

DisleyNEWS

DISLEY PARISH COUNCIL NEWSLETTER



WINTER 2022/23 EDITION



Merry Christmas

and a Happy New Year

to all Disley & Newtown
residents, businesses and visitors

Don't miss
Disley Parish Council

Christmas Extravaganza

Friday 2nd December
(Details inside)



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Disley Parish Council

Christmas Extravaganza

Friday 2nd December from 6.00pm at the Ram Green

In association with High Lane Garage

What's Happening?

- ❄ Father Christmas in his Grotto
- ❄ Christmas tree lights switch-on
- ❄ Cheshire's Silk FM Radio DJ and stage
- ❄ Live music and community singing with Disley Primary School Choir and Disley Community Choir
- ❄ Line Dancing demonstration
- ❄ Late night shopping
- ❄ Free face painting by Disley Girl Guiding
- ❄ Roasted chestnuts and balloon stalls
- ❄ Firework finale

Friday 2nd December is set to be a busy night, so parents are politely reminded to keep an eye on their children.



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Please support our local businesses

Dandy Cock - Chris and the team will be hosting a Mini Christmas Market on the car park and there will be live music for the Christmas Party Night.

Disley's Community Store - Suzanne and her volunteers will be serving up port and cheese and there will be a raffle for a fantastic Christmas hamper.

Disley Hardware & Keys - Gary will be doing a festive lucky dip prizes for the young and not-so young.

Finch & Fig Cafe - Steve and Cath will have hot seasonal barmes, mince pies and loads of creative Christmas treats.

Jayne Leigh Creations - Jayne will be open late with great ideas for Christmas presents for everyone.

Phil Ardern Butchers - It wouldn't be Christmas without Phil's legendary pavement barbeque.

Ram's Head - Amy and the team will have their outside bar as usual and inside there will be a full festive menu on offer.

Stefan James Salon - Barbara will be serving special liqueur coffees and seasonal nibbles as a thank you to her customers.

Village Bakery - Libby and her staff will be offering many festive treats like Christmas pigs-in-blanket barmes and seasonal hot chocolates. They will also be doing create-your-own hampers.

White Horse - Amy's delicious hog roast is back by popular demand and will go down well with a mulled wine or tipsy tea.

With Lots of Love - Kirsty will be open on the night with a full range of Christmas cards, gifts and party accessories.

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A message from the Chair

Cllr. Sue Adams - Chair of Disley Parish Council



L-R: Eithne Egan-Bull (Building Supervisor), Cllr. Dominic Hutchins, Cllr. Steve Birchall, Cllr. Sue Adams (Chair), Cllr. Cath Birchall, Cllr. Jean Windsor, Helen Richards (Admin Assistant), Stephen Carter (Parks & Assets Ranger), Richard Holland (Clerk). Thanks go to Leanne from Disley Library for acting as photographer.

As our thoughts turn towards Christmas and New Year festivities, I would like to briefly look back on a very busy summer for Disley Parish Council.

In June, Disley and Newtown residents enjoyed four days of celebrations for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee with a variety of events organised within our community. The weather was kind, except on the day of the Parish Council's Jubilee Picnic. Not to be deterred, a very enjoyable indoor picnic went ahead, and I would like to thank everyone who attended.

In July, we held a brand new event, the Disley Community Showcase. This focussed on the many community groups and activities in Disley and Newtown. The event highlighted the work of our many community volunteers and provided an opportunity for attendees to get involved and try something new.

In August, we were pleased to see the return of the Disley & Lyme Horticultural Society Show after an absence of two years, and the Disley Community Bus was used to provide transport from Disley village centre to the show.

The Parish Council is continuing with a programme of improvements to the Community Centre over the coming months. Work will take place around the very high level of bookings to minimise disruption to users.

We are continuing to work with the Schoolhouse Surgery and Middlewood Partnership to support improved communication with residents and to promote the health and wellbeing of our community. The recent 'Know Your Numbers' blood pressure and ECG checks carried out by trained community volunteers have proved very popular. Thank you to everyone involved with these events. In August, the Parish Council arranged two sessions of community defibrillator and CPR training. These sessions were well-attended and the training is due to be repeated in Spring 2023.

As I write, we are finalising our plans for the Civic Service and Remembrance Sunday and plans for the Disley Parish Council Christmas Extravaganza are also well under way.

I would like to thank Parish Council staff for all their hard work supporting our community. I know that their efforts are much appreciated by residents and councillors.

