



KINGSLEY NEWS

APRIL 2013

The news and voice of your village
Community

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(NB. This is a condition of affiliation).**

KINGSLEY PRAYER DIARY

Each week of the year Christians in Kingsley pray specially for people in a different area of the village and its surroundings. During April we think of, and pray for people living in: -

W/c Apr 7th	Cooks Hill
W/c Apr 14th	Pike Lane, Wood Lane, The Clough
W/c Apr 21st	Roddy Lane and Beech Lane
W/c Apr 28th	Chapel Avenue

We invite you to add your own prayers

EDITORIAL NEWS AND VIEWS

Dear Readers,

I hope everyone had a good Easter, at least the sun shone, even though we still had snow on the ground. Hopefully April will bring with it better weather and the chance to spend sunny days in the garden.

Although we haven't even arrived at summer, Kingsley Theatre Group have booked War Horse for January 2014. A long way in advance, but this is the only way to get tickets. The trip to see Lion King last week was a roaring success, and enjoyed by all those who went.

I received an email last month from a Kingsley Resident who thought the magazine lacked content and interest. I rely on people giving me information to put in the magazine and I need the input from local people to enable me to keep the magazine interesting. As you know I have previously asked for articles from residents and have received some, but I still need a good cross section of local interest, for example, local history information, wildlife news, anything which may be of interest.

Elizabeth

**Articles for the magazine to be sent to the Editor
by email to - ewilsonsecretarial@yahoo.co.uk**

Tel: 01928 787678

Copy deadline is the 21st of each month

www.kingsleyvillage.co.uk

FARM UPDATE SPRING 2013

NEWS & VIEWS FROM YOUR LOCAL FAMILY FARM

This long long wet cold winter refuses to relent into spring. It is now mid-March as I write, and is snowing and freezing cold. Cold easterly winds blowing straight from Siberia are known as lazy winds, because they don't blow round you, they go straight through you! The winter started in September last year and it has not stopped raining since. Half our oil seed rape will not make it through the winter, and will have to be ploughed up. It never got established properly and looked sick in the cold wet soil and the wood pigeons finished it off.

The few acres of wheat we did sow have struggled and are about half as advanced as it should be, coming into spring. It will grow away but probably will not yield very well. It is so cold that daffodils are still refusing to open, and hawthorn hedges are still closed buds.

We started planting our early potatoes on 23rd February during a brief dry few days. We covered some with fleece to try to protect them from the cold winds, but it has remained so cold, they will not be ready very early this year.

Not everything is doom and gloom though. The scare over horse meat in beef products has pushed the beef price even higher. The beef price has been climbing steadily all year. Now, we think the housewife is buying real joints of beef instead of processed mince burgers etc. which could be contaminated with horsemeat. There is nothing wrong with eating horse meat and it will do you no harm, but if a product is labelled beef, it should contain only beef.

The exceptionally cold snowy spell during mid March was very unusual and has delayed spring work and planting by several weeks, but the Channel Islands have had their worst snow since 1963, up to a foot deep and frosts to -6 deg. This has decimated the Jersey Royal early potato crop which they were aiming to start harvesting at Easter. Also the daffodils, tulips and cut flowers etc., have probably been ruined by the snow. Daffodils on the mainland are at least a month behind last year, again due to the constant cold weather. Growers aim to have them out and ready for Mothers Day and Easter: the two biggest times for sales in the year. They just were not ready this year, and imports had to be rushed in, at a much higher price of course.

The trial badger cull, to try to stop the spread of TB (Tuberculosis) in cattle, was postponed at the end of last year. This disappointed many dairy farmers who are at their wits end with TB in their herds. Over 38,000 cattle were destroyed last year after 'reacting' to the TB test. The Government say the two trial badger culls will commence again this spring. Trial culls in Ireland have shown a 70% drop in TB in these areas. Feelings are running extremely high on both sides. On one side there are the farmers, who are desperate to try and eradicate the disease, and on the other there are people and well-known celebrities (Brian May and Bill Oddie) and NGO's, (RSPCA, Wildlife Trust, Badger Groups, etc), who are totally against killing any badgers.

