

KINGSLEY NEWS

SEPTEMBER 2016

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Carol Rowlands, Vic Wodhams

COUNCIL MEMBERS (not elected)

One representative from each of the affiliated groups and clubs (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 September we think of, and pray for people living in: -

| W/c Sep | 4th | Helsby, Alvanley and Manley |
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| W/c Sep | 11th | Crowton |
| W/c Sep | 18th | Norley |

W/c Sep 25th Blakelees

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EDITORIAL NEWS AND VIEWS

Dear Readers

I hope everyone had a good summer and if you have been away on holiday that you had a wonderful time.

There are plenty of events taking place in September, below are just a few of them, see the rest of the magazine for further details.

Time flies, and to those people who have lived in Kingsley for a long time, it probably won't seem like 40 years since the Community Centre was built. However, on 25th September it really will be 40 years and there will be an afternoon celebration at the Centre.

On 17th September there will be the next KTI market at the Community Centre. Always a wonderful source of local produced goods.

It doesn't seem a whole year since the last Macmillan Coffee Morning, but this very popular event will take place on Friday 30th September at the Community Centre.

On 28th September we have a concert by the Highfield Male Voice Choir and St John[s Primary School Choir, which I am sure will prove to be a huge success.

Finally, there are a few tickets left for Billy Elliott on 10th January.

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Articles for the magazine to be sent to the Editor by email to - kingsleynewseditor@gmail.com
Tel: 01928 787678
Copy deadline is the 21st of each month www.kingsleyvillage.co.uk



'A Mouse's Tale' – January 2017 production Auditions and Advance Read-Through

Our January production this year will be "**A Mouse's Tale",** a musical play, by our own talented musical director, William Arnold Ashbrook – on stage at Kingsley Community Centre, Wed 25th – Sat 28th January, 2017. Directed by Lynn Pegler

Special advance sing/read through of 'A Mouse's Tale'. Sunday 18 September, 6pm. Kingsley Community Centre.

This session is designed for anyone who may be interested in a speaking part or solo role in the production.

Please come along and try out the songs and check out the dialogue for all the main parts. Just turn up on the night.

Auditions

There will be two auditions. Both held at Kingsley Community Centre. **Wednesday 26 October, 7pm.**

This is for adults and children interested in speaking parts or solo roles.

Sunday 30 October, 2.30pm.

This is for children who want to be in the chorus.

For more information on available roles, check out the Kingsley Players website www.kingsleyplayers.co.uk.
or email the director Lynn Pegler on lynn.pegler@btopenworld.com.

A Mouse's Tale – Synopsis

A musical fantasy telling the story of a country mouse called Timothy. He is no ordinary country mouse, indeed he has an amazing I.Q. and spends all his days reading and learning. This makes him very unpopular with the other mice - apart from his true love Claribella. Forced to leave his country community, he heads for the city and finds he has more in common with the smart city mice. He invents an ingenious Early Warning Device to save his new friends from the evil cat Claudius. Money-grabbing entrepreneurs Charles and Amandapie spot the potential of this brilliant invention, set up the Catastrophic Corporation and go into mass production. Their ruthless exploitation of the town mice workers is eventually exposed, thanks to undercover reporter Angus the Rat, but where does Timothy's heart lie?

40th Celebration

In September it will be 40 years since Kingsley Community Centre was officially opened. The building of the community centre was achieved through the dedication, determination and hard work of countless members of the village.

We aim to celebrate this event on Sunday 25th September at the community centre from 3pm. If you were involved in the early years or have been involved since, whether as a group who have used the centre for meetings, fundraising or parties, or as an individual ,then we would love you to come along on the day.

The building of the community centre was a triumph of village cooperation with fundraisers, event organisers, builders, plumbers, electricians, joiners and many others giving of their time to build the centre from the ground up. It is a testament to the work that was done, that even after the fire and the further building work carried out, the community centre is still viewed as an ideal venue for many different events and groups.

Please come along the bar will be open, tea/coffee and cakes will be available. If you have any photos of any events you have held at the centre, then please bring them along.

KINGSLEY MOBILE LIBRARY

Tuesday 20th September / 18th October. Kingsley Green. 10 40-11 00 am Community Centre Smithy Lane 11 20-11 50 am Every four weeks. More information from Ellesmere Port Library TEL NO. 0151 337 4660.

BUSES

A regular bus service runs through the village to Frodsham where there is a good service to Chester , Warrington and Runcorn. The last bus from Frodsham is 4 00pm. Also to Northwich where buses go to Knutsford, Winsford, Crewe etc. The last bus from Northwich is 4 45pm No service on Saturday or Sunday

Bus timetables available at the Pharmacy



We are pleased to present "Some of my Best Friends are Women" by Carole Tricker, directed by Colin Smith

A very funny story of a slightly dysfunctional book club which has been meeting for some time. Add some tension between the members, a few bottles of wine and a couple of men and this month's meeting takes some unexpected twists and turns.