Councillors and officers of Disley Parish Council would like to wish you all a happy and peaceful Christmas and New Year.

Disley Library's catalogue of events



There are some lovely events coming to Disley Library over the festive period, as shown on the accompanying posters below.

The library will be open throughout December at the usual hours but will be closed on Christmas Eve 24th December, Monday 26th December, Tuesday 27th December, New Year's Eve 31st December and Monday 2nd January 2023.

Once the festivities are over, why not pop into the library for their popular Jigsaw January with puzzles for both adults and children.

The Junior Library has recently had a lovely new refurbishment and for younger members, there is a range of activities every week with Baby Bounce, Rhymetime and Lego Club as well as a monthly Stories and Songs session and Kids Craft Club. For adults, the monthly Keen Cooks Book Group is held on the first Friday of every month, 2pm-3pm, where the group discover a new recipe book to talk about (and taste the results) and discuss what they have been cooking that month. It's the tastiest book group in Disley, so why not go along and join in the fun, sharing a cuppa with friendly faces. The library also offers free IT Buddy sessions, so whether you are a complete beginner, or need some support with a specific problem, there are friendly volunteers on hand to help. Visitors can use their own computers or get help with smartphones, laptops or iPads.

If you love books, but find it difficult to access the library, there is also have a free Home Library Service, run by staff and volunteers.

Further details of all events and activities are available from the friendly staff at Disley Library on 01625 374717, and all up to date information can be found on the Disley Library website and Facebook page.

Christmas Activities

at Disley Junior Library
all children to be accompanied by an adult





Christmas Stories and Songs
Tuesday 20th Dec 10:30am

Christmas Rhymetime
with Megabloks
Wednesday 21st Dec 10:30am

Christmas Crafts
Thursday 22nd Dec 2-4pm - 50p

Lego Special with Duplo
Friday 23rd Dec 3:30-5pm

Cheshire East Council  

Join us for a

Christmas Cuppa

at Disley Library

Friday 23rd December
2-3:30pm




Join us for festive refreshments
Just drop in - all welcome!

Cheshire East Council  

Stamp out scammers!



Last year in Cheshire, 5,281 people reported being scammed, costing them over £20 million in total. Scammers are criminals who commit fraud, and they target older people more than any other group.

Scammers often work in teams and target the same person with several different scams. The scam might be a phone call, text, email, letter, or someone knocking on your front door.

Age UK Cheshire East work with Trading Standards and Cheshire Police to tell people about the latest scams and support you.

The best way to protect yourself is to have a personal advice session, tailored to suit you.

As part of a national project, Age UK are working with Lloyds Bank to deliver sessions to help older people protect themselves. The sessions are free and can take place in your home, online over Zoom, or in your local community centre or library.

To arrange a personal advice session contact Age UK Cheshire East on 01625 612958 or enquiries@ageukce.org

Come Dine with them!

Earlier this year, on 18th May, Disley Luncheon Club re-started at Disley Golf Club, with a new committee of six. Sixty-one members attended and heard from speaker Martin McIlwraith, a former Disley resident and an ex-police officer. On 7th September, the meeting was a talk entitled "The Life and History of the Tiller Girls" by Fay Robinson. The Luncheon Club has four meetings per year, with the next meeting booked for Wednesday 30th November. This will be the Christmas meal and the speaker is Rob Mason who will provide a talk entitled "Entertainment". Anyone is welcome at Disley Luncheon Club and further details are available from Suzanne Atherton (01663 762016) and Lesley Thompson (01663 764125).

Get a warm glow this winter



Are you getting all the help the government are offering you this winter? Pension Credit and Attendance Allowance are two of the most underclaimed benefits. Age UK Cheshire East is urging older people to make sure they are getting all the financial help they can. They can do a telephone or face to face benefits check with you to make sure you are claiming everything you should. The checks are free and confidential, and Age UK Cheshire East is a reputable charity with many years of experience of helping older people. If you are an older person and you would like a free benefits check, just ring 01625 612958 and ask for a Benefits Check.

