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FROM THE EDITOR

Welcome to the March 23 edition of Kingsley News,



The daffodils are showing across the village and spring is around the corner. I hope you appreciate the photos sent in by Kingsley News readers. Please do keep sending them in so that more can be chosen to feature on the front cover in the future.

This month's edition is a bumper 32 pages. There is a special article by Mark O'Sullivan, Secretary of the Hob Hey Wood Friends Group, a continued look back at our village history, as well as looking forward to forthcoming events including, performances of 'Model Behaviour' by Kingsley Players Youth Theatre and Weaver Words Literature Festival. Thank you to all who have contributed.

Over the past couple of months the community centre has been given a tidy up and a 'fresh lick of paint' as part of the KCA's ongoing efforts to provide a quality venue for local events and hiring. If you wish to book the centre please do get in contact with Heather Hayes, Booking Secretary. Costs are very competitive and the bar has recently been upgraded courtesy of two new beer and wine fridges.

There is one event this month that is very close to my heart - a quiz night which I have the honour to compere. My wife, Lisa, is running the London Marathon in April and is fundraising for the National Deaf Children's Society. More details can be found over the page and if you are free on the 25th of March do come along.

I hope you enjoy reading this edition and please do give feedback too.

Best Wishes

Steve

If you have a story to tell about Kingsley or its residents then please do get in touch. It would be great to include articles from guest writers each month.



Articles for the newsletter to be sent to the Editor at
kingsleynewseditor@gmail.com

Copy deadline the 21st of the month.

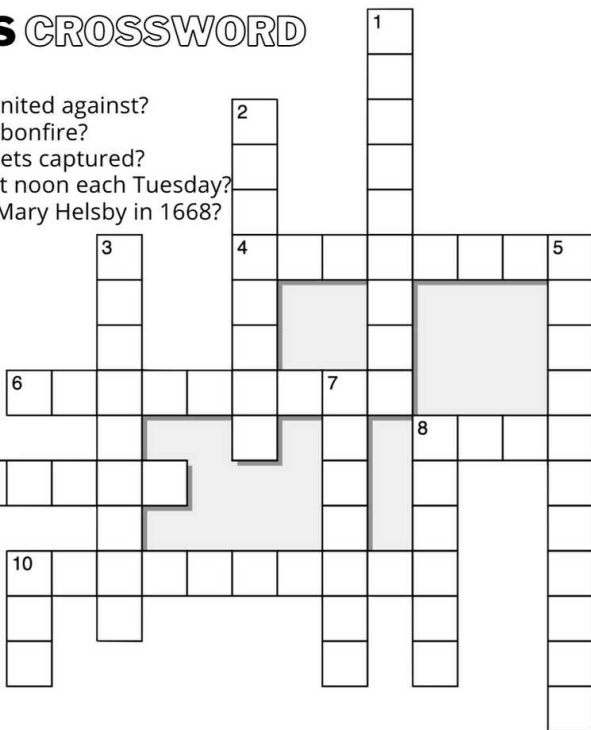
IN KINGSLEY NEWS CROSSWORD

Across

- 4) Who are the Alzheimer's Society united against?
- 6) What is on Andrew Blick's literary bonfire?
- 8) Over what type of road were sunsets captured?
- 9) What regular weekly class starts at noon each Tuesday?
- 10) Where was the letter written by Mary Helsby in 1668?

Down

- 1) What might be described as having cerulean blooms?
- 2) A special winter visitor to Hob Hey Wood
- 3) What cost £908.50 back in 1977?
- 5) Which place offered most amusement to the Kingsley Walkers? (7,4)
- 7) What was the name of the Hurst's resident band back in the 1990s?
- 8) What is the name of the professional theatre where Kingsley Players Youth Theatre will perform?
- 10) According to Asa Murphy, what does a monkey lack?



QUIZ NIGHT



A fund raising event

Saturday 25th March@ 8pm - Kingsley Community Centre

Teams of up to 6 people - £20 per team

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'Hi - I'm Lisa and I'm running the London Marathon this April with the aim to raise over £2000 for the National Deaf Children's Society, please do come along to my charity quiz night.'



Please pay £20 directly to secure a team table using this QR code or email me: lisafamily4@icloud.com



The Vyrnwy Aqueduct Modernisation Programme

Come along to find out more about our work to modernise sections of this amazing aqueduct in your area. Venues and date information can be found below.

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Our project team will share our plans and answer any queries you may have. No need to book, just pop along to a session that's convenient for you.

