



Although it seems a long way off—The Parish Council would like to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy 2011

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**Local Groups in Plumley**

- Guild Chapel Hall** Last Tuesday in month 2.30pm
- Halle Group** **Jim Rankin 651170**
- Holly Tree Riding Stables** **Gloria Robinson 722188**
- Iyengar Yoga** Wednesday 6.30pm—8pm PVH—contact **Sue Rennie 01606 888324**
- Lower Peover Kids Club** 4-14 years contact **Kathy McIntyre 722358**
- Mereside Brass Band(PVH)** bookings **07747 302064** pract Fri 8-10pm **07747302064** Learners 6.45-7.45pm **07879697768**
- Mums and Tots** PVH Tues morning (termtime)
- Plumley Celtic FC** **J Betts 01606 737602**
- Plumley WI** PVH 1st Monday in month—Christine **England 722283**
- Probus Club** **D Tricker 634756**
- Sunday Club** Chapel Hall 10.30-11.30am

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**Events at Toft Church Hall**

- Monday Band Practice** 8pm—10pm [Kerrs68@talktalk.net](mailto:Kerrs68@talktalk.net)
- Tuesday Sing and Sign** 10am—11am
- Wednesday Art Group** 10am—12noon—Wendy Ramsay, Tel 632362
- 2nd Toft Brownies 6.p—7.30pm Joy Astle,12 Woodvale Rd
- Toft Quilters 1pm—3pm 1st Wed of month
- Thursday The Callanetic Gp 9am—10am Carol Gunter, Tel. 651038.
- New Brownies Gp Starts after Christmas 5.45pm—7pm Caroline Morris [rickcasper@btinternet.com](mailto:rickcasper@btinternet.com)
- 6th Knutsford Guides 7.15pm—8.30pm—[mcnixon@virginmedia.com](mailto:mcnixon@virginmedia.com)
- Toft Mothers Union 2pm—4pm 1st Thursday in month 634644
- Friday The Callanetic Gp** 10.15am-11.15am Carol Gunter, Tel 651038

Refuse Collection: Tuesdays

**Mobile Library:** Every other Tuesday (*Green Bin Day*)—23rd Nov & 7th Dec Village Hall -10.25am Ascol Drive—10.50am

Cheshire East Councillor George Walton — 651507 [george.walton@cheshireeast.gov.uk](mailto:george.walton@cheshireeast.gov.uk)

**Tabley Tea Rooms**

Have you thought of visiting the Tabley Tea Shop and Bistro. The tea rooms are open every Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday for **Bistro Dates:** 26th November, 10th December and 17th December Christmas menu from 8th December Live music Sundays with all day brunch .

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**Plumley Village Newsletter**

Including Toft and Bexton

Produced by Plumley with Toft and Bexton Parish Council

The next meeting of the Parish Council is 1st December 2010 at Plumley Village Hall at 7.45pm

**Parish Council News**

**Dates for the Diary—more details in this issue**

- 1st Nov—WI Annual Meeting and hot pot supper—comp plate of Autumn leaves—PVH. Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> November 7pm Spuds and Puds with fun quiz Tickets £5 PMC
- 25<sup>th</sup>—27<sup>th</sup> November—Other Theatre Co production PVH
- 1st December—Parish Council meeting—7.30pm PVH
- 7<sup>th</sup> Dec WI Christmas Party to be held at Manor Farm,
- 10<sup>th</sup> Dec—Christmas Concert PVH

Coffee Morning Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> December 10am - 12.30pm Mince pies and coffee followed by carols with Lower Peover School Choir. PMC

Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> December 2.30pm Carol service led by Rev. Hilary Howarth PMC

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> December 8pm Carols and Holy Communion led by Rev. H. Howarth. Come along and choose your favourite carol to sing. PMC

**2011**

Monday 10<sup>th</sup> Jan. - Ruth Turner will be telling members about Recipes with a History. WI

Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> January 3pm Afternoon Tea Tickets £5 PMC

Monday 7<sup>th</sup> Feb. - The Annual Birthday evening. WI

**Key**

- PVH - Plumley Village Hall
- PMC—Plumley Methodist Church
- WI—Women's Institute.
- PC—Parish Council

Welcome to the winter edition of the Plumley Village Newsletter, with the cold mornings, it certainly feels like winter is on the way.

**Community Pride Award**

Over the past years, the Parish Council have entered the Parish into the Cheshire Community Action's Community Pride Award, and many of you may be aware that despite much hard work by residents, recent results have not been anything to shout home about—**HOWEVER**, this year the Parish was in the top 6 for our section (population 600—1000) and we were awarded 2010 Best Kept Village

Improvement Award.

Thanks to all the volunteers in the parish as well as Community Pay-back teams who helped with litter picks

**Moorcroft Sign**

Earlier this year the Moorcroft sign disappeared and the Parish Council have been working with Cheshire East Council to get this sign replaced. A new sign is due very shortly.

