



Plumley Village Newsletter

Including Toft and Bexton

January/February 2014

Welcome to the latest edition of the Newsletter.

Between editions of the Newsletter all the latest information and news can be found on the website, at:

<http://parish.cheshire.gov.uk/plumley-bexton-toft-parish-council/index.htm>

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2014 Dates for the Diary

- more details in this issue.

Tues 21st Jan - Find out more about fibre broadband, 4-8pm, Community Centre, Tarporley.

Wed 22nd Jan - Find out more about fibre broadband, 4-8pm, Festival Hall, Alderley Edge.

Wed 29th Jan - Police Surgery 7.30pm (PVH)

Wed 29th Jan - Parish Council Meeting 7.45pm (PVH)

25 - 26 Jan - RSPB Bird Watch www.rspb.org.uk/birdwatch

Sat 1st Feb - Coffee Morning, 10am (PMC)

Mon 3rd Feb - WI Annual Birthday party 7.30pm (PVH)

Tues 4th Feb - Fellowship House Group 7pm (PMC)

Tues 28th Feb - Guild Meeting 2.30pm (PMC)

Wed 19th Feb - Afternoon Tea 3pm (PMC)

Sun 23rd Feb - Choosing the Rose Queen 2014, 11.30am (PVH)

Wed 26th Feb - Police Surgery 7.30pm (PVH)

Wed 26th Feb - Parish Council Meeting 7.45pm (PVH)

Sat 1st Mar - Coffee Morning, for Kenya Fund 10am (PMC)

Mon 3rd Mar - "Miracle in Manchester" - talk by Geoff Scargill, 7.30pm (WI)(PVH)

Tues 4th Mar - Fellowship House Group 7pm (PMC)

Sun 23rd Mar - "Sport Relief Miles - Knutsford" for more information go to <http://my.sportrelief.com/search/event/result?id=1943&location=knutsford>

Tues 25th Mar - Guild Meeting 2.30pm (PMC)

Mon 7th Apr - "Animals in the War" - talk by Graham Stirrup 7.30pm (WI)(PVH)

Key

PVH - Plumley Village Hall
TCH - Toft Church Hall
SJT - St John's Church Toft
PMC - Plumley Methodist Church
WI - Women's Institute.
PC - Parish Council
LP - Lower Peover
P - Plumley

Copy date for the next edition will be 20th February 2014

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Parish Council News

Parish Council Meetings

The next meeting of the Parish Council (PC) will be held on Wed 29th Jan at 7.45pm in Plumley Village Hall (PVH). Members of the public are welcome at the meetings, and a 15 minute period is included on the agenda for questions from the public.

A police surgery is held prior to the PC meetings. On the 29th Jan at 7.30pm (PVH).

PCSO Lindsey Whitehead will be running Police Surgeries at Plantation dates to be confirmed.

Christmas Card

Competition

The standard of entries was very high this year and we

would like to thank everyone who entered their wonderful designs.

This year's winners were:

Age 9 & 10 category; 1st Prize - Amy Richardson (age 9); 2nd Prize - Amy Hodgson (age 9).
Age 3 to 6 category;

1st Prize - Elliot Long (age 3);
2nd Prize - Rafferty Smith (age 6).

Runners up - Katy Richardson, Olivia Richardson, Eve Peacock, Emily Hodgson, Rosie Spence & Isabel Smith.

The prizes were awarded at the Carol concert on 20th December in the Village Hall.

Vandalism at the Station

Sadly, the station seat was vandalised over Christmas.

But thanks to a concerned resident it has now been repaired. There has also been an incident on the childrens' artwork in the shelter so we would like to alert residents to watch out for vandalism in the parish.

P C Responsibilities

Sybil Crossman-Chairman.

David Nichols-Vice Chairman & Plumley Village Hall.

Tony Gabbott-Community Pride & Parish Plan Implementation.

Jim Lloyd-Home watch & Cheshire Resilience Plan.

Jane Richardson-Transport & Highways.

John Wright-Footpaths & Planning.

