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## EDITORIAL NEWS AND VIEWS

Dear Readers,

This month's edition of Kingsley News sees our village starting to come back to life . We have several activities starting back up, the Garden Club, WI, Kingsley Players and of course our regular weekly exercise classes at the Community Centre. The Cricket Club beer festival is also on and having been to this for several years myself then I know it will be a great weekend.

On Sunday the 22nd August we held our official opening of the extension at the Community Centre. The new extension provides plenty of more space plus with the added advantage that it very light and airy, perfect for craft type activities too. Thank you to all those who either exhibited or came along to support the event, it was very much appreciated and great to see so many new faces.

The Coffee Club mornings run by Steph Thornhill have continued through out the summer and the numbers attending are starting to grow and in fact they have had to move out of the smaller room and into our bigger space. Please do come along, all welcome young or old !

On Friday 24th September the Community Centre will be hosting the annual Macmillan World's Biggest Coffee morning. It runs from 10am to 12 pm and is being kindly supported by the WI. Donations of cakes will be most gratefully received, shop bought or home made and these can be dropped off at the centre from 9am on the morning of the event .

Finally be sure to book your tickets for the next Kingsley Players production, where Malcom Barker and the cast will be performing "How the Other Half Loves" It is sure to be a great evening out.

Thank you to all our contributors this month, your input makes my job so much easier !

*Heather*

### **Thank You**

Elizabeth Wilson has decided to hang up her Editor's hat, after 13 years of compiling and editing the Kingsley News. Month in, month out, Elizabeth has put together 'the news and voice' of our village community. Thank you, Elizabeth, for all that you have done over the years – and a personal thank you from me for all the times when you kindly overlooked the fact that I had missed the copy deadline yet again!

We wish you and Ray all the best for the future.

**Elizabeth M. Batey**

Chairman, Kingsley Community Association.

## The Norley Veg Lady and what's growing now .....

Things have been growing well in spite of the weather.

The pumpkins, that were just seedlings in July, are now huge plants. We have many different varieties and they will all be available on the front stall for the fortnight running up to Halloween.



Pictured are some of my unusual gourds, which will make great displays for Autumn and Halloween, and we will be busy ensuring they are at their best, this month.

The courgettes have been growing well, as have the runner beans, fresh from the field. I hope we have enough to keep everyone happy!

As you can see from the photos, we have a range of veg. Try our Borlotti beans and tomatoes. We also have sweetcorn on the way if the sun comes out.

The Jerusalem Artichoke plants are bigger than me now, and will produce lovely sunflower type blooms at the top.



We planted annual flowers and plants for the pollinators, such as Buddleia, Sunflowers and Hollyhocks. The bees and butterflies have loved them, as you can see from the photos.

Well, we are always busy on the farm at this time of year, so must get back to the beans. Hope see you next month!

Anne Marshall

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Members of Frodsham & District History Society have been working throughout the various lockdowns on a project to catalogue the large archive collection that has been accumulated over the last 40 years. This will eventually be available online. It's a wide ranging collection but the Society is very interested in acquiring back copies of the Kingsley newsletter, as none are held in the archive. Our main representation of Kingsley is the reminiscences written by Myra Killip, and we would like something about the later 20th century. We also hold few other items, such as old postcards, photographs, auction records or parish magazines, so if you have anything that will help us with the record of the history and development of the village we would be very interested to hear from you.

Items can be donated to the archive, or deposited on a long loan.

If you have information for the society please contact the Archivist, Mrs Gill Baxter, whose email is [fdhsarchive@gmail.com](mailto:fdhsarchive@gmail.com). Alternatively phone 01928 731971, and leave a message. If you're interested in joining the Society, or finding out more about our activities, our new website is <https://frodshamhistory.org.uk>, which has the programme of events, articles, Journals and how to join.

We are hoping to return to face to face meetings in September, at the Main Street Community Church. We will also be at Festival in the Park at Castle Park, Frodsham, on Sunday 29 August, with items to look at.

Fiona Barry

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## Kingsley Walkers – August 2021

Kingsley Walkers - Back to normal at last

Kingsley Walkers are out and about as normal again. In August we had a great short walk around Runcorn, starting at the Castle. Steve managed to plan a walk which covered nearly 5 miles with nearly all the walk being in green spaces. Our large group had a very enjoyable walk followed by lunch at the Castle pub.

At the end of August we set off to Etherow Country Park near Marple for a 9 mile walk passing through Mellor Moor and back along the Rover Goyt to Marple Bridge. We had a good day and enjoyed visiting this really interesting area.

