

DECEMBER - JANUARY DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

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DECEMBER

Tuesday 3rd. Parish Hall, 7pm. Garden Club Christmas Party

Wednesday 4th. Parish Hall, 7pm. W.I. meeting. Wreath making (members only)

Tuesday 17th. Parish Church, 7.30pm. Equali Ladies' Choir

Tuesday 31st. Parish Hall, from 8.00pm. Village New Year's Eve Dinner & Party

JANUARY

Monday 6th. Parish Hall, 7.30pm. Parish Council meeting. All welcome.

Wednesday 8th. Parish Hall, 7.30pm. W.I. meeting.

Monday 20th. **COPY DEADLINE FOR FEBRUARY ISSUE OF THE BULLETIN**

Monday 27th. George & Dragon pub, 7pm. Burns Night

EQUALI LADIES' CHOIR

and

THE CHAMPIONSHIP TCTC GROUP BRASS BAND

CHRISTMAS CAROL CONCERT

Tuesday 17th December at 7.30pm

St Mary & All Saints Church
Great Budworth

Tickets: £8 (children free of charge)
includes mulled wine and festive nibbles!

For tickets, contact Martha Hine on 07854 011 805



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*Season's Greetings
to all Bulletin readers!*

A NEW HAZARD IN WESTAGE LANE?

Local people may have seen the small notice recently placed on Westage Lane announcing the plan by BT to install six poles to support lines to bring fibre broadband to the housing development attached to Hield House Farm in Dark Lane.

The six poles will be placed at 50 metre intervals on the roadside, outside the hedge, starting half-way from Hield Grove, with the poles linking to the telephone pole on the corner of Heath Lane and Westage Lane.

This stretch of Westage Lane is particularly narrow and winding. It has no pavement, two blind corners and a speed limit of 60mph! It seems obvious that the hazard could be reduced by placing the poles inside the hedge. This point has been raised with the BT Pole Objection Team.

This length of road is partly within both Cheshire East and Cheshire West. Both authorities have been informed by BT of their plans, but so far they have not responded.

These concerns were raised at Great Budworth Parish Council meeting on 3rd November, when it was decided to raise the road safety issue with BT.



CHRISTMAS WREATH WORKSHOPS

AT GUIDE POST FARM, CANN LANE, CW9 6LX

Come and have a luxurious, creative and relaxing time when I'll demonstrate lots of ideas for Christmas decorating—then you'll make your own Christmas door wreath.

Starting Saturday 30th November, through to Saturday 7th December.

9:30am -12:30pm each morning

Bring a strong pair of scissors, an apron, a bag of mixed foliage and warm clothes (we are in the barn!). Teas, coffee, cakes and mince pies in good supply.

£30 (includes all refreshments)

Why not join us at the
George and Dragon
Monday 27th January 2020

for a traditional

BURNS NIGHT

returning by popular request and at a ticket price of £33
(held at last year's price).

The same traditional format for the evening - with a few
surprises!

Piper James Axon will once again pipe in the haggis and Robert
Fraser will deliver the traditional Toast.

Book your tickets as soon as possible by emailing
jimmartin100@googlemail.com with your address details and
the names of the people in your party.

You will then be advised of payment arrangements.

Thank you to Viscount Christopher Wright and the George and
Dragon for supporting this fundraising event, now for the fifth
year.

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and the
New Year?

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Thank you to everyone for their support at the WI Quiz. We had a great evening with a packed village hall. There were 13 teams and Alan Greenway and Mary Harris produced a good variety of questions. The winners, S.L.A.M (alias Sally Grey's team), got 102 points out of a possible 125, so well done to them.

The AGM supper was enjoyed by all present, as was Heather's 'egg-heads' quiz. Many thanks to all the members who carried on without the help of their lovely President who was unable to be there!!

We are looking forward to our next meeting, which starts at the earlier time of 7pm on Wednesday 4th December at the Parish Hall. We shall be having a go at making a Christmas Wreath with the expert help of Maggie Earl. This is for members only, but we will enjoy adorning our front doors with the results of the evening so they can be enjoyed by all. Members are reminded to bring a carrier bag of green foliage, suitable decorations for a door wreath, secateurs and garden gloves. The rings will be provided by Maggie.