Age UK Cheshire East are also appealing for people to knit socks and blankets for older people in Cheshire East to help keep them warm this winter. Donations not only help people keep warm, but they make them feel like someone cares. You can drop your knitted items off at any of the Age UK shops in Macclesfield, Knutsford, Alderley Edge or Poynton. If you know an older person who could use a blanket or socks, please let Age UK know on 01625 612958



Blue Grass Purple Cow tickled pink

Staff, parents and children at Blue Grass Purple Cow raised £200 for The Daisy Chain Charity, to show their appreciation for the support they received to teach children with Autism. The charity provided training for five staff members to offer the highest standard of care and education for children who are on the autistic spectrum. A recent Ofsted report offered exceptional praise for the nursery on Buxton Old Road in Disley. Two inspectors spent the day observing practice, talking with parents, staff and children of the Nursery. "The Nursery is led by a passionate and enthusiastic Manager ...children are thriving in a fun-filled, imaginative learning environment, which helps them to feel safe and secure." The Nursery was also praised by Ofsted for its particular strength supporting children with additional needs. "Parents are highly complimentary of the setting and the progress that their children are making. Parents are fully involved in their children's learning and are provided with a wide range of activities to carry out at home, which further enhances their children's progress. The focus on encouraging children's independence is a strength." Commenting on the report, Manager and Owner, Kimberly Munro, said: "We are so proud! It is very rewarding for me and my talented team to be recognised by an independent judge as a special nursery, where children get creative, energetic and encouraging support to progress and learn."

Disley Friends of Cancer Research target £10k

Disley Friends of Cancer Research are delighted to have restarted fundraising proper, post-COVID. So far this year, the group has raised over £9,600 for Cancer Research. With one event remaining in 2022 and, with your support, they are hoping to reach the £10,000 mark. This would be a fantastic achievement for a small village.

The Friends' next event is the Christmas Fayre on Saturday 19th November. This will be held at Disley Community Centre with doors opening at 10.00am. There will be an entrance fee will be £1.50 which includes coffee/tea and biscuits. A range of Christmas gifts and cards will be available, as well as homemade cakes, and the ever-popular tombola, as well as some amazing raffle prizes. All donations are appreciated, however small. Raffle prizes may be given directly to Jean Oakley on 01663 763108.



For further information about how to support Disley Friends of Cancer Research please contact Diane Guy 01625 783866 or Anne Porter (arporter9@icloud.com). The group would like to thank everyone who has supported Cancer Research and they look forward to seeing you on Saturday 19th November.



Upstairs, Downstairs at Community Store



The Disley Community Store on Market Street Disley is excited to announce that it has now opened its new downstairs showroom selling curtains, blankets, bedding, electricals, fancy dress, homeware, pots and pans etc. Everyone is welcome to go and have a browse. The Store will be displaying Christmas stock soon and will have lots of great Christmas present ideas. Community Store Manager, Suzanne Gregson, wishes to thank Disley and Newtown residents for continuing to make such lovely donations which are so much appreciated. Also, Suzanne would like to take this opportunity to thank all the great volunteers that help to keep the shop running, such as Anne, Annette, Bob, Clive, Helen, Jean, Louie, Marlene, Pauline, Sheila, Sue and Trish. More volunteers are always needed, so if anyone is at a loose end and can spare a few hours, please just pop into the shop and ask for Suzanne.

Cooper Sons Hartley & Williams are moving



The mood at Cooper Sons, Hartley & Williams LLP is buoyant, as the Disley office prepares for relocation to newly refurbished offices on Market Street, in the village centre. Partner Jo Twemlow says: 'The move to larger premises is a must for us, to gain the space we need as the Disley office continues to grow. The new offices will give us a more prominent presence in the village, as well as enabling us to better serve our clients' needs.' The move will also see the Residential Conveyancing and Private Client departments (including wills and powers of attorney) expanding to meet the increasing local demand. Litigation and Commercial Property services will remain based in Disley. Together with offices in Buxton and Chapel-en-le-Frith, the firm offers a comprehensive range of legal services. Local tradesmen are working at a pace to have the new Disley premises completed as soon as possible - on current predictions, a move around Christmas time looks likely - watch this space!

Live choir



Summer 2022 saw the Disley Community Choir celebrating the Queen's Platinum Jubilee with two events, a performance in the gardens of Lyme Park and a concert at St Mary's Church. The sun shone down on them at Lyme Park, as they gathered an appreciative audience on the lawns behind Lyme Hall. A filled church also enjoyed a programme of the Queen's favourite songs along with a strawberry cream tea. Several people from the audience also expressed an interest in joining the choir. In August, the choir entertained visitors in the marquee at the Disley Horticultural Show and members also enjoyed singing at Disley Civic Service at St Mary's on Sunday October 30th. The choir has recently changed its rehearsal venue and will now meet to practise for its Christmas events in the Methodist Church, Disley at 7.45pm on Wednesday evenings. This year's Christmas plans include singing at Disley Christmas Extravaganza on Friday 2nd December and at the ever popular 'Christmas Carols at the White Lion' on Friday 9th December. For further information about the choir, please phone 765454 or 762889 or come along to a Wednesday evening rehearsal.