Not Just a Little Gem, but the best in Cheshire....

It gives me great pleasure to announce that on Tuesday 14th January at the Grange theatre in Hartford, Plumley Station was the overall winner of the Best Kept Station in Cheshire competition.

This competition is much larger than I thought when we entered our station. It uses the pre 1974 boundaries of 'Old Cheshire' so includes parts of Trafford, Merseyside and Stockport. There were 17 awards covering specific areas before the overall winner was announced.

We saw these go to Crewe, Stockport and other manned stations who have resources we simply don't. So to be selected as the winner is an outstanding achievement for our community and all those who have given time and resources to achieve it.

I must again thank Andy Yates and his staff at Plantation for the huge amount of work and

commitment they put into the project. Thanks also to the team at Meridian Health Coms who let use huge amounts of water during the dry summer and to the children of Lower Peover school whose fantastic art work was loved by the Judges. There are many others who worked hard behind the scenes and everyone involved has my thanks and respect.

The exciting thing is that Plumley Station is still a work in progress and will become more and more beautiful as the years pass. Andy and I are already planning what needs to be done this year and all you have to do is let me know if you would also like to be a part of the story of the Best Kept Station in Cheshire.

Cllr Tony Gabbott

Plumley Fete 2014

Fancy being a '**Royal**' for a year? If you're 10yrs or over why not apply for Plumley Rose Queen 2014?! Come to our choosing on Sunday 23rd Feb at 11.30am PVH. Please note to enter for Queen you must have taken part in last years fete - however we have lots of other roles to fill ie Plumley Princess, attendants, flower girls, and lots more too! So please come along and take part so you can apply to be Rose Queen next year!

We would love a sword and/or sceptre bearer so if you're a boy we need you!!

Are you a Plumley Business? Would you like to sponsor one of our Plumley Promoters in this years procession?? If so please get in touch!

Please note this year's Fun Day will be held on Saturday 28th June.

Contact Sarah - 07554 344420 or Michelle - 07930 987940

Children's Corner

A January miscellany



January was established as the first month of the year in the Roman Calendar. It was named after the god Janus (the latin word for door). Janus had two faces, allowing him to look backwards

into the old year and forwards to the new year at the same time. Janus was the 'spirit of the opening'.

Jan 1st 1927 – BBC began broadcasting its first programmes.

Jan 4th 1809 – Louis Braille was born, he was 3 yrs old when an accident caused him to lose his sight.

Jan 10th 1863 – The London Underground began operating

Jan 11th 1954 – The first televised weather forecast was broadcast featuring a presenter on screen.

Jan 14th 1986 – Motorist were required by law to wear seat belts.

Jan 27th 1756 – Mozart was born in Austria.

The Golden Pheasant

For those of you who have not met me, my name is Richard Casson and I have the privilege to be the General Manager of The Golden Pheasant. Returning to the area last year after a four year absence was like a home coming having previously been at the Bells of Peover for 10 years.

The tenancy at The Pheasant ended in 2013 and the pub returned to being part of the managed division of JW Lees Brewery. From the customers perspective this change isn't immediately obvious, we still offer the same fantastic ales and continue to serve freshly prepared food. Over the coming year this will enable us to make improvements to the Pheasant, have a more seasonal changing menu and offer some fantastic promotions.

I have been lucky to inherit some fabulous staff at the Pheasant, along with Christine and Rick our Assistant Managers the team are bubbly bright and friendly and I think this is reflected in the many repeat guests we have. Our regular tea time trade is made up of a group of faithful familiar local faces. Both the team and I are also keen to become more involved in village life and support local events.

We are fortunate to regularly host the Inner Wheel Ladies, the Gentlemen from Probus, Knutsford Motor Club and other local groups, this is something we look to continue and hopefully expand. We were honoured to host lunch for the members of St Oswald's Church just this month.