As this is a Bulletin double issue I must remind everyone that the next meeting after all the Christmas and New Year festivities is on Wednesday 8th January 2020. Subscriptions for 2020 will be due and we begin a new programme with a talk and demonstration on the making of soap by Matthew Lepp. So it will be a good clean start to 2020! The competition will be for your favourite Christmas Card.

Enjoy all the Festivities and we wish everyone a Special Christmas and a Happy and Healthy New Year .

June Wilkinson 891534

We just wanted to say a big thank you to all those who supported the Halloween party. Although many villagers were away on half term holidays, a great time was had by all who attended and a donation of proceeds has been made to GB Primary School. The spooky decorations and food were enjoyed by everyone and pumpkin painting was a big hit with the children.

The Budworth Pumpkins



100+ Club Winners

The winners for October are as follows:

1st prize £25 - Lynda Flynn (no. 68)

2nd prize £20 - Keith Brudenell (no. 20)

Thanks to all the villagers who have joined up this year!

Join friends and neighbours at the Parish Hall for **A MAGICAL NEW YEAR'S EVE DINNER**



The programme:

8.00 pm : Drinks & canapés on arrival

9.00pm: Dinner

(two-course meal provided, but bring your own wine)

Mesmerising entertainment by Jax, the exceptional magician.

11.50pm: Adjourn to the village 'square' to join
other revellers in singing Auld Lang Syne at midnight

Tickets: £30 (no increase on last year)

Book tickets before 24th December

Contact: Jenny Bowman (891431) or Hazel Forwood (891908)

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A Warm Welcome to New Westage Lane Residents

We welcome to Westage Lane Jack Grogan and Lois Dewey along with their new baby daughter, Bonnie Violet. We hope they will all enjoy living in Great Budworth.

We also welcome Jackie and Ian Byrne (pictured), who moved into Pauline Jordan's old house at the beginning of November. They and their families have lived in the South Warrington area for many years and Ian sails his Solo at Budworth Sailing Club, so they are no strangers to Great Budworth.

In 2015 Jackie and Ian both took a career break and went on a two-year great sailing adventure in their Rival 38 yacht. They crossed the Bay of Biscay, sailed down the coasts of Spain and Portugal, wintered in Lagos, Algarve and then travelled on to Porto Santo and the Canary Islands. The photo is from that trip.

Both have now returned to the world of work: Jackie on a part-time basis as Finance Manager for Warrington & Halton Music Support Service and also doing internal audit work in schools on a consultancy basis. Ian is Land & Property Director at D. Morgan plc in Ellesmere Port.

Jackie and Ian are keen to be involved in the community, so do please welcome them when you see them!





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GARDEN CLUB

The weather is getting colder and our gardens are becoming bare; the winter is upon us, so we enjoy our wonderful festivities. The committee had a private visit to the new RHS Bridgewater garden in Worsley, Salford, which is due to open in July 2020. We had to don high viz jackets and helmets in order to see this garden under construction. It will have the largest walled garden in the UK: it has already been planted out and looks stunning. By the time it opens, the initial investment will have amounted to £32 million and the entire scheme covers a 154-acre site. Linda Anderson was our guide and she is coming to speak to the club in February, after the AGM.



We had an interesting talk in November from Adrian Lovatt, head gardener at Cogshall Hall/Grange. The property is for sale: and he is included with it! - because, as he said, he created that wonderful garden, which some of us saw when it was open for NGS for a few years. So, don't worry about the gardening work required, just put in your bid, a mere £12.5 million! Cogshall and its garden were designed by Tom Stuart Smith, the garden designer of the day in the 20th century. Adrian was thanked excellently by Janet Mounfield, a neighbour of Cogshall.

At the end of the evening, Brenda Yates gave us an update on badger vaccination in our area and gave out papers to illustrate this.

