



What's Happening?**

- Father Christmas in his Grotto
- Christmas tree lights switch-on
- Cheshire's Silk FM Radio DJ and stage
- Live music from Keri and the Disley Primary School Choir
- Late night shopping
- Free face painting by Disley Girl Guiding
- Roasted chestnuts and balloon stalls
- Firework finale

The Extravaganza is set to be a busy night, so parents are politely requested to keep an eye on their children.

Please support our local **businesses on the night:

Dandy Cock
Phil Ardern Butchers
Ram's Head
Stefan James Salon
Village Bakery
White Horse and many more.

Santa's sleigh will be visiting Disley on Wednesday 18th December between 6.00pm and 8.30pm. Thanks to New Mills Rangers and New Mills, Marple and District Rotary Club.

Donate through Just Giving at: www.justgiving.com/rotary-newmills-marple

Christmas trees, festive lights, the Ram Green Nativity scene and our big Christmas presents will make the village feel special throughout December, so make sure to take a walk around the village as part of your Christmas.













A Storey of Record Breaking Inspiration

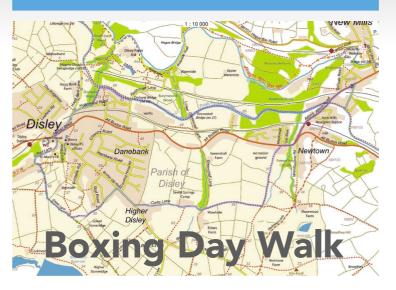
Lifelong Disley resident, Dame Sarah Storey, enjoyed an incredible 9th Paralympic Games in Paris this summer, swiftly followed by another immensely successful Road World Championships in Zurich. With the peak of her season all focused into a period spanning 24 days, the added challenge of 2024 was how to retain peak fitness over such a long competition period!

As the whole of the UK nation saw during the Parisian Olympic games, Sarah overcame a 7 second time deficit at the first time check of the time trial, to claim victory over Heidi Gaugain by just a bike length! The time trial at the world championships looked set to be an equally thrilling battle with Gaugain, but having timed her training to perfection, Sarah was able to clinch victory in the time trial by an incredible 1m 36s.

Sarah then secured her second gold in the Road Race with an outstanding 7 minute margin of victory. With 4 golds in 24 days, Sarah rewrote her own history book and has now won a total of 30 Paralympic medals including 19 gold, as well as 45 world titles, of which 6 are from her first sport of swimming. Disley Parish Council would like to give Sarah a huge well done on behalf of the village for her astounding achievements. The village is incredibly proud of her! Keep your eyes peeled for Sarah on TV in the new year for an ice surprise.

Step out of Christmas

Distance:4.25 miles (6.8 km) **Ascent:**472 ft (144 metres)



Starting at The Ram's Head, walk a short distance up Buxton Old Road and turn right up Red Lane. At the top of the hill, turn left and follow Green Lane, (footpath 28 aka Gritstone Trail) keeping to the right fork after a few yards.

Just past a row of cottages on your left, ignore the first footpath sign (located on the right hand side of the track) but bear left at the second footpath sign (footpath 30) which is located on the left hand side of the track and follow the path to re-join Buxton Old Road via Elizabeth Avenue. Turn right up the hill.

After 250 meters, take the left fork along Corks Lane and continue past Seven Springs Camp till you reach a track that comes down the slope from your right. Take the path opposite that goes through the fields (footpath 38). Follow this path due west until you reach a signpost for footpath 37.

Follow this path until you reach the A6. Cross the A6 at the pelican crossing outside the Swan, walk a short way to Albion Road. Cross at the pelican crossing. Continue along Albion Road, past Hibbert Street, cross the canal bridge. After another 120 meters, double back along Victoria Street on the right to reach the canal towpath at bridge 28. Walk past Swizzels and continue to follow the canal past the first road bridge (Lower Greenshall Lane) and leave the towpath at the next bridge 26 (Redhouse Lane).

Cross the bridge and go down the steps at the far side of the canal (footpath 42) to reach the towpath beside the houses. Just after the last house, take the path left to Sherbrooke Road (footpath 74) and reach Hollinwood Road and continue along this road to return to your starting point.

Footpaths can be wet and slippery, so please ensure you wear appropriate footwear.

You can buy a copy of Disley Footpaths Map (which includes seven fully tested walks) from Disley Parish Council, Disley Library and Fountain News.

Thanks to Chris Baker for this local walk.









Message from the Chair



Chair of Disley Parish Council, Simon Brownbill writes:

As we approach the festive season, I would like to take a moment to reflect on the incredible community spirit that makes Disley such a wonderful place to live. Over the past year, we have seen the strength of our village come to life through the everyday acts of kindness and support offered by so many.

