



# KINGSLEY NEWS

MAY 2007

The news and voice of your village  
community

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**KINGSLEY COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION**  
**OFFICERS 2006/2007**

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**COUNCIL MEMBERS (elected)**

**Della Bunney, Sue Elliott, David Fletcher, Sue Reynolds, Carol Rowlands, Ginny Wood, Viv Lightfoot, Ruth Kingston**

**COUNCIL MEMBERS (not elected)**

**One representative from each of the affiliated groups and clubs (NB. This is a condition of affiliation).**

**The Council meets on the second Tuesday of every month at the Centre at 8.00pm**

## **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 May we think of, and pray for people living in: -

<b>W/c May 6th</b>	<b>Chapel Lane</b>
<b>W/c May 13th</b>	<b>Westbrook Road</b>
<b>W/c May 20th</b>	<b>Church View</b>
<b>W/c May 27th</b>	<b>Smithy Lane</b>

***We invite you to add your own prayers***

# EDITORIAL NEWS AND VIEWS



Dear Kingsley Villagers

Welcome to the May edition of Kingsley News. I hope everyone had a good Easter, the weather was certainly kind to us.

This month I am looking forward to watching the Kingsley Players latest production featuring the bungling Inspector Pratt, I am sure it will be hilarious. They will be using their excellent new stage and seating.

With recycling currently being the 'hot' topic, I have started a new page this month, which I hope will become a regular feature. I am sure there must be lots of you, just like me, who have things stored away that we will never use again and that are in a useable condition. Well now it's time to declutter, the only 'rule' is that the item is offered free of charge. This helps everyone, we get more space, hopefully the item is just what someone else is looking for and it saves usable items going to landfill. For further details see FREE PAGE.

*Elizabeth*

**Articles for the magazine to be sent to the Editor  
either by email to - [ray@wilson5655.freeseve.co.uk](mailto:ray@wilson5655.freeseve.co.uk)  
or posted to Badgers Rake, Hillfoot Lane, Newton, WA6 6SY  
Tel: 01928 787678  
Copy deadline is the 21st of each month**

Barrie Speed 1938 - 2007



Thank you for all the kind thoughts, cards and flowers and for all the memories of Barrie that have been shared with us since his death, it is lovely to know that so many people thought so much of him.

Lesley, Ruth and Emily Speed

### THANK YOU

The family of the late Constance Marsland would like to express their sincere thanks to all Mum's wonderful friends, who have shown great kindness over many years.

This has been a great comfort to us, her family not living locally and we do thank you all most sincerely.

Best wishes to you all.

## **KINGSLEY WOMEN'S INSTITUTE**

The meeting held on April 4<sup>th</sup> in the Community Centre was opened by the singing of “Jerusalem”. The President pointed out nesting boxes and a bird table on display. These are made to order by the son of Elizabeth Wilson and are environmentally friendly.

She announced that last month’s speaker had made £30 from the sale of Fair Trade goods, and the Darts team had come second in the Group match. The record of the Annual Council Meeting was available. During it a resolution, urging members to buy local produce in season, so saving food miles and helping to combat climate change, was passed. Books of vouchers from Yorkshire Tea had been received and, with them, a note pointing out that, though they deal with family firms rather than co-operatives, they make sure that wages and prices are fair.

Advanced booking is now available for the Cheshire Show; helpers would be given free entry. Three pictures had been brought for the Hornby Cup competition and we voted for the one to be submitted. Details were given of the play “Death by Fatal Murder” which the Kingsley Players are performing in May and it was suggested that members might like to go to the Friday performance which would be preceded by a supper.

Future events in April include two walks – one on the 16<sup>th</sup> in the Crowton area and one on the 23<sup>rd</sup> which would end with refreshments, in aid of the RSPCC, in Alvanley; lunch at The Millpool on the 20<sup>th</sup>; a resolution meeting on the 18<sup>th</sup> and the Fashion Show by Suzanne of Frodsham on the 24<sup>th</sup>. Members were reminded that refreshments provided for this last event need to be “pick up” size.

The Treasurer encouraged members to Gift Aid their W.I. subscriptions.

The talk, entitled “Birds in the Garden”, was given by Robert Adams. He provided some interesting information about the various eating and nesting habits of birds we might see in our gardens. We were reminded that some foods eg. salted peanuts and uncooked rice were not good to put out and that water was essential, especially in winter, for their plumage. He showed many slides to help us identify the different species.

The Spring meeting on May 2<sup>nd</sup> will comprise a discussion of, and vote on, the NFWI resolution, cheese and wine, and Fond Photographic Memories.