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Churches Together in Disley this Christmas

We are open! There are Christmas celebrations at all the Churches and all are open to everyone – come and celebrate the hope that Christmas gives us: the birth of Jesus Christ – the Light of the World.

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| Sunday 27 November | St Mary's Christingle and Toy Service 4pm |
| Sunday 4 December | Disley Churches Family Christmas Carol Service at the Methodist Church 6.30pm with refreshments |
| Saturday 10 December | Christmas Coffee Morning at the Community Centre |
| Sunday 11 December | Carol Service at St Mary's 6.30pm |
| Sunday 18 December | Christmas Messy Church at the Community Centre 9.30am |
| Christmas Eve | St Mary's Crib Service 4pm St John's Family Carol Service 6.30pm St Mary's Midnight Communion 11.15pm Carols at 7.30pm and Vigil Mass of the Nativity at 8pm Sacred Heart, Whaley Bridge |
| Christmas Day | Christmas Mass at the Methodist Church 8.30am Christmas Celebration at the Baptist Church 10.30am Christmas Service at St Mary's 11am Christmas Mass at Sacred Heart, Whaley Bridge 10am |

for more information call: 01663 362000 (Rev Jane Henderson, Baptist Church) 01663 635273 (Rev Stuart Cornes, St Mary's and St John's) 07717 226888 (Rev Keith Sandow, Methodist Church) 01663 732614 (Fr Francis, Roman Catholic)



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Cara's memories of Disley days gone by

'I was lucky enough to grow up in Disley during the Nineties and Noughties and the village holds many precious memories for me. The local shops have always been the beating heart of Disley. Does anybody else remember the flower shop, with its seemingly infinite wall of TY Beanie Babies?' I fondly recall standing on tiptoes, craning my neck, taking ages to pick my Friday night treat after school. The Cat Sanctuary charity shop was like my own personal paradise. Upstairs was entirely dedicated to books.

I'd kneel on the floor for hours, sifting through pages of the Famous Five and Malory Towers, inhaling the unrivalled scent of old books. We've never been short of eateries and tasty treats either, from an obligatory roast dinner at the Ram's Head after a Sunday hike in Lyme Park, to Yvonne's legendary homemade chocolate chip cookies at the bakery. And as a 10-year-old in the early 2000's, there was nothing more exciting than being invited to a birthday party at Conti (now Sasso). Being allowed to make my own pizza - with unlimited mozzarella - was an awesome novelty! The delicatessen made the most mouth-watering paninis. My favourite was the 'Christmas panini,' which I shamelessly enjoyed all year round. Packed with sausage, turkey, cranberry and stuffing, it was an absolute taste sensation. A 'penny mix' from Graham's sweet shop, or a handful of free grapes from lovely Anne at the greengrocers also takes me right back to Disley days gone by. The row of shops might have changed many times over the years, but Disley has succeeded in retaining its unrivalled charm and unique community spirit. This is what makes Disley still feel like 'home,' despite the miles now between us.' Cara Bradley is a 28-year-old published author and blogger based in Cheshire who grew up in Disley and still has family living in the village. Cara also provided this lovely photo from the Christmas Extravaganza.





Photo-friendly

The Disley Photography Group is a new, independent group for photographers in Disley, High Lane, Marple, New Mills and surrounding areas. It is a friendly, local gathering of photographers of all abilities which provides an opportunity to share photographs and general photography-related chat. The group has a dedicated Facebook page and connected WhatsApp group for members only. New members are always made very welcome. Visit Disley Photography Group on Facebook to join up and help to expand this local group. Disley Photography Group is not directly affiliated to any other clubs, groups or societies in the area.



Back on the right path



After an intermittent 2021, this year has seen a determined return to 'normal' for the Footpaths Society, with a full and varied programme of talks, walks and maintenance projects. Their volunteer footpath monitors keep a close check on all routes within the parish and they run monthly work parties to repair and improve paths most in need of attention.

