



Warndon Parish Council

Newsletter — Spring 2009

Welcome to the first Newsletter of 2009 ! We hope that our regulars and those reading this for the first time find it interesting and helpful.

Two important events are announced in this issue, the Open Meeting on Monday 20th April and the Fun Run on the 7th June.

The details of the Open Meeting are shown on Page 3. This is also an occasion when you may ask the Parish Councillors any questions concerning matters within the Parish. Last year's meeting was well attended, please every effort to attend and make this year's a success also.

The Parish Fun Run is still several weeks away but this is meant as an early warning to those of you who are potential entrants to book the date in your diaries.

Despite the continuing cold weather one can't fail to have noticed how neat and tidy the shrubs are and the hundreds of daffodils in the verges along the roadside. This is all due to the hard work of our Estate Warden Team, Trevor and Alec, with the help of the Litter Patrol and the Parks Department. There is also a special plot on the corner of Snowberry Drive; a partnership between Worcester in Bloom and the Lyppard Garden Society.

For the second issue, you will find four centre pages that are devoted to the Lyppard Grange Community Centre.



From the Chairman

Here we are with almost a quarter of 2009 already passed by , where does time go to ?

Since our last Newsletter the Parish Council has agreed to increase it's funding to the Lyppard Grange Community Centre. This was necessary because of a decision by the Worcester City Council to cut the funding of the centre by around £13,000.00. This additional funding from the Parish Council has allowed the Community Centre to carry on and function as normal. The alternative would have been to consider closure of some of the vital services provided by the Centre, in particular the Youth Club. This is a vital part of the activities undertaken in the Centre since little else exists for the youth of the area ! It's likely that the Parish Council will continue to be under pressure to finance these types of service in the coming years as the City Council tries to find it's way out of the current financial problems it is suffering. Once funds like this are reduced they very rarely get re-instated ! Fortunately the Parish Council is in a good financial position to be able to help. This year we have not had to increase our Precept.

Elsewhere we see a distinct reduction in the number of planning applications in the Parish, it's clear that the current economic situation is having a big effect on this as most things !

Thank you to all of those people who volunteer to deliver this publication. We do appreciate your help !

However, can we ask that if anyone has the time to deliver our Newsletter in any part of the Parish please get in touch with us because we can always use more help. You need not feel committed to hours of work, the more volunteers we get to share the load the better !

On this note, we must apologise to those of you who received our last edition late. We do depend, in the main, on voluntary help and if people are sick or away on business it does effect the efficiency of the distribution.

Ray Morris

20th Worcester Scouts — Beaver Leader Required ! **Based at St Nicholas Church on Warndon Villages**

- Full Training & Support will be given.
- Beaver Age Group 6-8 years old
- Very lively and full of fun !

If you would be interested in helping
please call Helen on 01905 454834 for an informal chat.

**Parish Council
Annual Open Meeting
Monday 20th April 2009
7.30pm at Lyppard Grange Community
Centre**

**Your chance to quiz your local Parish
Councillors on any topic !**

In addition, following the huge response we received during our recent Parish Plan exercise we thought it appropriate to arrange a presentation on the future of secondary education for this area. This is your opportunity to attend and ask questions.

**Our speaker tonight will be a
Representative from the new
Worcester Academy
(formerly Elgar Technology College)**

This is your opportunity to ask questions and fully understand the future plans for the new academy from a senior member of the management team.

RATS / COMPOST BINS

Quite a few people have reported rats in and around their compost bins. Here are a few words of advice on how to avoid this situation.

Occasionally people experience a problem with rats visiting their compost bin, although the Waste Challenge Team at Worcestershire County Council do not get many complaints about this problem.

From the beginning you need make sure that you put the right ingredients into the bin – no cooked food (including bread), no meat, no fish and no dairy products! You should only compost fruit and vegetable peelings, egg shells, tea bags and coffee grinds, cardboard, toilet roll tubes and garden waste. Rats are shy creatures and dislike evidence of human activity around their nesting sites so, change the environment around the bin every now and again. Simple things like leaning a fork or spade against the bin one day and then taking it away the next will exploit rats' dislike of change. Rats will also prefer a drier bin so, if your bin is too dry then give it a water from time to time. Once you have encouraged them to move on, or if you are setting up a compost bin for the first time, you can deter rats from entering the bin by placing plasterer's mesh or triple folded chicken wire underneath the bin.