The next big event is our Members' Christmas Party, which will be held on Tuesday 3rd December in the Parish Hall from 7.00pm. Tickets are £3 and we all bring suggested food for a sumptuous buffet table. This year we have an entertainer, an excellent singer to give the party night a zing! Please get your tickets (in advance only) from Jane Fairclough 01606 891131, or contact me or any committee member. This will be a fabulous night.

There is no meeting in January, and the AGM is on 11th February in the hall at 7.30pm. Please send any resignations or apologies to the secretary Sylvia Godber on 01606 892517 in good time so the next year can be planned.

Remember to tend your 8 inch pot of any choice of spring bulbs for the competition in April.

As ever, another year is nearly over - quicker each time, it seems - but let us reflect on the wonderful speakers and events we've had this year. I do thank you all for your friendship and support in 2019.

Have a great Christmas and a wonderful new year.

Jean Davies.
 01606 892383 / 07899937683

CHURCH NEWS



DECEMBER

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| Sunday 1st | 10.30am | All Age Worship – Toy Service (new toys for donation to family/children's charity for Christmas) |
| Wednesday 4th | 10.30am | Holy Communion followed by coffee |
| Thursday 5th | 7.30pm | Evening Prayer / Compline for Advent (short reflective service) |
| Thursday 12th | 2.00pm | Play and Praise |
| | 7.30pm | Evening Prayer / Compline for Advent |
| Sunday 15th | 6.30pm | Nine Lessons and Carols at Arley Chapel (Light refreshments afterwards) |
| Tuesday 17th | 7.30pm | Equali Choir Christmas Concert (Tickets £8, under 16's free, Light refreshments included. Contact Cransley School) |
| Wednesday 18th | 10.00am | Cransley School Christmas Service in church |
| Thursday 19th | 7.30pm | Evening Prayer / Compline for Advent |
| Friday 20th | 1.30pm | Gt. Budworth and Antrobus Schools joint Carol Service in church |
| Sunday 22nd | 4.00pm | Nine Lessons and Carols at Great Budworth |
| Tuesday 24th | 4.00pm | Christmas Eve Crib and Christingle Service |
| | 11.30pm | Midnight Communion |
| Wednesday 25th | 8.00am | Christmas Day Holy Communion |
| | 10.30am | Family Communion (children invited to bring their favourite present to show) |
| Sunday 29th | 10.30am | Parish Communion (Note: there will be no 8.00am service) |

JANUARY

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| Wednesday 1st | 10.30am | Holy Communion followed by coffee |
| Thursday 2nd | 7.30pm | Celtic Evening Prayer |
| Sunday 5th | 8.00am | Holy Communion |
| | 10.30am | All Age Worship – Epiphany |
| Sunday 12th | 10.30am | Plough Service at Great Budworth |
| | 3.30pm | Plough Service at Chester Cathedral (Note: there will be no 4.00pm service) |

Please join us for any or all of the services through this contemplative and joyous time of year. We welcome you.

The Ministry Team at St. Mary and All Saints wish you all a joyful and blessed Christmas and a happy and peaceful New Year.



Put the date in your diary! BIG BOYS' BREAKFAST Sunday, 2nd February 2020

Location: Great Budworth Parish Hall as usual

Open for food service 9am until mid day

(Please come early for maximum choice – when it's gone, it's gone!)

In response to requests from some patrons, we will supply decaffeinated coffee for wimps, gluten-free sausages and bread for coeliacs and vegetable sausages for vegetarians as well as the conventional calorie-laden gastro delight of a traditional big British breakfast provided by the Great Budworth Big Boys. And for the first time there'll be a porridge option for those wanting a soluble fibre starter.

Cost: Remains the same for the fourth year running:

just £12 for adults and £6 for little ones.

For more details please contact:

Dave Hiett (891019), Richard Elias (892141) or Don Hammond (891397).

Fundraising for village causes.



ASTON-BY-BUDWORTH – HIELD GROVE PLAY AREA

APPEAL FOR SUPPORT

As you may already know, Aston-by-Budworth resident, Ben Benson Snr, has been campaigning for new play area equipment in the Hield Grove area.