If you're unable to make a session, you can also find information online at uuhub.co.uk/Vyrnwy or scan this QR code with your smartphone.



Drop-in sessions from 2pm until 7pm

*Please note earlier finish time

1	Jessie Hughes Village Hall Royal Lane, Eaton, Tarporley, CW6 9XE	Wednesday 1 March
2	Cotebrook Village Hall Stable Lane, Cotebrook, Tarporley, CW6 0JJ	Wednesday 8 March *6pm finish
3	Delamere Community Centre 5 Station Road, Delamere, Northwich, CW8 2HU	Monday 13 March *6.30pm finish
4	Norley Village Hall High Street, Norley, Frodsham, WA6 8JS	Tuesday 14 March *6.30pm finish
5	Kingsley Community Centre 34 Smithy Lane, Kingsley, Frodsham, WA6 8ED	Tuesday 21 March
6	Runcorn Linnets Football Club Stockham Lane, Halton, Runcorn, WA7 6GJ	Wednesday 22 March



You may notice our teams as we carry out surveys and investigations to help develop our plans for the Tarporley to Norton phase of our programme.



Water for the North West

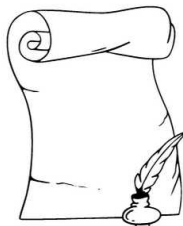
KINGSLEY: THE STORY OF A CHESHIRE VILLAGE PART 2

A book with this title was published in 1975, authored by William Gibson and Alan Waterworth. The book reprinted a number of articles about Kingsley written by William Gibson and published in the Cheshire Chronicle in the 1950s, together with two essays written by Alan Waterworth. The book had a limited print run, although there are probably quite a few copies on bookshelves in Kingsley, and has never been reprinted, to my knowledge.

Now we are two, or even three, generations on from original publication, it is perhaps time for the Kingsley story to be re-told.

A Letter from Brook House, 1668

There has been a Brook House in Kingsley since at least the fifteenth century and the present building has recently been restored by new owners so that it is now one of the most attractive of the old houses of Kingsley. Though its walls cannot speak we are lucky to have a number of old letters which were written within those same walls over three hundred years ago. In those days, Randolph Helsby, whose family owned many acres hereabouts, lived there with his wife. In April 1668 Randolph was away from home on business in London staying in Fleet Street at the house of Mr Gerard, possibly Benjamin, son of Colonel Gerard of Crewood Hall. His wife was no doubt feeling lonely and she sat down to write to her husband, to give news of the family, the servants and the visitors and to tell him how much she missed him. The letter she wrote was published by her descendant, Thomas Helsby the historian, in the Cheshire Sheaf of 1899.



My Dearest Husband,

It giveth me & my poore father great sattisfaction to hear from you happy tidings contained in yor dear lettrs, methinks that the Consideration paid to you by my Ld Hatton must be very assureing of the successfullness of yor taske. I doubte not that he will buy ye scites of the city houses as well as be good friend to you in all other ways that we wish. Mr Hyde was here yesterday with the colte which is finely bred. I have examined him and am greatly pleased. Jack is in much delight with him, but I tell him he must love horses less and his book the more though he is growing very scholarlike, and his master saith he taketh his learneing as a loadstone drawing iron unto it. He very often asketh after you and hath much of a conceit to walke to London.

Doll Janion tother night was again out very late with a young man from Helsby, and for her disobedience I whipp't her well over my lapp, but onely with my hande, and tho 19 she cried like a childe and did often call out Madam I beg pardon, O do pardon me Madam, O, do, O,do, O, do. She has been very good ever since, I am much afraid the wenche will come to naughte, for she has lately growne quite like a woman & is plumpe & white, but very silly enough to take up by turns with 2 or 3 youthes of no great good & much belowe her every waie. I fear me she will in this wise give me as much trouble as I hear she hath given her mother. She has so often offended I have at last tried not vainly to shame and amende her into better behaviour, as gentle words and warneings all went for nothing. I sent word to her to come to my closett & after talking to her awhile bade her prepare herselfe for her discipline with the rodd, but she begged so on her knees that I promised its remission & twould have hurt pittly fully she hath so fine a skinn, John got behind some tapestrie & heard my sermon to her & then went belowe & for mischeife sent up Joe the new servant which I found listening & he had pept through the keyhole. He is a tall lathe of a ladde of 17 or 18, and I gave him a quiet, firme lessone on his disorderlie conduct, I then whipt him also until he cryed like a babe. I was secretelly much insensed, but methinks by the present behaviour that he must need a quishion instead of a saddel for some time, and that I shall be put to no more trouble with either, such as Mrs Rutter telleth me she hath bean put unto by some of her maides and youthes. But she showeth so much to her passion that it is no great marvell and hath not ye arte and control enough to give them reasonable knowledge of her faults, but hasteley strippeth them with her owne handes. Methinks my servants do love me much more than any mistresse is loved hereabouts.