Among the many completed projects have been the improvement of the much-used (but challenging) footpath 9 from Hagg Bank Lane up to The Ridgeway; cleaning out culverts to improve drainage; and re-surfacing stretches of the Peak Forest towpath in Disley, Newtown right up to the Derbyshire boundary. Their popular walks programme began in April with a walk around the furthest reaches of Lyme Park followed by the annual Bluebell Walk, then four further varied walks, from a short ramble around Disley's industrial heritage to an intrepid trek up to Mellor Moor with its stunning 360 degree views. If you're interested in becoming a member, you would be very welcome. Simply email Dave Francis at dandafrancis17@gmail.com for details.

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Fundraising opportunity at Disley Community Centre



Saturday coffee mornings at Disley Community Centre have been a fixture of village life for more years than most of us care to remember. They provide somewhere that people can socialise and enjoy hot drinks and biscuits in a relaxed, informal setting. They also provide local community groups and charities with a fantastic fundraising opportunity and a way to raise local awareness. Many groups add to the fun with a raffle and tombola and sometimes cake or sales stalls.

Although many of the Saturday slots are now booked up, since the Covid pandemic, a few Saturdays have now become available. The Parish Council provides coffee mornings at a set hire rate of £45, which is paid at the time of booking. If you are interested in booking a Saturday Coffee Morning for your group, please contact the Parish Council for available dates on 01663 762726 or admin@disleyparishcouncil.org.uk.



Keep on running



In September, 14 Disley Runners took part in the challenging 35 mile 'Gritstone Grind' ultra-race from Kidsgrove to Disley following the Gritstone Trail. This was a record turnout for the club at this race, which is a favourite as it finishes in Disley. With supporters out along the course, and at the finish line at Disley Railway Station, the atmosphere was as fantastic as ever. And for the first time, a Disley Runner took first place, as Lee Ashwood crossed the line in 5 hours 27 minutes.

Throughout the year, the club has also taken part in many different events including road, trail and fell races, as well as their weekly social club runs and the Parkrun in Lyme Park. Disley Runners is a friendly, community-based, off-road club and new runners are always welcome. You don't have to be an ultra-runner or experienced racer. The weekly runs are guided by qualified UKA Run Leaders and cover all abilities. The group meets every Tuesday and Thursday evening. To find out more, search Disley Runners on Facebook or go to www.disleyrunners.co.uk.

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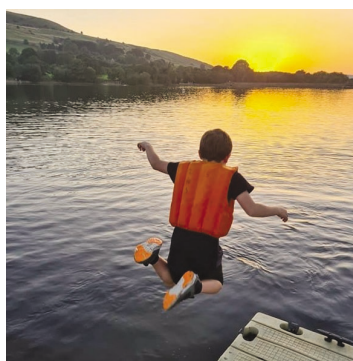
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Disley Scouts need Assistants

Take the kids sailing, get stuck into some camping or help make pizza! Would you like the chance to canoe, climb, hike, sail, camp, cook over a fire or organise some fun games? As a Section Assistant for 1st Disley Scouts, you will do all of this and more, using your current skills and learning new ones. Supporting children from the ages of 6 - 16, you can choose which Section suits you best. The Beavers (ages 6-8) meet on Wednesday nights, The Cubs (ages 8.5-10.5) meet on Tuesday nights, The Scouts (ages 10.5-14) meet on Thursday nights and The Explorers (age 14+) meet on Wednesday nights. If you can spare a couple of hours a week, they would love to hear from you.



They have a strong and supportive group of Section Leaders and Assistants who can't wait to get you started on your next adventure! Interested? Contact Lucy Mitchell at lou_buttercrusp@hotmail.co.uk or Lisa Ashwood at disleycubs@gmail.com or find them on Facebook <https://facebook.com/disley-scouts>

Big welcome from Tots

St. Mary's Tots Group meets up each Tuesday morning during school term time. The group meets at Disley Community Centre from 9.30am until 11.30 am.

Come and join us at ...

'St Mary's Tots Group'



Tuesday Mornings
Disley Community Centre
9.30 - 11.30am

Drinks and snacks. Story-time and music
All Pre-School Children and Carers welcome.
Just come along or for more information contact:
Helen (766672) or Jane (763383)

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All youngsters aged between 0 and 5 years old are welcome, together with their parents, grandparent or carers. The entrance fee is £2.00 plus 50p for each extra child. The group provides coffee, tea and biscuits for the adults and toast, juice and snacks for the tots.

While the children let off some steam and play with the huge selection of toys, the adults can have a chat and a cuppa. New members are always welcome and the group would love to meet you.

School's Out (side)



Try some natural tie dying, make some elderflower cordial or whittle a stick around the fire!

