to remember that these youngsters are the future of our cricket club.

Opening fixtures for **2019:-**

Under 9's (Home) Vs Middlewich C.C - Tuesday 23rd April.

Under 11's (Home) Vs Nantwich C.C. - Wednesday 24th April.

Follow our club's progress throughout the season on the usual links :-
www.wistastoncommunity.co.uk/roundabout.html and
www.creweguardian.co.uk/sport
Important news:- Followers of our cricket club will be pleased to hear that they can follow the club on Facebook.
For those readers who enjoy watching a game of cricket, why not make a detour to The Brittles on a Sunday afternoon, where you will be made very welcome.

Wistaston Cricket Club continues their search for players for the current cricket season, not only to promote but further improve on the great progress achieved over past seasons. As mentioned on many occasions we offer cricket to adults and juniors of *ALL STANDARDS* therefore if you are interested in joining our cricket club **please contact Kevin Jobbins:- Tel 483494 in the first instance.** The cricket club holds Bingo evenings every **third Friday** of each month at the **Wistaston pavilion lounge at The Brittles** 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 and 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: - Tel. 483494** in the first instance. For more details of our Bingo evenings please contact either **Kevin or Pauline Jobbins (483494).**

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Just for Fun – Cricket Teasers – Six of the Best

1. Until 1889 how many balls an over used to be bowled ?
2. What was the colour of the cricket ball used in the earlier days of women's cricket in England.?
3. When and where was the first Test played?
4 Name the second oldest cricket club in the world after (Marylebone Cricket Club), London
5. Who made the first century in a One-Day International?
6 When was overarm bowling accepted as legal? (a)1845. (b) 1862. (c) 1864. (d) 1874 or (e) 1881.

Answers on page 29

Wistaston Conservation Group

The last few weeks have been difficult because several of our working party have decided to have holidays, and so our average has been down at 8-9, weekly. However, that has not stopped us from doing a lot of useful work.

Award

If you read the last issue of Roundabout, you will have noticed that I was bestowed the title of Wistonian of the Year for 2018. Having read the citation letter, the main reason for this award was my work with the Conservation Group.

I wish to make it very clear that this award would not have been possible without the tireless work of the members who come out every Monday morning to make Wistaston a better place to live in.

I thus wish to thank the Community Council for the award, to Barbara Brereton for putting my name forward, and to all the members of the Group who made this possible. THANK YOU ALL.

The photo of the working party is a record one, as on that Monday morning in April we had 13 members out working, an all-time record.

Projects

We have carried out a fairly large number of projects since my last write-up:

1. Woodland footpaths – we have now completed the clearance and re-cutting the edges of the Woodside Covert paths.

2. Old railway area – a lot of the brash has been removed and several of the smaller trees have been removed to give the area a much better light for those remaining to grow. You may have noticed a few bonfires in this area to clear the residues. One day we had bacon butties, cooked on the bonfire, with our 11 am coffee, to celebrate a job well done. Thanks Paul. Also, in this area we have done more hedge laying, which is now showing considerable growth, .especially where we added Hawthorn whips to bolster the strength of the hedges. After less than 2 years these whips are coming on really well, and will need trimming in the near future.





3. New pond - we have done a lot of work around this area, clearing a lot of fallen trees, some of which were cut down by contractors and left in situ, much planting of the area with shrubs and plants, and have started to control the edges to protect the species planted there. This area will still require a lot of work, especially to keep in good order, partly due to the lack of water coming down the valley to keep the pond topped up, and also due to the fact that nettles and bramble grow much faster than we can control them.

4. Hinging Bank raised path - this path, which we replaced some time ago was again in need of TLC, so we have replaced several parts for the safety of those who walk in this woodland.
5. Rookery Bank covert- several years ago we did a very big clearance of this area, especially around the pond, and made a path through the woodland. As we have not been able to spend any time in this area for some time, the whole area has become overgrown, and the path disappeared. We have now started to clear this area again, starting from the Beech Drive carpark, but the major job was the re-cutting of the path through the heavily overgrown woodland.
This job is far from complete and will be our main task as you read this article, but just before editorial deadline we had a Channel Tunnel moment, when our 2 teams cutting the path met. No champagne unfortunately.