Farmers involved in the trial and those who are licensed to shoot the badgers are frightened of the threats of violence to them and their families. The police know it is a huge operation and want extra funding from government to police the area's and protect those involved. Adam Henson tried to explain fairly how TB had affected his farm and put both sides of the argument on 'Countryfile' recently on the BBC. He got death threats to himself and his family.

Warburtons Farms was very fortunate to be awarded 'Family Business of the Year' in the National Food & Farming Awards at a ceremony at the House of Commons in December, and would like to thank their friends, customers, suppliers and associates for their good wishes.

Kind Regards

Graham Warburton - Warburtons Farms 01928 788329

Please e-mail me on the following address with any comments:
warbies.depmore@btinternet.com

THANK YOU

Doreen, Elizabeth & Carole would like to thank all relatives, friends and neighbours for the kind expressions of sympathy, cards and flowers, following the sudden death of Stephen Lewis on the 22nd February.

Thank you for the generous donations to the Hurst Methodist Church.

KINGSLEY CEMETERY

We are trying to trace the relatives of Mr. Roy Worrall who died at Walton Hospital on 25th June 1986.
He is buried in plot 163 at the Cemetery.

Could you please telephone either Cllr. Graham Warburton on 01928 788329 or The Parish Clerk on 01928 739400.

MARY MAKIN

We would like to thank everyone who played a part in making Mary's '**Celebration of Life**' service such a memorable one. Your attendance, cards, prayers and donations to the Hurst Methodist Church and RNIB were a fitting tribute to Mum and Grandma. She was indeed a very special lady and each and everyone of you played a part in making her so. Thank you.

Jean, Brian, Daniel and Monica.

The Hurst Souperstars'

SOUP LUNCH

Monday April 15th 2013

Noon to 1.00pm

Home-made Soups, Puddings, Tea and Coffee

- only £2.50 all in.

All proceeds in aid of Charity

Do Please come along

WORSHIP AT THE HURST METHODIST CHURCH

Minister: Revd Steve Santry

Sunday 7th April

10.00 am : All Age Worship: Mr E Gregory

6.30 pm at Blakelees Chapel : Mr M Halliday

Thursday 11th April

4:30 to 6.30 pm: "**Messy Church**" for all the family

Sunday 14th April

8.15am- Holy Communion: Rev S Santry

10:00am. Simplicity-The Season of Spiritual Awakening: Rev S Santry

6.30pm at Blakelees Chapel : Mr M Ridley

Sunday 21st April

10.00 am : Complexity-The Season of Spiritual Awakening: Rev Steve Santry

6.30 pm at Blakelees Chapel : Rev S Santry

Sunday 28th April

10.00 am : Perplexity-The Season of Spiritual Awakening: Rev S Santry.

6.30pm: at Blakelees Chapel: Mr A Carter

All are very welcome. Please Join us

KU 17 Youth Club News Bulletin March 2012



New Members Welcome!

Kingsley Under 17 (KU17) Youth Club meets at the Kingsley Community Centre in Kingsley every Thursday night from 7pm to 9pm. KU17 aims to provide a fun and safe social hub in Kingsley for the 11-17 age range.

Facilities are available for ball and other games; there is a pool table, WII games system and music system; a tuck shop is open to sell sweets and drinks. The attendance fee is £1 per person.

The KU17 committee consists of Jackie Campbell (Secretary), Anne Kavanagh (Fundraising Coordinator), Darryl Riley (Kingsley Parish Council representative), Darren Townsend (Treasurer) and Charles Shelton (Chair). Our most recent committee joiner is Sara Jarman, who will be organising events. We would welcome volunteers to take on the post of Vice-Chair. We are also looking to recruit a youth worker, following the departure of Bredgeen Smyth as Senior Youth Worker.

Many people have helped us raise funds through the period between September 2012 to March 2013. We now have sufficient funds to be operational for this most of this year. Heartfelt thanks are due to the generosity and enthusiasm of the following:

Kingsley Coop for point of sales collection
Kingsley Coop for donation of biscuits for sale at 'Scrooge'
Holland Pharmacy for point of sales collection
Kingsley Players: for allowing biscuit sales at 'Scrooge'
Kingsley Parish Council: continued grant for 2013
KTI: for contribution from Xmas wreath sale
Horseshoe pub Kingsley: for proceeds from Xmas hamper raffle
Frodsham Round Table: for donation for Xmas float collection
KCA, Kingsley Players and audience: for tips for waiting on at Allo Allo

A true community contribution in a time of need!