As well as offering the traditional elements of a pub, we are moving into the area of social media. Take a look at our website www.goldenpheasantatplumley.co.uk. Until the end of January registering your address would entitle you to a 25% voucher off your next visit. We also run spot promotions on twitter @Goldpheasant, our last being a free pint of the new Drayman's Cheer Ale, our current seasonal bitter. The website also holds our current menus with our Burns Night and Valentines menu both about to be uploaded.

The team and I look forward serving you both regulars, locals and new guests too in 2014.

Culture at Curzon

Throughout the new year, alongside their film programme, Curzon cinema Knutsford are continuing with their live screenings of theatre, opera and ballet. National Theatre Live will broadcast the Donmar Warehouse's production of Coriolanus, Shakespeare's searing tragedy of political manipulation and revenge on 30th January. This will be followed by the National Theatre's original

stage production of War Horse, broadcast live from London's West End to cinemas on 27th February. The Royal Opera House Live will show Marius Petipa's Giselle on 27th January and The Bolshoi Ballet's Jewels on 19th January. To find out more and book in advance, call into Knutsford Curzon or see www.curzoncinemas.com/knutsford.

Sarah Kym McLoughlin, Holly Cottage

HS2 - Make Sure You Have Your Say!

The deadline for submitting comments on the proposed HS2 high speed rail line - 31st January at 5.00pm - is fast approaching. Please make sure your voice is heard.

The complete HS2 Ltd documents and maps are available on line at <http://www.hs2.org.uk/phase-two/route-consultation>

HOW TO RESPOND TO THE CONSULTATION

You can comment on anything you think is relevant to the HS2 proposal. HS2 Ltd give questions for you to answer, but you can make your own comments too.

Submit comments by email to HS2PhaseTwoRoute@ipsos.com

on line at

<http://research.ipsosinteractive.com/mriWeb/mriWeb.dll>

or send in by mail via Freepost –

Freepost RTEL-YAZX-HAZT
Phase Two Route Consultation
PO Box 1152
HARROW
HA1 9LH

Please only use the channels described above when responding to this consultation. The Department for Transport and HS2 Ltd cannot accept responsibility for ensuring that responses sent to any other addresses are included in this consultation. The views and information submitted will be summarised in an independent report that will be considered by the Sec-

retary of State for Transport when deciding on the proposed route.

Do your own research, see STOPHS2 at <http://stophs2.org/>

DON'T BE RAILROADED INTO IT!

The strategic economic benefits are exaggerated and unproven.

It has a business case based on false assumptions.

It will commit future generations to huge subsidies, increasing the national debt.

It will benefit very few, at a time when a great many are expected to suffer.

It will not move much travel from planes or cars and assumes many more leisure journeys.

It will make our country more dependent on the London economy.

It is not a low carbon solution, it will increase energy consumption.

It will cause huge environmental damage.

It does not learn from the financial failure of HS1, the only comparable project.

It will crowd out crucial investment in transport, which is needed and beneficial.

It has alternatives that deliver greater benefits at less cost and less damage.

It ignores the Internet which is changing the way we communicate and interconnect.

The Big Plumley, Toft & Bexton Garden Birdwatch

This New Year, take part in the world's largest wildlife survey by simply spending one hour counting the birds in your garden over the weekend of 25-26th January. 590,000 people took part last year, recording 8.2million birds! You can register to take part and submit your results online here: www.rspb.org.uk/birdwatch

**Sarah Kym McLoughlin
Holly Cottage**

The Great British **FISH & CHIPS** Supper
Supporting Spinal Injuries Association
Friday 16th May 2014

Make the batter matter
Hold a Great British Fish and Chip Supper to help raise money to support our outreach services.