Disley Forest School provides fun and inclusive sessions in the woods for children (up to 12 years old) and their families/carers. Lucy and Rhiannon are local mums who felt there was a need for more outdoor opportunities for children in the village. They are both qualified to work with children, Lucy is a qualified Forest School Leader, and both are passionate about helping people of all ages to grow a deep connection with nature.

The school offers weekly sessions for Early Years children (0-5 years), monthly Sunday Family sessions (0-12 years) and will be running special Christmas Sessions on Sunday 18th December. If you'd like to book a session or find out more, contact disleyforestschool@gmail.com or go to www.bookwhen.com/forestschool

Golf Club raises money for Jo's Trust chari-tee!




Disley Golf Club Senior's section were pleased to receive a contribution of £1,425 to the last Captain's Charity, Jo's Trust for Cervical Cancer, from the Derek Horsey Charity. Sandy Dunlop and Ian Eeles represented the Senior's Section in a knock-out competition against other clubs in Greater Manchester.


Disley won through to the final, where they played Buxton High Peak Golf Club Seniors at Macclesfield Golf Club. The finalists agreed to split the charity contribution between them.

As night fell across Macclesfield in October last year, Disley regrettably lost the match but were able to announce that their share would be given to their Captain's Charity - Jo's Trust.

On 5th October this year, at the conclusion of a summer long competition, the winners of which will represent Disley in next year's Derek Horsey Competition, the organiser, Bill Wheeler, came to Disley and presented the cheque to Sandy and Ian who then passed it on to David Codd, last year's Captain. David Codd commented that this contribution will materially affect the amount of money raised by Disley Golf Club, during his period as Captain, for Jo's Trust to over £5000. The Derek Horsey Charity Competition was set up in 1993 and since inception has raised over £54,000 for local charities.

Jo's Trust for Cervical Cancer, is the UK's leading cervical cancer charity, whose mission it is to see cervical cancer prevented, reduce the impact for everyone affected by cervical cell changes and provide the highest quality information and support by campaigning for excellence in cervical cancer treatment and prevention. Photo shows left to right: Bill Wheeler, David Codd, Sandy Dunlop and Ian Eeles.





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Festive Fun with 'The Friends'



The Friends of Dane Hill Close Park was established by a group of local mums in August 2019. Since then, they have raised over £15,000 to improve the much-loved and much-used park on Dane Hill Close in Disley. They have installed a new trim trail which is proving very popular and they are now trying to secure some large grants to replace all of the old equipment at the park.

If you live locally and have any skills you feel you can offer them, particularly around grant research and applications, they would love to hear from you.

If you'd like to come along to one of their organised activities, they are walking from Dane Hill Close Park to The Cage in Lyme Park at 1pm on Christmas Eve. Pack a flask of something warming for the summit. Everyone is welcome so don't be shy.

For more information email friendsofdanehillpark@yahoo.com or contact Rhiannon on 07833 229674.

Horticultural Society back in full bloom

The Disley and Lyme Horticultural Society Show returned to the Amalgamated Sports Club in August after two years of on-line virtual shows due to the pandemic. There was a fabulous turn out and great weather for what proved to be a very successful event. Good visitor numbers enjoyed the new look marquee and entry levels were generally better than anticipated. This was very pleasing for the Society's volunteers.



The website at www.dlhs.weebly.com has photos and information but many thanks go to the volunteers, the schedule sponsors, local outlets for the generous donation of prizes for the raffle, Disley Community Choir, Disley & District Flower Club, Disley Arts Society and of course to all the specialist exhibitors and all the class entrants. Society membership levels are almost back to pre-pandemic levels and the planning of the event calendar and activities for 2023 is progressing well. Put the 12th August 2023 in your diaries for next year's show! The Society is saddened but pleased to advise that it will shortly be planting trees in High Lane, Disley and in Lyme Park to commemorate our late Queen Elizabeth II. The Society AGM is being held on Thursday 1st December at 7.30pm at Disley Community Centre. Good Gardening.

Down with waste, down with costs.

Based in the centre of New Mills, Millers' Refillers is offering help with both the cost of living crisis and with reducing packaging and food waste. The shop stocks a wide range of foods, their prices are comparable with local supermarkets and the service is always very friendly. Bulk bins mean customers can buy just as much as they need, so reducing food waste.