We welcome your enquiries, suggestions and offers of help. Please contact us at crofton5@tiscali.co.uk, or on 01928 787103. Information will be available on the Kingsley website <http://www.kingsleyvillage.co.uk>.

The Red Bull Kingsley

April offers

Monday

Drinks promotions 5pm-8pm

£2.00 a pint and other promotions ask at bar for details *

Tuesday

Quiz night at 9pm, test your knowledge

Wednesday

Pie and a pint

Steak and ale pie with chips and a pint £8.95*

Thursday

10% discount on all food

Friday

Open 4pm with food served 5pm till 9pm

Saturday

Open 12 till 9pm for food, drink till midnight

Sunday

Home cooked Sunday roasts £8.95

Half price dessert with every main meal

Served 12 till 6pm

Live music 20th April 9pm

Junction 3 blues, jazz and swing

Selected drinks only, ask at the bar for details*

All food fresh and home cooked

Contact The Red Bull on 01928 787121

Kingsley Players

invite you to join in

The Great 'World Book Night' Give-Away



Join us for a FREE lively celebration of literature – a 'Green Room Open Mic' night of poetry and readings.

Come and perform your favourite poem, story or monologue.

Or just sit back and enjoy the entertainment.

FREE books available

Giant Book Exchange – Bring along your unwanted books for a Bring and Buy Sale.

Licensed Bar

Sunday 21st April 2013, 7.30pm for 8pm
Kingsley Community Centre

This is a FREE community event. Everyone welcome.

If you wish to perform at the Book Night (max.5 mins), please contact organiser Lynn Pegler in advance to reserve your spot.

Email: lynn@peglercommunications.co.uk or Tel 01928 789042

THANK YOU

Tom Erlis

Eileen, Little Eileen, Eddie, Connor & Lauren would like to thank all friends and neighbours of Tom for all their wonderful kindness, support and hospital visits during the past months. Tom who sadly died on 7th February had lived in Kingsley for 40 years and had made some fantastic friends. Thank you to all those who have sent condolence cards. As you know Tom was a very organised man and had requested that donations were sent to the Oncology Unit at Clatterbridge. Thank you

CIRCLE OF FRIENDS

I am the Coordinator of a project called Circle of Friends at Cheshire & Warrington Carers Centre. Circle of Friends aims to help carers who are isolated or may have lost their confidence because of their caring role. I am currently recruiting volunteers to be a friend to a Carer and offer support and encouragement to have a life outside of their caring role. Volunteers will be trained, CRB checked and then matched with a Carer who has similar interests.

I am looking for a volunteer for one of my Carers who would like someone to go to a garden centre with them now and again

If you can help please contact

Michelle Turner
Circle of Friends Project Coordinator
circle@cheshirecarerscentre.org.uk
Tel: 01606 212097



present

calendar girls

by Juliette Towhidi and Tim Firth

Wednesday 15th and Thursday 16th May – £7.00 or £5.00
Friday 17th and Saturday 18th May – £14.00 Supper and Show

Tickets for the supper night are available online at
www.kingsleyplayers.co.uk. Book early to get a good seat.

Wednesday and Thursday tickets are also available from
Holland's Pharmacy.

An amateur production by kind permission of Samuel French Ltd

CAN YOU HELP

I had an enquiry from Graham Crowton, who lives in Birmingham, wondering if there was any connection with his name Crowton and Crowton village. He has visited the local graveyard, but did not find any headstones with Crowton on them.

Does anyone have any information which may be useful for him. If so, please contact the Editor, details on first page of magazine.

Thank you/

KINGSLEY THEATRE GROUP

WAR HORSE



Thursday 16th January 2014

At The Lowry Theatre, Salford

Ticket Price £42 plus £13 for transport

Total cost £47

War Horse tells the powerful and uplifting story of young Albert, his beloved horse Joey, and the unimaginable obstacles they overcome both individually and together.