6. Bird boxes and feeders- Dave O'Hara has put up several new nest boxes in the recreation area and has built a new bird feeder near to our new pond.
I have personally seen several species feeding there, especially Nuthatches and Tits. Thanks Dave.
7. Community Council Grant- we have now spent this grant on Hawthorn whips to improve the hedges around the old railway site, new Hi-Viz jackets for our working party, and Caution-Work in Progress signs for when we are working on the woodland paths for the safety of everyone who is walking there. Thanks for your kind help in this matter.



8. The Parish Council asked us to rebuild part of the raised path through the Brittles woodland which had been vandalised. As I wrote this article, the team completed the rebuild, and all the edges of the paths were recut.

As usual, if you have any conservation issues you would like to discuss, any ideas to improve the Wistaston locality, or you would like to consider joining us, either contact one of the Group or come along and meet us on a Monday morning. We meet at 0930, with a welcome coffee break at about 11am, so if you time it right you may be in for a free coffee and biscuits. Where we are working on any Monday is usually noted on our website at
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Wistaston Village Fete

Saturday 15th June

1.30pm Rose Queen Procession from the Memorial Hall to Church Lane Academy School
1.50pm Crowning of St. Mary's Rose Queen, Charlotte Shaw, with the Rev Mike Turnbull officiating.
2.00pm Opening of the Fete by Wistonian of the Year – John Wood

Judging of the Fancy Dress Parade

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We have entered the competition again this year with judging expected in mid July so it is in the interests of all residents to have our gardens, hedges and verges looking at their very best in time for the judging and hopefully we will receive another 'Gold' award.
Wistaston also has its own competition with awards for the best kept front gardens in each of the three wards of Wells Green, St. Mary's and Wistaston Green with one winner per ward and one overall winner. There are also awards for the best hanging basket display and best looking gardens on Commercial and Community Premises. Gardens will be viewed and judged in July with the results and awards presented at the Flower and Produce Show in the Church Hall on the 17 August 2019.
As a footnote, if there are any gardeners in the village who would like to be involved in the Wistaston in Bloom group please contact me: Bill Heath, Hon. Secretary: 01270 560471. We need volunteers to maintain the nine beds we are responsible for and also judges for the Wistaston Best Kept Front Garden Awards.
Happy Gardening
*Bill Heath S*ecretary , Wistaston in Bloom
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Dates for your Diary - 2019

Saturday 15 June - Wistaston Village Fete
Sunday 23 June - South Cheshire Orchestra Concert - Memorial Hall
Saturday 17 August - Flower and Produce Show, Church Hall.
Saturday 7 September - Model Boat and Duck Race
Thursday 10 October - Concert by Crewe Concert Band
Tuesday 22 October - Annual Hall Quiz
Sunday 10 November - Service of Remembrance - 3pm
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Nature Article

Later than the normal January it was from February onwards that the song thrush in the allotments hedgerow of Sandylands Park produced the first melodies of the morning. A male sparrowhawk, rosy breast prominent, appeared in our front-garden crab-apple tree, 23 Jan., but was instantly off over the roof of the house without a kill.



January and February sightings from Ann Benson and Audrey Harding were reported of a mottled bird of blackbird proportions in Lear Drive, and a pied blackbird photograph was sent through by David Jones of Berkeley Lodge, which he confessed was taken twelve to eighteen months ago. These oddly-marked specimens seem to be stealing the show at the moment.



Robert Paine has sent in photographs of a goldcrest pair in his Valley Road garden. The birds are very vocal according to Robert who also says it is unusual to see them in that area. Our star bird this winter was a single bramble among our chaffinches – our only record for some years now – making 24 Feb. a very special date. Bramblings may be a rare sight for us but seem quite common elsewhere. We were pleased to welcome a stock dove to our garden in March, only recently learning to recognise one. A blackbird spent the whole week commencing 24 March nest-building in our small conifer (building by this species by female only). We don't recall any species being successful in this tree. Blackbirds have a habit of nesting low in trees but can be so vulnerable to predators. House sparrows have shown interest in our nestbox terrace, with no interference yet from great tits, and nest material has been taken in to the central hole.

We have seen no swallows or martins yet in the village, but rejoiced at a swallow over Five Wells Farm between Chelmorton and Taddington in Derbyshire, on Sun, 7 April. With their middens and subsequent flies, farms are a good place to look for these hirundines.