From our local volunteers to those who simply lend a hand to their neighbours, it is these small gestures that form the strong bonds which define our community.

Disley is also home to some truly remarkable individuals, including our own sporting hero, who inspires us with her dedication and achievements on the world stage. Their success is a testament to the perseverance and resilience we see (and often don't see) mirrored throughout our village every day.

As we celebrate this festive season, let us take pride in the unique spirit of togetherness that makes Disley so special. I wish you all a joyful, peaceful, and safe holiday period, filled with warmth, laughter, and time spent with loved ones. Finally, I would like to thank the team at Disley Parish Council, who I'm sure you'll agree, do a fantastic job.



Where's That?

Can you recognise this leafy bridge in the village? The answer is in the Contact Details box on the back page. As usual, there is no prize - just the satisfaction of getting it right.

A report from Cheshire East Councillor, Sue Adams



Cllr Adams writes:

I am grateful to residents in Disley and Newtown for their continuing support. This is very important to me as it has been a challenging year given the financial difficulties faced by Cheshire East Council. I have worked hard to try to reduce the impact on our communities of the proposed cuts to library hours, the introduction of car park charges and the closure of Poynton tip.

My casework is varied and includes highways issues, missed bin collections, planning matters, social care etc. and more unusual items such as the removal of a dead deer. It is a good thing that I enjoy problem solving as the problems are many and varied.

I continue to lead the Health and Wellbeing Project Group for Disley Parish Council which works with health and social care representatives to improve the health and wellbeing of residents. A recent success was the Parents Evening at Disley Community Centre.

I continue to work with Cheshire East Highways highlighting work needed in Disley. A substantial amount of work was done on the A6 at the beginning of June including large areas of resurfacing, repairing of manholes, re-painting of road markings, releasing stuck gulley covers and gulley emptying. Further work is planned.

Double yellow lines were finally implemented on Coppice Lane/Coppice Avenue and Bentside Road, funded from my Members Highways Budget. A 'no through road' sign has been approved for The Ridgeway. I have requested a cost for dropped kerbs at the entrance to The Orchard and advice on potential safety improvements at the exit from the Newtown play area. My budget is small, but it is enabling me to get improvements for residents that would otherwise not happen.

I have a long list of highways and other matters that I am pursuing on behalf of residents, and I shall never run out of work! I would like to wish everyone in Disley and Newtown a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Christmas Events

at Disley Library

Christmas Baby Bounce

Wednesday 18th December 10:30am

Christmas Rhymetime

Thursday 19th December 2:15pm

Kids Craft Club

Saturday 21st December 9:30 -12 noon



Christmas Coffee Morning

Saturday 21st December 10 -12noon



Christmas Stories & Songs

Tuesday 24th December 10:30am





Yule love Disley Library's activities

This year we will be holding some special festive events in the library for all ages. Please look out for posters and information on our library website and Facebook page. The library will be closed from 1pm on Tuesday 24th December and will re-open at 2pm on Thursday 2nd January. Our opening hours may change from January, but we will advertise this once the results of the consultation have been finalised.

We've had a lovely busy summer this year with lots of younger members participating in our popular Summer Reading Challenge. We offer a range of fun activities across the week with Baby Bounce, Rhymetime and Lego Club. We also run a monthly Kids Craft Club and offer Stories and Songs sessions and other events during school holidays. For adults, our monthly Keen Cooks Book Group is held on the first Friday of every month 2-3pm where we discover a new recipe book and talk about (and taste) what we have been cooking that month. It's the tastiest book group in Disley. Why not come along and join in the fun, sharing a cuppa with friendly faces.

We continue to offer our IT Buddy sessions which are available for free. Whether you are a complete beginner, or need some support with a specific problem, our friendly volunteers are here to help you. You can also access Ancestry, Find My Past and Which magazines for free on our public computers!

If you love books, but find it difficult to access the library, then our Home Library Service might be for you. The service is free and run by our staff and volunteers.

Our library is again taking part as one of the Warm Spaces over the winter season, so why not pop into the library, enjoy a cuppa - maybe do a bit of the jigsaw! Further details of all regular events and activities are available from our friendly staff at Disley Library on 01625 374717 and all up to date information can be found on the Disley Library Website and our Facebook page.









Parents Information Evening - A great success!



BDP Care Community had an excellent turnout for their Parents Information Evening which was held on Thursday 5th September.