**Speeding**

Speeding along Plumley Moor Road remains a high concern for the Parish Council, and on 20<sup>th</sup>

October the Police/Fire Service held a speeding check on Plumley Moor Road between 8.00am—10.00am. The stats indicated that there were around 49 speeding vehicles, 48 drivers watched the video/had a safety talk. The 49<sup>th</sup> driver was given a penalty notice as the vehicle was allegedly travelling in excess of 45mph. There were other contraventions—use of phones and non use of seat belts. The Plumley figures evidently exceed the number of speed contraventions in a recent similar event in High Legh

**Plumley Village Hall—David Nichols Chairman**



**Annual General Meeting, Thursday 28 October**

The AGM of the Village Hall Committee was held at the Village Hall last Thursday, 28 October 2008, and a new Village Hall Committee was elected.

I am pleased to say that we still have a full Committee, as the previous volunteers agreed to serve another term, but it was a pity that only a few members of the community attended.

Please do not forget that the Village Hall is a valuable facility which needs your interest and support—even for events such as the AGM.

**Whalebone, Saturday 30 October**

About 30 people came to hear Whalebone in concert last Saturday, 30 October, and enjoyed a delightful variety of music, professionally and enthusiastically delivered. It was a pity that more people did not come, as everyone who savoured the evening was very impressed and agreed that they should come back for a repeat performance. Watch this space for more news, but in the meantime, why not visit their website [www.whalebone-music.com](http://www.whalebone-music.com) for a taste of their talents?

**Christmas Concert Saturday 10 December**

Another date to put in your diary: Mereside Brass will again be giving a Christmas Concert on Saturday 10 December in aid of the Village Hall.

There will be a traditional mix of music to set the tone for the festive season, so you will be able to participate in some familiar carols and sheets will be available, if you can't remember the words! Tea, coffee, hot chocolate drink and hot mince pies will also be available to enhance the mood. We do hope you can come.

**Me Zone**

**me-zone** is a FREE ENTRY drop-in activity and relaxation session for families run by L+M Holistics (sponsored by Cheshire East Council and Aiming High for Disabled Children).

It is fun together time for families where children (disabled and non disabled) and their parents or carers can take part in a great mix of activities:

- **Relax** with professional massage therapy from L+M Holistics fully trained specialist practitioners. It is for both children and their parents/carers
- **Get creative** with art and craft
- **Energise** - Gentle movement exercise/games and dance

Each session is designed for a specific child age range and the activity session. Starting on the 9th October 10am-12 at Knutsford Civic Centre and Wilmslow Parish Hall 2pm - 4pm for 0-7 years There is a timetable of sessions to take part in different East Cheshire venues for different age groups.

**Peter Frier**

The Parish Council were very sad to hear of the death of Peter Frier. Peter gave so much to many different village activities and amenities and without doubt he was an example of a committed village resident. The Parish Council send their condolences to Lillian and family.

The Parish Council are aware of other families in the village who have recently lost loved ones and send their sincere condolences to all their families who are grieving at this time.

**Cheshire East Libraries**

Cheshire East Council is top of the table in a new survey of libraries across the country. Libraries in Cheshire East issued 8,032 books for every 1,000 people – showing an average of eight books hired per person for 2009/2010.

**Knutsford Library**  
As well as books, Knutsford Library now also serves as the Cheshire East Information Point, where amongst other things, Concessionary Bus & Rail Cards can be acquired. Tel 01565 632909.

**PLUMLEY WI**

Apart from the December meeting, the January and February meetings will be held as usual at 7.30.p.m. in Plumley Village Hall.

This year at the Annual meeting members will be invited to elect a new President. Christine England, our present President has held the position for three years, and this year has decided to stand down. We will all miss Christine in her capacity of President, and the many laughs and jokes she shared with us. We would all like to say a very big THANK YOU to her.

The CFWI is celebrating its 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday celebration service at Chester Cathedral on the 10<sup>th</sup> November. There is always a wonderful atmosphere in the Cathedral especially when all the Institutes join together to sing Jerusalem.

Our new President and all the members of Plumley W.I. wish everyone a **VERY HAPPY CHRISTMAS AND A PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR.**

**New Driver Parents Awareness Evening 2010**

Connexions have organised a series of 'New Driver Parent Awareness Evenings' aimed at parents / carers of young learner or novice drivers that are designed to provide information and advice to parents / carers about how they can support and advise their son or daughter about safer driving behaviour.

As you may be aware, new - and especially new and young drivers - are very vulnerable for up to 2 years after passing their test. These events hope to enable the parents / carers of these drivers play their part in helping their child reduce their risk as they embark on their driving career.

The evenings will be attended by various organisations working within road safety including Cheshire East Council Road Safety Team, Cheshire Police, Cheshire Fire & Rescue Service and the IAM to name a few. Parents / carers will take part in a series of short workshops delivered by these organisations where they will learn all kinds of crucial information about how they can help encourage their child to be a safer driver.

