



Parish NEWS



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BARLEY~NEWCHURCH~ROUGHLEE~SABDEN FOLD~SPEN BROOK

April 2017

BARLEY

Parish Council: Wednesday April 12 at 7.30pm

Due to the recent prolonged spell of heavy rain you will have noticed a 'Boating Lake' appearing in the middle of the Green! The drains appear to be blocked and the Parish Council intends to arrange for a survey to identify the problem and take the appropriate action hopefully to reduce the risk of it re-occurring.

We also are planning to fill in the pot holes in the car park within the next few weeks, weather permitting. Both these areas are in heavy use by the constant stream of visitors who come to the village - even in atrocious weather!

As part of ongoing cost savings the recycling bins in the car park are being removed but residents will retain their brown & grey bins.

The transfer of the Whitehough Camp School to BFC in the Community has been completed so we can expect to see some renovation works starting in the near future. John Connor

Barley Chapel

welcomes everyone. Sunday services are family friendly and are held at 10.30am. Refreshments are provided after the service and there is a Sunday school for younger members. Angie Hargreaves ☎605090

VILLAGE HALL

St Georges Night

3 course meal including Roast beef of Old England, Britannia will be in attendance to lead the singing. **Sat. April 22** 7.00 for 7.30pm £19
Audrey ☎613280 **Chris** ☎691850

MODEL EXHIBITION

SPRING BANK HOLIDAY WEEKEND

Saturday 29th April 12 noon to 5pm.
Sunday 30th April 10am to 5pm. **Monday 1st May** 10am to 4pm. The usual wide range of interests, Dolls Houses, Trains, Planes, Cars etc. will be on display. We are always looking for new exhibitors, if you have an interest in anything in miniature or can recommend anyone who maybe interested please phone **Chris** ☎691850. Homemade refreshments are on sale during the three days, come and visit and enjoy some time away from home.

MONDAYS

CARD CLASS: 1-3pm **Valerie** ☎691850
YOUNG FARMERS: 7.30pm ☎07811666790
KEEP FIT Circuit training: **John** ☎611517

TUESDAYS

MESSY CHURCH 3.30pm. 3rd
PENDLE PATCHERS: **Audrey** ☎613280

WEDNESDAYS

COFFEE & CHAT 2nd Wednesdays 10am-12
KNIT & KNATTER 2nd & 4th. 7-9pm
WI 1st. 7.30pm

LOCAL HISTORY GROUP

www.pendleforesthistorygroup.co.uk

Wednesday 19th Apr. 7.30pm

Cathy Hopley with Information about the HLF Pendle Hill History Project

THURSDAYS

PILATES: Mornings **Tracy** ☎07773 785904
CRAFTERNOON TEA: 2pm every 1st & 3rd
LINE DANCING: 7.30pm
YOGA: 8pm ☎07890 372180

Friends of Newchurch Group

The Winners for February of the 100 Club draw on behalf of School are:-

1st: £25 - Davina Barraclough (parent)

2nd: £20 - Jo Applegate (parent)

3rd: £15 - Jane Dewhurst (parent)

Anybody wishing to get involved with the school fundraiser, please contact Rosie Hudson for available numbers ☎07790 167590 or email her at rosie.hudson@btopenworld.com

GOLDSHAW BOOTH

Parish Council: Tuesday April 11 at 7pm

Sadly, I have to report the resignation of our Parish Clerk, Sheila Grindrod, due to ill health. Sheila has been an excellent public servant who worked many hours more than she was paid for and the Council wishes to express its thanks to Sheila for her past service.

In addition, Sheila and her husband Frank organised the flower baskets in the middle of Newchurch and Barley, which have been much appreciated by residents and visitors to the two villages. The Council has been fortunate in being able to appoint an experienced replacement Clerk and we look forward to working with her in the future.

The Council is pleased to inform residents that Bob Donovan has been co-opted as a Parish Councillor. We are pleased to welcome him and are sure he will make a valuable contribution to the business of the Council.