The wide range of foods available will satisfy all the cooks and bakers out there, and local suppliers are used as much as possible. As well as food, there are plenty of toiletries, cleaning materials and gifts that are environmentally friendly. So, instead of putting empty bottles and jars into the recycling bin (where their final destination is not certain) they can be used as refills at the shop. If you haven't visited Millers' Refillers yet, it is well worth a visit.

Christmas-Lyme is here!

Whether you are coming to see the house, decked out in festive splendour, to take part in family activities or to head out for a wintry walk, National Trust Lyme hope to share a little festive cheer with you this winter as you uphold family traditions and make new memories. It's the perfect time to wrap up warm, throw on some wellies and go for an invigorating walk. From gentle strolls to hikes through the moorland, there's something for all ages and abilities. Visitors can now hire an electric mobility scooter, for walks around the garden or to the Cage.

From 2nd December, let Phyllis Legh take you back in time to an Edwardian Christmas exploring the rooms decorated with Christmas splendour, sounds and smells of Christmas in the House inspired by her real memories, including live harp music on Saturdays in the drawing room. Listen to the sounds of choirs fill the courtyard while you warm up with a festive mulled wine or your favourite winter warmer. No need to book, just turn up on the day. On Christmas week, the house is open every day with free family crafts to entertain the little ones before the whole estate closes on Christmas Day. Families can also book on to a brand new, exciting experience, exploring Lyme's history of theatre and spectacle. Embark onto the hour-long interactive adventure in the house "Timeless Christmas at Lyme," meeting magical characters along the way and overcoming each challenge to save Christmas! This experience ends with an opportunity to tell Father Christmas your wish and receive a gift. Tickets start at £18.50pp and can be bought on Lyme's website. Eagle eyed locals will have seen that Lyme has welcomed several new team members to support upcoming projects, with Lyme planning on investing over £12 million in flood mitigation and visitor infrastructure over the coming few years.



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Thanks for the memories



The Local History Society would like to thank all residents who kindly contributed photos and memorabilia for The Queen's Platinum Jubilee displays at Disley Library and St. Mary's Church. The displays were very well received and demonstrated many Royal memories from across the village. If you are interested to know more about the history of Disley and Newtown, why not pop along to one of the monthly Local History Society meetings at Disley Community Centre. You would receive a very warm welcome. For more information, please contact Barbara Roberts on 01663 766992 or email robertsbarbara23@gmail.com.

Parents and carers get their cards



A handy postcard with useful information for parents and carers in Disley has been developed in partnership with the Middlewood Partnership and Disley Parish Council. The card outlines the self-help information on the Middlewood Partnership website and also highlights some of the Children's activities available in the village. The card is available from Disley Parish Council and Disley Library.



Right now, they're busy speaking to specialists and getting advice from authorities to make sure their plans are well-thought out and they get it right. Lyme will hopefully have more to share in the coming seasons. Please visit the Lyme website for the latest updates at www.nationaltrust.org.uk/lyme

New Rotary President



The new President for New Mills, Marple and District Rotary for 2022-2023 has been announced as Mike Yates, after his induction at a recent meeting. Mike has been a member of New Mills, Marple and District for 30 years.

Mike's main involvement over the last 15 years, has been with the project working towards eliminating Polio in the world and he has visited India on 20 occasions, taking groups of volunteers to immunise children. There is now only a handful of cases in Pakistan and Afghanistan but until it is completely gone, there is always a risk of the return of this dreadful paralysing disease.

Rotary is a group of men and women, enjoying meeting together but always with the aim of giving something back to society both locally and internationally. If you want to know a bit more about what they do, look at their website or join them at one of their meetings.

The Rotary Club of New Mills, Marple and District meets every Thursday lunchtime at Marple Golf Club at 12.30 pm.

PROBUS focus

Disley & District PROBUS Club continues to offer a range of stimulating presentations on Monday mornings, twice a month to its members and seeks interest from new members, retired gentlemen who will find a convivial atmosphere from fellow members. Topics coming up in the next few months range from a discussion about that essential staple of life, Water, to a review of the investigation into the Moors Murders, and an insight in the technically fascinating subject of Medical Imaging.



On intervening weeks, a group of members enjoy relatively non-strenuous walks around local places of interest culminating in a lunch at a local hostelry. Annual Membership fees are £60, less than £2 per meeting, and the meetings will open up new avenues of learning as well as enabling an excellent means of meeting new friends.

