



Warndon Parish Council

Newsletter — Summer 2009

Welcome to the Summer Newsletter of 2009 ! We hope that there's something for everyone included.

The longest day has come and gone and time seems to be flying by ! The Parish is looking very green and lovely and everything is growing at an enormous pace. Everyone has a different opinion about whether the grass should be cut or whether it should be left as it is this year when all the wild flowers have been a sight to see ! We hope to reach a balance where everyone can be happy and proud of the environment we live in but if you think differently let us know.

Articles inside include ones on the Fun Run, a new Hanging Basket competition and some serious Messages from the Police.

You will find the usual four centre pages that are devoted to the Lyppard Grange Community Centre inside.



From the Chairman

Well it's been quite a three months for people living locally. There have been a number of issues bothering local resident ranging from the relatively simple matters of environmental problems to the much more serious issue of arson in one of our local neighbourhoods.

At this time no-one knows who committed the arson attacks in Marsh Avenue so if anyone has any information or was in any way connected to these incidents our local police would be pleased to hear from you. This matter is very serious and is way beyond the normal levels of vandalism which we seen previously. I would appeal to anyone who knows anything to report it to the Police immediately.

On the environmental front, the major topic is grass-cutting or lack of it, this really depends on how you feel about the results of the City Council cost cutting exercise as it effects local communities. Locally we are very fortunate to have a Parish Council who can take action to try and maintain the standards in the area, other areas are less fortunate. Your Parish Council has recently agreed to spend around £6000.00 in order to do additional and incremental grass cutting to that which the City Council has been doing. This will enable us to keep play areas and open spaces free from long grass and the threat of an increased build up of dog faeces. Urgent action was needed if we wanted to get matters under control at an early stage. If you don't agree with the action we've taken then please let us know, we will never please everyone but without your feedback nothing will change as we move forward into the budget process for 2009/10.

As a Council we are permitted to supplement services that the City or County Council decide to cut but we need your support and agreement to carry this out. Come along to any Parish Council Meeting and use the Public Forum to tell us what you think.

The Council meetings are held on the first Monday in the month at Lyppard Grange Community Centre at 19.30 hrs. Members of the public are allowed to speak in the first part of the meeting. We look forward to seeing you !

Ray Morris
Chairman

Parish Annual Meeting

The Parish Council Open Meeting was held on Monday 20 April in the Community Centre. It was the best attended meeting for years with some 60 parishioners, many of them parents, to hear the news about the future of Elgar Technology College

The Chairman, Ray Morris, introduced the principal speakers, Jenny Bexon-Smith, Principal of The Grange School, Solihull, the sponsors of the Academy and Claire Maclean, the new Principal-designate,

Ms Bexon-Smith opened the discussion by saying The Grange School were successful because they put the student at the heart of the school. They had a proven track record of success, not only academically, but in arts and sport. They were looking forward to the challenge presented by Elgar.

Ms Claire Maclean began by saying that they knew about the problems which the school had faced particularly on the number of exclusions, but the new Academy would be run on high expectations. She said the challenge will be to find activities which would inspire each child and to make them want to succeed.

The students would be asked to participate in the design of a new uniform ,no parent would be expected to pay for this. The school would be renamed - Tudor Grange Academy. Many questions were asked in particular concerning the catchment area, and the effect of their intended 6th Form on other schools in the City. In answer to a question on her expectations she said that in five years time she expected Tudor Grange Academy to be an outstanding institution !

At the end of the meeting one -on-one meetings were held with many parents.

Local Councillor is the New Mayor of Worcester

Congratulations to Cllr Andy Roberts on being elected Mayor of Worcester. We wish him and his wife, Frances, a successful year.

In addition to being one of the two City Councillors in Warndon Parish South he was also elected as County Councillor for the Parish at the recent elections. We wish him luck in , what will be, a very busy year ahead !

Hanging Basket Competition

The Parish Council has agreed to revive one of the popular classes of their original Garden Competition - Hanging Baskets.

The Rules are very simple - there are none!

We are asking you to nominate worthy hanging baskets by contacting Cllr Dawn Merriman or the Clerk, by phone or email (including a photograph if possible). In addition, Councillors, the volunteer Newsletter deliverers and members of the Garden Society will be scouring the estates for outstanding displays.

Deadline for nominations 10 August 2009 !

All nominated baskets will be inspected and a short-list drawn up. The final judging will be done at the end of August by an experienced judge. The winners will be presented with the trophy at the meeting of the Council on 7th September.

The winner will be presented with the John Downer Cup to hold for a year together with a garden centre voucher. The runner-up will also receive a voucher.

The Cup was originally purchased by the Garden Society in memory of their Founder, John Downer, and presented to the grower of the best pelargonium. John was also a former Chairman of the Parish Council and served a total of 6 years as a member. His widow, Margaret, says that she is delighted to think John will be remembered in this way. The ownership of the cup has been graciously passed on to the ownership to the Parish Council.