At the heart of the show are life-sized puppets which bring breathing, galloping, charging horses to thrilling life on stage. Filled with stirring music and some of the most innovative stagecraft of our time, *War Horse* is a remarkable tale of courage, loyalty and friendship, and an unforgettable theatrical experience.

The closing date for reservation and payment of ticket price is 15th May, but tickets are limited for this show and will sell fast. Transport will be invoiced nearer the time

Last remaining places for

WICKED

Monday 30th September 2013

In the stalls at the Opera House, Manchester

Price £42.50 plus transport,
which will be in the region of £13

Total cost £55.50 per person

To book seats for either show contact Ray Wilson

E-mail ray@wilson 5655.freeserve.co.uk

Or tel: 01928 787678

Kingsley

COMMUNITY
PRIMARY &
NURSERY
SCHOOL



What is happening at Kingsley Community Primary & Nursery School?

The children have been learning about the issues surrounding Fairtrade this month. Class 4 are studying fair trade in depth and have been sharing their knowledge with the rest of the school.

Class 4 organised a fun day for everyone where the children had the opportunity to buy fairtrade products and to compare the taste of fair trade and non-fair trade products. The children were able to bake cakes with fair trade products and these were on sale. Groups of children organised activities for the rest of the school to find out about fair trade.

Our **Reception** class have visited Reaseheath to watch some lambs being born.

Our **football teams** have played against several local teams (Helsby Hillside and Frodsham Weaver Vale) and have represented the school with great skill - well done!

Building works begin in school this month. We are making major changes to improve the accommodation in both buildings: part of the main building is being refurbished so that we will have a new school kitchen and canteen; two new classrooms are being created

within the main buildings and we are changing some of our accommodation to bring Wizzies into the school buildings. As a result, the old canteen and the two mobile buildings on the school site will be removed which will really improve the environment for the children and our neighbours.

We are also having a new entrance built on Middle Lane which will enable delivery lorries to come onto the school premises and for cars and pedestrians to use separate entrances.



'This is a good school. Outstanding care, guidance and support from teachers and teaching assistants ensure that pupils are happy in school and enjoy the many and varied activities open to them.'

KINGSLEY COMMUNITY PRE-SCHOOL



for **2** year olds

1/2 day and full day sessions

Tel. 01244 981300

AT

Kingsley Community Primary & Nursery School,
Middle Lane, Kingsley



@ The Hurst Methodist Church,
4.30 - 6.30 pm on Thursday 11th April

It's messy! It's Church - but not as we know it!

Chill, chat, create, celebrate & eat.

Plus activities for all ages .

Rounded off with a short song and worship time, full of interaction & fun.

It's all happening in Kingsley - come & see.

Messy Church is your church !!!

Please come at 4.30pm

FOOD GLORIOUS FOOD

An evening meal is provided, with food liked by all ages. A vegetarian option will always be available. Suggested donations of £1 per child, £2 per adult or £5 per family are welcome to help cover costs.

LATEST NEWS FROM KINGSLEY ST JOHN'S SCHOOL



April 2013

Aiming for the stars!

In last month's issue we told you all about the sneaky alien visitor in Class One that loved underpants! As part of Class One's continued work on this theme (and their hunt to find the alien) they went on a fantastic visit to Jodrell Bank Observatory.

The children had looked at hand held telescopes in school and sketched some fantastic drawings of them, but nothing compared to the size of the Lovell Telescope. It was **HUGE!**

We were also very fortunate to see it move. Eric, our guide, said that very few visitors ever got to see the telescope rotate. It was fascinating to see how it turned on tracks to point towards different areas of space.

All the children made bottle rockets out of old water bottles and paper cones. When the bottle was squashed the cone shot into the air, wooooooh! There was also an inflatable planetarium where the children got to showcase their superb knowledge of the constellations and planets.



Mrs Shimmin, along with three of our Year Six pupils, went to Chester to attend an awards ceremony for the Fair-trade art competition that our school had entered earlier in the year, and published in the last issue. After some deliberation the judges decided Kingsley St John's entry was the clear winner and we were presented with a fabulous Fairtrade hamper! Well done to Mrs Shimmin & Miss Coote along with all the children who worked on the project.