Fforgive me for these long lines or I may expect ye same punishment.

It will be very easie for my sister to keepe house whilst I come to you my dearest which I much do want. Peter Hatton has brought me some rents from Helsby and Alvanley, he hath gone to his father at Weston but promiseth to send John Haton or William to collect ye arreares.

Mrs Aston came this morning in great state & I did much amuse her. She carryeth herself very much better & I doubt not will be matchd to her likeing, but she has not yet that management of her horse as I could wish her but hath grace eno in most other things.

How uncomely it is to see her friend Kitty D. so frisky with her servant. I never will believe that a woman doth show so much love and affection by her shew of so little respect yet I can sweare he loveth her truly to ye very nails of her fingers and she hath a very pretty small handee bredd as finely as you may all but see thorough but what a Chancellrs wooll sacke she looketh on horseback a shapeless piece of costliness. But the handsomness of both their language is a great amendment of their garments.

Dearest husband lett me come to you or I shall choke with a thousand lines unwrit, but I still remaine for evr my dear one

Your affectionate &

Obedient wife whilst

Mary Helsby



The Astons lived across the Weaver and would cross the river by boat when visiting Kingsley. Kitty D was probably a Dutton from Dutton Hall whilst Dolly Janion came from a numerous and respectable yeoman family who were later to play an important part in the establishment of Methodism in this part of Cheshire. The Hattons referred to would be relations of Mrs Helsby who before her marriage was a Miss Hatton of Hatton a distinguished Cheshire family from which sprang Sir Christopher Hatton, Lord Chancellor and favourite of Elizabeth I.



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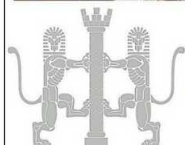
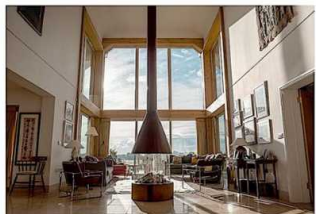
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HOB HEY WOOD

A LOCAL GEM



Ancient woodland is Britain's most biodiverse habitat, yet most has been destroyed. In Cheshire, a few fragments remain, some along the Weaver valley. Hob Hey Wood in Frodsham is an example. As ancient woodland it retains much of its historical biodiversity and is an important green space for people and wildlife alike.

The wood is owned by Frodsham Town Council and has a volunteer group (Hob Hey Wood Friends) managing it. It is a popular destination for local people who enjoy its seasonal highlights.



Spring is the best time to visit as the wood puts on a spectacular wildflower display. February sees golden-yellow blooms of lesser celandine form patches of ground colour. April sees the brilliant-white wood anemones blooming together with the shy, pinky-white wood sorrel. Dog violets and pale wood violets give a nice colour contrast.



May sees the blooming of the bluebells and wild garlic. Bluebells are almost exclusive to Britain which holds 50% of the world's bluebell woods. Thousands of these cerulean blooms line the paths, heads nodding in any breeze, giving off their delicate scent. In the wetter areas, wild garlic thrives, contrasting with their large white flowers and pungent scent.

By the end of May, the garlic and bluebells are past their best but there are still many species yet to bloom giving colour in the wood until autumn arrives.

The wood holds many species of birds including all common woodland species. Tawny owls breed as do buzzards and sparrowhawks. Great spotted woodpeckers are common and obvious as are nuthatches, both breeding in holes in trees.

Slightly less obvious are the goldcrests and treecreepers that also breed here. A special winter visitor is the woodcock. This wading bird is in severe decline but several spend the winter in Hob Hey feeding at night and roosting during the day. A walk in the wood is occasionally interrupted by a long-billed, cryptically coloured bird flying out of the undergrowth before disappearing!



Summer is the time to look for butterflies; 21 species have been seen in Hob Hey. Along with the common species, two specialists occur: the scarce purple hairstreak and the rare white-letter hairstreak. The white-letter hairstreak lives on elm so had its population decline by 90% during the height of Dutch elm disease. The disease is still killing elms, but our group has planted a disease-resistant elm to help the butterflies thrive.

