



# Plumley Village Newsletter

Including Toft and Bexton

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Welcome to the latest edition of the Newsletter.

Between editions of the Newsletter all the latest information and news can be found on the web-site, at:  
[www.parish.cheshire.gov.uk/plumley-bexton-toft-parish-](http://www.parish.cheshire.gov.uk/plumley-bexton-toft-parish-)

## Diary Dates at a glance

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## Village Hall News

### Village Fete:

We hope that all of you who joined us at the Village Fete last month enjoyed your afternoon as much as we did.

We were fortunate that the afternoon stayed dry which meant that lots of you were able to spend time catching up with friends & neighbours as well as visiting our stalls &, of course, enjoying the music provided by Mereside Brass.

A great success this year was the Best Single Rose competition. The judge (Matthew Hart from Parkside Nursery) found choosing the winning rose very difficult from the many entries, but finally decided on a top three. To those of us who didn't win, better luck next year!

The afternoon raised £1300 which will go towards replacing our aged curtains

.Thanks go to everyone who gave their time to help as well as to those who donated to the raffle, tombola & to the local nurseries who generously donated plants to the plant stall.

### Rural Touring:

In December we intend to host what will probably be our last Rural Touring production at the Village Hall. We have been proud to be a promoter for Rural Touring for many years, but support in the village has greatly declined such that selling tickets has become very difficult, & this coupled with changes to the funding of the network making it more expensive to put a production on, has led us to decide to stop. This is not a decision that we have taken lightly & should you feel strongly about this & wish to organise future productions we would be delighted to talk to you.

Details of the final production will be announced as soon as we have them finalised.

**Tennis:** We have been in preliminary discussions about the setting up of a tennis club at our tennis courts. If you would be interested in this then look out for news.

Finally, we will be holding our annual concert of Christmas Carols & Music on Friday 16th December. Please join us, it's a lovely way to start the Christmas season.

Pam Arnfield

## Community Pride update

The excellent wooden planters at the entrances to the village were kindly provided by a village resident. We hope that you are enjoying these, as well as the newly-refurbished round flowerbed and adjacent border near the Village Stores. These, and the Railway Station flowerbeds enhance our daily life in the village. The numerous volunteers who are caring for these beds, collecting litter and generally looking after things, are doing a splendid job, for which we are indeed very grateful. The Community Pride/Best Kept Village judges are visiting us regularly and these visits are likely to continue until the Finals Event in mid-October, when the pan-Cheshire winners will be announced.

Please continue to keep our village looking cared for.

## FUN QUIZ NIGHT - 24th September 2016 - Plumley Village Hall

Mid Cheshire Against HS2 are hosting a fish and chip supper quiz night. **Start time 7.00pm**

**Tickets £8** per person (including fish and chip supper). Bring your own drinks. **Maximum 6 people per team.**

Come, enjoy the evening and also learn about the latest developments in the HS2 project.

Copy date for the next edition will be 20th July 2016

All items to be sent to :

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## Parish Councillors areas of responsibility

Tony Gabbott	Chairman.
Chris Wilson	Vice Chair and playing fields
David Nichols	Village Hall
John Wright	Planning.
Gerald Coates	Highways
Jonathan Beever	Footpaths
Howard Lawton	Community Resilience

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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

**Rio Olympic Games 2016 – fact file**

33 venues used  
 42 sport make up the Games  
 10,500 athletes competing  
 206 countries represented  
 The opening ceremony is in the Maracanã Stadium  
 The slogan of the Games is 'Viva sua paixão' (live your passion)



The competition will take place in four different areas  
 Copacabana, beach volleyball  
 Barra, home to the Olympic Park  
 Deodoro, for aquatics, BMX, and equestrian  
 Maracanã, which features two large stadiums  
 The mascot for 2016 is "Vinicius," a yellow and blue creature representing Brazilian wildlife.