Join us at Kingsley Community Centre from October 19th and 22nd. Book Clubs are especially welcome. The box office will open on September 5th. Go online at www.kingsleyplayers.co.uk or call 07925 516760 for tickets.

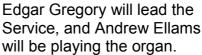
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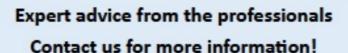
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On Stage Near You

Not already enjoying local shows? You really ought to get out more.

Well deserved congratulations to Kingsley Players who excelled at the Cheshire Theatre Guild Awards in July. Their first ever musical entry, Oliver, ran away with a top award, The James Tait Award for Best Production with Musical Content. Individually, Shara Blanchard and Tom Hayes won the Most Promising Youngster in a Senior Production. KP's Malcolm Barker was at Harlequins winning The Bramhall Cup for Best Set Presentation for Aurelia and The Jane Keylock Award for Comedy - Comic Interactions for It Runs in the Family. Full details can be seen on http://www.cheshiretheatrequild.org/winners-list-2016

The new season is off in September, dates as follows:

- 5th 10th **Altrincham Garrick** start their season with the hilarious comedy, *Charley's Aunt* by Brandon Thomas. A revival promising a cracking night out. http://www.altrinchamgarrick.co.uk/shows/
- 5th to 10th **Nantwich Players** are presenting their first session of *Talking Heads*. Bennett on a roll of popularity in Cheshire this year. http://www.nantwichplayers.com/
- 8th 10th **Harlequin Theatre** is bringing Sue Townsend's popular *Bazaar and Rumage* to the stage, directed by Angie Orme, a Harlequin regular. http://www.harlequinplayers.com/
- 12th 17th **Nantwich Players'** second session of *Talking Heads* with even more Alan Bennett. http://www.nantwichplayers.com/
- $17^{\text{th}}-24^{\text{th}}$ **Chester Theatre Club** present Richard Harris' proclaimed *Outside Edge*. A wonderful cornucopia of life at a cricket club. http://www.chestertheatreclub.co.uk/
- 19th to 24th **Altrincham Garrick** presenting Romeo and Juliet, a must see Shakespeare with a strong cast. http://www.altrinchamgarrick.co.uk/shows/ And at the beginning of October look out for:
- 2nd 10th **Altrincham Little Theatre**, who produced the play that won the Best Play of the Year judged by Cheshire Theatre Guild, and are staying with a well proven comedy, Snake in the Grass by Alan Ayckbourn. http://www.clubtheatre.org.uk/

We should be pleased to receive any feedback about shows you have seen or if you wish to add items to next month's list by email cheshireonstage@btinternet.com

John Doe



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Nature Notes

— DELAMERE —

Cheshire Wildlife Trust update us on the wonderful habita, restoration taking place on your doorstep to help some of Cheshire's rarest wildlife



In July of this year Delamere Conservation
Officer Chris Meredith and volunteers visited
Natural England managed National Nature
Reserves, Chartley Moss, and Fenns, Whixall
and Bettesfield Mosses, for the last time in
this phase of the white-faced darter
reintroduction project.

As part of the project to reintroduce the white-faced darter dragonfly to Delamere the team collected sphagnum moss, which contains eggs deposited by this rare dragonfly, to move to the reintroduction site at Doolittle Moss, Delamere. Before the moss could be re-located, volunteers painstakingly searched through it to remove predatory animals such as spiders and large dragonfly larvae to give the eggs and recently hatched larvae the best chance of survival.

It is hoped this final egg introduction will give the Delamere population an extra boost before the next 3 years of monitoring.



Chris Meredith and volunteers at Doolittle Moss, Delamere. Picture by Margaret Warren.



Rare Jumping spider found on Delamere's Mosses. Photo by Richard Gallon

We're pleased to say that after undertaking surveys on two of our reserves, Black Lake and Abbotts Moss, we

can confirm that scitticus floricola is still present and thriving on both sites. This small but striking jumping spider has only been found on a handful of mossland sites across the UK and has a particularly liking for setting up home in cotton-grass seedheads. Many thanks to Richard Gallon from the British Arachnological Society for providing his skill and expertise to carry out these surveys.

Delamere's Dragons Development Officer Heather Hulse and trainee Margaret Warren teamed up with local wildlife photographer Ron in June for a wild day shooting on the mosses of Delamere. Armed with cameras, a group of enthusiastic amateur photographers braved the downpours to visit Delamere's mosslands to capture the unique wildlife and habitat found there. This photo of Doolittle Moss was sent in from Maggie Bullock

who attended the day.