If you know that you have had rats in the compost bin you need to take precautions when handling the finished compost and other materials. To protect yourself from Weil's Disease make sure that you wear gloves when handling the composted and un-composted materials and always wash your hands thoroughly after.

WHEELED BIN COLLECTION – Easter 2009

Usual day of collection

Good Friday 10th April
Easter Monday 13th April
Tuesday 14th April
Wednesday 15th April
Thursday 16th April
Friday 17th April

Revised day of collection

As normal

Wednesday 15th April
Thursday 16th April
Friday 17th April
Saturday 18th April

There are no changes to the May & August Bank Holiday collections. If you have any queries regarding the collection service please ring 01905 722233 or e-mail customerservicecentre@worcester.gov.uk



NEW EVENTS

Easter Bounce for a £1.00 !

Wed. 8th, Wed. 15th and Fri. 17th April.
10.00 - 12.00

Children's Easter Activity Morning

Tuesday 7th April 10.00 - 12.00
Tickets available from the Centre - only £2.00

Annual Fun Run and Fun Day

Sunday 7th June 12.30 - 3.30

www.lyppardgrangecommunitycentre.co.uk

Telephone : 01905 616841

For More Information, please call us at the Centre

MONDAY	Group	Contact	Number
0745-0845	Walking Bus to Lyppard School	Jane	01905 619988
0830-1530	Grange Nursery 2-5 yrs	Jane	01905 619988
0930-1200	Ladybirds Pre school 3-5 years	Dawn	07504 709034
1210-1440	Ladybirds Pre school 3-5 years	Dawn	07504 709034
0930-1130	Monkey Music (6mths-5years)	Kari	01905 429546
1000-1200	Monday Monkeys P&T (0-5years)	Jenny	01905 610552
1230-1330	Weight Watchers	Debbie	07887 803224
1400-1600	*** Five 'O' Group (Fortnightly)	David	01905 29144
1500-1800	Cheeky Chimps 4-11years	Marie	01905 616841
1530-1630	French for toddlers	Sandra	07900 671759
1645-1745	Rainbows 5-7 yrs	Liz	01905 613305
1800-1900	Rainbows 5-7 yrs	Liz	01905 613305
1800-1930	Brownie Guides 7-10 years	Sharon	01905 763162
1830-2030	Weight Watchers	Carol	01886 832084
2030-2200	Tetsudo (Martial arts)	Aruna	07980 982557
TUESDAY	Group	Contact	Number
0745-0845	Walking Bus to Lyppard School	Jane	01905 619988
0830-1245	Grange Nursery 2-5 years	Jane	01905 619988
0930-1400	Tumble Tots	Alex	01905 769296
0930-1200	Ladybirds Pre school 3-5 years	Dawn	07504 709034
1000-1130	Baby Clinic (every week)	Health Visitor	01905 20669
1210-1440	Ladybirds Pre school 3-5 years	Dawn	07504 709034
1315-1515	Art & Crafts (adults)	Chris	01905 754411
1600-1645	Ballet 3 - 5 years	Lucy-Anne	01905 454039
1645-1730	Ballet 6+ years	Lucy-Anne	01905 454039
1730-1815	Free Dance 6+ years	Lucy-Anne	01905 454039
1500-1800	Cheeky Chimps 4-11years	Marie	01905 616841
1830-2030	Youth Club	Scott	01905 616841
1830-1920	Karate-Beginners	Mark	07793 212426
1915-2130	Scrap Books craft group	Kathryn	01905 22608
1920-2010	Karate-Intermediates	Justine	07793 212426
2010-2100	Karate-Advanced	Justine	07793 212426
WEDNESDAY	Group	Contact	Number
0745-0845	Walking Bus to Lyppard School	Jane	01905 619988
0830-1245	Grange Nursery 2-5years	Jane	01905 619988
0930-1200	Ladybirds Pre school 3-5 years	Dawn	07504 709034
1030-1230	Freedom and Beyond:	Tracey	01905 764666
1210-1440	Ladybirds Pre school 3-5 years	Dawn	07504 709034
1300-1430	Little Steps Dance classes	Debbie	01905 345237
1500-1800	Cheeky Chimps 4-11years	Marie	01905 616841
1530-1800	Kumon Maths & English	Pamela	01684 297720
1830-2030	Pilates	Anne	01905 774858
1900-2030	Yoga Classes	Jane	07891 726449
1930-2130	Cross Stitch Club (Fortnightly)	Ester	01905 613663
1930-2130	Wing Chun Dynamics	Dave	01905 28569
1930-2100	Guides 10-14 years	Sharon	01905 763162