# DATES IN MAY

14 to 20 May Christian Aid Week

Mon 14 May - Noon to 1.00 pm:

Hurst Soup Lunch supporting Christian Aid

Tue 15 May *International Day of the Family*

Thu 17 May - 7.30 pm at The Hurst: Ascension Day service  
conducted by Revd Nick Holt

Thu 24 May *Wesley Day*

Fri 25 May *School half term to Mon 4 June*

Sun 27 May Whit Sunday = Pentecost

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℞ **FAMILY PRAISE** ℞

℞ **AT THE HURST** ℞

℞ **SUNDAY 13th May - 10 am** ℞

℞ **Led by Revd Nick Holt** ℞

℞ **YOUNG FAMILIES** ℞

℞ **ESPECIALLY WELCOME** ℞

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# LOOKING AHEAD TO JUNE

Sun 10 Jun - Hurst Family Praise led by Mrs Linda Holt

*11 to 17 June National Carers Week*

Mon 11 Jun - Noon to 1.00 pm: Hurst Soup Lunch

Sun 17 Jun Fathers' Day

- 10.00 am: Revd Nick Holt & Linda Holt No evening service

*18 to 24 June Refugee Week and National Quiet Week*

## ROOM AT THE TOP

Rooms with kitchen facilities available for hire  
at The Hurst Methodist Church.  
Ideal for children's parties etc.

## MODERATE CHARGES.

Details from Brian Moores, tel: 787442.

## CHURCH GRASS CUTTING

Well, the grass is starting to grow. I'm sure you all want the Church Bank to look well cared for, as people enter the village. As you know some of us are a little unsteady on our feet, so we need, as last year, to employ someone to regularly cut the grass. The cost will be about £800, so if you would like to help, please send donations to me (cheques payable to KINGSLEY PCC).

Thanks

David Ogg  
98 Top Road  
Kingsley  
WA6 8BX

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Social Groups in Kingsley —  
**KINGSLEY COMMUNITY CENTRE**  
Every 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday - Open to All



Apologies for the "disappearance" of the page last month ! .. human error on your writers part...clicking the wrong buttons and submitting to a completely different "Elizabeth" !  
Anyway, things are back on track and we can look forward to  
Tuesday 15th May - Prize Bingo - £1 per book.  
Kingsley Community Centre.

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## **KINGSLEY COFFEE MORNING**

Our first event of this kind in Kingsley was an amazing success with 26 local people enjoying a social get together with coffee, scones and biscuits. We are very grateful to everyone who kindly donated home-made cakes and raffle prizes, the craft stall holders, with their original hand made cards and beautiful glass-work jewellery, and (especially of interest to the men !) the extensive range of books on sale. Overall £130 was raised on the day, to be immediately ploughed back into the Kingsley Fund to support some of the costs of Speakers and venue hire. We plan to run one again (with even more stalls) on  
Saturday 30th June: Village Institute. 10.30 - 12.30.

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## **Kingsley Timebank Co-Ordinator**

Currently being sought to oversee your local groups

please phone Susan or Caroline on 01829 751398

All events sponsored by Kingsley Timebank

# **FARM OPEN DAY**

AT

**HATLEY FARM**

**HATLEY LANE**

**FRODSHAM**

Hosted by Graham & Geoff Warburton  
(Along the A56 between Frodsham and Helsby)

ON

## **SUNDAY 10 JUNE 2007**

10am – 4pm

**FARM WALKS including**

**POTATO HARVESTING DEMONSTRATION**

**FARM ANIMALS: Beef Cattle, Horses, Sheep  
& Lambs, Chicks, Goslings, Ducks, Kittens**

**COME AND SIT ON A TRACTOR**

See the Farm Machinery of Today and Yesteryear and  
find out how it works



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**Sample our New Cheshire Potatoes, Free Range  
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Part of Open Farm Sunday in association with LEAF (Linking  
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Enquiries: 07775528585

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**Refreshments**



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Susan Wallace on 01928 787662  
or  
the Nursery direct on 01928 787903

<http://www.kingsleyanddistrictnursery.co.uk>



# **The Hurst Souperstars' SOUP LUNCH**

**Monday 14th May**

**Noon - 1.00pm**

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**Home-made Soups, Dessert,  
Tea or Coffee - £2.50 all in.**

**Supporting  
Christian Aid**

**Everyone warmly welcomed**



**HOMEWATCH NEWS** 01Jul – 27Jul06  
To Report an Incident: **0845 458 0000**  
Western Rural Community Policing Area  
**0845 458 6393**



Please be aware that an elderly lady in Frodsham had received a flyer for gardening services. She called the company and they attended and agreed on a price. The work commenced, but the contractor increased the original amount asked for. This is now catered for under the new Fraud Act and an increase on payment agreed has to be agreed prior to the additional work commencing. The Police attended and checked out the contractor who is known to their Officers and passed his details to the Trading Standards.