**"The quality of care, guidance and support continues
to be outstanding" (Ofsted 2011)**

Tel: 01928 788536

www.kingsley-st-johns.cheshire.sch.uk

Kingsley
Transition
Initiative
 *Building a more resilient community*

A Transition Initiative is a community led process that helps a town or village become stronger and happier, with a community action programme to transition to a more sustainable lifestyle for the benefit of both present and future generations.

Look at what the '*Militant Optimists*' of KTI are doing in the face of modern challenges:

Regular Markets
Allotments
Horticulture training with Reaseheath College
Help the Elderly
Weekly TLC sessions
Teaching the use of Skype
Engagement with youth
School gardens
Collaboration with Scouts and KU17s
Climate change
Energy Group
PV on Community Centre roof
Support to local business
Trades group

To help KTI help ***your*** Community please contact:
Simon Sherlock on 01928 787813 or Allan Arthur on 07785 341361
or come and have a drink with us at our next get together at the
The Red Bull, 7.30pm on 16th April 2013.

<http://www.kingsleytransition.org.uk/>



NOTICE OF AGM

The Kingsley Community Association AGM is due to take place on Tuesday 30th April at 7.30pm, at The Community Centre. All residents are invited to attend.

As a committee we are keen to see new people get involved, if anyone is interested in getting involved in any aspect of the KCA's activities then please get in touch.

Mike Butler Chairman, contact mrpb [_kca@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:kca@yahoo.co.uk).



St Lukes Parish, Frodsham
Diocese of Shrewsbury



WELCOME FROM ST. LUKE'S CATHOLIC CHURCH FRODSHAM

Parish Priest: Mgr. Peter O'Neill

Mass times:

Saturday (Vigil) 6.00 pm
Sunday 9.00 am and 11.00 am
Week days 9.30 am (Mon, Wed, Thurs, Fri)
Morning Prayer is said before each Mass at 9.15 am
6.15 pm (Tuesday)

Wishing all a Happy Easter.

Mon. 8th. Feast of the Annunciation
Tues. 23rd. Feast of St. George.
Thurs. 25th. St Mark, Evangelist
In the Centre: Quiz night 13th April 7 pm.

See the parish web page for further details: stlukesparish.org.uk

KINGSLEY ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST PARISH CHURCH

Vicar. Revd.Pete Rugen. 01928 787180

April 7th

No services. Parish weekend

April 14 th	09:30	Morning Service
April 17 th	20:00	Café Church (at the Hurst)
April 18 th	10:00	Holy Communion
April 21 st	09:30	Holy Communion
	11:15	All Age Service
April 28 th	10:00	Holy Communion (at Norley)

ALL ARE VERY WELCOME

Litter Pick Update

On **12th Saturday 16th March 12** of our litter pick team removed 14 bags of litter. Unfortunately there is still a large amount of litter on the main roads through the village. As always thank you to those who pick up litter as they walk around the village.

The next litter picks will be on Saturday 13th April and Saturday 11th may. We will start at 10.00 am at the Community Centre.
New helpers are always welcome. We provide all the equipment needed.

Eila Birtwistle – Litter pick co-ordinator.

**KINGSLEY NEWSLETTERS ARE AVAILABLE
AT THE PHARMACY, POST OFFICE COUNTER,
RED BULL & THE HORSESHOE**

1st NEWTON & KINGSLEY SCOUTS - 2013 BEDDING PLANT SALE

Yes, Its that time again! Winter is officially over (we hope), spring has sprung and thoughts can now turn to making the garden look beautiful again.

To help you in this task the 1st Newton & Kingsley Scout Group are holding their annual bedding plant sale.

We offer a wide range of plants, planted baskets and containers at competitive prices.

Cheer yourself up and cheer your garden up.

Furthermore we will do what no garden centre can do for you:
deliver your plants, to your door, leaving you only to plant them.

Our plants are supplied by a well known local grower who is accredited by

'The British Ornamental Plant Producers'.

This is a quality management scheme that includes a commitment to reducing peat & pesticide use

The 1st Newton & Kingsley Scout Group includes a Cub pack and Beaver colony as well as an active Scout Troop and fulfils an important role in the community. With all the influences and distractions on kids today the need for a Scout Group in the village is greater than ever. In order to maintain a wide and varied programme of activities for our boys and girls, we need to continue raising funds.