Cllr. Kate Parkinson is helping Mr Benson and, together with the assistance of Cheshire East Council (CEC) and ANSA Environmental Services (a company owned and controlled by CEC), they are applying for a grant to help fund this project. Aston-by-Budworth Parish Council are in full support of this proposal, and Mr Benson has kindly donated £1,000 of his own money to start the ball rolling.

Outdoors play equipment is so important for children and families. It encourages physical activity, a love of the outdoors and quality family and friends time that are so important to a child's development.

We are asking you to write in with letters of support for the project, which can help secure the funding we need.

The email address to do so is: parks@ansa.co.uk or post your letters to Ansa Environmental Services, Environmental Hub, Cledford Lane, Middlewich, CW10 0JR. These letters need to be sent as soon as possible, please.

If you have any queries about this project, please email Cllr Kate Parkinson at kate.parkinson@cheshireeast.gov.uk

Also, if you would like to donate to this project, please contact Mr Benson on 07812 068974 or email benbensonsnr@msn.com

The last Parish Council meeting was held on 4th November. The agenda items are summarised below:



1. A meeting has been held with CW&C Highways: one option being considered is to paint an 'H' bar across the driveways of those properties on High Street whose owners frequently have problems driving into and out of their driveways owing to thoughtless parking.
2. A meeting was held between representatives of the PHC and PC. The principles of a new agreement have been tabled for final review.
3. Trinity Construction have been appointed to undertake repairs to the Lower Pump House. This work was due to start in mid-October. However, owing to unforeseen circumstances, the work was delayed until the end of November.
4. Work was logged with CW&C to clear various drains and gullies in the village. Any similar problems can be logged via the CW&C website (www.cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk/residents/contact-us)
5. Concerns have been raised by many regarding dog fouling on The Avenue and Smithy Lane. This has been raised with CW&C, who have attended. Such complaints can be logged via the CW&C website (as at Item 4).
6. Cllr Hammond has followed up on concerns raised regarding the increased air traffic noise and has been working with Manchester Airport to understand the implications of the proposed new flight path routes.
7. Works have been instructed and completed to clear The Avenue of invasive foliage.

Project updates are as follows:

1. The measures currently employed to manage parking in the centre of the village are proving unsuccessful. Alternative options are still being considered.
2. A bench (donated by the New Year's Eve party organisers) has been installed at the junction of The Avenue and Farthings Lane.
3. There are ongoing works required around the village. Anyone prepared to spare some time to volunteer to help out with working groups should forward contact details to Gill Ayres, the Parish Clerk (greatbudworthparishclerk@gmail.com) or contact any of the Parish Councillors (names and contact details are on the village notice board).

Cllr. Rob Collier, Chairman, Great Budworth Parish Council

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Emma: tel. 01606 891 229;
07704 074 979

SCHOOL NEWS

Our sincere thanks to everyone who joined us for our Christmas Fair on Sunday 24th November. It was very well attended and we raised the magnificent sum of £1,050, which will go towards resources for our new school library.

The children have also been busy raising money for others with an Odd Sock Day for the Anti-bullying Alliance and a cake sale for Children in Need.

One of our Teaching Assistants, Miss Bratherton, has recently been on a week-long training course to learn about how we can set up a Forest School here. She would love to have any donations of ropes, tarpaulins and guy ropes. Thank you.

Our new free mums and tots group has been very popular and new members with children aged up to 4 are always welcome. They meet in the school on Tuesdays during term time from 1.30 to 2.30pm. Feel free to turn up, or ring the school on 01606 891383.



ICE CREAM FARM



The Ice Cream Farm is still open each weekend 12 noon to 4pm for light lunches, home-made cakes and scones with jam and cream, as well as ice creams.

Cartons of ice cream are reduced in price but the choice is limited and when it's gone, it's gone. We close on the 15th December and we don't open again until the first weekend in March 2020.

We wish all our customers a very special time at Christmas. Many thanks for all your support over the summer months. It has been a year of contrasts - very wet, very dry, very hot then very wet again. That just about sums it up!!!

June & Rachel

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