Membership information is available from Bob Harrison on 01663 732 649

Bowled over with success



Congratulations go to the Ram's Head Bowling Club Veterans who were recently 'crowned' Division 2 Champions. The winning team comprised of (left to right) Graham Harwood, Kevin Breegan, Geoff Littler, Nigel Caldwell, Dave Twigg, Alistair Rudkin, Bob Hall and Captain Bill Axon. The Bowling Club is always welcoming to new members, gentlemen and ladies, so if you would be interested in having a trial bowl, please contact Nigel Caldwell on 01663 749402 or Kevin Breegan on 07525 614473.

Disley Primary School Christmas Fair

This year's School Christmas Fair will take place on Saturday 3rd December from 11am to 2pm at Disley Primary off Buxton Old Road. All welcome.



Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II

It was with great sadness that Disley Parish Council learned of the death of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II on Thursday September 8th 2022. The following morning, representatives of the Parish Council laid a wreath at the War Memorial on behalf of the community of Disley and Newtown. Over the course of her extraordinary life, the Queen demonstrated remarkable dedication and commitment to duty and did so with kindness and humility. During the seventy years of her long reign, the world went through seismic changes, but her presence provided reassuring continuity in this country and across the Commonwealth. The reaction to the Queen's passing was felt around the world, because people felt an affection for Her Majesty based on the example she set in serving with such warmth and dignity. We will always remember her shining example, and the Parish Council is due to consider a lasting memorial over the forthcoming months.

A Sign of the Times - A message from Dr. Maurice from the Schoolhouse Surgery



"Like so many of us as we get older, I find myself thinking that things in general are 'not as good as they used to be.' Perhaps such thoughts are inevitable when we look back fondly on experiences, events, and services, and compare them to a current travail. Often things aren't in reality all better or all worse, but they are usually different. The world moves on around us, our individual perspectives and priorities change, as does the motivations of society as a whole. Healthcare provides an emotive example. There is widespread agreement that the NHS is in crisis and for many 'not as good as it used to be.' The reasons are numerous - some possibly unavoidable, some self-inflicted by years of centrally driven, perhaps politically motivated, interference and inadequate resourcing. Clearly the NHS is different to what it used to be - locally things have had to change in order to survive. In these astonishingly difficult conditions, we have still been trying to find ways to improve. Some appreciate this bigger picture, and the amazing efforts health service staff make on a daily basis to maintain services. Inevitably, others will perceive some things as 'not as good as they used to be.' So please continue to work with us as we seek to continually improve - if you have any feedback please go to our website - <https://middlewoodpartnership.co.uk/feedback/>. Try to avoid posting on social media - that innovation has definitely made communication 'not as good as it used to be!'"

Community Bus 'buzzin' about!



The Disley Community Bus has provided an essential service to the community for over eight years and offers a varied monthly programme of short and long trips all over the North West. There is something for everyone with recent trips including Chester, Liverpool Albert Dock, Skipton, Bury Market, local garden centres and pub lunches. The regular weekly shopping trip to a local supermarket continues to provide a highly valued service to a group of less mobile passengers, supporting their independence and social well-being.

The Parish Council is delighted to welcome six new volunteer drivers who are looking forward to meeting passengers and taking the bus out and about. The volunteer drivers are a dedicated bunch who give their time freely and are invaluable to the bus scheme which would not be able to operate without them. Very reasonable hire charges mean that the bus is available for local community groups to hire. For example, this year, the bus provided an invaluable shuttle service on Disley Show day ferrying people to and from Disley to the showground.

Details of trips are available on the village community noticeboards, at Disley Community Centre and on the Parish Council website at www.disleyparishcouncil.org.uk. For more information, to book a trip or obtain details about hiring the bus, please phone the Parish Council on 01663 762726.

All are welcome.

All change at Disley Station



Following a successful coffee morning earlier in the summer, the Friends of Disley Station (FODS), were able to replace the mixed wild plants at the station entrance with more sustainable, pollinator friendly perennial plants. No one can be in any doubt that they are at Disley, with the new running in board which was installed at the top of the slope proudly displaying the 'Best Kept Garden' award. The birds are sure to be pleased with their new bath, which will enhance their visitor experience, along with the feeders and the teasels. The latest FODS project was to replace the old wooden barrels, which were well past their best, with new lead-effect planters which should last for many years to come. FODS would like to thank Northern Rail and the High Peak and Hope Valley Community Rail Partnership who help to fund the projects. If you are interested in finding out more about FODS, please contact the Secretary, Jean Windsor, at FODSDisley@gmail.com or visit the Friends of Disley Station Facebook page.

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