

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

For details of Parish Church events, please see page 8

JUNE

Saturday 2nd: The Dene House, 5pm - 8pm. Cricket Club BBQ

Saturday Sunday 2nd & 3rd: The Old Parsonage, Arley Green, 2pm - 5.30pm. NGS Open Garden

Saturday 2nd: The Dene House, 5.00 - 8.00pm. Cricket Club BBQ

Wednesday 6th: Parish Hall, 7.30pm: WI meeting

Tuesday 12th: Parish Hall, 7.45pm. Garden Club meeting

Saturday 16th: Belmont Hall, from 2pm. Parish Church fete

Saturday & Sunday 19th & 20th: Tabley Showground, 10am - 6pm: Cheshire Show

Thursday 21st: The Red Lion, 12.30pm. Ladies' lunch

Saturday & Sunday 23rd & 24th: Arley Hall & Gardens, 10am - 5pm. Arley Garden Festival

Friday 29th: Parish Church, 7.30pm. Summer Concert

JULY

Monday 2nd: Parish Hall, 7.30pm. Parish Council meeting - all welcome

CHURCH TEAS IN THE PARISH HALL

(and not forgetting the books!)

Come along on any Sunday afternoon between now and 7th October and enjoy afternoon tea and a selection of scrumptious home-made cakes.

(While you're here, we still need teams to cover 24th June, 12th & 19th August. If you can help, please contact Margaret Cross on 01606 48036 or Maggie Earl on 01565)



LADIES' LUNCH

The next Ladies' Lunch will take place at 12.30pm on Thursday 21st June at the Cock at Budworth. New-comers are always welcome! Please contact Hazel on (01606) 891908 for further information.



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BUDWORTH BULLETIN

June 2018

St. Mary & All Saints Church
Great Budworth

Garden Party
Saturday 16th June

2pm
Belmont Hall
(Cransley School)
Refreshments

Barnton Silver Band
Various Stalls
Maypole
Bouncy Castle
Draw Bar
Model railway
and more



The best laid plans of the WI were thwarted when the May speaker was unable to attend, so she was replaced at short notice by Norma Walmsley, who spoke about her life as governess to the children of the Sultan of Brunei (pictured below with his wife, Queen Saleha, their son and his wife). It was an eye-opening talk about the wealth of the Brunei royal family and the special relationship that Norma had with them. Her talk was very much enjoyed by everyone.

Members voted in favour of the resolution to raise awareness of the need to help those of all ages suffering mental health problems: it was carried unanimously.

Details of trips were announced: to Erdigg (by coach) on 12th July, and to the Chinese terracotta army in Liverpool (by train) in September.

On Wednesday 6th June at the Parish Hall at 7.30pm we have a talk by Suzie Appleton on the life and times of Elizabeth Raffald who was the housekeeper at Arley Hall. She wrote a book on house-keeping and cookery, one of the first of her time. Members and guests are most welcome.



We are doing a bran tub at the Church Fete, so members are asked to bring suitable prizes, ready wrapped, on the 16th June for the fete.

Many thanks to all for your help and support at the plant and teas on Bank holiday Monday - it went well.

June Wilkinson tel.891534

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St. Mary And All Saints Church

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A Summer Concert

with The Cheshire Youth Choir, The Cheshire Big Band and 'Shop Direct' workplace choir.

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Friday 29th June at 7.30pm

Tickets £10 - under 16s free

Light refreshments

Details: Margaret Cross 07732324001

Pauline Ridgway 01565 733494



The village is well represented at the Cheshire Show. Church members are involved in the preparation of the Church tent for the service on Monday evening at 7.30pm. The Ice Cream Farm have a stand in the Cheese Marquee selling cones and are also to be found on the far side of the showground by the food hall. The WI have entries in the WI tent with paintings, photographs and homemade jewellery, as well as entries from Antrobus, Comberbach and Pickmere WIs, so the show is well worth a visit!