Despite chiffchaffs having been heard in the countryside for many weeks already, the scissor-sharpening notes of this illusive warbler were not heard in Wistaston by us until 8 April.
Butterflies on warm days have been red admiral (20.3), blue (28.3) and peacock (8.4).
We are grateful to our ultimate reporters, Vic and Meinie Barnett of Princess Close, for their three or four redpolls seen low in their garden shrubberies in early April. Their reference book confirmed this exciting find, the red spots on foreheads diagnostic. We admit we are envious. Our thanks to all contributors.
Trevor and Hilary Clowes: Tel. 664358 email handt136@talktalk.net

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Summer Celebration

This year our **Garden Party**, on Wednesday 10 July, will be held at **St Mary's Church Hall & Lawn,** Church Lane, Wistaston from 7 - 9pm in the presence of the **Mayor and the Wistaston Rose Queen.**

Strawberries & Cream

Cakes, Jams and Chutneys etc
Home-made Breads and Grand Raffle
Admission £1 including Refreshments
Please come, support and enjoy
You'll be very welcome.

Nigel Hobbs, Wistaston's PCSO writes:
Hi and welcome to my article for the summer issue.

With the warmer weather on its way (so the met office promise us) it's time to look at the security of your home and gardens. Please ensure that your windows and doors are in a good condition/state of repair and that any window locks used are of a good quality; check around your property for any areas that are in need of repair i.e. fences, hedges etc. Ensure you close/shut any windows especially the ground floor before you go out, don't become a victim of crime to an opportunist thief who has spied a chance to get into your home and help themselves to your property.

Did you know that you can ask for a uv marker pen which you can use to mark items with your postcode and house number so that if they are stolen they can be reunited with you as any property recovered is checked for such markings. If you would like a uv pen please send me an email with your details and I will get one out to you. If you have an alarm please use it and ensure that it is maintained and in working order; perhaps consider installing a cctv system, this is not only a visual deterrent, but it will give you peace of mind and will assist us in the event of you becoming a victim of crime. Please also check on the security of sheds and outbuildings; keep them in a state of good repair with a good quality lock on. This makes a thief's job harder to get in and steal stuff and be mindful that you put away your tools, mowers, garden equipment etc. after use and lock your shed - don't leave things lying around where they could be easily taken.

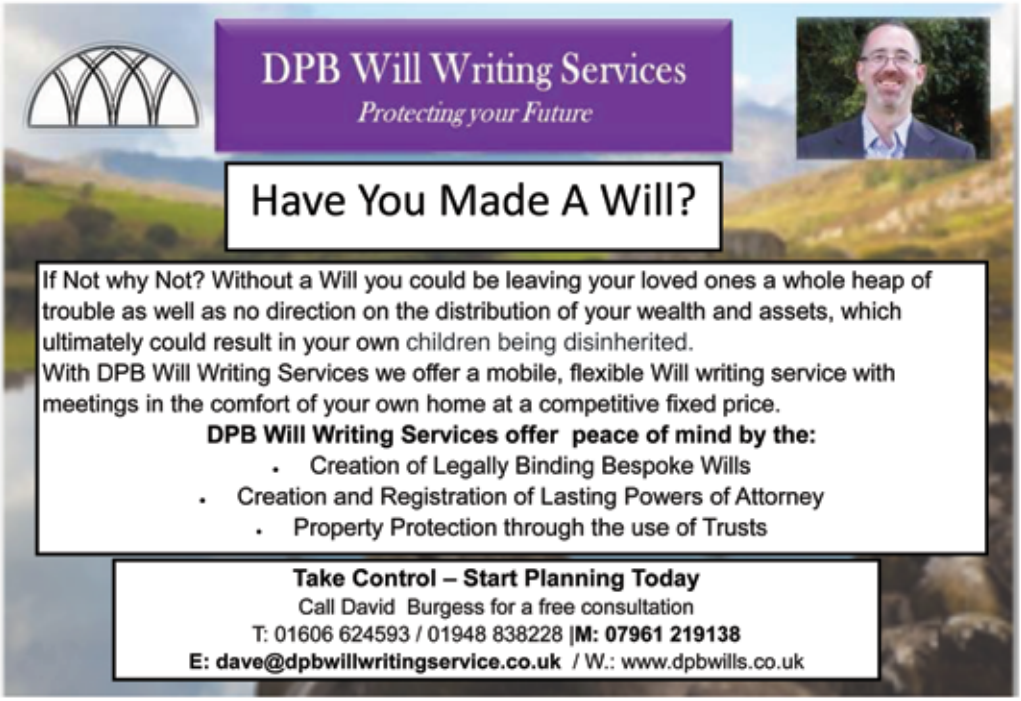
I am still getting regular complaints about inconsiderate parking and speeding, for which ongoing enforcement is taking place in the form of fixed penalty notices or getting vehicles removed for parking issues, utilising the speed watch group, placing SID (speed indication device) out, the use of the trucam (enforceable speed camera and/or the camera van) in areas where complaints have been received. If any local residents would like to volunteer a couple of hours a month to take part in the community speed watch scheme, please contact me on the details below, all training etc. will be provided. The group is very active at present and new volunteers are always very welcome.