So feed those baskets - this may be your lucky year !

20th Worcester Scouts—Helpers Required !

Based at St. Nicholas Church on Warndon Villages, this group urgently needs more helpers. Due to growing numbers and a waiting list we urgently need helpers for our Beaver, Cubs and Scouts groups. We are especially interested to hear from any female helpers for Scouts on a Friday evening (7.30-9.00pm) as we now have a number of girl members in the group.

If you are interested call Andy (01905 722007) or Helen (01905 454834)



Keep
me !

New Events

Summer Bounce for a £1.00 !

Wednesday and Friday mornings throughout the summer holidays
10.00am - 12.00pm for 4-9 year olds

Day trip to Weston-Super-Mare

Wednesday 12th August
Coach leaves the centre at 9.00am and
returns at 6.00pm.
Tickets available at reception.

Summer Fun Activity Morning

Tuesday 18th August 10.00am - 12.00pm
Tickets available from the Centre

Summer Play Scheme

Registration day Saturday 11th July 10.00am
Play Scheme week W/C 27th July

For more information, please contact the centre on 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)- over 50s Social Group	David	01905 29144
1500-1800	Cheeky Chimps 4-11years	Marie	01905 616841
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
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
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
1930-2130	Cross Stich 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
0900-1300	*Beauty Therapy	Michelle	7766950936
0930-1200	Ladybirds Pre school 3-5 years	Dawn	07504 709034
1000-1100	Adult Fitness	Jane	07759 555743
1210-1440	Ladybirds Pre school 3-5 years	Dawn	07504 709034
1000-1200	Jack in the Box P&T (0-5yrs)	Jenny	01905 610552
1200-1320	Slimming World	Sue	01905 20682
1400-1500	Cheerful Cherubs	Jo	07921 462472
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	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
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	Number
1000-1100	Kickboxing 5+ years	Michelle	01594 860872
1000-1045	LA Dance- Gym 4+	Lucy-Anne	01905 454039
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
1300-1400	Amigos Club (Children's Spanish)*	Rebecca	07973 752494
1400-1600	Fencing for Children 8+	J Harding	01905 357628
1930-2100	Bingo (fortnightly)	Willie	01905 455773
SUNDAY	Group	Contact	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 / Booking in advance
Information correct on 23.6.09

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Come and book your children's party with us and just see what we can offer!

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

Call now to book your party on

01905 616841

www.lyppardgrangecommunitycentre.co.uk



Want extra peace of mind and security ?

We have been asked to include this message from Neighbourhood Watch so that it can be seen by all our residents. We know that there are several schemes in place throughout the Parish but maybe you are not aware of who your coordinator is or would like to set up a new area for Neighbourhood Watch ?

Worcester City Neighbourhood Watch Association

Building Confidence in your Community

Neighbourhood Watch works in partnership with other organisations which have the safety of the citizens of Worcester as their priority.

Neighbourhood Watch receive and disseminate information from the Police regarding current crime trends, burglaries and scams that are operating in or near your area. This information is distributed to all members via coordinators.

Some insurance companies give a reduction on house contents insurance to Neighbourhood Watch members. Some give discounts for households with Smartwater which is distributed via Neighbourhood Watch at a reduced rate.

Want to know more about Neighbourhood Watch ? Want to be a coordinator or just an ordinary member ? Contact Graham Symonds (Civilian Police Administrator for Neighbourhood Watch).

Tel : 01905 331046 or E-Mail him on
adrian.symonds@westmercia.pnn.police.uk



Some messages from our Local Policing Team.....

Theft From Vehicles

We are urging you to always lock your vehicles and take your 'sat-nav' and any other valuables with you - even if you are leaving your vehicle for only a matter of seconds. This includes removing the bracket from view.

Opportunist thieves are exactly that; if they see an opportunity they will act on it, no matter how short the time-span and often will break a car window just to see if the "sat-nav" is in the glove box, when a bracket has been left stuck to the windscreen. On average, 'sat-nav' thefts occur approximately every other day across all of Worcestershire, although the majority are in Worcester itself

It is simply up to you to stop this happening by taking your valuables with you. This also applies to leaving handbags, sports bags, briefcases etc on view. Put them in the boot out of sight and locked, if you have to leave them in the car.

Burglaries

Every resident can reduce the chance of being burgled by taking the steps below:

- Close and lock doors and windows when leaving
- Have open windows on the latch if opening for air
- Do not leave valuables such as laptops, game consoles and handbags on clear view.
- Close curtains or blinds downstairs at night
- Leave a low energy light bulb on at night
- Lock garage doors and side gate
- Consider fitting external low power Dusk 'til Dawn lighting
- **Set your alarm !**

Contact details

Telephone : 0300 333 3000

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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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