Please be aware of this and if you have any problems report them either to the Police on the above number or to Trading Standards.

### **Telesales of replacement windows and doors**

Trading Standards have numerous complaints about a trader offering to supply and fit windows, doors and conservatories. This trader makes an initial approach by telephone and is currently telling householders that they have won £1000 towards home improvements supplied by the trader.

The telephone call is followed up with a high pressure sales visit with the aim of getting a contract signed and securing a large deposit, as much as half of the total price of the work.

The trader does give the required written notice of cancellation rights and many complaints have been made to Trading Standards about failure to refund deposits when the householder has cancelled within the seven days allowed. The sums of money involved range from several hundred pounds up to £1500.

This trader is being actively pursued by Trading Standards. In the meantime householders are urged to be on their guard against traders who cold call in this manner offering inducements to have work done on their home.



Kingsley Players

bring to you  
another hilarious comedy  
by Peter Gordon

# Death by Fatal Murder

*"... delightful comedy ... crammed with laughter lines."  
(Lancashire Evening Post)*

## WEDNESDAY & THURSDAY - 7.30pm

These are "normal auditorium" layout without food, but with concessions available. Tickets are priced at £5 (concessions - £4), and may be obtained, from Sat. 14th April, from

Kingsley Village Store and the Red Bull,  
or ring 732349 BETWEEN 6pm & 8pm ONLY.

## FRIDAY & SATURDAY - 6.45pm for 7.00pm

There is a **pre-show** supper on Friday & Saturday, with a 2-course meal served at your table. Curtain-up will be after the meal, probably about 8pm.

Tables are on a strictly "first come first served" basis, so why not get a few friends together and book, for a very entertaining evening.

Ticket costs are £10 per head to include a 2 course meal. Strictly payment at time of booking.

Book by telephone or in person at:-  
Spanish Properties, Langdale Way, Frodsham  
(01928 734900)

or email: [m.barker@barkerrobb.co.uk](mailto:m.barker@barkerrobb.co.uk)

All payments to be made by Monday 30<sup>th</sup> April



**Yes, Inspector Pratt is back, from**  
**Weds 16<sup>th</sup> - Sat 19<sup>th</sup> May**  
**at Kingsley Community Centre**

## **KINGSLEY PARISH COUNCIL**

### **MEETING 17 APRIL 2007**

At the beginning of the meeting the Chairman gave an award to Councillor David Ogg who is retiring from the Council after 43 years continuous service. David moved to Kingsley in 1959 as Headmaster of what is now St John's School subsequently moving onto a school in Runcorn. He became a Parish Councillor in March 1964. The Council wish to express their thanks to David for his tremendous contribution to the village over the past 43 years.

#### **1. Main Meeting**

This was the last meeting before the May Elections and the actual Elections will be uncontested as there have only been 8 applications for Parish Councillors. Therefore there are 3 vacancies on the Council but due to a technical problem one of the existing Councillors will have to apply to co-opt onto the Council, so in effect there are two vacancies. If anybody is interested in applying to become a Parish Councillor please contact Doreen Woods whose details are shown on the Kingsley Parish notice board.

There is little to report in respect of this meeting other than that there have been one or two issues with litter being left at the Community Centre. Some youths are parking their car by the Community Centre on occasions and leaving rubbish. Some of the rubbish including cigarette ends and empty bottles also suggests that some illegal substances may be present. It has also been noted that a red car, driven by a female, has been seen in the same vicinity on occasions and the female occupant has been acting rather suspiciously.

The Police have been informed and are monitoring the situation. If anyone sees anything suspicious please advise your Local Community Police Officer, the Clerk to the Parish Council or the Police. Any information provided will be treated in the strictest confidence.

# **KINGSLEY PARISH COUNCIL**

## **ANNUAL REPORT 2007**

### **INTRODUCTION**

This report highlights the activities and business of the Council for the financial year ending 31<sup>st</sup> March 2007

### **MEMBERS**

Cllr. G. Warburton(Chairman)	788329
Cllr. C. Siebert (Vice Chairman)	787892
Cllr. C. Maddock	787126
Cllr. E. Lewis	787305
Cllr. D. Ogg	788315
Cllr. M. Barker	787414
Cllr. N. Stockdale	788466
Cllr. M. Goodridge	788917
Cllr. Fletcher	788873
Cllr. Gwillim	789098
Cllr. C. Jones	787268
Mrs. D. Woods (Clerk)	739400

### **Footpaths & Playing fields**

Over the past year there have been few complaints about the footpaths in the village and the Council continues to fund the cutting back of overgrowth to keep the footpaths open to all. It is pleasing to note that we now have a new footpaths notice board in which to display footpath activities and the sale of the walks maps has been well received. However due to the demand these are now being reprinted.