I am sorry to say that we have had to increase the prices we charge for some of the plants because the cost price has been increased after many years of stability.

The plants still offer excellent value for money and quality

All you have to do is this:

1. Fill in the order form opposite
2. Make your cheque payable to '1st Newton & Kingsley Scout Group'.
(Cash is OK but we would prefer a cheque.)
3. Drop off or post your order form to the following address:

Andy Bruckshaw at 20 Westbrook Road, Kingsley, Frodsham, Cheshire, WA68EA

Alternative drop off locations are:

28 Mansefield Road, Kingsley
The Clearing, The Hurst(Chapel lane end), Kingsley

If you need to arrange a collection of your order form
then please ring Andy Bruckshaw on 01928 788963

We will deliver your plants on Saturday the 11^h of May.

Last date for receipt of orders Wednesday 1st May (12" and 16" wire baskets by 20th April)

**DON'T FORGET YOU CAN ALSO HELP THE SCOUTS BY DROPPING YOUR OLD NEWSPAPERS
IN THE BLUE PAPER RECYCLING SKIP OUTSIDE THE SCOUT HUT**

RECEIPT

THE SUM OF £ _____ HAS BEEN RECEIVED FROM _____

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

SIGNED: _____

DATE: _____

ORDER FORM

	VARIETY	No. of Plants per Box	No. of Boxes Required	£ Price per Box	Total Price
1	ALYSSUM (White)	12		£2.10	
2	ANTIRRHINUM	12		£2.10	
3	ASTER	12		£2.10	
4	BEGONIAS	6		£2.10	
5	DAHLIA	6		£2.10	
6	IMPATIEN (Busy Lizzie)	6		£2.10	
7	LOBELIA BLUE (Crystal Palace)	12		£2.10	
8	LOBELIA RED	12		£2.10	
9	LOBELIA BLUE, TRAILING	12		£2.10	
10	FRENCH MARIGOLD	12		£2.10	
11	MESEMBRYANTHEMUM (Livingstone daisy)	12		£2.10	
12	NEMESIA	12		£2.10	
13	NICOTIANA	6		£2.10	
14	PANSY	12		£2.10	
15	PETUNIA	12		£2.10	
16	GODETIA	6		£2.10	
17	SALVIAS	6		£2.10	
18	SWEET WILLIAM	12		£2.10	
19	STOCK	12		£2.10	
20	GAZANIA	6		£2.10	
21	ASSORTED BASKET PLANTS	6		£5.50	
22	MIXED GERANIUM	6		£5.00	
23	GERANIUM (Upright) 9cm pot	1		£1.50	
24	GERANIUM (Trailing) 10cm pot	1		£1.50	
25	FUSCHIA (Upright) 9cm pot	1		£1.50	
26	FUSCHIA (Trailing) 9cm pot	1		£1.50	
27	SURFINIA (Trailing Petunia)9cm pot	1		£1.50	
28	BACOPA (Cabana Lavender, trailing) 9cm pot	1		£1.50	
29	SWEET PEA 9cm pot	12 (approx.)		£1.50	
30	BRACHYCOME (Blue Brazil) 9cm pot	1		£1.50	
31	COSMOS (mixed)	6		£2.10	
32	SANVITALIA (Cuzco® - yellow trailing) 9cm pot	1		£1.50	
33	BEGONIA Non Stop (trailing mixed) (9cm pot)	1		£1.50	
34	12" WICKER HANGING BASKET			£12.00	
35	12" MOSSED WIRE HANGING BASKET **			£20.00	
36	16" MOSSED WIRE HANGING BASKET **			£25.00	
	** 3 wks notice needed for this item	Total Cost			

If you are not in when plants are delivered they will normally be left outside
 If you have any special delivery instructions, please note in box below

DELIVERY DETAILS

CUSTOMER NAME:
 ADDRESS:

TEL:

FRODSHAM - A HIVE OF ACTIVITY THIS SUMMER

FRODSHAM will be a hive of activity this summer – with speakers visiting the town to talk about the UK's bee population, food and drink festivals celebrating local producers and Music in the Park.