Each month we have two walks. The Long Walk is held on the second Tuesday of the month. Generally, it's about 8 to 10 miles and is a full day out with picnic lunch. The Short Walk is held on the fourth Tuesday and is up to 5 miles long ending at a pub with optional lunch. We meet at the Community Centre in Kingsley at 9.30. Walks are led by volunteers from the group. It is an informal and friendly group.

If you'd like more information about the group, or you'd like to go on our mailing list to receive information about forthcoming walks, please get in touch. Our September dates are the 14th for the Long Walk and the 28th for the Short Walk. Everyone is welcome. Vony Gwillim 07799 067457

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## **Kingsley Parish Council - September 2021 Update**

The Parish Council has been liaising with Kingsley St John's School to agree the siting of the Time Capsule and the contents of same. We can now confirm that the Time Capsule is now in place and a marker stone has been laid in the grass below the mowing level.

There has been an unfortunate occurrence on the playing field in recent weeks where a number of young people have enjoyed their self a little too much and the result has been a number of broken bottles left in the shelter area of the basket ball area. Thanks to Councillor David Fletcher and a number of villagers this very dangerous litter was cleared up, it was estimated around six to eight bottles were involved. A house key was also found and this has been handed over to the Police.

The Parish Council have been advised by Torus that all properties on Higher Heyes have now been sold as affordable housing except for one apartment. It was necessary to open this up at the end of July to applications from the rest of Cheshire West as not enough applicants with a Kingsley connection had come forward. A complete breakdown of these sales will be supplied by Torus in time for the October newsletter.

The Parish Council are looking to appoint a landscape contractor to tidy up the raised garden area outside the Kingsley St John's School as well as a number of other areas. You may also have noticed the "street art" that has been completed on the concrete panels opposite the rear entrance to the school. The Parish Council is also looking to landscape the area to the left of these panels but has to gain approval of the Co-op as the land owner. Appeals will be sent out for help to do this and for any donations of plants, more to follow on this.

Should you be interested in joining the Parish Council please go to the website and download the information and application form which should be returned to the Parish Clerk.

### **CONTACT DETAILS FOR PARISH COUNCIL**

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The Parish Clerk will be available at the following times:  
Every Friday of the month between 09.00 and 15.00

## ***On Stage Near You***

***Time to resume enjoying local shows so you really ought to get out there.***

We have started getting reviews confirming that local amateur theatre productions are opening up and already Frodsham Players have been performing in Castle Park, Frodsham and Kingsley Players with two productions well supported with correct social distancing in Kingsley Community Centre.

By the time you receive this Kingsley Players Youth Theatre will have presented ***Grimm Tales Come Down to the Woods*** with Us and we hope saw it. This excellent award-winning group under the inspired leadership of Jake Powell are well worth a view. Kingsley Players follow this with the much awaited Alan Ayckbourn's ***How The Other Half Loves***, which has been postponed a number of times from the original proposed date of October 2019. Scheduled dates are from 6<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup> October, the box office should now be open. This is one of Ayckbourn's best and the experienced cast have all been seen on stage here and elsewhere over the last few years and feature Lesley and Neil Silcock, Jo Oultram, Ali Wheeler, Dylan White and Simon Hetherington. The director with a reputation for presenting comedies is Malcolm Barker.

Elsewhere, Yvette Owen of Ashton Hayes Theatre Club is directing The Massive Tragedy of Madame Bovary to be presented at Tarvin Community Centre from 5<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup> September. She describes it as "a riotous tour de force that tickles your heart and your head as well as your funnybone". Featuring Kingsley Players James Partington, it should be well worth the trip. [Ashton Hayes Theatre Club](http://AshtonHayesTheatreClub.com) | [Award-winning Community Theatre \(ahtc.org.uk\)](http://Award-winningCommunityTheatre.org.uk)

We have not heard from others to date but there's a starter to whet your appetites and we hope to hear from other groups and readers of Kingsley News about what is on locally in October and November for next month's issue. **If your production or a play you have seen did not appear here then please email us and do tell us about plays you have seen by emailing cheshireonstage@btinternet.com.** John Doe