Please follow my facebook and twitter pages, details are -
Facebook Wistaston and Willaston Police
twitter @WistWillPol

Please feel free to sign up to the Cheshire alert - this is a system where details are sent out to those residents who don't have/use facebook or twitter, the link is - www.cheshirepolicealert.co.uk

Once signed up emails, messages and information will be sent out to all recipients and followers regarding issues affecting residents in the Wistaston area.
Please feel free to email myself on nigel.hobbs@cheshire.pnn.police.uk regarding any issues that are affecting you and your community - you can also tell us what matters to you by going to www.Cheshire.police.co.uk/priorities and fill the online form in.

I have a number of beat meetings/surgeries set up for the coming weeks which are held in the Howe room of St Marys Church Hall on Church Lane; check out the Parish Council's noticeboards and website, look on the board on the wall outside St Marys Church Hall, Cheshire police web site (click on local policing then on Wistaston & Willaston) for the dates and times; these meetings/surgeries are a chance for you to speak to me on a one to one basis about any issues that are affecting you in your local area.
Nigel Hobbs
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National Flower Arranging Day 2019

Each year the National Association of Flower Arranging Societies (NAFAS) organises a national flower arranging day. The idea is to promote the awareness of flower arranging clubs and to bring a smile!

This year arrangements by members of Wistaston and District Flower Club were placed in Wistaston Memorial Hall and at The Brittles as well as Richmond Village, Church Minshull and Marks and Spencer. The flowers have been enjoyed by many visitors to these venues. *Judy Gratton*





Summer

Ah! Summer, my favourite season
The sun is warm, the breeze is light.
Gone are the dark days of winter.
Summer holidays are now in sight.

The birds are singing. What a sound!
Better than any music I'm playing.
The children's laughter is all around
The trees branches gently swaying.

What a winter we've all endured
Snow, wind, frost and rain
Now here's the sun, Oh! What a joy
An evening walk down the lane.

With many thanks to Barbara Tomkinson of Wistaston for her poem.

Wistaston Young Drama Group

Drama for the Community

Our members have been invited to perform at Wistaston Memorial Hall's celebration of 70 years serving the community. They will be performing "All the World's a Stage" which includes Jacques speech from "As You Like It". This was performed as part of their London Academy of Music and Dramatic Arts examination last year.

As well as working on basic stagecraft, voice work and general performance we provide the young people with the opportunity to showcase an annual theatrical production which last year was performed at The Players' Theatre, Nantwich. We will be starting rehearsals in September for our next Showcase.

Are you interested in having fun with your friends whilst showing off your dramatic side?

If so, then Wistaston Young Drama Group would be delighted to meet you. We are always interested in welcoming young people from our community aged 7 onwards to be part of this long standing, award winning drama group. We meet every Saturday morning from 10.30am to 12.45pm at Wistaston Memorial Hall, Church Lane, Wistaston CW2 8ER

So, don't delay, book your place and come and join this vibrant, energetic, creative drama group! Looking forward to meeting you soon.

Free taster session with this article.

For more information : www.wistastonyoungdramagroup.weebly.com
email: wydg@hotmail.co.uk or contact Judy 01270 650341



Wistaston Memorial Hall & Community Centre - 70 years in existence; - built in memory of sixteen Wistaston heroes

South Cheshire 'George Formby' Ukulele Society, Crewe Movie Makers and Wistaston Young Drama Group presented an event celebrating 70 years of Wistaston Memorial Hall & Community Centre on the evening of Tuesday 26th March 2019 at the Wistaston Memorial Hall & Community Centre, Church Lane, Wistaston. The event took place on the 70th anniversary date of the Hall, which was officially opened on Saturday 26th March 1949.