Notes

Cheeky Chimps (After School Club)
P & T (Parent & Toddler Groups)
Kumon (Maths & English for Children)

or TRY OUR WEBSITE

Telephone No : 01905 616841

THURSDAY	Group	Contact	Number
0745-0845	Walking Bus to Lyppard School	Jane	01905 619988
0830-1245	Grange Nursery 2-5 years	Jane	01905 619988
0900-1400	*Beauty Therapy	Michelle	7766950936
0930-1200	Ladybirds Pre school 3-5 years	Dawn	07504 709034
1210-1440	Ladybirds Pre school 3-5 years	Dawn	07504 709034
1000-1200	Jack in the Box P&T (0-5yrs)	Jenny	01905 610552
1000-1100	Libra Fitness Pilates	Maria	07814 507058
1200-1320	Slimming World	Sue	01905 20682
1500-1800	Cheeky Chimps 4-11years	Marie	01905 616841
1830-2015	Slimming World	Sue	01905 20682
1900-2030	Line Dancing	Roger	01905 20548
1830-2000	Youth Club	Scott	01905 616841
2015-2145	Yoga (Adults)	Joy	01905 455712
2030-2115	Adult Tap - intermediate	Debbie	01905 345237
2115-2200	Adult Jazz Dance Class	Debbie	01905 345237
FRIDAY	Group	Contact Name	Number
0745-0845	Walking Bus to Lyppard School	Jane	01905 619988
0830-1245	Grange Nursery 2-5 years	Jane	01905 619988
0930-1215	Jo Jingles from 6mths	Stella	01905 756191
0930-1200	Ladybirds Pre school 3-5 years	Dawn	07504 709034
1315-1445	Friday Friends M&B	Health Visitor	01905 20669
1500-1800	Cheeky Chimps 4-11years	Marie	01905 616841
1530-1800	Kumon Maths & English	Pamela	01684 297720
1600-1800	Fit Kidz	Jane	07759 555743
1800-1900	*Mike Foster Surgeries	Mike	01905 26504
1800-1930	Brownies Guides 7-10years	Helen	01905 754124
1900-1950	Karate-Beginners	Justine	07793 212426
1950-2040	Karate-Intermediates	Justine	07793 212426
2040-2130	Karate-Advanced	Justine	07793 212426
1900-2230	Bridge (Adults)	David	01562 888159
2000-2200	Blue Lodge Spiritualist Group	Derek	01905 21925
SATURDAY	Group	Contact Name	Number
1000-1100	Kickboxing 5+ years	Michelle	01594 860872
1000-1045	LA Dance- Gym 4+	Lucy-Anne	01905 454039
1000-1100	Cardiac Rehab	Steve	07973 377861
1045-1130	LA Dance- Free dance 5+	Lucy-Anne	01905 454039
1130-1215	LA Dance- Ballet 3-5	Lucy-Anne	01905 454039
1215-1300	LA Dance- Ballet 3-5	Lucy-Anne	01905 454039
1100-1230	Kickboxing - Adults	Michelle	01594 860872
1400-1600	Fencing for Children 8+	J Harding	01905 357628
1930-2100	Bingo (fortnightly)	Willie	01905 455773
SUNDAY	Group	Contact Name	Number
0900-1200	Blood Donors	See staff	01905 616841
1345-1545	Blood Donors	See staff	01905 616841
1830-2030	Badminton (Adults)	Owen	01905 21459
1900-2230	Swan Bridge Club	Fiona	01905 757592

* By Appointment only.