We are currently progressing the implementation of kissing gates to replace some stiles to give further access to people who have mobility problems who wish to walk along the public footpaths in Kingsley.

Any feedback on the footpaths is welcome.



The playing field is still without a play area but it is pleasing to note that funding is now available and it is hoped the new play area will be constructed within the next financial year. Efforts are in hand to establish a location which will reduce inconvenience to neighbouring residents. It is also intended to improve maintenance and security around the site.

A tree management plan has been prepared and work on the proposed scheme will commence shortly. This also will benefit neighbouring properties and enhance the appearance of the whole area. In the meantime the playing field will be cut in the normal manner.

### **Traffic & Transport**

The introduction of the interactive 30mph sign in Hollow Lane will we hope, continue to keep the speed of traffic within the specified limits as will the new sign at the other end of the village.

Parking still causes a problem at various times around the Kingsley County Primary School and also in the area around the shops in Hollow Lane. The headmaster of the Primary School has given his full co-operation to trying to minimise the disruption to residents in the area.

Cattle warning signs have been introduced in Waterloo Lane which we hope will prevent any major accidents.

### **Cemetery**

Council are pleased to report that completion of the construction of the new cemetery entrance which was officially opening on March 25<sup>th</sup>. It is felt that this will prove beneficial to visitors of the cemetery.

Unfortunately during the heavy winds experienced we had a tree that fell in the cemetery. This has been removed and we hope to replant as soon as possible.

## **KU 17 Group**

The KU 17 Group continues to thrive and work is now commencing on the Duke of Edinburgh Award scheme. The number of members has grown to 67 with ages varying from 11 to 16 years.

The group has passed level one validation with the Youth Federation and is now working towards level two. The higher the level means more fundraising can be applied for through the group. This year new furniture was provided.

The group continue to enjoy various activities and have visited many interesting and exciting places throughout the year.

The aim of the group is to welcome young people to participate in a community focal point, for social, educational, sports and Arts pursuits for all ages. It is intended to imbue a sense of community family values, respect for others, themselves and for their environment, and of course most importantly to have fun.

## **Youth Issues**

Further progress has been made within the village to encourage all teenage groups to make representing to KU 17 to become part of this increasingly popular activity.

This facility has in part contributed to less anti social behaviour being noted in the village, but that is not to say that reoccurring problems have all been resolved.

The various agencies have responded well to any concerns raised and when requested Kingsley has had increased police presence.

Councillor Jones has reported that acting as the village representative on this issue has been very rewarding but to maintain progress residents are asked to contact Parish Councillors if there are any concerns.

### **Web Site**

It is felt that this site is now a good source of information on future events in the village, local businesses (Directory Section) and security issues through Home watch and the regular police updates. The Parish Council continue to provide regular reports and also the Litter Pick Team under the guidance of local resident Fiona MacDougall.

Other local groups such as the WI are also now beginning to use the site more regularly.  
Support has also been provided via the site for genealogy issues.

Appreciation is expressed to Simon Sherlock for his untiring efforts in keeping the site up and running.

### **Kingsley News Monthly Magazine**

It is pleasing to report that the Council now has a regular page in the newsletter and tries to keep residents informed of all important issues.

### **Community Liason**

This is a new initiative set up by the Parish Council at the end of 2006. The principal object is to engage with the various groups in the village to set up a link with them to enable the Parish Council to be aware of their needs and future plans. The development of this opens opportunities both to enhance the Parish Council's involvement with local groups and also to open opportunities within the groups themselves for development within the community.

## **CHAIRMAN'S OVERVIEW**

Firstly I would like to thank all fellow Councillors for their support and attendance during the past year. Special thanks go to Aaron bridges for organising and running the carnival last July which was a huge success.

It is hoped that our lowly placing of equal last in the Community Pride Competition will this year improve and the efforts of Fiona MacDougall and her clean up working parties will reap the benefit of a better position. Council have agreed to sponsor a Hanging Basket Competition and it is hoped that as many residents as possible will put up hanging baskets to enhance the village appearance.

This year has been dominated by the construction of the new cemetery entrance which started last September. It was officially opened on the 25<sup>th</sup> March 2007. Some of the railings surrounding the site have also been replaced.

One of the down sides to the year was a break in at the Cemetery building when a strimmer was stolen. A new more secure door has now been fitted and the new strimmer is no longer stored at these premises.

The Playing field has also caused some controversy over a boundary issue and the possible location of the proposed new play area. It is hoped that through discussions these can be resolved,

The Annual Parish Meeting held on the 20<sup>th</sup> March was again not well supported by local residents. This is very disappointing and it is hoped that next year will improve.