Ann Norris Johnson has announced her retirement after many years excellent service and the Council has sent a letter of thanks and wish her well for the future. There is now a vacancy for a Parish Councillor and we are advertising for the post on the parish noticeboards.

We have completed two long running projects. The thinning of the trees in Sparable Wood has been completed and also there is a brand new, smart looking noticeboard in the middle of

Newchurch. My thanks to Carl Ryder for putting up the board as the job proved more difficult than first thought, as he had to remove large amounts of rock before he could get the posts in.

The Annual Parish Meeting will be on Tuesday, 9 May at 7.45pm at St Mary's School in Newchurch, to which all residents are welcome. I will give information on our achievements over the past year and what we hope to achieve in the next 12 months.

The Parish Council has decided to move the second noticeboard in Newchurch, currently situated outside the church, and resite it to Sabden Fold. This is using our resources to best affect and thereby not incurring extra costs. We can then advertise the PC's business to residents in Sabden Fold as well as Newchurch and Spen Brook, where noticeboards are already situated. Christopher Burt

ROUGHLEE

Parish Council: Monday April 3 at 7pm

At the meeting of Parish Council on 6th March we were very pleased to welcome thirteen villagers who attended to ask questions and express views. This was great to see and something the Parish Council wishes to encourage at all future meetings.

The item of most interest related to the future of the Bay Horse. It is clear that most villagers want to see the retention of the pub which is as an important asset for both locals and visitors. Its permanent closure would be a grievous loss to the life of the village.

Two very positive things emerged from the meeting. First, it was agreed that we would seek to have the pub designated as an Asset of Community Value and this has now been approved by Pendle Borough Council. The affect of this designation is to provide greater protection against the loss of the pub and allows intervention should the owners seek to dispose of the site for another purpose. Secondly, it was decided to set up a working group of villagers who would look into possible measures to secure a viable future for the pub. This group, chaired by Paul Dawson, will be independent from the Parish Council but will work closely to achieve what is a shared ambition which is to 'Save our Bay'. To this end, on Thursday April 6 there will be a **PUBLIC MEETING** at 7.30pm in the Village Centre where more details will be discussed and investors sought.

Other, more domestic, matters included horse and dog muck on the footpath between Crow Trees and Judson Fold so the co-operation of horse riders and dog walkers

is needed to prevent an on-going problem. Nigel Brotherton reported an encouraging start to the reformed FoRA group. A successful Operation Spring Clean took place as well as the first meeting of the group. The next will be on 26th April at 7.30pm in the Village Centre and the next Clean-up day is on the 28th May at 10.30am. Please come along and get involved. Another major item relates to the Council website. This has been looked after from its inception by James Starkie and thanks for all his work in maintaining a very successful site. Changes are afoot because of new rules on transparency which mean we need to report on Parish Council activities on a much more regular basis and it needs to be much more reactive in order to give up to date information. The website has, therefore, been relaunched and will be looked after by our Clerk, Mary, and Parish Councillor Simon Cronshaw. It is now up and running so please log on to www.roughlee.org.uk to find out what is going on in the village. The opportunity is there for you to get engaged and offer feedback. Finally, the Parish Council is putting together a response to the Borough Council's consultation of the emerging Pendle Local Plan, Part 2. This consultation is an important stepping stone in looking at the future of our village through to 2030. It will affect, for example, the number of new houses which could be built and where they will be sited. If not properly controlled there could be a significant adverse impact on the character of the area. As such the Parish Council is taking the consultation very seriously and will be considering a paper on what response we should make. It is displayed on the website but this is a matter of some importance to us

all so please come along to the next Parish Council meeting and have your say. Andrew Walker

Blacko Bar Road

is due to be temporarily closed on some days in April for resurfacing. The section is from our boundary at the bridge up to Blacko, so access will still be available up to Blacko Foot Farm.

Mayor of Pendle

Cllr. James and Mrs Janet Starkie have been nominated as Mayor & Mayoress, to commence duties as Deputy from May 2017.