The show is at the Tabley showground. Tickets are available from the show office and are slightly cheaper if purchased before the date.

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Great Budworth Cricket Club News



The fantastic summer weather has given a good start to our season, and has helped to dry out the pitch at Arley, so most of our matches can now be played there.

As always, new members are most welcome and if you are interested in playing in a match then give Peter McAndrew a ring on 01606 891213

Our start of the season BBQ is on Saturday 2nd June 5.00—8.00pm at The Dene

House, Great Budworth. Tickets, £10 each, are still available from Maggie Blower (01606 891213).

We hope that you will be able to join us at some of this season's matches, which are as follows:

6th June at 6.00pm away at Lymm

9th June at 2.00pm Antrobus at Arley

13th June at 6.00pm Wyncote Ramblers at Arley

21st June at 6.00pm Quarter Club at Arley

24th June at 1.00pm Manchester Racquets at Arley

27th June at 6.00pm Barnton at Arley

30th June at 1.00pm King Richards Crusaders at Arley

4th July at 6.00pm Moss Hey at Arley

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GARDEN CLUB

Another full house, including new members, attended when Fiona Lee showed us some excellent slides of her favourite gardens in the North West, and told us how best to take photographs. A very good meeting. She was eloquently thanked by Barbara Wild.



Members made their last holiday payments, and received the plug plant given by Eddie Horrigan, to grow on for our September show. And there was an excellent plant stall.

There is a coach trip on Tuesday 17 July, to Morton Hall and Meadow Hall Farm, near Reddich, leaving the Ice Cream Farm at 8.00-8.30 and returning about 6pm.

The summer coach trips are open to non-members and guests: all villagers and friends are welcome. The cost is £30pp for coach, two garden entries, and coffee and cake at the first garden, and for ease, we are taking our own packed lunches. This trip is available to everyone, and there are some spaces, so please contact me to add your names.

The next meeting is on 12 June - members only - when we will have a flower demonstration by Sylvia Godber and the club provides strawberries and cream, but bring your own drinks. A raffle will be held for the flowers.

Please contact me in the first instance, for any Garden Club information and to book a place on the day trip.

Jean Davies 01606 892383 / 0789993 7683



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The Parish Council met on 14 May: first, for its Annual Parish Meeting, during which the Chairman and the Clerk presented reports which reviewed the past year, followed by the Annual General Meeting of the Parish Council, which started to plan the year ahead, including Councillors' roles. I am grateful to my fellow councillors for their trust in re-electing me as Chairman. Rob Collier is reprising his role as Vice Chairman.

A large part of the meeting was devoted to the impact of Mammoth Films on the village during the fortnight of filming of 'War of the Worlds'. A small number of residents from Church Street complained about the impact this had and the lack of recompense for individual households. There were also favourable comments from householders whose needs and wishes had been readily accommodated with humour and politeness. The Parish Council agreed that letters should be sent to householders in Church Street and the top of High Street, asking for comments on the effect (and costs) of the filming on their individual households so that the Parish Council can report back to Mammoth Films on their behalf.

The meeting then discussed a range of project options (listed on pages 6 and 7 of this issue) which could be implemented with the funds donated by Mammoth Films to the Parish Council. Thanks to all who put forward suggestions. The total given by Mammoth is £27,500.00. A portion of this (£5k) is ring fenced for improvements to the Parish Field. I hope to be able to report on the decisions taken regarding projects in September.

Parking - and measures to improve it - also formed part of the debate. One suggestion is that we give serious consideration to putting in double yellow lines; do please let me (hilaritykeithbrudenell@btinternet.com) or any other Parish Councillor have your views. There were also reports on progress on the badger-beset east end of Westage Lane and the condition of Heath Lane. We are in dialogue with Cheshire West and Chester about Heath Lane (at least it is now dry!). Cheshire East has at last produced a project plan (for details see opposite page) that gives a re-opening date for Westage Lane at the end of 2018, with the caveat that if any part of the plan is delayed then the re-opening of the road will be put back!