Autumn sees the trees' leaves colour up; a palette of yellows, browns, golds and bronzes decorate the branches before gradually carpeting the woodland floor. This time of year is fabulous for fungi. Hundreds of species occur here of a huge variety of shapes, sizes, colours and textures. We have bright purple amethyst deceivers, huge dryad's saddles, miniscule frosty bonnets (tiny mushrooms that looks as if frosted with icing sugar), and the 'jelly ear' which looks and feels exactly as its name suggests!



Hob Hey is a delight to walk through at any time with always something new to discover. If you would like to learn more about the wood or our group we can be found at:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/879397185602368>

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Hob Hey Wood Friends Group





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Kingsley Players Youth Theatre

stages premiere of National Theatre play

‘Model Behaviour’



(Thursday 30 March – Saturday 1 April 2023)

Kingsley Players Youth Theatre has been selected to take part in the National Theatre youth Connections drama festival for the second year running.

The talented group will give three performances of a new play ‘Model Behaviour’ by Jon Brittain, Thursday 30 March – Saturday 1 April, at Kingsley Community Centre, as part of a nationwide celebration of theatre involving more than 250 youth companies and 8,000 young people.

The new play takes us into the classroom of politics teacher Mr Smallwood, who has the inspired idea of his pupils spending a day role-playing being a delegate at the United Nations.

Bright, over-confident student Ronni is delighted. Everyone else isn’t and they quickly exhibit their contempt for the project. The experiment explodes into a thermo-nuclear car crash of a day, with personal (playground) politics played out against a backdrop of the world stage.

Youth Theatre Director Jake Powell said: “Following on from the success of our involvement with National Theatre Connections last year, we are thrilled to be taking part this year, performing a brand new play written specifically for young people.

“As well as performing at Kingsley Community Centre, we also have the opportunity to stage our play at a professional theatre, the Crewe Lyceum, on Monday 24th April, as part of their Connections Festival. We are very grateful for support from our sponsors Kingsley Parish Council, Kingsley Carpets and Forresters factory farm shop, who have helped to make the project possible.”

‘Model Behaviour’ by Jon Brittain will be premiered by Kingsley Players Youth Theatre at Kingsley Theatre in Kingsley Community Centre, from Thursday 30 March to Saturday 1 April 2023, at 8pm. Running time is one hour. Doors open at 7pm for tea/coffee, tuck shop and licensed bar.



Tickets cost £5 for adults and students. These can be booked online at www.kingsleyplayers.co.uk or by ringing the box office on 07724 892154.

SINGING FOR THE BRAIN IN FRODSHAM



A Frodsham singing group for people with dementia is inviting new members and their carers to join.

The Alzheimer's Society runs 'Singing for the Brain' at Frodsham Community Church every Wednesday afternoon. The sessions are an opportunity for people with dementia and their carers to meet each other, form friendships and have fun. Even when many memories are hard to retrieve, music can still be recalled.

Based around the principles of music therapy the group includes vocal warm-ups and the singing of a wide range of old and new songs for everyone's taste. You do not have to be a good singer to join. Singing for the Brain leader Liz Conway said, "In the group's relaxed environment, no one cares how well you sing - it's all about coming together for fun and support, bolstered by the enthusiasm of our lovely volunteers Margaret, Pip and Jan."

Ron and his wife Marian have been attending since 2019. Ron has loved to sing all their married life but with the advent of Alzheimer's the singing slowly stopped. Singing with the group has brought back Ron's love of singing and memory of the words to songs. They both enjoy the fun and friendship the group brings and look forward to the weekly sessions.

The sessions are held weekly at Frodsham Community Church, Main Street, Frodsham and run from 1.30 - 3pm.

**To find out more contact the Alzheimer's Society : cheshire@alzheimers.org.uk
0300 369 0570
Or contact Liz : lizcsftb@gmail.com**

CHURCH NEWS

They're back- two of our pre lock down favourites – please come and join Us

Tea at 2.30 – Thursday, 30th March 2023 at 2.30pm at The Hurst meeting room

Men's Brunch – Friday, 31st March 2023 at 10.30am at The Hurst meeting room



Coffee and Chat

Please come and join us each **Tuesday morn 10am** at the Hurst Methodist Church For 'Coffee and Chat', meet old friends and new.

You will be most welcome.