Doolittle Moss Photo by Maggie Bullock



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Autumn Market

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a backing chorus of cows, refreshments,
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Come along – it's free to all.
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MacMillan Coffee Morning



Our annual coffee morning will be held at Kingsley Community Centre on Friday, 30th September 10am – 12am.

Please come along and support this wonderful organisation that touches so many of our lives. You will be assured of a warm welcome, a cuppa and our usual stalls, plus a raffle, tombola and "Crafts from the Dungeon" and "Kirsty's cards."

If you would like to donate any items for our stalls drop them off at 22 Top Road. 01928 787742 or 01928 787126

Looking forward to seeing you, Lynne & Mary

HOT FLUSH

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There won't be a dry eye in the house from laughing, as HOT FLUSH - The Musical takes us on an hilarious journey which delves into the friendships, the secrets, the laughter, the tears, the ups & downs of 4 ordinary women also the many men in their lives! 'HOT FLUSH!' really is the ultimate girl's night out!

So, take a deep breath & get set to meet Myra, Sylvia, Helen & Jessica, a quartet of feisty menopausal women who get together every Tuesday night, at a local bar to offer each other moral support, cry on one another's shoulders & of course most importantly, gossip & malign the men in their lives. 15 of them all played by one guy! Collectively referred to as 'The Hot Flush Club', Myra, Sylvia, Helen & Jessica will not leave a stone unturned ,or a story untold in the matters of relationships with the opposite

sex & the menopause !!!

4th-8th October The Brindley Theatre,
Runcorn 7.30pm
Tickets £11
Box Office 0151 907-8360
www.thebrindley.org.uk





Kingsley Gardening Club 2016 / 17

It is that time of year again when we see dark nights approaching and the gardens are going into a dormant state. So now is the time to join Kingsley Garden Club and learn things you never knew about plants and growing them, so that come next season you will be ready and prepared to put everything you have learnt into practice. We are a very friendly bunch of around 50 people, who meet once a month, on the second Monday from September to May, at 8pm to around 9.30pm. There is tea and biscuits available, and on most nights the guest speakers bring plant materials for sale at very reasonable prices indeed. We have a "Bloom of the Month" competition and a monthly raffle with gardening related prizes including the odd bottle of wine to drink whilst you are weeding!

The cost is £2.00 per person on the door if you wish to pay per meeting, or, a fantastic saving on annual membership at £8.00 per person per annum. Where else can you get such good advice for such value!

Our programme for this coming year;

12th September The beautiful gardens at Wollerton Old Hall

Speaker: Phil Smith - Head Gardener

10th October The special and unusual plants of Ness Botanic

Gardens. Speaker: Tim Baxter - University Of

Liverpool Ness Gardens

14th November Restoring the nursery garden at Halecat Nursery

Speaker: Tom & Abbey owners of Halecat

December No meeting

9th January 2017 The Veg Men of Ashton Heyes

Speaker: Matt Smee - Owner

13th February Exotic Plants

Speaker: Phil Ball - Lost World Nursery

13th March Hard Unusual but obtainable plants

Speaker: Kevin Pratt - Village Plants

10th April Plants for difficult places

Speaker: Ann Harrison - Reaseheath College

8th May AGM and Banquets for Bees and butterflies

Speaker: June Allison - Mayfields Garden

Kingsley Parish Council - Community Fund

At the July meeting of Kingsley Parish Council, council members voted in favour of creating a Community Fund. This will be a community scheme whereby a limited sum of money will be set aside by the Parish Council on an annual basis dependent upon the demands on the Parish Council budget to meet designated projects and statutory requirements within the village. The value of the fund may vary from year to year.

Community Groups and organisations will be able to apply for grants as long as the scheme or project is for the sole benefit of residents, families and the wider community of Kingsley.

The Scheme will be run on a one year trial basis to determine if it is viable financially and to determine if there is sufficient interest within the community. The Scheme will be open for applications from the 1st November this year (2016) and the deadline for applications will close on the 31st January 2017. Full details will be available from the Parish Clerk on the 1st November, please do not contact the Parish Clerk before this date.

There will be a minimum value application of £25 and a maximum application of £1,000.00. Successful applicants will be notified by 31st March 2017 and the value of the final grants awarded will depend upon the number of applications received and the amount of money available within the Council budget determined at the Budget Meeting in December.

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Kingsley Community Centre is celebrating its 40th Birthday this year! We are holding a celebration at the Community Centre to mark this special Birthday on Sunday 25th September, from 3pm. Details can be found elsewhere in this edition of Kingsley News. Please come along and join us on that afternoon.

New ideas and events are always welcome; if you would like to get involved with a single event or on a longer term basis then please get in touch.