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We've been a part of Kingsley history since 1929 ..... our first meeting date was on Tuesday 26 November 1929. Contrary to popular rumour amongst the Brownies..... I was NOT present at the time ... !! I came to Brownies a little bit later !! Like a lot of Brownie Guiders, who are all volunteers, I got involved when my daughters joined Rainbows (Guiding group for 5-7 year olds). Unfortunately, we don't currently have a Rainbows Unit in Kingsley. We have a Unit Holiday (weekend) every year in June, unfortunately the pandemic put paid to that recently, but we're booked to resume in June 2022. We stay at the Lodge in Queen Charlotte's Wood in Alvanley – a truly beautiful spot, right on our doorstep. We always have a theme, based on our daytrip out on the Saturday.....Chester Zoo, Blue Planet, Tatton Hall Park Farm ..etc etc... the Brownies have a whale of a time... and us leaders have a bit of a laugh together too !! We have a day out each year at our very own local Round Ponds Adventure with Sally & Joey..... who teach the Brownies to make rafts. Rafts that float too !! Well... they float after a fashion.... but I have to tell you....it's great fun !

Now you know a bit about us....perhaps you'd like to come along and join in ? We definitely need some adult volunteer helpers PLEASE .... especially ones who are willing to complete the Brownie Guider qualification..... it's not at all hard and you will have a mentor throughout the process. I promise ....it's a very rewarding thing to do and the Brownies are a joy to be with. And the Unit is and always has been, an important part of Kingsley village life. If you're interested at all, in helping continue this tradition ....then please, don't hesitate to email me for some details at - [kingsley\\_brownies@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:kingsley_brownies@hotmail.co.uk).

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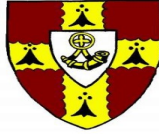


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***It was wonderful to receive this article from former Kingsley resident, Cliff Maddock. Cliff and Gillian, his sister, were raised at 'Derlwyn' on The Hurst. Cliff writes below about life growing up in Kingsley during World War II and I am sure, like me, you will find this a fascinating account of what village life was like.***

## **Part One - Self-sufficiency in Kingsley**

### ***'Morning, Corporal !'***

Such was the cheery salutation which greeted me when I entered Antwis's grocery shop on The Hurst when I was a toddler during the second world war. The shop assistant was Elsie Moss, one of the large Moss family who lived in Top Road, or Top Lane as it was always known to us 'villagers'. Top Lane was something mysterious and remote, a place we didn't venture into very often, although we inevitably had relations living there.

Why 'Corporal' you may be wondering? Well, my father was serving in Bomber Command as an Instrument artificer and reached that second-tier rank, thus earning two stripes. My mother, being an excellent seamstress, sewed a set of the inverted double V stripes, no doubt illegally in official circles, on to my clothing, which I proudly wore, although not fully understanding the significance thereof. No doubt she was making a point that her husband was absent 'doing his bit', as many men in the village were granted leave not to serve because of their associations with farming and other essential services.

Yes, the village shops had 'assistants' in those days who would scurry about fetching and measuring out the wanted items one at a time, and weighing and packing the desired quantities into bags, be it sugar, tea, raisins or suchlike. I was always fascinated by the speed and precision of the bacon slicer, which could cut the rashers so thinly, and which were then wrapped in grease-proof paper. A visit to the village shop was an experience far more pleasant than today's visit to a supermarket. There one met friends (it was rare to find the shop devoid of a customer) and shared the village and national gossip, Harry Antwis's shop was adjacent to the Hurst Methodist Church so it was the one my family used most frequently, (in fact exclusively almost), as we lived almost opposite. The aroma pervading the immediate area when the bread was being baked is something I still remember with delight. Mind though, Harry and Ada Antwis were staunch supporters of Brookside Methodist, and rarely entered the Hurst 'chapel'.

The village was well-blessed with shops when I was a boy and we never dreamed of going further for normal supplies. - a bus trip to Frodsham or Northwich was reserved for special reasons, such as a visit to Marks and Spencer, Woolworths, or 'the market' for 'remnants' (my mother was a seamstress, remember). How bored I was whilst she studied the cloths on offer!

But staying in the 'village proper' (if I may) we had Owen Bland's grocery store on Brookside, where I recall buying broken biscuits with my 'best mucker' Barry Harvey. Owen was, I believe, the second generation to operate a shop, and there is a picture of his small delivery van, duly lettered 'W.O.Bland'. There used to be an enamel sign on the wall by the shop advertising 'Brooke Bond Tea', and we boys delighted in thumping it with our fists whenever we passed, which made it rattle, much to the annoyance of nearby residents! Owen had a lovely lyrical soft tenor voice which was regrettably hindered by breathing problems. He regularly joined the augmented choir at 'Hurst' for special anniversary services.

The Bland's owned a pet dog, known as Billy, who loved to spend as much time as possible with the children in the playground at 'Bottom' school, invariably spoiling their ball games.