Finally, as my term of office is coming to a close I would like to give a vote of thanks to Councillor Ogg on behalf of the whole Council who is stepping down from the Parish Council after 43 years unbroken service to the Community. This record will last

## **Summary of Accounts 1<sup>st</sup> April 2006– 31<sup>st</sup> March 2007**

### **INCOME**

Balance brought forward	33193.62	
Precept	19000.00	
Burials	1370.00	
Bank interest	541.37	
Carnival	3772.92	
Public Works Loan Board	11975.00	
Insurance Claim Cemetery	498.58	
Walks Maps	24.00	
Community Pride Competition	200.00	
Refund VAT	7766.50	<b><u>78341.99</u></b>

### **EXPENDITURE**

Salaries & Tax	5240.31	
Footpaths	1350.00	
Administration	1502.68	
Playing Fields	2010.00	
Insurance	508.93	
Subscriptions/donations	682.70	
Subsidy Youth Club	2000.00	
Carnival	2255.36	
Cemetery general maintenance	3022.39	
Cemetery Entrance	37629.85	
VAT	7088.54	<b><u>63290.76</u></b>

**BALANCE CARRIED FORWARD** **£15051.23**

April 2007

## MAY 2007

### **Christians Together in Crowton, Kingsley, and Norley (CTCKN).**

During this month Christians celebrate Pentecost. If you wonder what this is about, you may care to read the article later in this section from Rev. Nick Holt.

Also this month is Christian Aid Week. Christian Aid (<http://www.christian-aid.org.uk>) is a movement of people working together to make a difference for the poor of the world today. It depends on the support of thousands of volunteers who organise Christian Aid Week in May each year, carry out local fundraising initiatives both large and small, and who campaign to change the systems that keep people poor.

This year Christian Aid Week starts on Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> May. Envelopes will be distributed to all houses in the village. Please give generously. Our local co-ordinator is Audrey Griffiths (788535). If you can help with the collection she would be delighted to hear from you!

CTCKN is affiliated to Churches Together in England

### **CHURCHES**

#### **Anglican**

St. John the Evangelist, Kingsley  
St. John the Evangelist, Norley  
Christ Church, Crowton.

#### **Methodist**

The Hurst Methodist Church, Kingsley  
Blakelees Chapel, Kingsley  
Norley Methodist Church

#### **Roman Catholic**

St Luke's Church, Frodsham

### **Clergy**

Anglican                      Vicar: Rev Canon Dick Gilpin 788310

Methodist                      Minister: Rev Nick Holt 722102  
                                        Superintendent Minister: Rev Pat Christopher 733180

Roman Catholic    Priest: Mgr Canon Peter O'Neill 733127

## **Church Services**

The nearest Roman Catholic Church is St Luke's, Frodsham. Services are:

Sunday Mass 9.00AM, 11:00 AM  
Weekdays 9:30 AM (Tuesdays 7:15 PM)  
Saturday 6:00 PM

### **Thursday 3rd May**

10:00AM Holy Communion Christ Church Crowton

### **Sunday 6th May**

8:00 AM Holy Communion The Hurst  
8:15 AM Holy Communion Christ Church, Crowton  
10:00 AM Morning Worship The Hurst  
10:15 AM Celebrating Together St John Kingsley  
10:45 AM Morning Worship Norley Methodist  
6:30 PM Evening Worship (Joint Service) Blakelees  
6:30 PM Evening Prayer (United Service) St John Norley

### **Thursday 10th May**

10:00AM Holy Communion St John Kingsley

### **Sunday 13th May (Christian Aid Week)**

8:15 AM Holy Communion St John Kingsley  
10:00 AM Family Praise The Hurst  
10:15 AM Celebrating Together St John Norley  
10:45 AM Morning Worship Norley Methodist  
6:30 PM Holy Communion Christ Church Crowton  
6:30 PM Evening Worship Blakelees  
6:30 PM Evening Worship The Hurst  
6:30 PM Evening Worship Norley Methodist

### **Thursday 17th May (Ascension Day)**

7:30 PM Holy Communion St John Kingsley

### **Sunday 20th May**

9:00 AM Norley @ 9 Norley Methodist  
10:00 AM Morning Worship The Hurst  
10:15 AM Celebrating Together Christ Church Crowton  
10:45 AM Morning Worship Norley Methodist  
6:30 PM Evening worship (United Service) Norley Methodist

### **Thursday 24th May**

10:00 AM Holy Communion Christ Church Crowton

**Sunday 27th May (Pentecost)**

8:15 AM	Holy Communion	Christ Church Crowton
10:00 AM	Holy Communion	The Hurst
10:15 AM	Celebrating Together	St John Kingsley
10:30 AM	Morning Worship	Blakelees
10:45 AM	Morning Worship	Norley Methodist
6:30 PM	Evening Worship	Norley Methodist
6:30 PM	Evening Worship	The Hurst
6:30 PM	Evening Prayer	St John Norley

**Thursday 31st May**

10:00 AM	Holy Communion	St John Kingsley
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Services vary in format from traditional liturgy to informal worship. We offer services especially suitable for families and young people, such as Norley @ 9, Family Praise (normally 2nd Sunday each month at the Hurst) and Celebrating Together at the Anglican Churches.