To request a fundraising pack:
Call 0845 071 4350
Email fundraising@siafishandchips.co.uk
Visit www.siafishandchips.co.uk
Registered Charity No 1054097

Village Hall	Plumley Methodist Church	Plumley Women's Institute
<p>Plumley's Christmas Cracker Weekend</p> <p>Thanks to all who attended our Christmas Cracker Weekend - tea with Santa was magical - special thanks to the big man for fitting us into his busy schedule!! Unfortunately our Christmas Craft Fair wasn't as well attended as we'd have liked - However Thank You to ER Events for their kind donation of £45. As always your support is paramount to enable us to organise these events for village residents.</p> <p>Christmas Tree</p> <p>Unfortunately the Christmas tree outside the hall was stolen this year. But Christmas spirit was high and we received 2 kind offers of replacement trees. many thanks go to Jonathon Farber who kindly donated the replacement tree, and manager Jon Long from The Crown Estate for their kind offer also.</p> <p>Carol Concert</p> <p>The annual Carol Concert by Mereside Brass band was again a great success and very well attended. the event benefited the Village Hall by over £270 from donations & the raffle. So Thank you to everyone who attended and a big thank you to the Mereside Brass band for your continued support of the village hall.</p> <p>Rural Touring Arts</p> <p>The latest Cheshire Rural Touring Arts Event at the village hall on November 16th was sold out when Oliver Meech entertained the audience with his show called "When Magic and Science Collide". All ages were catered for with his mixture of comedy and magic and various members of the audience took part in the tricks on stage.</p> <p>The next Rural Touring event will be a show marking the centenary of the First World War by the Nottingham Playhouse called The Second Minute and this will take place on SUNDAY 1st June at 7.30pm - tickets will be available nearer the time from the shop or from Penny Allen.</p> <p>YOUR village hall needs YOUR help and support!!</p> <p>Could you spare a few hours a week to help support "YOUR" village hall???</p> <p>We have several vacancies within the committee. Bookings Secretary, Hall Manager and Grounds Manager, if you think you may be able to help in any way in these roles or may be help in other areas of the committee however big or small we would love to hear from you :-)) more information about the roles can be provided upon request.</p> <p>Ormaybe you have a function coming up? Then please enquire about holding your event at the village hall!</p> <p><i>Sarah Sanderson & Michelle Moores</i> Plumley Village Hall Committee Registered Charity 520096.</p>	<p>The coffee mornings continue to be a super time of fellowship together. So why not call in if you've never been before especially if you are new to the village and we will make feel welcome and introduce you to some of your neighbours.</p> <p>Next Coffee Mornings are:.</p> <p>Saturday 1st February and 1st March 2014 from 10am the March is for the Kenya fund</p> <p>The Fellowship house group meets on the first Tuesday of the month, the next ones are 4th February and 4th March. All are very welcome and for more information contact Elizabeth on 722721</p> <p>Guild meetings are held on the last Tuesday of the month 2.30pm, the next are 28th January and 25th February. For more information contact Madge Holt on 722693</p> <p>An Afternoon Tea will be held on Wednesday 19th February 3pm with a speaker afterwards. All welcome</p> <p>The Church has now 'gone live' with a website which can be viewed at www.plumleymethodistchurch.org.uk</p> <p>The Bazaar held Saturday on 2nd November was a super afternoon catching up with 'old friends' and raised just over £1000.00 so in spite of very hard work by many people proved very successful. Mrs Jean Green from Lostock Green Methodist Church opened it with a witty poem.</p> <p><i>Elizabeth Hall</i></p>	<p>Monday Feb. 3rd - The Annual Birthday evening.</p> <p>The competition – Photograph taken in the 50s.</p> <p>Monday Mar. 3rd - Geoff Scargill giving a talk entitled "Miracle in Manchester" – Barbi-rolli and The Halle.</p> <p>The competition – A musical item.</p> <p>Monday Apr. 7th - Graham Stirrup talking on "Animals in the War".</p> <p>The competition – An animal ornament</p> <p>All the above meetings will be held at 7.30p.m. in Plumley Village Hall.</p> <p>This was the last year for Sandra Quinn, our Programme Secretary to organise our yearly programme. We thank Sandra for all the work she has put into making our programmes so interesting and varied. Our new Programme Secretary is Ruth Turner, we wish her all the best in her new post.</p> <p>This year like other years has a very varied programme for members, talks include Canal restoration, Women as Special Agents, Animals in the War, and an intriguing talk entitled "Naughty but Nice". 2014 is a very special year as Plumley W.I. will be celebrating it's 60th Birthday. We will be having a special Birthday evening in June to commemorate the event.</p> <p>Our Secretary has already received a Schedule for the 2014 Cheshire Show, we will be putting our thinking caps on for ideas. The monthly walks, will be resumed shortly, together with the Painting classes, Darts practices and Theatre outings.</p> <p>We have a new Press Secretary, her name is Christine Barwell, and Christine will be taking over from me at the beginning of the year. I wish her luck with her new post, and hope that she gets as much enjoyment being Press Secretary as I have over the past eight years.</p> <p>Many thanks,</p> <p><i>Virginia Williamson</i></p>
	<p>Plumley Mum's & Tots</p> <p>Friendly Playgroup for babies, toddlers and Pre-schoolers at Plumley Village Hall every Tuesday 10am-12pm during term time. Variety of toys, craft and song time. Refreshments for adults and children. All new faces warmly welcomed. £2 per child (50p extra per additional child).</p>	
	<p>Thursday is Creative Stitchers Sewing Club Day!</p>	
	<p>Come and join us in 2014</p> <p>Would you like to meet other people who enjoy sewing and make new friends?</p> <p>Our aim is to have some sewing fun, get inspiration, discuss ideas and maybe learn something new! People of all abilities welcome</p> <p>Mornings 9.00am - 12 noon, Evenings 7.00pm - 10.00pm</p> <p>Sewing Workshops</p> <p>Learn how to use your new sewing machine</p> <p>Roman Blinds - a contemporary way to dress your windows</p> <p>Cushions - learn to be creative with cushions</p> <p>Dressmaking - make your own clothes</p> <p>And lots more!</p> <p>Check out our website for all the details www.creative-stitchers.co.uk</p> <p>Tel: Sue 07711 585072 or Tracy 07768 916058</p>	<p>Homewatch Alert!</p> <p>On 8/01/14 an Elderly lady was contacted by a male purporting to be DCI Martin Benton from Hammersmith Police. The male has said that her card been used fraudulently and that a courier would collect her cards for their investigation. At approx. 19:00 a male driving a grey people carrier with a word like Forresters on the side came and took her cards. £500 has since been spent in 2 shops (possibly betting shops) and a further £1000 has been spent in a Manchester Casino</p> <p>A similar incident happened in Handforth on 02/01/14, however the elderly person on this occasion cancelled her card and did not hand it to the courier.</p> <p>Please be alerted to this scam and warn any elderly members to be aware and contact 101 should they receive a similar call.</p> <p>Jane Thirsk, Knutsford Police</p>