Beyond Bland's store and moving towards 'Staniford', stood Enoch Lightfoot's butcher's shop. This always had an odour of its own, and always had an echo because of the tiled surfaces, and always felt slightly on the chilly side, which was to be expected. The shop window was constantly used to advertise local events, usually mounted on a hooked skewer!

Between Bland's and Lightfoot's was another erstwhile shop, which in my youth was operated as a fish shop by a Mr. Cook. I have no youthful memories of this enterprise which again didn't last long, but I do recall joining with Mr. Cook's son, Keith, to do some 'soul-caking' on 31st.October - more of this anon.

Moving from Staniford back onto The Hurst we arrive at 'The Sarva', at the head of which stood The Temperance Hall, built by The Rechabites Self-help Club' and opened in 1929 with a concert given by the Highfield Male Voice Choir. Sadly the hall closed during the war when the heating system failed, although I do recall dances being held there with candle grease on the floor and dance-band records being played through an amplifier. Such a shame to lose a magnificent hall which had foyers, cloakrooms, dressing rooms, full stage, etc.

After lying empty for a year or two, The Temperance Hall was either purchased or rented by The 'Co-op' (Runcorn) as a very comprehensive village store, with specialised counters for fish etc. It was thought in the late 1940s that shared values as espoused by 'The Co-op' would take off, but the enterprise was not well supported by the conservative rural populace, and the store regrettably failed to survive. My mother and her sister were enrolled with Membership Nos. 1 & 2 to get their 'divi.!'!

Not quite a 'shop', but we had a visit from a mobile Film Van' on Saturday mornings which showed 'westerns' and 'cartoons' on a ground-glass screen projected through the back of the van. Presumably we had to pay sixpence or something similar to watch.

'At the top of The Brow, down past The Red Bull Inn, was another shop in the row of cottages, known in my boy-hood as 'Maggie Green's' although the said lady had passed on by my time. The shop lay closed and shuttered for some years until a newcomer to the village, one Eddie Stubbs, ran it for a while as a newsagent and general small goods store, but his enterprise didn't last too long. I believe Eddie Stubbs came to the village through Mr. Eddie Fletcher of the farm in Mill Lane, but others may correct me on this. Eddie was another young man with a beautiful real tenor voice. I believe he took the tenor solos in a rendering of 'Messiah' at Hurst at that time (late 1940s, early 1950s). What has happened to all that musical activity? Most folk seemed to be able to read music and sing at that time, and Hurst had a good strong choir. George Robinson was choir-master. I was appointed to succeed him but times moved on and the musical tradition died out with that previous generation. I recall that Eddie Fletcher had a good bass voice.

Further down at the bottom of that lane, at the corner of Norcross's Hill, was an area known as 'Town Well', and the local painter and decorator, Sam Lewis, known as 'Painter Sam', had his yard and large glazed showroom there, although the large windows were never 'dressed' and the showroom was hardly ever open.

**More to follow in next months' edition.**



## We need your help?

We are looking for new ideas to add to the Kingsley News.

We would welcome your thoughts on potential articles or suggestions of things we could do to refresh this monthly publication.

We would love to include articles on Kingsley of the past

Local Heroes?

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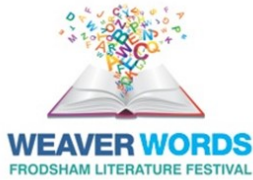
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## Weaver Words Literature Festival is Back!

Weaver Words is back! Frodsham's popular biennial literature festival, which has been cancelled twice due to the Covid pandemic, is back on stage **Wednesday 1 – Sunday 5 September, 2021.**

The festival's Flash Fiction Competition for original bite-sized stories will finally close to entries on 31 July, after being launched over 18 months ago for the original May 2020 festival.

Topping the bill at the new festival will be BBC radio legend Mark Radcliffe and Radio 4 comedian Mitch Benn. They head an impressive line-up of talks, events and workshops, mainly staged at Frodsham Community Centre.

Mitch, from BBC Radio Four's hit satirical *Now Show*, promises a musical feast of *'Ten Songs to Save the World'* on Saturday 4 September. Award-winning poet Michael Symmons Roberts opens the festival with an evening of poetry and readings on Wednesday 1 September and TV forensic psychologist Kerry Daynes takes us on a spine-tingling journey into the dark world of the criminal mind with a Sunday afternoon talk, *'What Lies Buried'*.