***Prayer & Study***

Kingsley Bible Study Group: Monday evening.

Kingsley Prayer Group: Friday morning.

**Other events**

The Hurst Soup Lunches : two per month

The Hurst Womens' Group : monthly

The Hurst Ladies' Fellowship : monthly (Wednesday afternoon)

The Hurst Creche

Youth Group: Friday evening (now at Frodsham Methodist

Church). Contact Barry Watkin 724811

Norley Ecumenical Ladies' Group: 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday

Norley Walking Group: 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday

Norley Craft Club: Tuesday 10:00 – 12:00

Hurst Guild: 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday evening

Norley St John : Crazy Friday Fun Club

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## PENTECOST

What's in a name? And why do they keep changing them? Wasn't 'Whitsun' good enough? And why 'Holy Spirit' – wasn't 'Holy Ghost' understood by most folk?

Perhaps you've heard these sorts of things being said – maybe even said something similar yourself. In a world of change such sentiments may come readily. Yet the re-capturing' of 'Pentecost' takes us way back to Old Testament times – a reminder that the birthplace of Christianity is a small part of the Middle East. And the 'birthday of The Church' was around this time 50 days after the events of the first Easter. A time when Holy Sprit blew into the lives of hesitant people and gave them energy and boldness.

OK then. But why not 'Holy Ghost'? Well, perhaps ghosts are either something not to be believed in – or they induce fear and dread. Perhaps not the best word to describe the loving presence of God! In the life of the early Church the people knew they couldn't see Jesus physically – and yet they still experienced His life, power and presence. Why? Because Holy Spirit had come to live within them.

I find it impossible **on my own** to follow the example of Jesus Christ. I need help! I need the "spirit of Jesus in me". And that's who He is. Holy Spirit helping me live like Jesus and do the things He did. Despite all my human imperfections.

And, by the way, that's what being a Christian is all about! Beats tired 'religion' any day! Interested? Catch up with The Church's birthday this Pentecost/Whitsun – or any other day.

Nick Holt  
(Minister – The Hurst Methodist Church)

# The Bentley Operatic Society

(as seen recently at the Brindley Theatre, Runcorn)

is giving an evening of Gilbert and Sullivan music at Foxhill Conference Centre, Tarvin Road, Frodsham, on Monday 4 June 2007 at 8.0 p.m. The grounds of Foxhill will be open from 6.0 p.m. so you are invited to bring a picnic (and your own garden chairs) and enjoy the beautiful surroundings before the performance. Tickets are available from Joan 01928 788874 or Janet 01928 788248 price £7.

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# **Kingsley Litter Pick Team**

**1<sup>st</sup> April 2007**

It'd been 6 weeks since our last Litter Pick, due to concentrating my efforts on the Spring Prize Bingo. I was expecting a lot of litter, and with the first stage of judging for the Community Pride Competition starting this month, we needed all the help we could muster.

Anyway, with a good number of volunteers, (8 in total) we decided to work on the main areas in the village, such as round the Community Centre, the Co-op, the routes to the playing field, round near the Red Bull and up Hollow Lane. Other areas covered included Top Road, The Hurst and Roddy Lane.

We were all pleasantly surprised at the low level of litter that had accumulated over the past 6 weeks. Personally, I was expecting to shift quite a bit, but it was fantastic to see how little there was compared to our first collections at the back end of 2006. We ended up with about 8 or 9 bags, which was great, and the big bulky stuff is getting less leaving us with lighter 'everyday' litter to pick up such as sweet wrappers, cigarette packets and juice bottles.

The one thing that struck us this time was how many cigarette stubs are dropped on the floor, by the school and the shop, and generally where cars park against the pavement and are dropped out of the windows. With the changes in the law in Summer, this is a problem that potentially could get worse.

Thanks to everyone for attending the Litter Pick, and it is clear that everyone is making an effort in the village when it comes to litter as the levels are very manageable and the difference is visible.

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## **FREE PAGE**

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## ***NEWSLETTER FROM ST. JOHN'S PRIMARY SCHOOL: May 2007***



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email: [head@kingsley-st-johns.cheshire.sch.uk](mailto:head@kingsley-st-johns.cheshire.sch.uk)

Head teacher: Mrs A. Griffiths

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Dear Readers,

I hope you all had chance to enjoy the sunshine over the Easter break – the children certainly came back to school refreshed and full of bounce!