**Out and about**

Our local Stately homes and gardens have a variety of fantastic events (free and paid for):

**Arley Hall & Gardens**

<http://www.arleyhallandgardens.com/events/>

7th August National Garden Scheme Open Gardens  
 26th August Walled Garden Theatre – Much Ado About Nothing

**Capesthorpe Hall**

<http://www.capesthorpe.com/events>

5-7th August Rewind Festival  
 20th August Firework Champions

**Tatton Park**

<http://events.tattonpark.org.uk>

7th August VW Car Show  
 14th August Fun Dog Show  
 20-21st August 'Passion for Power' Classic

**Culture at Curzon**

Alongside their weekly film screenings, Curzon Knutsford cinema offer a popular programme of live theatrical, art and dance screenings which can be booked in advance:

<b>14th August</b>	Branagh Theatre - Romeo & Juliet
<b>1st September</b>	NT Live: The Deep Blue Sea
<b>22nd September</b>	NT Live: The Threepenny Opera
<b>26th September</b>	ROH Live: Bellini's Norma
<b>28th September</b>	ROH Live: Cymbeline

Find out more and book tickets here [www.curzoncinemas.com/cinemas/knutsford](http://www.curzoncinemas.com/cinemas/knutsford)

**Music on the Trains**

**Wednesday 17 August** – Chester to Plumley and at the Golden Pheasant

Fiddlestone are playing and singing on the Music Train from Chester and at the Golden Pheasant pub in Plumley. Fiddlestone are an exciting 5-piece band...a new Celtic flavour and a rich repertoire of traditional music... ballads, airs, reels, and songs with stories created from a unique combination of instruments and vocals.

More music trains

Our programme of Music Trains continues until October.

**Wednesday 14 September** – Chester to Plumley and at the Golden Pheasant with Rob Poole and The Suitcase Dwellers

**Wednesday 14 September** – Altrincham/Knutsford to Chester and Alexanders with Murray String Quartet on the train and the Ed Watt Band at Alexanders

**Wednesday 5 October** – Chester to Plumley and at the Golden Pheasant with the Time Bandits

**Plumley Play Area (Moorcroft)**

The Parish Council has been working closely with Cheshire East Council to upgrade the children's play facilities at Moorcroft. Specifications for the new play area were produced based on a survey of Plumley residents.

The supplier of the equipment has been chosen and plans are available for viewing (contact Cllr. Chris Wilson 01606 48415). We are now arranging the delivery of the project with the chosen supplier and Cheshire East Council .

**Greenfingers**

Summer weather has finally arrived! Here are a few hints and tips for your gardens:

- Trim conifers and garden hedges
- Take cuttings from tender perennials and dehead flowers to encourage new blooms
- Cut lavender for drying and trim once flowering is over (avoid cutting old wood)
- Plant Autumn bulbs
- Keep rhododendrons well watered while their buds are forming for next year
- Prune rambling roses (up to a third)

**Cheshire West and Chester Council operate the "Rural Rider" bus from Plumley to Northwich on a Wednesday and Friday. if you would like to use this service please call 01606 784100.**