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 March we think of, and pray for people living in: -



**W/c Mar 5th
Newton/Hillfoot and Old Hall Lane**

W/c Mar 12th Kingswood

W/c Mar 19th Meeting House Lane/Offalps Lane

W/c Mar 26th Norley Road

We invite you to add your own prayers



CHURCH NEWS



St John the Evangelist, Kingsley

We are part of the United Benefice of
Norley, Crowton and Kingsley with
Alvanley and Manley

Services in March 2023

Friday 3rd March – World Day of Prayer Service

1.30pm - A Service from Taiwan at
Norley Church

Service for all denominations – all
welcome

Sunday 5th March

10.00 am Family Worship at Norley

6.30 pm Sacred Space at Crowton

Sunday 12th March

10.00 am Family Communion at Kingsley

6.00 pm Holy Communion (BCP) at
Alvanley

Sunday 19th March

10.00 am Holy Communion at Crowton

6.00 pm Healing Service with Holy
Communion at Kingsley

Sunday 26th March

8.30 am Holy Communion at Crowton
(BCP)

10.00 am Holy Communion at Alvanley

6:00 pm Evening Prayer at Norley

Mid-week Holy Communion all at 10.00 am

2nd Mar - Norley – 16th Mar - Norley

9th Mar - Norley – 22nd Mar - Norley

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Worship at The Hurst Methodist Church

March 2023

Sunday 5th March

8:30 am Holy Communion led
by Rev A Emison

10am Morning Worship led
by Mr P Davidson

Sunday 12th March

10am Morning Worship led
by Mr M Gough

Sunday 19th March

10am Holy Communion led
by Rev. A Emison

Sunday 26th March

10am Morning Worship Local
Arrangement

A warm welcome awaits all who wish to
attend.

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our community feel safe, so ask that you
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that there have been
many famous
Methodist hymn
writers over the
centuries?

The most famous being Charles Wesley 1707-1778 who wrote over 6,500 hymns, including the words to "Hark the herald angels sing".

In the 1990s, at the Hurst, we had our own resident band, ExodusV, who enhanced the worship with the more up-to-date worship songs that were beginning to flood the market, with the hymn books "Mission Praise", "Power Praise", etc.

Since those young people moved away from Kingsley, we introduced a worship group which was a group of singers who sang contemporary worship songs before the service twice a month, and particularly in 2011 and onwards, to introduce the congregation to the more modern songs included in the new Methodist hymn book, "Singing the Faith". Since the pandemic, for various reasons, this is no longer in existence. Methodists have always been renowned for singing lustily! So, if you decided to come along on a Sunday morning to worship with us, but were afraid to because you might not know the hymns, don't worry, you would soon pick up the tunes! And, anyway, it's the words that really speak to us all!

ARE YOU A MUSICIAN (maybe a drummer, guitarist, singer keyboard player or other), that would like the opportunity to be part of a worship band sometimes on a Sunday (or other time)? *If so, please contact Alison on abpeate@gmail.com, or any other Hurst contact.*

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KINGSLEY WALKERS



The year got off to a peculiar start for the Kingsley Walkers with a very rare postponement due to the forecast of extremely heavy rain. The postponement then became an unheard of cancellation due to the icy conditions which came a week later.

After those frustrations we headed off for the inaugural outing of 2023 on a delightful walk around Lyme Park on the 24th of January. Starting off on the Macclesfield Canal we then passed close to Lyme House itself. This, of course, was the location where *Pride and Prejudice* was filmed in 1995. Again the weather affected the day, but only inasmuch as the coolness discouraged the Colin Firth lookalikes amongst the male walkers from plunging into the lake.

A very pleasant day amongst varied landscapes and we were left to ponder about the strangeness of English place names with Sponds and Pott Shrigley being on or close to the route. The one that caused the most amusement however was Andrews Knob (grid ref: SJ956792).

At the end of the walk we had further evidence of eccentricity at a little cafe where we stopped. In fact, it wasn't so much a cafe as a wooden hut selling a range of odd items amongst which were cups of tea and instant coffee to be drunk at benches outside. We were served by a cheerful geezer who kept his social distance by delivering items down a 2 metre ramp on a little trolley made from a tea tray and castors with a bungee propulsion system, all good fun.

On Valentine's Day we demonstrated our love of walking (and friendly talking) by heading out to the Plough Inn at Whitegate for a 5 mile countryside walk, before returning for a very enjoyable pub lunch.

There is a programme of walks coming up for future months, short ones up to 5 miles on the second Tuesday of each month and longer ones on the fourth Tuesday. New members are always welcome, please email to kingsleywalkerswa6@gmail.com.