The Grassroots Conference will mark the birth of William Charles Cotton 200 years ago, who was a vicar in the town and founding member and President of the British Bee Keeping Association. Frodsham Foundation, which promotes and supports business and community innovation and enterprise, has been buzz-y preparing for the event.

Director Kate Dodgson said: "... We have speakers from a range of organisations and across the country attending. Frodsham has a rich heritage of bees and bee keeping and part of the conference will focus on the Local Bee Action Plan and what communities can do at a local level to support and promote, not just the bee, but a whole range of pollinators."

Speakers will include TED (Technology, Entertainment & Design) speaker Pam Warhurst of Incredible Edible, Reasehealth College and Cheshire Bee Keeping Association. The conference will take place on Friday, May 10 at Frodsham's BEST WESTERN Forest Hills Hotel.

A Food and Drink Festival will then take place over the weekend to celebrate the quality and diversity of the region's local food and drink producers. The event, from May 11 to 12, will also include special commemorative beers from the award winning microbrewery Frodsham Brewery, food demonstrations and bee friendly planting. There will also be a junior football tournament, BMX and skateboard coaching and It's a Knockout. Local bands Undecided, Retro and Jack the Lad will perform with a special music festival on Saturday afternoon.

For more information contact Kate by email at kate.dodgson@frodshamfoundation.net or telephone 07970 798247 or visit www.cheshirehive.co.uk.

POETRY

What is poetry?

Is it the lilting writing of an educated hand?
Or the passion flamed mind seeking expression?

Not for me, the pretty waters so calm,
But like a torrent, tumbling and roaring,
My spirit must have rein to soar,
To touch the skies, and plunge the depths into despair,
Love, hate, envy, need and compassion are the
Essential composites of poetry that matters,
Loneliness, happiness and fulfilment add
Their spice to the magic brew.

But how can poetry exist without heart or passion?
It is like weak tea, or flat and featureless as a great plain.
Talking pretty words, soon bores those who would listen,
But, if you feel your poetry
You will inspire those who listen, they will
Feel moved, as they recognise emotions within themselves.

The powerful words of the long-dead still inspire
And are enjoyed by the hungry minds
Of those who seek to learn

In poetry every generation can add its own contribution
To the colourful fabric and tapestry
That is poetry. Ad infinitum

John C Hibbert



News Bulletin

Western Rural Round-up-
24/3/2013

Week ending

**TO CONTACT THE POLICE CALL THE NEW NON
EMERGENCY NUMBER 101.**

IN AN EMERGENCY ALWAYS DIAL 999

NPT Frodsham - Voicemail. 0845-458-6393

NPT Dragon Hall - Voicemail. 0845-458-6377

NPT Mickle Trafford – Voicemail. 0845-458-6394

1. We have again had numerous calls about generators and tools being offered for sale from the back of a variety of vehicles. We would advise strong caution against purchasing anything in such circumstances, as the purchaser has no come-back, should the item turn out to be faulty or stolen.
2. On Monday 18th, a farm in Barkhill Drive, Tussingham disturbed an old silver Mitsubishi 4x4 type vehicle with a 'cab' on the back, on farmland, in the process of removing various metal items without permission. They drove off across fields in order to escape.
3. There is an increasing incidence of rowdy behaviour in the Church Lane area of Farndon, with reports of youths throwing stones at windows and causing damage. If you witness any such behaviour, or know those responsible, please notify the police, so that the matter can be addressed before it gets out of hand.
4. A house in Gowy Road, Mickle Trafford was burgled over the last week or so whilst the occupants were away. If you saw anyone suspicious in the locality, please contact the police.
5. On Wednesday 20th, police received numerous calls in the evening about two suspicious males in the Tarvin area. Police attended and arrested both males for stealing from motor vehicles. Thanks to all those who phoned in – your calls really do make a difference!
6. Hotel car carks continue to be targeted, with offenders apparently watching people parking up and placing items in the boot. Offenders are then attacking the vehicles and making off. The advice is always, not to leave valuables in a car, but to always be mindful of anyone watching you.
7. On Thursday, a report of suspicious activity in Dobers lane, Frodsham, lead to a male being arrested for drug and driving offences.
8. On Friday evening, reports from the Primrose Lane area of Helsby lead to the arrest of a male for breaking into vehicles which were parked on peoples driveways.
9. Finally, a house in Parklands Drive, Elton was broken into overnight on Saturday, with a black Jaguar vehicle being taken from the driveway. Did you see any suspicious activity in the area?