### **Looking back ...**

- Easter was celebrated before the break with a lovely service in church. Each class shared pictures, poems and songs around the Easter theme. Thanks also go to Mrs Trotter, the organist, who generously plays for our services. Parents and friends joined us after the service for refreshments in school.
- An enjoyable Easter Egg hunt was held in conjunction with Nursery – this was to raise joint funds for the shared Outdoor Learning Environment for Nursery and Reception children. We are fortunate in having spacious grounds at Kingsley St. John's and room to expand.
- Class 4 visited Main Street Chapel in Frodsham to experience an Easter Journey. This was a multi-media experience involving drama, music and story telling.
- Upper juniors also had the opportunity to visit Helsby High School for an interesting and informative lecture on the role of Science in Sport.
- We welcomed Mrs Jo Ward to the school to take up post as an experienced Teaching Assistant working with children across the school. This further develops our ability to offer individual and small group support to the children.
- Lower juniors came back full of tales from their enjoyable residential visit to Burwardsley. Den making, camp fires and a visit to Stretton Water Mill were just a few of the highlights!

### **Looking ahead ...**

- With the warmer weather we are looking forward to our Summer after school activities. These include Recorders, ICT, Gardening and Eco Club and shared Rounders and Maypole Clubs with Norley. As you can see there is a lot going on!
- Watch out for dates regarding our Open Evening and Open Afternoon to be held in the Summer term. Alternatively please feel free to make an appointment if you would like to come and see the school at work...

We are keen to cement further our close links with the Community. If you have skills to share or stories to tell, please do tell us....

**Mrs Ann Griffiths (Headteacher)**



## KINGSLEY WALKING GROUP

### April long walk

On an unusually overcast day 12 walkers were enticed onto a 7 mile jaunt on the south side of Beeston by a charismatic leader, commencing at Beeston village and looping around by the ice cream factory, a little drizzle during coffee break did not spoil a most enjoyable walk.

Kingsley Walking Group have two walks each month, meeting at the Community Centre at 9.30am. On the second Tuesday there is a long walk, bring a packed lunch. On the last Wednesday a short walk with a coffee break and a pub lunch. We are a friendly group. For more information tel. 787055.

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# KINGSLEY CRICKET CLUB



Founded 1971

- ❖ The 2007 playing season is under way. The First and Second XI's have regular matches at The Croft Cricket Ground Kingsley the normal start time being 2 pm. Spectators are most welcome. The aim of the Club this year is to gain promotion to the Meller Braggins League. There are also regular Sunday matches. Full details on the Clubs website at [www.kingsley.play-cricket.com](http://www.kingsley.play-cricket.com).
- ❖ Arrangements are well under way for the Summer Ball on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2007 at The Croft Cricket Ground. The format will be similar to last year with licenced bar, hog roast, auction, disco and other entertainments. Tickets are on sale. Please contact Fundraising Officer Kieron Ollier on : 07813 640479 or Club Secretary Keith Trennell on: 01928 788465.
- ❖ The Pavilion changing room extension has been substantially completed. The Club is hoping to organise an opening day event in the near future. Full details, as soon as they are available.
- ❖ Friday evening is Junior evening at The Croft Cricket Ground with under 9, under 11, under 13, and under 15 sections. The Club is still looking to attract further coaching assistants to help with the existing group of coaches. Any parents or others interested in cricket who feel they can give some time or support to coaching should please contact Club Captain Mark Butcher on: 07781 551755 or any committee member. Full details on the club website.
- ❖ The Club continues to look for business sponsors. The Club's thanks to Forresters, Byrne Frodsham Solicitors, and the Red Bull for their support of the Cricket Club and Youth sporting activity in the Village. Any local businesses interested in supporting the Club should please contact Club Fundraising Officer Kieron Ollier on : 07813 640479
- ❖ The Club is continuing with its "adopt a tree" fundraising which will help to develop the tree planting at The Croft Cricket Ground and also provide the opportunity for a plaque to be erected on any tree sponsored by a friend of The Cricket Club. Anyone interested should please contact Kieron on: 07813 640479.



## **KINGSLEY CRICKET CLUB cont...**



As always the Club welcomes anyone interested in joining whether as player, social member, sponsor, coach or any other way that will encourage and support cricket in Kingsley. Please contact Keith Trenell on: 01928 7888465 or visit the Club website: [www.kingsley.play-cricket.com](http://www.kingsley.play-cricket.com) which contains full contact details and much more information

### **KINGSLEY BRIDGE CLUB SUMMER SEASON**

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## **GARDEN CLUB NEWS**

Is pruning a mystery to you? It is, even to many gardeners!