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<p>17th August: Garden Party                      5th September: Our speakers will be from Albrighton Pottery.                      3rd October: Joanne Halliwell will be giving a talk entitled "Betsy the Scullery Maid."</p> <p>The Competition: An apron or pinafore</p> <p>Upcoming events include a Coffee Morning at a member's home in July and a walk around Bluebell Cottage Gardens on 10th August.</p> <p>We enjoyed a buffet at the Golden Pheasant for our June meeting and July's speaker was Eric Newton who gave a fascinating talk entitled "Life and Times of a Busker." Members enjoyed hearing about his life experiences and career.</p> <p>New members and guests are always welcome.</p> <p>Christine Barwell                      You can follow us on Twitter @wi_plumley</p>	<p>Rev. Jackie Betts who has been our minister for the last two years retires at the end of July and many of you will have met her at coffee mornings which she has attended whenever she has been available. We all wish her a happy and healthy retirement in Cumbria.</p> <p>Jackie arranged a Christingle service for the children in the village and recently a teddy bears' picnic which due to poor weather was held inside. However the children enjoyed 'hunt the bear' in the church followed by a story, game and refreshments.</p> <p>The Rev. Rob Cotton who is based in Knutsford will take over as the minister here and we look forward to his presence and his wife Carol, in the village.</p> <p><b>The coffee mornings</b> continue to be held each month on the first Saturday and is a happy time of fellowship together as well as raising funds for the church and various charities. 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 in Plumley.</p> <p><b>Next Coffee Mornings are:</b>                      Saturday 6th August and 3rd September 10.30 am to noon. Coffee/ teas and refreshments with stalls and a raffle. The coffee mornings in June raised £250 for Lostock Green Methodist Church repair fund and July raised £186 for Plumley church funds.</p> <p><b>The Fellowship house group</b> will commence again on 6th September and then on the first Tuesday of each month at 7.15pm throughout the autumn and winter. All are very welcome and for more information and the venues contact Elizabeth on 722271</p> <p><b>Guild meetings</b> are held on the last Tuesday on the month 2.30pm and offers a varied programme lasting around an hour. For more information contact James Eaton on 722387</p> <p><b>Harvest weekend</b> will be 17/18th September with a ploughmans supper on Saturday 17th at 7pm in the church hall followed by singing some favourite harvest hymns. Further details on the church notice board and poster in the village.</p> <p><b>Annual Bazaar</b> advance notice - the annual bazaar will take place on Saturday 12th November 2pm in the village hall. <b>Please note NO coffee morning on 5th November. Put the date in your diary.</b></p> <p>The Church website can be viewed at <a href="http://www.plumleymethodistchurch.org.uk">www.plumleymethodistchurch.org.uk</a> giving details of services, social events and regular meetings.</p>
Sequence Dancing Tea dance at Plumley Village Hall	
<p>We run a Tea Dance at Plumley Village Hall on the 1st and 3rd Thursday of each month, . We start at 2pm and finish at 4pm with a cup of tea or coffee and a biscuit half way through. Admission is £3.50. Everyone is so friendly and help each other out if someone is not sure of the dance steps. Residents from Tabley House Care Home regularly attend the dances and when they are not able to come the dancers miss talking to them. We would love to see some of the local residents if they would like to come along and see what goes on and why sequence dancers are so fit and healthy as it is great gentle exercise, or just come along for a cup of tea and some live music.</p> <p>We have music supplied by Tim Walker on the keyboard. Tim is one of the best keyboard players for dancing in the area. With Strictly Come Dancing back on the TV some of your readers may be interested in having a go.</p> <p>Sequence Dancing is Ballroom dancing steps but in a pattern of movements repeated every sixteenth bar that everyone does at the same time going round the floor in a circle. There are several tempo types for sequence dancing, such as quick step, waltz, foxtrot, blues, saunter, jive, bossa nova, rumba, tango, swing, salsa, cha cha, etc .</p> <p>For more details see <a href="http://www.spanglefish.com/timwalker-dancing/">http://www.spanglefish.com/timwalker-dancing/</a></p>	

Local Contacts	Local Groups in Plumley	
<p>◆ <b>Parish Council Chairman</b> - Cllr Tony Gabbott 722767</p> <p>◆ <b>Village Hall Committee Chairman</b> - Pam Arnfield 722262</p> <p>◆ <b>Village Hall Bookings</b> on 0770 9864568 or by e-mail to <a href="mailto:bookings@plumleyvillagehall.co.uk">bookings@plumleyvillagehall.co.uk</a></p> <p>◆ <b>Chapel Bookings</b> Elizabeth Hall 722271</p> <p>◆ <b>Tennis Courts &amp; Play area</b> Penny Allen 01565 722259</p> <p>◆ <b>Plumley Stores/Post Office</b> Jonathan Royle 722277</p> <p>◆ <b>Toft Church Hall</b> Hazel Raw 651205</p> <p>◆ <b>Cheshire East Council</b> 0300 123 5500</p> <p>◆ <b>Knutsford Police</b> 0845 458 6380</p> <p>◆ <b>Flexible Transport Service</b> 0845 0779110 (from 09.30 - 12.30 Monday to Friday)</p> <p>◆ <b>Cheshire West &amp; Chester Rural Rider</b> 01606 784100</p> <p>◆ <b>The Guild</b> James Eaton</p> <p>◆ <b>Village Hall Events Organisers (Fete &amp; Fund Raising)</b></p>	<p>Creative Stitchers Sue 07711 585072 or Tracy 07768 916058</p> <p>Guild Chapel Hall Last Tues in month 2.30pm</p> <p>Halle Group Jim Rankin. Tel 651170</p> <p>Holly Tree Riding Stables Gloria Robinson. Tel 722188</p> <p>Iyengar Yoga Wednesday 6.30pm—8pm PVH. Contact Sue Rennie. Tel 01606 888324</p> <p>Lower Peover Contact Kathy McIntyre. Tel 722358</p> <p>Kids Club 4-14 years. Bookings Tel 07747 302064</p> <p>Mereside Brass Band (PVH) Practice Fri 8-10pm Tel 07747302064</p> <p>Learners 6.45-7.45pm Tel 07879697768</p> <p>Mums and Tots VH Tues morning (termtime)</p> <p>Plumley WI PVH 1st Monday in month Christine England. Tel 722283</p> <p>Probus Club D Tricker. Tel 634756</p>	