Local Contacts	Local Groups in Plumley
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Parish Council Chairman - Cllr Sybil Crossman 722650 ◆ Village Hall Committee Chairman - David Nichols 723837 ◆ Village Hall Bookings Sue Wainwright 723988 e-mail: wainwrightsue@btinternet.com ◆ Chapel Bookings Elizabeth Hall 722721 ◆ Tennis Courts & Play area Penny Allen 01565 722259 ◆ Plumley Stores/Post Office Jonathan Royle 722277 ◆ Toft Church Hall Hazel Raw 651205 ◆ Cheshire East Council 0300 123 5500 ◆ Knutsford Police 0845 458 6380 ◆ Flexible Transport Service 0845 0779110 (from 09.30 - 12.30 Monday to Friday) ◆ Cheshire West & Chester Rural Rider 01606 784100 ◆ The Guild Edna Fewtrell or Madge Holt ◆ Village Hall Events Organisers (Fete & Fund Raising) Sarah Sanderson 07554 344420 or 01565 23241 Michelle Moores on 07930 987940 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Creative Stitchers Sue 07711 585072 or Tracy 07768 916058 Guild Chapel Hall Halle Group Last Tues in month 2.30pm Jim Rankin. Tel 651170 Holly Tree Riding Stables Gloria Robinson. Tel 722188 Iyengar Yoga Wednesday 6.30pm—8pm PVH. Contact Sue Rennie. Tel 01606 888324 Lower Peover Kids Club 4-14 years. Contact Kathy McIntyre. Tel 722358 Mereside Brass Band (PVH) Bookings Tel 07747 302064 Practice Fri 8-10pm Tel 07747302064 Learners 6.45-7.45pm Tel 07879697768 Mums and Tots VH Tues morning (termtime) Plumley Celtic FC J Betts. Tel 01606 737602 Plumley WI PVH 1st Monday in month Christine England. Tel 722283 Probus Club D Tricker. Tel 634756