Guardian journalist and author Henry McDonald will be giving his unique perspective on Northern Ireland, Prof Michael Parkinson will talk about saving Liverpool from the 1980s militant era onwards and festival manager Lynn Pegler will be staging a new play for adults about Lewis Carroll, exploring the fact behind the fiction of the *real* Alice, in *'Alice's Quest for Wonderland'*.

Crime novelist Stephen Booth will be guest speaker at a Literary Lunch at Forest Hills Hotel, and Daphne du Maurier and environmental writer Robert Macfarlane (*The Lost Words*) will come under the microscope in talks by Sue Zlosnik and Andy Jurgis. The festival finishes with Word Weavers, an explosive evening of poetry and music from award-winning poet Andrew Rudd and violinist Daniel Axworthy, plus the announcement of winners of the prestigious Flash Fiction Competition

**For more details see the festival website [www.weaverwords.org.uk](http://www.weaverwords.org.uk). Tickets can be purchased online, through the box office 0333 666 3366 and in person at Frodsham Community Centre or Dandelion Gifts.**

# Kingsley Players

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**We are pleased to welcome back Malcolm Barker as director who most recently in 2018 brought us Ian Hislop's *A Bunch of Amateurs* and returning with him in the cast from that show are Jo Oultram (Alice's Quest for Wonderland) and Neil Silcock (two). They are joined by Simon Hetherington (Alice's Quest for Wonderland) and Dylan White (Goodnight Mr Tom), and welcome returns after breaks for Lesley Silcock and Ali Wheeler.**

**Box Office open from 1<sup>st</sup> September - Book at [www.Kingsleyplayers.co.uk](http://www.Kingsleyplayers.co.uk).**



## Kingsley Garden Club - September Update 2021

The pandemic appears to be finally coming to an end as we all get vaccinated, we have enjoyed "freedom day" and some have even braved a holiday, possibly a "staycation". The newly extended Community Centre has been opened officially on the 22nd August, and we are pleased to note that the Garden Club had a presence.

The representatives from the Garden Club were pleased to welcome existing members and new people making enquiries about the club with a view to joining us. So, its all go now, with the Community Centre open, we will be meeting in September in the main hall, with social distancing still in place and you are advised to wear a mask, but we will be opening doors to ensure that there is good cross flow ventilations. The safety and well being of all our members and guests are our top priority. So please consider joining us after an 18 month break, and a period over which many of you will have become very familiar with your gardens.

We will be welcoming Ann Harrison on the 13th September talking about "Fancy Foliage Plants", so please come along and meet all your friends again and listen to a fascinating talk. It is proposed that membership renewal in September will be reduced to £12 to cover the cost of the forthcoming speakers for 2021/22. The per meeting attendance rate for those who do not wish to take out annual membership will remain at £4.00 per meeting.

### Top Tips for the month

- Time to divide those herbaceous perennials and share with others if you have enough.
- Harvesting of your fruit crops, apples, pears, raspberries.
- Dig up any remaining potatoes before those pesky slugs get them.
- Don't forget to water your plants in pots, we are still having warm dry spells, don't let them dry out.
- Clean your cold frames and green house ready for use over winter to house those tender plants
- And for something to look forward to next year.... plant out spring flowering bulbs,.
- Raise the blades on your mower and cut your lawns less often, look to apply and autumn feed

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**Services in September**

**Sunday 5th September**

10.00 am Holy Communion at Norley

6.30 pm Sacred Space at Crowton

**Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> September**

10.00 am Family Worship at Kingsley

6.30 pm Holy Communion at Alvanley

**Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> September**

10.00 am Holy Communion at Crowton

6.30 pm Informal Worship at Kingsley

**Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> September**

10.00am Harvest Thanksgiving at Alvanley

4.00 pm Messy Church at the NCK Centre, Norley

**Please check the church website for any updates regarding services**

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**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 5th           Helsby, Alvanley and Manley

W/c Sep 12th         Crowton

W/c Sep 19th        Norley

W/c Sep 26th        Blakelees

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### **Frodsham & District Photographic Society**

Frodsham & District Photographic Society meet on Monday evenings at 7:30pm. From 6th September the meetings will be via Zoom. From January 2022 we should be back in Gallery 1 at Castle Park Arts Centre. The season officially ends in mid-April but summer activities are arranged. Membership is open to all, whether beginner or more advanced, young or more mature. Further information and the season's programme can be found on the website [www.frodsham.photos](http://www.frodsham.photos).

At Castle Park Arts Centre, in Gallery 2, from 11th August until 18th September there is an exhibition of members' work, 'The Joy of Photography'. The Arts Centre is open 10am – 4pm from Tuesdays to Saturdays. Entry is free.

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