It will also be an opportunity for them to ask questions and find out about road safety issues.  
**Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> November 6.45pm - 9pm**  
**Eaton Bank High School, Jackson Road, Congleton CW12 1NT**

**Knutsford LAP Event**

Knutsford Local Area Partnership (LAP) will be holding an event in the coffee shop area of Booths supermarket in Knutsford on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> December from 6.30pm - 8.30pm on a drop in basis.

At this event you can hear about the role and work of the Knutsford LAP, made up from representatives from Cheshire Police, Fire and Rescue Services, Cheshire East Council, Town and Parish Councils, Central and Eastern Cheshire Primary Care Trust, Local Churches and Third Sector. You can hear how these organisations are working together in line with local needs and give your views and learn about ways in which you could be involved.

**Don't forget to use the Knutsford Village Rider. Telephone 01606 786833—open to all residents—both young and old!**

**Copy dates for the next edition to be received by 9th January 2011.**

**Rural Touring Network The Old Curiosity Shop**

The latest Rural Touring Network event was a magnificent performance of the Old Curiosity Shop performed by the Northumberland Theatre Company. The acting, staging and portrayal of Dickens's less well known story was of the highest standard and gave those lucky enough to be present at this event a superb evenings entertainment. Thank you to Penny and her team of helpers for organising this event and helping to raise funds for the Village Hall.

Following the announcement of the winners of the Parish Council's Best Kept Garden Competition in the last edition of the Plumley Newsletter, the awards were presented at this event.

Once again thank you to Plantation Garden Centre for their kind donation of the prizes.

**Plantation Garden Centre**

The Plantation Garden Centre will be open until 8pm on Thursday 2nd, 9th, 16th and 23rd December. The cafe will also be open and there will be a candle lit path to their fresh Christmas Trees.

On Fridays 26th Nov, 3rd Dec 10th Dec and 17th Dec they are holding 'Dine & Discover' Evenings, which feature a glass of mulled wine on arrival, short festive talk and demonstration followed by a 3 course meal,

(homemade of course) for £20 per person pre-bookable only. These evenings will be licensed for those wanting a tippie.

We will also be serving Christmas Lunches on Mondays to Saturdays throughout December, between 12noon and 3pm.



**The Other Theatre Company 25th—27th November**

The next production by the Other Theatre Company is a review which will include an evening of cabaret, songs, comedy and big brash musical numbers, all whilst sat at candle lit tables.

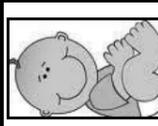
The date of the production is 25th—27th November 2010 at Plumley Village Hall and tickets will be available from 01565 733751.



**CONGRATULATIONS.**

Sybil and Alan are delighted to let readers know that they are **Grandparents.**

Rosemary Grace was born on 25 October to Annabel and her husband Richard Spence in Bristol. All the family are well and very happy.



**Plumley Methodist Church**

Peter Frier will be much missed by all his friends at Church services, coffee mornings and concerts. He and Lillian supported all events whenever possible and Peter would read a lesson with great feeling and clarity and loved to sing the hymns with gusto. We are sure he would appreciate the singing from both the choir and congregation at his funeral service which was a wonderful tribute to Peter.

**The Guild** is an informal meeting held on the last Tuesday of each month at 2.30pm in the Church Hall. It lasts for one to one and half hours, usually with a speaker followed by a chat and cup of tea and biscuits. New members are very welcome (male and female), just come along or for more information contact Edna Fewtrell or Madge Holt.

**Social Events and Special Services**

See *Diary events—front page for forthcoming events and Special Services*

Following the successful afternoon tea social held earlier this year, we have

decided to hold another one on 13th January.

*Please come along and join us for any of these events. You will be most welcome and perhaps meet someone new who lives in the village*

**Please note there will be no coffee morning in January but will recommence the 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday in February**



If you would like to host a coffee morning please contact either Ian Lee, Elizabeth Hall or Plyn Aston. Proceeds can be given to your chosen charity.

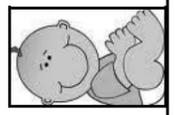
**More Parish Council**

**Holford Hall Footpath**

The new footpath at footpath 14 is now open and the Parish Council understand that the display boards should be in place very soon. If anyone has any problems, please let the Parish Council know.

**FURTHER CONGRATULATIONS**

The weekly Salcersize class which, until quite recently ran at the Village Hall, has temporarily been suspended as Katrin, who runs the class has given birth to a baby boy—congratulations to Katrin and her family.



**Village Rider Service**

The Village rider is a flexible transport service which is available to **EVERYONE** who lives in the villages where it operates. Hours of business 9.30 AM to 2.30 PM

Journeys can be made for almost any purpose—shopping, meeting friends or to connect to other bus or rail serves.

Telephone 01606 786833 for more information regarding this service or visit the Parish Council website.