Your calls this week have lead to some very positive results. Please, always phone the police if you see anything suspicious – do not feel that you are 'wasting our time'... without your calls, police would have an even more difficult job!

Inspector Keith Curbishley
Frodsham Police Station
Western Rural NPU
0845 458 6393



KINGSLEY WALKING GROUP

Six of us, plus a dog, took a 6.5 mile walk on 12 March, on a sunny but cold day, led by Ken Robinson. Starting from Milton Green, we headed south to the picturesque hamlet of Aldersey Green, then westward to eventually reach Bishop Bennett's Way. Circulating back to towards Milton green, we pass by Calveley Hall with its strange and mysterious collection of agricultural machinery and vehicles. We managed to keep our feet wet, but collected plenty of mud on our boots.

Kingsley Walking Group have two walks each month: on the second Tuesday there is a long walk of 7 - 8.5 miles (bring a packed lunch); on the last Wednesday a short walk of approx. 5 miles with a coffee break and pub lunch. We meet at the Community Centre at 9.30am (Note however an earlier start of 9.00am for the long walks from May to September). Information on the walks programme may be found on the Walking Club page of the Kingsley Village website. For more information tel. 788132 (short walks), 788068 (long walks).

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Monday	Art	8 th 15 th 22 nd 29 th	2 00pm
	Zumba	8 th 15 th 22 nd 29 th	6 00pm
	Bingo	1 st 15 th 29 th	7 00pm
Tuesday	Spanish	9 th 16 th 23 rd 30 th	9 45am
	Line Dance	Every week	8 00pm
Thursday	Quiz	11 th 25 th	8 00pm

Please note the Quiz is on a Thursday instead of Wednesday because of Bowls starting. Anyone wishing to play bowls come up to the club either Tuesday or Wednesday when someone will give you advice.

On Saturday April 27th the Artist will be Steve Weston. Tickets are available from the bar or ring 01928788505.

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13th April - Crochet Workshop Tracey - 07595291504

Friday 26th - Caroline Gregson willow weaving workshop - mail@carolinegregson.com

LECTURES

10th April - Fine Art Trade Guild Association 7.30pm - 9.30pm contact: 02073816616 or membership@fineart.co.uk

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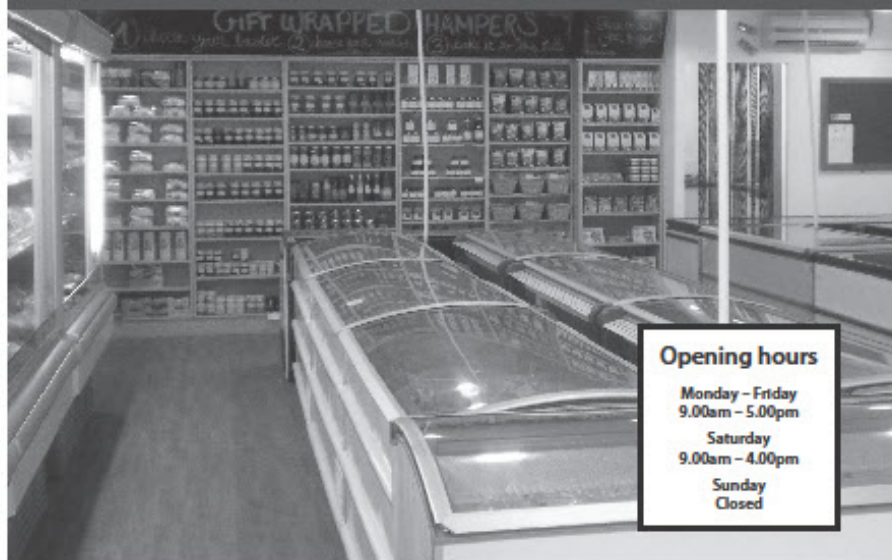
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- Tues 9th 9.30am Deir Yassin Remembrance Day
Kingsley Walking Group at KCC
- Thurs 11th 4.30pm "Messy Church" for all the family at the Hurst
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