Roughlee Village Centre Tuesday April 4 at 7pm

There was fresh impetus at our last meeting where we welcomed a couple of new faces who promptly offered to take on two of our future events, working in sub committees. This allows more time to be spent in organising them and also allows more volunteers to dip in and out of helping. Their first being a newly re-launched 'fun'day on June 11 - now to be a

VICTORIAN DAY

with costumes and the emphasis on traditional games and activities; we particularly want to attract families. Offers of help and more ideas to Nina ☎07825 738535.

The website now lists all the events for the year.

🎵 BAND NIGHT 🎵

on **Saturday April 29** 8pm till 1

The Backbeats (60/70s music) and Jake Dixon (local singing talent). Licensed real ale bar, BBQ available, £10 tickets by arrangement ☎07840 774438 or RVC Friday club.

St Mary's School

To celebrate the end of Key Stage 2s wonderful Passport to Europe geography topic, the Musso family came in to school and gave us all a taste of Sicily. The children were able to experience a wide range of authentic Sicilian dishes and were also treated to a language lesson! It was thoroughly enjoyed by all (Including the teachers). A very big "grazie" for helping us organise this fabulous experience for the children. The Mayor of Pendle visited and spoke to the children in Collective Worship. She introduced herself and dazzled us all with an amazing display of all her regalia; including a quite mesmerising diamond encrusted necklace! The children asked lots of interesting questions and learnt about some of the daily duties that a Mayor must undertake

We started World Book Day with a wonderful parade of children dressed as book characters, wearing some great outfits and enjoying themed activities throughout the day. Our cook made them a fabulous World Book Day Lunch, which looked just yummy!!

On Friday 24th March we held a Red Nose fundraising day. Children and staff dressed in their pyjamas and donated £1 towards this worthy cause, helping children less fortunate than ourselves have a brighter future. We also held a 'Coffee and Cakes' afternoon in which parents, grandparents and other friends of St. Mary's were invited.

Mrs Pauline Nightingale

Congratulations

to Abigail Padgett on achieving Gold in the Duke of Edinburgh programme. She received her award from HRH Prince Edward.

ST. MARY'S CHURCH, NEWCHURCH-IN-PENDLE BB12 9JR

Your Parish Church exists to be the people of God through faith in Jesus Christ in the power of the Holy Spirit, worshipping Him, making disciples and serving others.



WORSHIP IS HELD EVERY SUNDAY AT 9.30AM offering different types of services and hymns each Sunday

sees us into the third month of our vacancy (Interregnum as it used to be known) and at last the search for the new Vicar of St. Mary's and St. Thomas' is well under way. It will be several months before our new Vicar takes up office and we pray for guidance and your continued support until then. In the meantime we will continue to press on with our schedule of services and events. Our Annual Parish Meeting will be on Sunday 23rd April at 9.30am. After a short service of Morning Prayer the AGM will begin with the Vestry meeting, which is to pass a resolution that the present wardens may stand for re-election. Anyone who is registered on the Parliamentary Parish Electoral Roll may vote on this resolution. This does not mean that the present wardens are automatically re-elected but as the Bishop's recommendation is that wardens should not serve more than six years without the Annual Meeting having passed the resolution, then this must be done. That meeting will be followed immediately by the Parish Annual Meeting when reports will be presented with regard to Finance, Church fabric, Liturgy and Worship.

Following the reports the election of Officers for the year 2017/2018 will be held. All members of the Church Electoral Roll may vote at this. This will be for Churchwardens, PCC members and Sidespersons. It is always good to have some new members coming forward to join the PCC and the Sidespersons Rota. If you feel you would like to join please speak to either of the Wardens.

WITH EVERY BLESSING KATHLEEN AND CHRIS. (WARDENS)

Sunday April 9th 9.30am Palm Sunday † Friday 14th April 11am Passion Play in Newchurch Village, meet in Church † Sunday 16th April 9.30am Easter Sunday with Easter Egg Hunt and Messy Church
Sunday 23rd 9.30am - Morning Prayer followed by the Annual Parish Meeting
Saturday 13th May - Lambing Service at Hargreaves Farm, Barley with the Bishop of Burnley

This, and past issues of 'News' can be found on WWW.STMARYSNEWCHURCHINPENDLE.ORG.UK

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