The idea that shrubs and trees should be pruned only in winter or maybe early in the spring clean-up dies hard.

Well, spring is the right time to prune some shrubs, especially those which have flowered in the early part of the year. So if, for example, you have Forsythia, flowering quince (*Chaenomeles Japonica*), flowering current (*Ribes sanguineum*) and *Viburnum tinus*, then now is the time to prune. This will encourage the new growth made later in the summer to flower next year. These are usually vigorous plants and can benefit from judicious pruning.

If in doubt about when and if to prune then take advice or as a fairly safe option take out 1/3 of the old branches each year for 3 years to finish up with a well balanced structure. This method is recommended for example for *Philadelphus* (Mock orange). Of course, virtually any time is good to cut out dead or damaged wood. Aim for a good shape to the finished job with air and light access.

A pest alert! If you grow lilies look them over for small red lily beetles which are best collected and squashed before they devour all the leaves. There appears to be a glut this year and gardeners report finding them on other plants, even those with tough leaves like Hellebores.

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**Kingsley Co-ordinator : Maureen 787055**

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**KNITTERS GROUP up and running !**

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Bored of the Tweenies?... Why not join us at **Kingsley Parent and Toddler Group?**

Every Wednesday 9:30 to 11:30am at Kingsley Community Centre

We welcome parent/carers with children aged 0 to 5.

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Registration number (even part will help) .....

# Frodsham Music and Arts Club

Community Centre, Fluin Lane, Frodsham at 7.45pm\*



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- FRIDAY**  
22 September      ***Meet the Maestro*** - Vasily Petrenko, Chief Conductor from St Petersburg talks about his appointment as new Principal Conductor of the Royal Liverpool Philharmonic Orchestra; plus music from the Liverpool Philharmonic Ensemble.
- FRIDAY**  
20 October      ***Glen Miller Music and Other Swing Favourites*** - The Wychcraft Big Band  
A warm welcome to this big outfit from Mid Cheshire making their Club debut
- FRIDAY**  
17 November      ***Music for Trumpet and Organ*** - Thomas Osborne and Shean Bowers.  
Beautiful music from a spectacular instrumental combination new to the Club  
Remember you heard them first at Frodsham, tomorrow's stars are here today.
- FRIDAY 7.00pm\***  
22 December      ***Christmas Party Special*** - a Club 'first' plus surprise major musical feature  
Seasonal refreshment - and lovely music, enjoy magical splendours of yesteryear
- FRIDAY**  
19 January  
2007      ***Steinway Concert Grand Young Celebrity Recital*** - James Willshire, piano.  
Keyboard wizzardry from this well known performer currently at the Guildhall School of Music, who performed in chamber music for the Club last season.
- THURSDAY**  
25 January      **Fund Raising Coffee Morning**, Church Hall, Church Street - 10.00 to 12.00.  
Paper back books, cakes, bric-a-brac needed for sale. Please support this event.
- FRIDAY**  
16 February      ***Piano and Strings*** - a chamber music evening from Chordiale Piano Trio.  
Attractive pieces of music in the form of piano trios from familiar composers.
- FRIDAY**  
16 March      ***Soloists in Performance*** - spend an evening with Eva Warren and Friends.  
Talented young musicians in recital presented by the well known accompanist and teacher. An inspiring evening, and a favourite event in the Club's calendar.
- FRIDAY**  
20 April      ***Port Sunlight Orchestra*** - with their Chief Conductor Eric Jennings  
Popular classics from this skilled amateur orchestra and their local conductor.
- FRIDAY**  
18 May      ***Silver Screens*** - our lost cinemas recalled by David Ellis and Roger Shone.  
Come and re-live the days when 'going to the pictures' was the highlight of the week - an entertaining illustrated talk from two local cinema history experts.
- FRIDAY**  
15 June      **Annual General Meeting**, then a chance to meet the officers and committee informally at a Social Evening with refreshments; all members are welcome.

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**Annual Membership** - £12.00 for admission to the whole season of events - available at the door.

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**Club Secretary** - Margaret Dodd, telephone 01928 722282

The Club is grateful for support by Frodsham Town Council, and to North West Arts for piano loan.



## **DIARY OF MAY EVENTS**

Tues 8 May	Walking Group	Centre	9.30am
Mon 14 May	Hurst Souperstars	Hurst	12-1.00pm
16-19 May	Kingsley Players	Centre	
Wed 30 May	Walking Group	Centre	9.30am

Mon 4 June	Bentley Operatic	Foxhills	8.00pm
Sun 10 June	Farm Open Day	Hatley Farm	10-4.00

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