5th September. The Bollington, Disley and Poynton (BDP) Care Community organised an information evening for parents and carers, which gave an opportunity to find out about local organisations, groups and services including the NHS. The groups, and organisations spoke to residents about children, parenting and their own health and wellbeing. From SEND to School Nurses to Citizens Advice a wide range of community offers were represented. Just Drop In, Everybody

Sport and Leisure, Talking Therapies, Motherwell, Cheshire East Council, and Inspiring Animal Therapy all delivered presentations. Thanks to all involved and to Disley Parish Council for support with the community centre venue hire, Tesco Whaley Bridge who provided refreshments and BDP's Heart Heroes who carried out blood pressure and atrial fibrillation checks. Keep a look out for future BDP Care Community

Disley Friends Social Group

Everyone is welcome, particularly those with Dementia/Alzheimer's and their carers and those who live alone and would enjoy the company of others.

The group meets every second Friday of the month in the community centre. Sessions begin with a drink, table top activities and a chance to chat and catch up with each other. Following this there is always a musical activity of some kind. The Kinder handbell ringers will be revisiting in November and other visits are planned from the community choir, the ukulele band, the recorder quartet and other local musicians. Singing and music of some sort is always an important part of the afternoon.. After the music there are various other activities. It might be bingo, skittles, board games or puzzling over a quiz or a word search together. Sessions end with drinks and cake, usually kindly donated by Tesco of Whaley Bridge, or home made by one of the group.

Why not join in for fun activities, peer support, laughter and enjoyment?

The group meets at the Community Centre on the 2nd Friday of the month from 1.30-3.30. Forthcoming meeting dates: November 10th and December 8th.

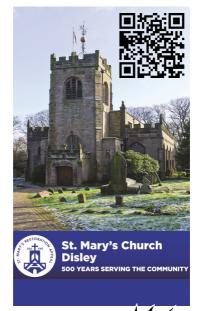


A Time to say "Thank You"

St Mary's PCC would like to give a huge Thank You to those who have donated towards St Mary's Tower Restoration Appeal Fund. So far, through the generosity of donations, fundraising events, and grants, St Mary's have raised just over £60,000 which leaves £15,000 to reach the appeal target of £75,000.

In a new initiative to reach their Stage 1 Tower Restoration Appeal target and for future donations of Stage 2, you can now have a name captured electronically in the ongoing history of St Mary's by sponsoring a stone in your own name or in memory of someone.

Simply visit their Crowdfunder page using the following link: www.crowdfunder.co.uk/p/disley-pcc-500 or scan the QR code, and include "Sponsor a stone and name" in comments.



PUDDING UP WITH LEFTOVERS

Bon Appetit!

Ingredients

250g/9oz Christmas Pudding Crumbled 250g tub mascarpone 2 tbsp Baileyís liqueur 4 sheets filo pastry 25g melted butter Icing Sugar for dusting Cream or custard to serve Method

1. Heat oven to 200C/180C Fan/gas 6.

Mix the pudding, mascarpone and Baileys. Lay out a sheet of filo on large flat baking tray, brush with some melted butter and lay another sheet on top. Repeat with more butter and

filo until you have 4 layers.

2. Place the filling in a log in the centre and brush the border with butter. Roll up to enclose the filling, then brush with the remaining butter. Can be chilled for 1 day until ready to bake. Bake for 20 mins until golden brown, dust with icing sugar and serve warm with cream or custard.











Disley Community Stars Shining Bright









On Sunday, 27th October, Disley Parish Council held its annual Civic Service Award Ceremony at St Mary's Church, where the community gathered for an inspiring service centred on the theme of unity. It was a reminder of the strength in our community and the importance of each individual's contributions. The event commenced at 11 am, and we were welcomed warmly by the St Mary's congregation, whose message on togetherness and community resonated.

Following some tasty refreshments and enjoying the sounds of Disley Choir, the highlight of the day was the presentation of our Community Star awards. This year's recipients have tirelessly given their time, efforts, and talents to making Disley a better place for all. We are thrilled to share a bit about their contributions:

Yvonne Williamson: Yvonne leads the Disley Belles, a group that brings local women together monthly for lunches and social outings. **Geoff Williamson:** Leading the 'Grumpy Old Men' group, a counterpart to the Disley Belles, Geoff ensures that the men in the village have similar social opportunities. Additionally, as a driver for the Disley Community Bus, Geoff provides a crucial service for our older residents, helping them maintain independence by offering transport for shopping trips and social outings.

Laura Weston: Laura's 14 years of service with the Disley School PTA have made a lasting impact on generations of local children. Her dedication has helped raise significant funds, enriching the learning environment and creating countless memories for Disley's young people.