Monday 12th September Kingsley Garden Club

Tuesday 13th, 20th,27th Sept Yoga Class 6.30pm–8pm Wednesday 7th Sept Kingsley W I 7.30pm

Wednesday 14th, 28th Sept Alzheimer's Society 11am-12.30pm

Thursday 8th, 15th,22nd,29th KU17's

Kingsley Players put on their wonderful and popular performances throughout the year. The Centre now has a scintillating dance floor – it's a fabulous venue for a party, be it Birthday, Anniversary, Retirement or Wedding Celebrations. Children's Parties are particularly popular!

The next K.T.I. Market will be on Saturday 17th September 2016 There is potentially something here of interest for everyone: it is truly a Centre for the Community

Rooms are available for hire at the Centre from as little as £20. We can also hire at an hourly rate where appropriate. Contact Elizabeth Batey, Booking Secretary, 788788 or embatey@msn.com

Litter {ick Update

The July litter pick had 9 of us collecting 11 bags of litter. Thank you to all who have been collecting litter during the Summer break.

The Next litter picks will be on September 10th and October 8th.

New help is always welcome. We meet at the community centre at 10.00.

Eila Birtwistle

Kingsley Bookworms – Next meeting 1st September 2016

We had two meetings over the summer months. In July 10 of us met to talk about "Life after Life" by Kate Atkinson. Most people had read the book which was very popular. We scored it 4.1 out of 5. We were delighted to welcome two new members at that meeting.

In August we talked about "Villette" by Charlotte Bronte to celebrate 200 years since her birth. Although we were a bit wary of reading a "classic", everyone agreed that the book was intriguing. We were a bit frustrated with the French passages in the book, but we felt it was appropriate. We scored the book 3.75.

A group of 16 of us went to see "As You Like It" at Grosvenor Park in July in lieu of reading it. We loved the event. In October we will be visiting the Chester Literary festival again.

We now selected our books until the end of the year. They are:

September 1st - A Man called Ove by Fredrick Backman. It's about a "grumpy, yet loveable man".

October 6th - Memory Man by David Baldacci. This is a thriller with an offbeat hero. It's said to keep you guessing until the very end.

November 3rd - The President's Hat by Antoine Laurain. "Enjoy it for its fabulistic narrative, and the way it teeters pleasantly on the edge of Gallic whimsy" (The Guardian)

December 1st - The Bees by Laline Paull set in a beehive. The feedback from bookclubs is that this will lead to a lively discussion.

We are now gathering a shortlist of books for 2017. All ideas and suggestions are welcome.

Our next meeting will be on **Thursday 1st September** at the Red Bull. Meetings start at 7.30pm and everyone is welcome.

If you want more information, or to join in any of our events please contact me on vgwillim@coach-work.co.uk or call me on 07799 067 457. We have also got our own Facebook page called Kingsley Bookworms.

The Hurst Souperstars

Soup lunch Monday 12th September Noon to 1.00pm

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@ The Hurst Methodist Church, 4,30pm-6.30pm on Thursday 8th September

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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 approximately 5 miles with a coffee break and pub lunch. We meet at the Community Centre at 9.30am for the short walks and for the long walks in January and February. Note however an earlier start time of 9.00am for the long walks from March to November.

. 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).

WORSHIP AT THE HURST METHODIST CHAPEL

Sunday 4th September

10:00am Morning Worship at The Hurst: Prof. N. Ford

6.30pm Blakelees Chapel: Mr E. Gregory

Sunday 11th September

8.15am The Hurst- Communion :Revd D.J.Goodwin
10:00am Morning Worship at The Hurst: Mrs F.N.Duke
6.30pm Blakelees Chapel :Revd I. Rigby: Communion

Sunday 18th September

10:00am The Hurst- Communion : Revd I.Rigby

4.30pm at Helsby:District-Fiji. No service at Blakelees at 6.30pm

Sunday 25th September

10:00am- Harvest Festival at The Hurst: -Revd D.Copley

2.00pm Harvest Festival Service on The Farm : Revd P. Rugen

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Thurs 8th Sun 11th-St Laurence Parish Church "Heritage Open Days"

(times vary at weekends)

Sat 10th 10.00pm-Noon and 15.00-17.00 Guided tours of St

Laurence's parish church

Mon 12th Noon to 1pm Hurst Soup lunch in aid of the new project "Buzz

group". All are very welcome.

Thurs 15th 10.00am to Noon at Frodsham Parish Hall: Christian Aid

Coffee morning

Sat 17th 09:30am at KCC.KTI Market. Please come and support our

village market.

Sun18th Peace making Sunday-16:30 to 19; 00 at Helsby MC: District

event "Finding Fiji in Fellowship Faith and Food."

Thurs 22nd 2.30pm at The Wyches: Tea at 2.30.

Wed 28th Highfield Choir - KCC 7.00pm

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