Waste collection	Mobile Library Schedule
<p><b>General waste:</b> 3rd, 17th and 31st August &amp; 14th and 28th September</p> <p><b>Recycling:</b> 10th and 24th August &amp; 7th &amp; 21st September</p>	<p>Every 3rd Monday at Plumley Village Hall 9.45 am—10.15 am</p> <p><b>Dates: 15th August &amp; 19th Sept 2016</b></p> <p>If the car park is busy the Mobile Library will stop at the end of Malt Kiln Road</p>

Events at Toft Church Hall	Cheshire East Councillor George Walton - 651507 george.walton@cheshireeast.gov.uk
<p><b>Monday</b></p> <p>U3A Drawing and Painting 10am-12noon Mrs Berry Northen 873053</p> <p><b>Wednesday</b></p> <p>Art Group 10am-12 noon Wendy Ramsay. 632362</p> <p>2nd Toft Brownies 6.pm-7.30pm Sarah Brown E-mail : <a href="mailto:sarahmbrown@hotmail.co.uk">sarahmbrown@hotmail.co.uk</a></p> <p>5th Knutsford Brownies 5.00pm-6.15pm Rachel Reyer E-mail : <a href="mailto:thereyers@ntlworld.com">thereyers@ntlworld.com</a></p> <p>Toft Quilters 1pm-3pm 1st Wed of month Veronica Walton 651507</p> <p><b>Thursday</b></p> <p>The Callanetics Gp 9am-10am Carol Gunter. 651038</p> <p>Toft Mothers Union 2pm-4pm 1st Thursday in month. Veronica Walton 01565 651507 or Pam Willocks 01565 722501</p>	

Thursday is Creative Stitchers Sewing Club Day
<p>Would you like to meet other people who enjoy Sewing and make new friends? Our aim is to have some sewing fun, get inspiration, discuss ideas and maybe learn something new! People of all abilities welcome</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◇ Mornings 9.00am – 12 noon,</li> <li>◇ Evenings 7.00pm – 10.00pm</li> <li>◇ New Sewing Workshops &amp; Courses for the Autumn</li> <li>◇ Learn how to make your own clothes to fit your figure.</li> <li>◇ Couture Dressmaking – would you like to improve your sewing skills?</li> <li>◇ How to use your sewing machine &amp; Basic sewing skills</li> <li>◇ Learn how to make your own curtains - and save money!</li> <li>◇ Roman Blinds – a contemporary way to dress your windows</li> </ul> <p>And lots more!</p> <p>Check out our website for all the details <a href="http://www.creative-stitchers.co.uk">www.creative-stitchers.co.uk</a> Tel: Sue 07711 585072 or Tracy 07768 916058</p>

Margaret Wilcox School of Speech and Drama	Police Contact Number
<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><b>Pre-School Drama Class</b>, rising 2's to 4 year olds contact Sam Marsden for details, phone - 07887 778 822 or email - <a href="mailto:mwsd@hotmail.co.uk">mwsd@hotmail.co.uk</a></p>	<p>To contact the Police for important but non emergency issues dial 101.</p> <p>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>