Margaret Toft: Margaret's commitment to music and education in Disley has spanned decades. Through her work with the village choir, Disley School, and the village church, Margaret's teaching of instruments and her coordination of events, such as the Maypole dance have brought music and joy to many.

Julie Jones: Julie's quiet dedication to keeping our village clean through her regular litter-picking around Disley are a testament to her kindness and commitment, taking it upon herself to care for our environment and contribute to our village's beauty.

These recipients remind us of the power of individual action and the cumulative impact that dedicated service has on our village. Congratulations to all the awardees, and thank you for your invaluable contributions to Disley. Your hard work and kindness are appreciated and we look forward to celebrating many more community champions in the years to come.

Christmas is going crackers at Lyme!



If you're looking for a fun way to kick-start your Christmas, you'll be thrilled to hear that Animal Crackers is back for another year! Magnificent, unusual beasts are on the way, and this time around they'll be exploring festive traditions. You and your family can sing carols with the birds, monkey around as you learn to wassail, and join the Lord of Misrule for a winter feast! You'll enjoy a house decked out for the season - stockings hanging over the fireplace and Christmas trees laden with decorations - all animal shaped of course!

Animal Crackers is running every day from 29 November - 24 December I 11am - 3pm.

It's free for National Trust Members or included in our normal admission price. From £22.50 for a family ticket, you can enjoy a low-cost, full festive day out at Lyme this winter. Is there someone you'd like to share a festive treat with? Well, every Monday to Friday throughout December, you can surprise your favourite people with a Christmas afternoon tea! For just £24.95 a person, your afternoon tea will include a welcome drink, warming winter soup, a selection of sandwiches, sweet treats, scones with tea or coffee, and of course... mince pies!

SFC - Smartphone Free Childhood

SFC is a growing movement advocating the importance of delaying smartphones for children. We now have overwhelming evidence linking smartphones to the decline in children's mental health, including increased self-harm, eating disorders and suicide. The impact that smartphones have on attention and academic achievement cannot be underestimated. Social media bosses have admitted that it has been designed with the specific aim to addict user's brains into scrolling and clicking for longer, and we now know that our children's developing brains are particularly vulnerable to damage from this addiction. Smartphone Free Childhood are encouraging parents to come together to change this by signing the "Parent Pact"; pledging not to get their child a smartphone until at least year 9. The pact is anonymous and aims to give parent the peer support they need to create a new social norm that protects childhood and the mental health of the next generation. For more information please visit www.smartphonefreechildhood.co.uk



Cold Climate Care - Dr Andrew Maurice from the Schoolhouse Surgery has kindly provided an update.

"Are you keeping well? Most of us would agree with the old adage that prevention is better than cure. As I write, we are in the midst of the autumn vaccination programme. The uptake by the eligible individuals has been excellent. It is relatively easy to roll up one's sleeve, have a quick injection, and gain some protection against two (or for some of you, three) infections that might do us harm this winter.

I wonder how much thought we give to protecting ourselves against other illnesses, when perhaps it isn't as easy as having a jab? Heart disease and cancer remain the biggest risks to our health, and we know up to 80% of cases are associated with potentially modifiable factors. We don't always find it easy to eat healthily, to keep active, to maintain a healthy weight, and to limit our alcohol intake. However, these lifestyle choices are probably the most powerful things we can do to prevent disease. They are definitely worth that extra bit of effort. Something for a 2025 resolution? Best wishes Andrew.







Disley & District PROBUS Group continues to go from strength to strength



PROBUS has recently welcomed several new members. There have been several visits recently, including to Warrington's Police Museum, as seen in the photo, and walks from Bramhall to Disley - learning much more about the home village than some members knew. Presentations held on the second and fourth Mondays of each month have ranged across a wide range of subjects from the Brit Thomas Blake who was the originator of the growth of industry in Japan in the mid nineteenth century, early women crime writers and the history of Harold Arlen, the composer of the Wizard of Oz musical.

Club Membership is £60 per year which also entitles members to receive an electronic

Monthly Newsletter, with a round-up of all the month's activities.

So, if you are retired or retiring soon, and interested in expanding your knowledge of new topics in an environment of similarly minded people or seek a relatively non-strenuous walking group, please contact secretary Bob Harrison on 01663 732649 for more membership information. The Probus group looks forward to meeting you soon.





St Mary the Virgin Red Lane, Disley

Christmas Tree Festival

30th November – 6th December 2024

Local Groups and Organisations are invited to participate in the Christmas Tree Festival which will be held in St Mary's Church. The Festival continues St Mary's celebrations of 500 years serving the people and aims to support local groups and organisations in publicising their activities. Refreshments will be provided over the weekend and church will be open during the week following for people to view the trees.