KINGSLEY GARDEN CLUB



We were so sorry that we had to cancel the February meeting at very short notice. The speaker was unable to come. We plan to have an extra gathering of some sort in the summer.

The March meeting will be on Monday 13th, on the subject of Hostas. The speaker will be Robert Barlow, the owner of North Staffordshire Hostas, which he has developed as a full time job after retiring in 2021. He has been growing hostas for 20 years, starting with 15 varieties and now has 550 varieties and over 4000 in stock. His wife helps to run the business, and they hold a Plant Heritage Society National Collection of Hostas.

We hope you are all feeling that Spring is round the corner, seeing all the bulbs out and signs of early blossom on trees and shrubs. Frogs have been heard and frogspawn has been spotted, which is very early. Some gardens in Kingsley have wonderful swathes of snowdrops; they are particularly good this year.

Look forward to seeing you on the 13th in The Community Centre at 8.00 pm. Visitors always welcome.



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WEAVER WORDS

LITERATURE FESTIVAL

IS BACK



New Line-Up is announced.

Poet laureate Simon Armitage and TV drama legend Sir Phil Redmond head an impressive line-up of talks, events, workshops and competitions at Cheshire's sixth Weaver Words Literature Festival, based at Frodsham Community Centre, Friday 28 April – Sunday 7 May 2023.



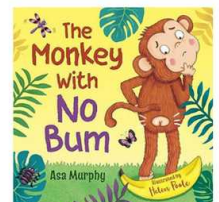
Recent political turmoil in Westminster comes under the spotlight in an interview with London University Professor Andrew Blick about his new book 'The Bonfire of the Decencies', literary expert Andy Jurgis will give a seminar on the poet RS Thomas and author Sharon Wright's fascinating insights into the Bronte family will be served with a hearty Yorkshire afternoon tea.



Radio DJ Mark Radcliffe will be guest author at a dinner in Frodsham's Main Street Kitchen restaurant, Weaver Words patron Tim Firth will be revealing the inside story on working with pop stars and creating West End productions, and actor Gerald Dickens, Charles Dickens' great great grandson, makes a welcome return, this time performing a stunning one man show of Great Expectations.



Poetry lovers can enjoy the treat of a Literary River Cruise from Anderton Boat Lift along the Weaver Navigation accompanied by inspirational words on the waterways, and Word Weavers, poet Andrew Rudd and violinist Daniel Axworthy, will again offer an enthralling evening of poetry and music.



Kicking off the festival will be self-publishing guru and former Thundersprint festival organiser, Frank Melling with a stand-up comedy routine at Frodsham craft brewery Chapter Brewing, and author Tony Bryan will be explaining how to turn historical events into authentic modern fiction.





WEAVER WORDS
FRODSHAM LITERATURE FESTIVAL

Festival manager Lynn Pegler said: “We’re delighted to have assembled a fantastic line-up for Frodsham’s sixth literature festival. We decided early on the theme for this year’s festival would be ‘New Beginnings’, reflecting the changing cultural landscape as we emerge from the pandemic.

"We are grateful to all our sponsors for their kind support and to the dedicated volunteers who give their time and expertise to bring Weaver Words to life."

Supported by the Arts Council England, the Marshes Community Benefit Fund, RSK (Helsby), Encirc glass manufacturers, Main Street Kitchen and Chapter Brewing, the festival will again feature two creative writing competitions.

£500 prize money is on offer for authors of the best new adult flash fiction story (under 300 words) and for local children, the Great Weaver Words Writing Prize will be judged by festival patron Tim Firth.

A free 28 page Weaver Words brochure is available to collect from Frodsham Community Centre, Dandelion Gifts, Castle Park and other publicity points around the area.

For more details see the festival website www.weaverwords.org.uk. Tickets can be purchased online, through the box office 0333 666 3366 and in person at Frodsham Community Centre.



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ITEM	£	p
SITE PREPARATION + EXCAVATION	225	14
DRAINLAYER	120	75
CONCRETOR	908	50
STEEL ERECTOR	1,162	00
BRICKLAYER *	1,594	31
CARPENTER	5,275	47
ROOF TILER	1,269	15
PLUMBER + GLAZIER	1,284	57
ELECTRICIAN	3,976	20
PLASTERER	1,130	00
ASPHALTER	506	00
FLOORLAYER	1,776	00
PAINTER + DECORATOR	434	98
HEATING + VENTILATION	864	28
INSULATION	562	06
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Sunset over Dark Lane by R. King (5/2/23)



Sunset over Ball Lane by S. Batey (5/2/23)

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