*** Five "O" Group (Over 50s Social Club)

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From inflatable bouncy castles to 18ft slides we guarantee to have something for all.

Call now to book your party on

01905 616841

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HANGING BASKET COMPETITION.

The Council are considering reviving one of the popular classes of their original Garden Competition—hanging baskets !

During the summer it's easy to see the masses of beautiful displays which should be recognised in some way. The Rules will be set out in the Summer issue of this newsletter . A short-list would be drawn up and an experienced outside judge would do the final judging.

The winner would be presented with the John Downer Cup to hold for a year. John Downer was the founder of the Lyppard Garden Society and a former chairman of the Parish Council.

NEWTS GET NEW 5 YEAR IMPROVEMENT PLAN

A new five year management plan for Lyppard Grange Ponds, behind the Ankerage Green shops in Warndon Villages, has been accepted by Natural England.

The ponds and surrounding grassland are designated as a Site of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI) by Natural England and is the smallest Special Area of Conservation (SAC) protected by the European Union, because of the Great Crested Newt population.

The first task is to undertake a pre-spring clean of the small pond. This will involve removal of the water to enable the cleaning of the filter, dead branches, leaves and some of the Flag Iris. This will slow down the rate at which Lesser Duckweed can cover the pond, enabling other wetland plants like Water Mint to establish. This is important because the use these plants to lay their eggs on. The site has been awarded £500 per year for the next 10 years to carry out additional management to protect the newts.

For further information contact Warwick Neale, Parks Green Network Officer at Worcester City Council on 01905 722233 or e-mail customerservicecentre@worcester.gov.uk

VEHICLE THEFT

You are reminded to remove all valuables from your vehicle, includes satellite navigation, laptops and handbags. The number of break-ins is still high in the area and you are encouraged to obtain and use the simple notice which is available from the local police, this notice is left in your vehicle when you leave it and tells the would be thief that all valuable have been removed.

COUNCIL NEWS

We have to report the resignation of Cllr Frank Lauriello. Frank was co-opted to the Council in 2001 and has taken on a number of roles over the intervening years. He began by overseeing Community Affairs and then represented the Council on the Lyppard Grange Community Centre Management Board during which time he was chairman for two years.

Following the Parish Council elections in May 2004 Frank was elected as Vice-Chairman and took on responsibility for Rights of Way. He subsequently added Finance to his portfolio. In May 2004 he also became the Council representative on the City Council's Standards Committee where his contribution was highly praised.

Frank came onto the Council because he said he wanted to do something for the community. He has certainly done so. Thank you Frank !

CASUAL VACANCY

The resignation above creates a Casual Vacancy and as no-one has asked for an election it is now for the Council to co-opt an interested person. If you are interested please contact the Clerk.

ELECTIONS

Please note that there will be County and European Parliamentary Elections on the 4th June.

CHRISTMAS LIGHTS

For the second year running 50 Slade Ave won the competition with 7 Longthorpe as runners up. Longthorpe won the Best Street Competition.

As both winners nominated St Richard's Hospice as their chosen charity, the Parish Council donated £100 to this worthwhile cause.

Fun Run

7th June 2009

This is an early warning for those runners anxious to take part in this annual event and to announce some changes in format.

This Summer is the 11th year of the event and we have decided to **put the Fun back** into the event.

This year there will be a 5 & 10 Km race but we have decided not to carry on with the 15Km.

Instead it's our intention to hold a real "Fun Run" shortly before the main race, the idea is that this will be over a much shorter distance and be run in (optional) Fancy Dress ! Details to be announce later.

Alongside this event the Community Centre will be holding special children's races and there will be a number of stalls on show as part of their own Fun Day !

Entry Forms for the 5 & 10 Km races can be found on our website at :
[www. Warndonparishcouncil.org](http://www.Warndonparishcouncil.org)

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The Council meets on the first Monday in the month (except Bank Holidays), at 7.30pm in the Community Centre.

PARISHIONERS ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND AND SPEAK DURING THE FIRST 30 MINUTES BY PERMISSION OF THE CHAIRMAN

Please contact the appropriate Councillor(s) or the Clerk on any matter with comments, complaints or if you just need advice or information.
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