Any organisation interested in further details regarding contributing a tree please email wilminda2015@gmail.com or telephone 01663 762308 by Monday 18th November



DISLEY COMMUNITY BUS TRIPS

Book by phone on: 01663 762726 or at the Parish Council Office, off Buxton Old Road, Disley. Trips are run by Disley Parish Council to Bury Market, Cheshire Oaks, Chatsworth Christmas Market and many more destinations

Fares are payable at the time of booking and are non-refundable unless the place can be filled. Membership fee £1.00 (new members only).

JANUARY AND FEBRUARY 2025 TRIPS: Details available on Wednesday 4th December 2024. Booking date is Monday 9th December 2024.



Christmas is coming

Dísley Community Choir welcomes you to an evening of Christmas carols and seasonal songs with a mince pie and a glass of mulled wine at

St Mary's Church, Disley

Saturday 30th November 2024

7.00pm

Adults £8 (includes a glass of wine/tea/coffee/soft drink & mince pie)

Children (under 16) £2

For tickets, please contact Kirsty on 07889886846

Curious **About Faith?**

Try Alpha.

Join us and explore together

Starts Thur 9th January 2025 at 6:30pm

Enjoy a meal and chat

Course runs over 12 weeks with a Saturday

At St Mary's Disley

Book your place through







Can you answer yes to any or all of these questions?

- Do you have social media skills?
- Do you have experience in marketing?
 Can you keep a website up to date?
- Could you spare one hour per week? Would you like to help your local community?

IF YOUR ANSWER IS 'YES', THEN PLEASE GET IN TOUCH WITH US.

Disley & Lyme Horticultural Society, founded in 1887, is one of the oldest, local societies run entirely by volunteers and is dedicated to providing horticultural related benefits and interests for the local community. We arrange garden visits, trips, talks and coffee mornings along with discounted plant sales and, most importantly, organise the much-acclaimed ANNUAL DISLEY & LYME HORTICULTURAL SHOW.

ANNUAL DISLEY & LYMÉ HÖRTICULTURAL SHOW. The Society is looking to raise greater awareness in the community through our website and local social media. We need a person to help us achieve this. If you think you fit the profile and want to help, then please contact us. The role, which is extremely rewarding, would be on a voluntary basis, is completely flexible and can be done from your own home.

In order for the Society to achieve its objectives, we also have space for a Committee Secretary, which would require attendance at monthly Committee meetings. If you are interested in either position, then please email either: Angie Took (Chair) or Alan Morris (Treasurer & Vice Chair). Email: angietook@vahoo.com or alan drakecarr@talktalk.net

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CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR OPERATING TIMES 2024/25

The Council Office will close on Tuesday 24th December 2024 at 1.00pm.

Monday 30th December 2024 - 9.00am to 1.00pm Tuesday 31st December 2024 - 9.00am to 1.00pm The Council Office will re-open on Thursday 2nd January 2025.

Disley Parish Council would like to wish all Disley & Newtown residents, businesses and visitors a happy Christmas and New Year.

Christmas 2024

Disley Parish Churches invite you to join us

Sat 30th Nov — Fri 6th Dec

Christmas Tree Festival — St Mary's Church

Sunday 1st December

Christingle and Toy Service - St Mary's, Disley - 4:00pm

Sunday 15th December

Christmas Messy Church – Disley Community Centre – 9:30am

Carols by Candlelight - St Mary's Disley - 6:30pm

Christmas Eve 24th December

Crib Service - St Mary's, Disley - 4:00pm

Village Carol Service - St John's, Furness Vale - 6:30pm

Midnight Communion - St Mary's, Disley - 11:15pm

Christmas Day 25th December

Christmas Family Communion – St Mary's, Disley – 11:00am

Have a great Christmas.

You are welcome to join us and share in the Christmas season.



Disley Baptist Church this
Christmas

Saturday 14
December
Community Centre

Sunday 22
Family Christmas Carol
December
Service 10.30 am

Christmas
Christmas Celebration
Day
10.30 am

For more information call 01663 362000

There are Christmas celebrations at all the
Churches in Disley this year. For events
run by the Methodist Church or the Roman
Catholic Church, Sacred Heart, Whaley
Bridge see their noticeboards.

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Please note the deadline for submissions for the Spring/Summer Edition 2025 of the Disley News is Friday 18th April 2025.

Please email all articles, adverts and photos to: admin@disleyparishcouncil.org.uk

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Front Cover Photo: "Lyme Cage" won by Kevin Daily in our photography competition.

The answer to the "Where's That?" photo is of the railway bridge on Greenshall Lane.

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