The event was 'A Night of Entertainment' celebrating the Hall's 70 years among the community and included live music, drama and two short films about the Hall. Michael Ravenscroft was the Master of Ceremonies.

Isobel Carrahar introduced two short films produced by members of Crewe Movie Makers. The first film was edited by Isobel herself in association with John White (Chairman, Wistaston Memorial Hall Committee). Isobel used the seventeen years of research by John, in relation to the sixteen men from Wistaston who died in the Second World War, to produce a moving and fitting tribute to their bravery. The Memorial Hall was built in memory of sixteen men from Wistaston who died in the Second World War; the plaque above the main entrance shows their names. We will always remember them.
The second film - 'A Community Focal Point' - was edited by Frank Nicklin and showed, via videos and photographs, the range of groups and societies which have used the Hall throughout the year and in years past. It is a well-used, popular and important centre of the community, and has been so for seventy years.



The programme also included an impressive performance by Wistaston Young Drama Group entitled 'All the world's a stage'. Des Redfern sang and played his mandolin. Tony Brindley sang superbly; Arthur Newton encouraged audience participation with his accordion 'Sing-along'. The evening was completed by seventeen members of the South Cheshire George Formby Ukulele Society.
Diane Edge-Robinson, the Hall's Vice Chairman, thanked everyone for their support to make this a resounding success. Over 130 people were in attendance and the event raised over £600, which will go towards the ongoing upkeep of the Hall. *With many thanks to Jonathan White for this article.*

Worleston Chamber Concerts
In 2018 we ran a wonderful and diverse series of eight professional chamber music concerts at Brine Leas School. We were entertained by African Soprano, Margaret Ferguson, Ryebank Piano Trio, Virtuoso Bass soloist, Leon Bosch, various wind players, such as clarinet soloist and Principal of the Royal Northern College of Music Linda Merrick, with large Ensemble music of Strauss conducted by Dr Timothy Reynish. Featuring Mozart, Beethoven, Hummel. Cole Porter, Gershwin, Ferenc, Poulenc, Zelenka, Bottesini, to name a few, culminating in a marvellous performance of the Schubert Octet which included some of our country's finest musicians. In fact nearly all the musicians previously studied at the Royal Northern College of music. Funding is still a problem so in order for these concerts to continue I have to put up the charges and reduced the amount. We hope you can attend and bring your friends.
Please purchase your tickets and share with your family and friends. £12, £5
https://www.worlestonmusicschool.co.uk/next-concert
Andrew Bassey

2019 Series at St Mary's Church in Nantwich

7pm Saturday 22nd June 2019 Ryebank Piano Trio Jonathan Ellis Piano, Duncan Reid Violin, and Isabel Williamson Cello

7pm Saturday 13th July 2019 Linda Merrick Trio Linda Merrick Clarinet (RNCM Principal), Andrew Bassey Bassoon, and Jonathan Ellis Piano

7pm Saturday 5th October 2019 World famous Dr Tim Reynish conducts a large Wind Ensemble with possible soloist Virtuoso Flautist Wissam Boustani

7pm Saturday 16th November 2019 Worleston Virtuosi
Linda Merrick Clarinet (RNCM Principal),
Ben Holland Violin (RNCM Professor),
Leon Bosch Bass Virtuoso Marck Sheridan BBC Symphony Cellist
Shirley Richards ex BBC Phil violin, Andrea Gilliatt ex Hallé viola
Peter Richards Chamber Orch of Europe Horn and Andrew Bassey Bassoon

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Answers to Cricket Quiz on page 13:
1. Four 2. Blue 3. Melbourne, 1877. 4. Calcutta Cricket Club. 5. Denis Amiss of England in the second One-Day International ever (1972).
6. (c)1864.