A BIG THANK YOU to everyone who contributed articles to this edition of the newsletter

<p>Rubbish Collection Day is Wednesday</p> <p>Black bins: 22nd Jan, 5th & 19th Feb & 5th Mar 2014</p> <p>Recycled materials including silver bins: 29th Jan, 12th & 26th Feb & 12th Mar 2014</p> <p>PLEASE NOTE: There are <u>NO GARDEN WASTE COLLECTIONS</u> between 18th Nov 2013 & 14th Mar 2014 Refuse queries Cheshire East Council - 0300 1235011</p>	<p>Mobile Library Schedule</p> <p>Every 3rd Monday at Plumley Village Hall 9.45 am—10.15 am</p> <p>Dates: 3rd & 24th February & 17th March 2014</p> <p>If the car park is busy the Mobile Library will stop at the end of Malt Kiln Road</p>
<p>Events at Toft Church Hall</p>	<p>Cheshire East Councillor George Walton - 651507 george.walton@cheshireeast.gov.uk</p>
<p>Monday</p> <p>U3A Drawing and Painting 10am-12noon Mrs Berry Northen 873053</p> <p>Wednesday</p> <p>Art Group 10am-12 noon Wendy Ramsay. 632362</p> <p>2nd Toft Brownies 6.pm-7.30pm Lisa Codling & Lynne Young. 640572 and 621682</p> <p>5th Knutsford Brownies 5.00pm-6.15pm Rachel Reyer E-mail : thereyers@ntlworld.com</p> <p>Toft Quilters 1pm-3pm 1st Wed of month Veronica Walton 651507</p> <p>Thursday</p> <p>The Callanetic Gp 9am-10am Carol Gunter. 651038</p> <p>Toft Mothers Union 2pm-4pm 1st Thursday in month. 634644</p>	<p>Find our more about Fibre Broadband</p> <p>Over the next 18 months Connecting Cheshire will be rolling out high-speed fibre broadband to over 80,000 premises. To help explain how the much anticipated roll-out will be delivered, two drop-in briefing events will be held on:</p> <p>21st Jan— between 4 & 8pm at the Community Centre, High Street, Tarporley, CW6 0AY</p> <p>22nd Jan - between 4 & 8pm the Festival Hall, Talbot Road, Alderley Edge SK9 7HR</p> <p>Find out how more about the arrival of fibre broadband and see how everyone can benefit from switching to high-speed broadband for home or business use.</p> <p>Experts from BT Openreach on hand to explain the technical and logistical challenges, plus there will be information and maps showing where and when the new services will be arriving. Information on the free Superfast business support programme will also be available.</p> <p>For more information on Connecting Cheshire and proposed fibre coverage visit: www.connectingcheshire.org.uk</p>
<p>Margaret Wilcox School of Speech and Drama</p>	<p>Police Contact Number</p>
<p>Sessions are being held every week at Plumley Village Hall (during term time) on Mondays and Tuesdays, 4 -5.pm and 5 - 6pm for 5-11 year olds and from 6.00-7.00pm for 11-18 year olds.</p> <p>Pre-School Drama Class, rising 2's to 4 year olds contact Sam Marsden for details, phone - 07887 778 822 or email mwsd@hotmail.co.uk</p>	<p>To contact the Police for important but non emergency issues dial 101. The 999 number is still reserved for Police Emergencies and the other Emergency Services.</p> <p>You can also leave a voice mail on 0845 458 6380.</p>