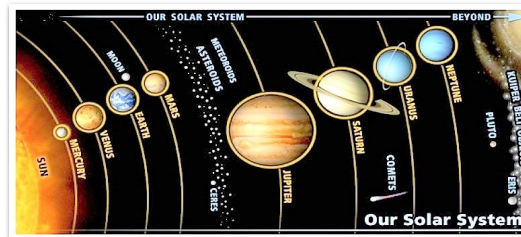
Our next meeting is on 2 July, 7.30pm in the Parish Hall.

Do come and join us.

Hilary Brudenell, Chairman



NIGHT SKY IN JUNE



As we approach the summer solstice on 21 June the real dark nights are short. However we can still see some planets quite well and Venus is prominent in the northwest just after sunset.

Jupiter lies towards the south and is close to the moon on 23 June, while Saturn is low down in the SE all this month and visible all night - with a

pair of good binoculars you will see the magnificent rings around this planet. The red planet Mars rises in the SE after midnight as it crawls eastwards in the constellation Capricorn: it will be close to the moon on 3rd-4th June as they rise together.

Hoping for clear skies, Tony Flynn.



Calling all children in the parish!

There are FREE sunflower plants for every child who would like to grow their own sunflower, available from Lesley at Bakery Cottage High Street. There will be prizes for the tallest sunflower and for the one with the biggest flower head. Good luck!



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CHURCH NEWS

Dates for the diary

Saturday 2nd at 5.00pm: Ordination of Priests, Chester Cathedral

Thursday 7th at 7.30pm: Celtic Evening Prayer in the Lady Chapel

Saturday 16th at 2.00pm: Annual Garden Party in the grounds of Cransley School, Belmont Hall (please note change of venue)

Monday 18th at 7.30pm: Opening Service, Cheshire Show

Friday 29th 7.30pm: Concert in Church – Cheshire Youth Choir and Cheshire Big Band and Shop Direct Workplace Choir – a wonderful mix of classical, jazz and contemporary/popular music – conducted by Ian Chesworth. Tickets £10 (children under 16 free) with light refreshments (drinks and legendary Great Budworth canapés!)

Saturday 30th at 1.00pm: Friends of Great Budworth Church trip to the Chester Mystery Plays, Chester Cathedral

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SCHEDULE OF REPAIR WORK ON WESTAGE LANE

April: Carry out Ground Penetrating Radar survey (this uses radar pulses to create an image of the subsurface).

May: Carry out a baiting exercise to prove the levels of badger activity and confirm the status of setts, prior to applying for a licence from Natural England to carry out the necessary remedial work. Apply for a licence.

July/August: Carry out remedial work, including the construction of new setts.

November: Close main setts; carry out further work to prevent future excavation; repair the carriageway; re-open the road.



The Parish Council is advised that the application process may well identify further works and the detail of the solution has yet to be finalised. These things can take time, we're told, and the programme could be extended. No work can be carried out between December and June, so if the work is not completed by December we shall have to wait until next year before it can be completed.

PARISH COUNCIL

One Councillor Vacancy - Could it be you?

Upon the resignation of one of our Councillors, a vacancy has arisen for a Parish Councillor in Great Budworth. If you are interested in learning more about the role of Parish Councillor, please feel free to contact the Clerk - or any of our serving Councillors (details are on the Great Budworth website).

Any person wishing to serve as a Councillor should write to the Council at the address below, giving details and information about themselves and their background, and why they wish to become a Parish Councillor, by no later than Monday 11th June 2018. Please see the formal notice in the Top Pump House.