Wistaston's 37th Annual Flower and Produce Show Saturday 17 August 2019

Schedule of Classes

Entry fee - 30p per class. Children's Classes Free. First Prize for each class £2

Section F - Flower Classes

F1. Bowl of Sweet Peas, mixed colours, 15 stems minimum.
F2. A specimen Rose in a vase.
F3. Three Large Gladioli, any variety or varieties.
F4. Three Pom Pom Dahlias, any varity or varieties.
F5. Three Cactus or Semi-Cactus Dahlias any variety or varieties.
F6. Three Decorative Dahlias, any variety or varieties.
F7. A Single Stem of any Flowering Plant (not in schedule) in a vase.
F8. Single Geranium Head in a Vase
F9. Six French Marigolds, any variety or varieties.
F10. A Shallow Bowl of Floating Flower Heads - arranged for effect.
F11. A Vase of Mixed Flowers - home grown. .
F12. A Cactus.
F13. A Geranium in a Pot - with saucer.
F14. A Begonia in a Pot - with saucer.
F15. Flowering Plant in a Pot, with saucer, excluding plants from Class 19.
F16. A Foliage Plant in a Pot, with saucer,
F17. Six Fuchsia Heads on a Board.
F18. A Fuchsia in a 9cm Pot, with saucer, any variety.
F19. Alpine Garden - 25cm x 25 cm max.

Section V - Vegetable Classes.

V1. A Vegetable not on Schedule - please specify on entry form.
V2. Five White Potatoes on a Plate - any variety.
V3. Five Coloured Potatoes on a Plate, any variety
V4. Three Onions - roots shown, not to exceed 225 grams each. See Rule 21.
V5. Six Carrots - tops trimmed to 8cm
V6. Five Ripe Tomatoes - not cherry variety - on a Plate.
V7. Nine Shallots - Large - over 30mm in diameter.
V8. Three Round Beetroot - tops trimmed to 8cm.
V9. One Vegetable Marrow - with stalk.
V10 . One Lettuce - roots shown
V11 . One Cucumber - with stalk.
V12.. A Truss of Tomatoes - not cherry variety - some ripe..
V13. A Truss of a Named Variety of Cherry Tomatoes on a plate - some ripe.
V14.. Five Ripe Cherry Tomatoes on a plate - variety to be named.
V15. Six Runner Beans - all with some stalk.
V16. Six Dwarf Beans - all with some stalk.
V17. Three Courgettes - each with some stalk.
V18. A Single Pot of Three Different Herbs

Section D - Wistaston Parish Council Vegetable Display

Dl. A Collection of Five Different Classes of Vegetables..

Section B - Harvest Basket

B1. A Basket containing Fruit, Flowers & Produce - not to exceed 46cm in width and length; height unrestricted.

Section A - Flower Arrangements - please read rule 20.

A1.'A Summer Arrangement'
A2. 'Flower Arrangement With Ornament' - petite 25cms overall.

Section H - Housecraft Classes - please cover entries with transparent covering.

H1. A jar of home Made Strawberry Jam;
H2. A jar of Home **Made Jam - not Strawberry**
H3. A jar of Home Made Chutney.
The above three items to have cellophane covers only.
H4. Three pieces of Shortbread
H5 Five Square Flapjacks
H6 Five Jam Tarts
H7 A Plate of Five Chocolate Butterfly Cakes
H8 A Lemon Drizzle Cake baked in a loaf tin.
H9. A Cheesecake, approx.20cm in diameter presented on a plate.
H10.A Victoria Sponge Cake - read Rule 19 carefully.
H11 Five Cheese Scones
H12 A Quiche , approx. 20cm in diameter, presented on a plate.
H13.An Apple Pie approx.20cm in diamter, short crust pastry top and bottom, presented on a plate.
H14. Five Decorated Cup Cakes.

Section W. Beverages.

W1 A Bottle of Home Made Fruit/Vegetable/Flower Wine 75 ml bottle, not from a kit.

Section Y - Hobby Crafts - Please read Rule 18

Y1. A Knitted Toy
Y2. A Crochet Toy.
Y3. A Painting - own original work, A4 max size, unframed..
Y4. A Decorated Plant Pot.10-15cm diameter pot
Y5 Any craft not on schedule. Specify on entry form.

Section C - Children's Classes - free to enter.

C1. Pre-school - My Favourite Flower
C2. Under 12's - A Miniature Garden in seed tray; approx. 6 x 8 inches.
C3. Under 12's - A Greeting Card.
C4 . Under 12's - A Decorated Plant Pot.
C5. Under12's - A Vegetable/Fruit Creature.

Parish Council Photographic Competition

Free to enter
Class A: A Typical Snapshot.
Class B: A Cardboard Framed Enlargement.
Prize money will be £5, £3 and £2 in both classes.
Entries to be with the Show President by 8August 2019.

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 and contain the correct amount of ingredients.

Gwyneth Brown, Show President
101 Church Lane Wistaston CW2 8ER Tel: 568823

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