Clerk address: Rachel Ollier, Beech House, Hall Lane, Pickmere, Knutsford, WA16 0JQ



Parish Council Small Grants



The Parish Council is once again opening its Small Grant Programme to voluntary and community groups in the Great Budworth area. If you are interested in learning more or making an application, please contact the Clerk (Rachel Ollier) at greatbudworthparishclerk@gmail.com, or in writing to Beech House, Hall Lane, Pickmere, Knutsford, WA16 0JQ.

PARISH PROJECT SUGGESTIONS

The following is a list of projects proposed by the Parish Council or residents in response to the request by the Chairman of the Parish Council in the May Budworth Bulletin for suggested projects that could be undertaken with the funds from Mammoth Productions. These will be discussed by the Parish Council, so do attend upcoming meetings if you want a say in what is undertaken!

1. Since households in High Street and Church Street are badly affected by the parking issues in the village, engage a planning consultant to come up with a solution to this intractable problem, to include considering the idea of double yellow lines.
2. Try to purchase a strip of land for a footpath on the south side of the currently closed part of Westage Lane, where The Avenue meets it. When the Lane reopens (!) to traffic, pedestrians will be risking life and limb. Budworth is not well blessed with safe, easy pathways for the less able to climb stiles and tramp unmade tracks!
3. Resurfacing The Avenue between Farthing Lane and Westage Lane (cost c£5-10,000).
4. Provide a parking and hardstanding area at the bottom of Farthing Lane to ease congestion of school traffic in Church Street/High Street (cost c£4,200.00).
5. Improve parking facilities on the Parish Field with a suitable surface (cost c£5,200).
6. Posts/signage in the village to have a regular maintenance/cleaning programme.
7. The tennis club committee are considering the provision of lighting to enable play in the spring and autumn when the light fades (cost c£12,777).
8. Make the centre of the village a 'no parking' area, with either short tasteful wooden posts installed at the end of all the cobbled areas or block paving installed in the village square area to prevent parking in this most picturesque area of the village.
9. A permanent cover over the three car parking spaces adjacent to the public house to prevent bird muck marring and damaging car roofs.
10. Identify some features in the centre of the village that could utilise the two finials that we are currently not using - maybe signposts for village features.
11. Better signage/lighting on the Parish Field, as well as improved all weather surfacing (there are still some very boggy/soft areas).
12. Some sort of permissive pathway along Budworth Lane towards Comberbach, from the top of the hill, just beyond Rhosmere House, to Brownslow House where the pavement proper starts. People do like walking between the villages, but it's very dangerous. A path could be made along the road on either side, just inside the field.

In addition to suggestions about ways of spending money, there were other suggestions involving either no expense or saving money. There were also a couple of observations. These are listed below:

1. Projects should be aimed at improving the environment of Budworth, and/or the health and well-being of residents.
2. The path at the far end of The Avenue is now so much improved after the Contractor
(continued on the next page)

cleaned it I think that, provided this is repeated after each Autumn, there may be no need to spend money on resurfacing the remainder.

3. We don't any more benches.
4. Whatever projects are undertaken, I think a sizeable proportion of the Mammoth funding should be set aside 'for a rainy day'.

The Old Parsonage, Arley Green, CW9 6LZ

Saturday & Sunday 2nd & 3rd June, 2.00pm - 5.30pm

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SCHOOL NEWS



After a busy week of tests and assessments, we made good use of the lovely weather to walk to the Ice Cream Farm for an extra special Friday afternoon treat. We are so lucky that our school is in the heart of such a beautiful village where we can often take advantage of the glorious surroundings for the benefit of our pupils.

The staff and children have been working hard this term, as always, both in the classroom and out – especially as they spent time perfecting their maypole skills ready for our Maypole afternoon on 25th May. We also planned for going to church to hold our own mock 'Royal Wedding', with 'Prince Harry', 'Meghan Markle' and other members of the royal family walking down the cobbles!

We are, of course, also looking forward to the two-week Whit holidays, before returning for a busy end to the summer term. Keep up to date with our goings on and see some great photos of the children at the Ice Cream Farm on Twitter @GreatBudworthps.